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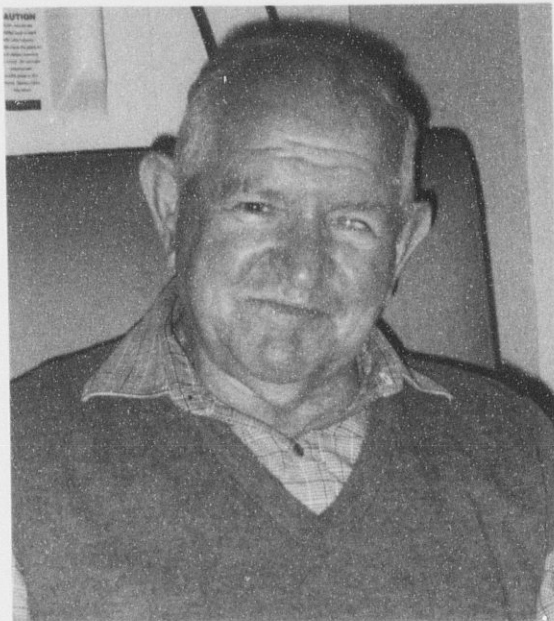
Westport, Massachusetts

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"The Coastal Agricultural Resource Community of New England"

This Report is dedicated in the Memory of George A. Medeiros



**Board of Assessors/Full-Time Assessors
1968 – 1995**

**George Also Served on Many Committees and Boards.
He will be remembered as a valuable employee, as a leader in
agriculture throughout the area, a hard worker, an exceptional
family man and a friend to all who new him.**

**COVER PHOTO: Photograph of the Shellfish Hatchery Building Donated to the
Town by the Southeastern Shellfish Association.**

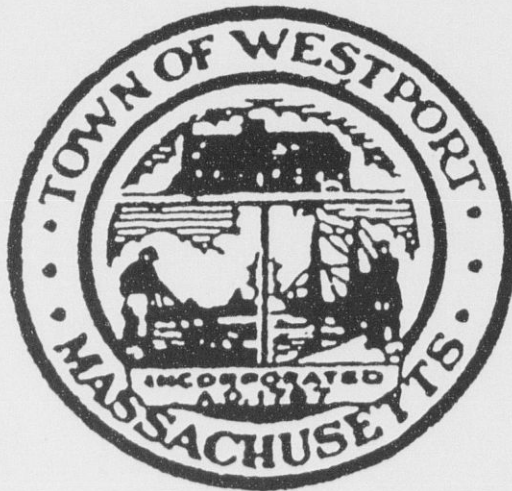
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**TOWN OF WESTPORT
ANNUAL REPORTS**

2003



**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
&
OTHER BOARDS OF OFFICERS**

Including a Statement of the
Receipts and Expenditures
for the Fiscal Year Ending
June 30, 2003

IN MEMORIAM

OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WHO SERVED THE TOWN OF
WESTPORT AND PASSED AWAY DURING THE YEAR 2003

VIRGINIA F. AMARAL (Retired)
School Cafeteria Department Head

RAYMOND R. REYCKERT
School Custodian

PRUDENCE B. BRIGHTMAN
Poll Worker

JOHN RODRIGUES
Highway Department

JOSEPH A. CAMPBELL
Registrar of Voters

LILLIAN A. THIBAULT
School Teacher

CLARKE CHASE III
Soil Board/Conservation Commission

ELEANOR S. TRIPP
Town historian

RUSSELL B. DAVIS
Public Welfare Board

LORMAN TRUEBLOOD
Council on Aging

LOUIS F. FINUCCI, JR.
School Teacher

KENDAL B. TURNER
School Committee/Cable Advisory Committee

RALPH GREENHALGH
Inspector of Wires

KENNETH P. WALKER
Collector of Taxes/Housing Authority

WILLIAM F. LONG, JR.
Town Counsel

ERNEST VOHNOUTKA
Inspector of Wires

GEORGE R. MEDEIROS
Board of Assessors/Full-Time Assessor
Various Boards & Committees

JANICE I. MIGNEAULT
School Teacher

A TRIBUTE

**TO THE FOLLOWING FORMER EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE
DEDICATED AT LEAST FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE TOWN
NOW RETIRED OR NO LONGER WORKING FOR THE TOWN**

ANITA E. BARON (Retired)

Library Director – Westport Free Public Library
December 12, 1973 – December 31, 2003

CHRISTOPHER J. CAPONE (Resigned)

Conservation Agent – May 17, 1993 – October 1, 2003

GEORGE F. DEAN

Finance Committee
1997 - 2003

MICHAEL R. HEALY (Retired)

Chief of Police
March 1, 1997 – August 12, 2002

CALVIN HOPKINSON

Soil Board/Conservation Commission
1983 – 1990 & 1997 -2003

JAMES J. LONG (Resigned)

Community Center Committee/Recreation Commission
1993 - 2003

GARY E. MAUK

Finance Committee
1994 - 2003

RAYMOND L. MEDEIROS

Subdivision & Zoning Board of Appeals
1970 – 2003

HENRY J. VAILLANCOURT, JR. (Resigned)

Deputy Shellfish Warden
1995 - 2003

ABOUT WESTPORT

SETTLED:

1670 - Incorporated July 2, 1787
200 years old in 1987

COUNTY:

Bristol

POPULATION:

1950 - 4,987
1960 - 7,185
1970 - 9,313
1980 - 13,604
1990 - 13,241
2000 - 14,206
2003 - 14,584

AREA:

61 Square Miles - 33,900 acres (Road Mileage - approximately
140 miles of accepted street, not including Routes 6, 88 & 177)

HIGHEST ELEVATION ABOVE SEA LEVEL:

240 Feet

TAX RATE:

| | |
|-------------|---------|
| 2002 - 2003 | \$ 8.25 |
| 2001 - 2002 | \$ 8.25 |
| 2000 - 2001 | \$10.20 |
| 1999 - 2000 | \$ 9.33 |
| 1998 - 1999 | \$10.12 |

FORM OF GOVERNMENT:

Open Town Meeting - Annual Meeting 1st Tuesday in April
Board Of Selectmen/Town Administrator

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION:

2nd Monday in March

HOSPITALS NEARBY:

Charlton Memorial & St. Anne's in Fall River
St. Luke's in New Bedford

HUMAN SERVICES:

Council on Aging
Veterans Services

HEALTH:

Part-Time Community Nurse

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Full-Time Fire Department with two fire stations
Trained Paramedics & EMT's provide emergency
& ambulance service
Full-Time Police Department

UTILITIES:

Electrical service provided by Eastern Edison Company &
Commonwealth Electric Company
Natural gas service provided by Fall River Gas Company
Phone service provided by Bell Atlantic

SCHOOLS:

Public:

Elementary - Alice A. Macomber & Westport Elementary School
Westport Middle School
Westport High School
Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School
Bristol County Agricultural High School

Private:

Several private schools, nursery schools & day care centers

CHURCHES:

Three Catholic; two Congregational; one Methodist;
one Quaker, Calvary Bible; one Chapel (seasonal)

RECREATION:

State Reservation - Horseneck Beach; thirty-five miles of
shoreline and ponds provide for boating; sailing; fishing and
other water related sports; hunting; wide variety of seasonal
programs and events under the jurisdiction of the Community
Center Committee

POST OFFICES:

Main Office - 649 State Road Route 6), 02790
Central Village Station - 10 Adamsville Road, 02790
Noquochoke Station - Old County Road, 02790
Westport Point - Main Road, 02791

THE PEOPLE WHO REPRESENT YOU

GOVERNOR

Her Excellency, Jane M. Swift (R)
Room 360, State House
Boston, MA 02133

SENATORS IN CONGRESS

The Honorable Edward M. Kennedy (D)
U.S. Senate, Russell Office Building, Rm.315
Washington, D.C. 20510 or
John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Rm.2400-A
Boston, MA 02203

The Honorable John Kerry (D)
U.S. Senate, Russell Office Building, Rm.421
Washington, D.C. 20510 or
222 Milliken Blvd
Fall River, MA 02721

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 4TH DISTRICT

The Honorable Barney Frank (D)
2252 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-2104
or 558 Pleasant Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT 1ST BRISTOL DISTRICT

The Honorable Joan M. Menard
Room 520, State House, Boston, MA 02133

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT 8TH BRISTOL DISTRICT

The Honorable Michael Rodrigues (D)
Room 43, State House, Boston, MA 02133
or 151 State Road, Westport, MA 02790

BRISTOL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

P.O. Box 208
Taunton, MA 02780

Maria F. Lopes, Chairman
Arthur R. Machado
Christopher T. Saunders
Marc J. Santos, Esq., Clerk of the Board
(508) 824-9681

TOWN OFFICERS - 2003

| <u>SELECTMEN</u> | <u>TERM EXPIRES</u> |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Russell T. Hart | 2004 |
| Stewart Kirkaldy | 2005 |
| Steven J. Ouellette | 2005 |
| Elizabeth A. Collins | 2006 |
| Richard M. Tongue | 2006 |
| <u>TOWN CLERK</u> | |
| Marlene M. Samson | 2005 |
| <u>MODERATOR</u> | |
| Brad C. Brightman | 2004 |
| <u>TREASURER</u> | |
| George E. Foster | 2005 |
| <u>COLLECTOR OF TAXES</u> | |
| Carol A. Borden | 2005 |
| <u>ASSESSORS</u> | |
| Stephen J. Medeiros | 2004 |
| John J. McDermott | 2005 |
| Robert Grillo | 2006 |
| <u>BOARD OF HEALTH</u> | |
| Sean Leach | 2004 |
| Donna Lambert | 2005 |
| Brenda J. Burke | 2006 |
| <u>SCHOOL COMMITTEE</u> | |
| Anne Brown | 2004 |
| Paul Menzies | 2004 |
| Kendal Turner (deceased) | 2005 |
| Ann M. Boxler | 2006 |
| Sally Huntington | 2006 |
| Julia Bernert (appointed) | 2004 |
| <u>REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE</u> | |
| Paul Jennings | 2005 |
| <u>HIGHWAY SURVEYOR</u> | |
| Paul T. Pereira (Retired: 11/15/03) | 2005 |
| <u>FISH COMMISSIONERS</u> | |
| Daniel P. Sullivan | 2004 |
| Russell T. Hart | 2005 |
| James Coughlan | 2006 |
| <u>CONSTABLES</u> | |
| Joseph Migliori | 2005 |
| William A. Pariseau | 2005 |

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

| | |
|---------------------|------|
| Francis C. Kirkaldy | 2004 |
| Deborah J. Lee | 2004 |
| Ruth S. Manchester | 2005 |
| Pauline B. Dooley | 2005 |
| Nancy M. Dawson | 2006 |
| Susan B. Pedreira | 2006 |

TERM EXPIRESLANDING COMMISSIONERS

| | |
|--------------------------|------|
| Stafford Hart | 2004 |
| Harold J. Sisson, Jr. | 2005 |
| Christopher R. Gillespie | 2006 |
| Carl Tripp | 2006 |

HOUSING AUTHORITY

| | |
|----------------------------------------------|------|
| Joseph A. Cormier | 2004 |
| Elizabeth A. Collins | 2005 |
| Donald Maynard | 2006 |
| Marjorie A. Holden (state appointed 3/11/02) | 2006 |
| J. Duncan Albert | 2008 |

PLANNING BOARD

| | |
|----------------------|------|
| Gregory Franchetti | 2004 |
| David Wallace | 2005 |
| John Montano | 2006 |
| Timothy H. Gillespie | 2007 |
| Wayne A. Sunderland | 2008 |

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF TRUST FUNDS

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Roberta V. Costa | 2004 |
| George F. Dean | 2005 |
| George R. Medeiros (Deceased 6/19/03) | 2006 |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

VITAL STATISTICS

| | |
|------------------------|--------|
| BIRTHS | 93 |
| MARRIAGES | 82 |
| DEATHS | 129 |
| POPULATION | 14,584 |
| NUMBER OF VOTERS | 10,015 |

SPECIAL NOTICE

The Town Clerk has been advised through the Department of Vital Statistics not to publish births and deaths in the Annual Town Report, thus the reason for said records not appearing in this report.

MARRIAGES

Registered in Westport 2003

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| JANUARY | | |
| 11 | Gary Stuart Bienvenue Lorna Anne DeCosta | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 26 | Matthew O. Burlinson Susan Alexandra Caine Kennard | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| FEBRUARY | | |
| 14 | Henry E. Banville Mildred Camboia | Fall River, MA Westport, MA |
| 14 | Jordan Phillip Hawes Lori Ann Kinnas | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| MARCH | | |
| 7 | Mark S. Sousa Deborah Bond | Somerset, MA Tiverton, RI |
| 22 | John J. McMahon Donna L. Sabino | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 29 | Michael P. Cordery Tiffany Stacia Ramut | No. Dartmouth, MA Westport, MA |
| APRIL | | |
| 12 | Andrew R. Perry Elizabeth Anne Brouillard | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 12 | Paul Joseph Lariviere, Jr. Jessica Ellen Dahill | Strafford, PA Strafford, PA |
| MAY | | |
| 3 | Peter J. Szady Kady Deborah Plante | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 17 | Douglas Mitchell Beaulieu, Jr. Mary Elizabeth Perdue | Galena, OH Galena, OH |
| 17 | Michael J. Raposa Tricia J. Ellinwood | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 17 | Joseph D. Amedeo Beverly A. Gosselin | Westport, MA Fall River, MA |
| 24 | Richard F. Mello Jr. Gayle R. St Pierre | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 31 | Christopher G. Salt Karen M. Jenkins | Westport, MA Westport, MA |

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| JUNE | | |
| 7 | Stephen R. Kennedy Carol A. DeMello | Swansea, MA Swansea, MA |
| 14 | Paul A. Morris III Amy L. Mauk | Westport, Mass. Westport, Mass. |
| 14 | Matthew N. Pepin Kelly A. Nicolau | Rochester, Mass. Westport, Mass. |
| 20 | Rene Jean Fleurent Ellen Mae Tripp | Westport, Mass. Westport, Mass. |
| 21 | Stephen Richard Lawton Izabel Rose Hoague-Greenwood | Westport, Mass. Westport, Mass. |
| 21 | Mark Thomas Rezendes Tara Marie Sinnott | Westport, Mass. Westport, Mass. |
| 21 | Gary Paul Thomson Susan Marie Browne | Westport, Mass. Westport, Mass. |
| 21 | Peter Phipps Odile C. Mattiauda | Providence, RI Providence, RI |
| 21 | Thatcher W. Zembo Jennifer K. Rebello | Fall River, MA Fall River, MA |
| JULY | | |
| 5 | Douglas C. Novotny Catherine H. Morrison | El Sobrante, CA El Sobrante, CA |
| 12 | Shad D. Avila Melissa Ann Maltais | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 12 | Krister B. Adams Clarissa S. Korf | Stowe, VT New Durham, NH |
| 12 | Gregory N. Oliveira Cara L. Crowther | Westport, MA Little Compton, RI |
| 19 | Erik S. Manchester Stephanie R. Mello | Westport, MA Dartmouth, MA |
| 25 | Kenneth David Grillo Virginia F. Shaughnessy | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 26 | Michael John Ferus Jeannette Marie Brissette | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 29 | Matthew R. Rodrigues Susan A. Olsen | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| AUGUST | | |
| 1 | Thomas M. Peters, Jr. Kathleen M. Gaudreau | Westport, MA Westport, MA |

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| AUGUST | | |
| 2 | Donald A. Lambert Debra J. Keyes | Fall River, MA Somerset, MA |
| 2 | Denham S. Wood Danielle M. Tripp | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 9 | Christopher Walter Golembewski Danielle Louise Surprenant | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 9 | James E. Salmon Carol A. Mazzoni | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 9 | Kenneth A. Sullivan Maureen Sarah McElligott | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 16 | Frederick Fallowfield Anscombe Marta Balint | New Haven, CT Cluj-Napoca, Romania |
| 16 | Kevin M. Pilling Megan Elizabeth Erickson | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 22 | Normand Michaud Phyllis M. Carpenter | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 23 | Jose Roberto Sousa Cristy Morais Calheta | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 23 | Albin V. Milukas Kelly Lynn Graves | Tiverton, RI Tiverton, RI |
| 30 | Andrew G. Bettencourt Patricia J. Hanley | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 30 | Frank Barbarito Joanne Petrina Maxwell | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 31 | Brandon John Bigelow Christine Anne Leverett | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| SEPTEMBER | | |
| 6 | Bradford James Hibbert Erica Lynn Ortell | Tiverton, RI Portsmouth, RI |
| 6 | Ian Davis Tripp Michelle Rose Hough | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 6 | Todd G. Parker Hillary Webster | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 13 | Richard Mendes Sara Ann Borges | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 20 | Phillip Antonio Ragusa Stacie Lynn Paquette | Westport, MA Westport, MA |

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| SEPTEMBER | | |
| 21 | Adam David Schuyler Erica Ann Kaiser | Baltimore, MD Baltimore, MD |
| 22 | Jason R. Marion Lauren S. MacGregor | Fall River, MA Fall River, MA |
| 26 | David Richard Borges Betheny Ann Coyne | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 27 | Robert P. Dolan Kate E. Prior | Quincy, MA Quincy, MA |
| 27 | Ronald W. LaPlante Dianne M. Bessette | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 27 | John Timothy Harrington Kristyn Denise Rego | Westport, MA Swansea, MA |
| 27 | Steven James Spivey Catherine Elizabeth Carroll | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| OCTOBER | | |
| 4 | Shawn Leland Crawford Leslie A. Legacy | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 4 | Michael John Cacase Sheila Anne Miller | Newport News, VA Newport News, VA |
| 5 | Gregg N. Garnett Megan C. Hadlund | Boulder City, NV Boulder City, NV |
| 10 | Christopher M. Rossi Lauren Lucille Dufort | Riverside, RI Westport, MA |
| 11 | Keith E. Nickelson Sonia Fernandes | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 17 | Kenneth John Coelho Beth Anne Vincelette | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 19 | John Edward Sawyer Sarah Welsh Moxon | Pawtucket, RI Pawtucket, RI |
| 25 | Brian R. Legendre Kimberley B. Tripp | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| 26 | Rene Henry Deschenes Erika Lynn Mize | Tiverton, RI Tiverton, RI |
| 28 | Richard Costa Jeanne A. Pelletier | Westport, MA Westport, MA |
| NOVEMBER | | |
| 8 | William Albert Albanese Phyllis Cunningham Noyes | Westport, MA Westport, MA |

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF BRIDE & GROOM</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| NOVEMBER | | |
| 8 | David Joseph Villari, Jr. Aniette Pinheiro Alves | Fall River, MA Fall River, MA |
| 22 | Scott A. Dobihal Cori A. Woodworth | Tiverton, RI Tiverton, RI |
| 30 | Jon Christian Silva Kerry Ann Gifford | Westport, MA Fairhaven, MA |
| DECEMBER | | |
| 12 | Joseph D. Rogers Elizabeth A. Ford | Westport, Mass. Westport, Mass. |
| 18 | John Z. B. Lozinski Galina Agafonova | Westport, Mass. Ponetsk, Ukraina |
| 31 | Kenneth W. Bradley Constance Desilets | Westport, Mass. Westport, Mass. |

LICENSES ISSUED BY THE TOWN CLERK 2003

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| <u>Dog Licenses</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
| Individual | 1300 |
| Kennel | 15 |
| Amount Paid to Treasurer | \$11,350.00 |
| <u>Hunting & Fishing Licenses</u> | 189 |
| Massachusetts Waterfowl Stamps | 38 |
| Archery Stamps | 41 |
| Primitive Firearms Stamps | 43 |
| Amount Paid to Treasurer | \$ 5,013.15 |
| <u>Beach Stickers</u> | |
| Amount Paid to Treasurer | \$45,250.00 |
| <u>State Boat Ramp</u> | |
| Amount Paid to Treasurer | \$ 8,260.00 |

AUCTIONEERS LICENSES 2003

FEE \$30.00

(Licenses Expires One Year from Date of Issue)

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| George Medeiros 871 Sodom Road | Feb. 5, 2003 |
| Stephen Medeiros 920 Sodom Road | May 15, 2003 |

GASOLINE REGISTRATION RENEWALS

FEE \$10.00

(Due: On or before April 30th) ISSUED 23

JUNK COLLECTORS LICENSES 2003

FEE \$25.00

(License Expires May 1, 2004)

| | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Mid City Scrap | April 17, 2003 |
| Margaret Bothelo | April 22, 2003 |
| Anthony Fragoza | May 6, 2003 |
| Robert Desmarais | May 13, 2003 |
| Edward Pereira | June 27, 2003 |
| Excel Recycling LLC | Dec. 5, 2003 |

RAFFLE-BAZAAR PERMITS - 2003

FEE \$20.00

License Expires One Year from Date of Issue)

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| WES MAC PTO | Feb. 4, 2002 |
| Westport River Watershed Alliance | May 29, 2003 |
| Westport Book Club | June 9, 2003 |
| Westport 4-H | July 15, 2003 |
| St. John the Baptist Church | July 29, 2003 |
| Westport Art Group | Aug. 1, 2003 |
| Community Centers of Westport | Aug. 1, 2003 |
| Westport Harvest Festival | Sept. 17, 2003 |
| WHS Athletic Boosters | Sept. 18, 2003 |
| St. George Church | Oct. 21, 2003 |
| Westport Federation of Teachers | Oct. 29, 2003 |

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Gerald Coutinho 110C Pettey Lane | Armand Goyette 38 Tripp Drive |
| Leo Duquette 15 Deacon Road | Byron Trefonides 56 Monroe Street |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to submit this annual report for 2003.

Board Composition

Elizabeth Collins and Richard Tongue replaced Marjorie A. Holden and Charles A. Costa on the Board of Selectmen at the annual Town Election in March. The Board elected Steven J. Ouellette as their

Chairman, and Richard Tongue as Board Clerk, Russell T. Hart and Stewart Kirkaldy continued service as Selectmen.

Personnel

Unfortunately during the course of the year our community lost several former Town Officials and school and town employees, as you will observe in the Memoriam section of this report. The passing of Kendal Turner, a School Committee member and Cable Advisory Committee member, was a sad event.

Raymond Medeiros chose not to be re-appointed after serving as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for 33 years and Anita Baron retired effective December 31st after having served 30 years as librarian for the Westport Free Public Library. Highway Surveyor Paul Pereira retired in November after serving several years in various positions in the Westport Highway Department and as its Highway Surveyor for over 13 years. Also, Brian Beaulieu, Firefighter/EMT and reservist, was called to duty in Iraq.

In July, the Board hosted an **Employee Appreciation Day** to thank our dedicated employees for all they have done.

We are proud to inform you that Gary Sherman was awarded the Massachusetts Shellfish Officers Association **Constable of the Year** award.

Financial Issues

Despite early predictions that state aid would be greatly reduced to cities and towns, the Town made out well in comparison to other communities. While some towns were cut 15 to 20 percent, Westport fared out at just over a 5% reduction. At our May 13th Annual Town Meeting the budget was balanced without an override. Town Officials, Department Heads and the Finance Committee spent many long hours attaining this goal. It was addressed by reducing most budgets by 3% after being cut in Fiscal Year 2003 an average of 3.24%.

The estimated 14,700 gallons of #6 fuel oil spilled in Buzzards Bay in April was caused by a single-hulled 375 foot barge being sliced after hitting a rock or reef. That incident in itself was very costly even though some of the monies spent were reimbursed. It not only created a financial burden, it effected our beaches and was devastating to waterfowl, birds, fish and seafood, and our shellfish beds were closed for quite some time.

On the first weekend in December the area was hit hard by back-to-back snowstorms. The storm began on Friday night presenting up to eight inches followed by some rain on Saturday. Then another heavy storm hit on Sunday leaving up to another eight inches. The months of November and December placed a heavy deficit on the Snow and Ice Budget of the Highway Department. The Town will seek reimbursement for some of the funds through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency.

Housing Rehab Grant

The Housing Rehabilitation Program has successfully completed nineteen projects, including replacing eight failed septic systems. This grant program was awarded through the State's Department of Housing and Community Development. These funds enable the Town to provide housing rehabilitation assistance to low and moderate-income households. This particular program, like previous ones, has helped several elderly citizens as well as many handicapped individuals. The grant application projected assistance to twenty families. Selectmen's Secretary Charlene Wood administers the program with the capable assistance of Grant Clerk Nelia Williams and Housing Rehabilitation Specialist, Robert Maltais as well as Grant Consultant Marilyn Whalley. These employees are all compensated out of grant funds.

Miscellaneous Projects, Events and Developments

The Board is continually addressing a variety of concerns that effect our Town residents' way of life. A housing boom crafted by all time low interest rates has increased development tremendously. A Housing Partnership Committee was formed to address the need for affordable housing in town. There are several environmental concerns regarding the Chapter 40B projects planned and its effect on the Town's resources.

Long-term planning within business zones is being addressed by the newly formed Economic Development Task Force. As our population continues to grow, the Route Six Task Force along with the Massachusetts Highway Department is addressing public safety issues.

The Dredging Committee along with Harbormaster Richard Earle has moved both dredging projects closer to a reality and the newly formed Water/Sewer Committee is working in conjunction with Camp, Dresser, & McKee for the preparation of a conceptual plan to provide water and sewer along the Route 6 area.

The Board met with Lt. Governor Healey and attended various meetings with area Representatives pleading for proper *Payment in Lieu of Taxes* (PILOT) reimbursement. While the Commonwealth of Massachusetts continues to struggle financially, so has the Town's compensation for Horseneck Beach.

Through the efforts of Building Inspector Robert Maltais and the teachers and students at Diman Regional, the Heating and Air Conditioning Project at the Annex was completed.

We wish to thank the various committees, commissions and board members who so generously share their time and talents for the betterment of our community. Through their efforts townspeople enjoy the quality of life. We also want to thank our office staff Charlene Wood and Denise Bouchard for their dedicated service, and our Maintenance Specialist Glen Ballou and Kenneth Quicho for always being there when we need them.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven J. Ouellette
Russell T. Hart
Stewart Kirkaldy
Elizabeth Collins
Richard M. Tongue
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

APPOINTMENTS 2003

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Term Expires</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Daryl Gonyon | Town Administrator | 1/27/2004 |
| Charlene R. Wood | Secretary to the Board of Selectmen | |
| Denise Bouchard | Confidential Clerk to the Board of Selectmen | |
| Daryl Gonyon | Parking Clerk | At Will |
| Thomas Hancock | Volunteer Parking Officer | 6/30/2004 |
| Jack DeVeuve | Volunteer Parking Officer | 6/30/2004 |
| Kopelman and Paige | Town Counsel | At Will |
| Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehan | Labor Counsel | At Will |
| Daniel C. Perry | Special Counsel | At Will |
| Walter Smith | Special Counsel | 6/30/2004 |
| Katherine Benoit | Town Accountant | 6/30/2006 |
| Glen Ballou | Principal Maintenance Specialist - Town Hall, Annex, Police Station | |

| | | |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Kenneth Quicho | Custodian Town Hall, Annex, Police Station | |
| Michael C. McCarthy | Emergency Management Director | 6/30/2006 |
| Charlene R. Wood | Emergency Management Secretary | 6/30/2006 |
| David R. Palmer | Emergency Management - Public Relations | 6/30/2004 |
| Leonard Moniz | Emergency Management Radio Equipment Operator | 6/30/2004 |
| Michael Altshuler | Emergency Management Radio Equipment Operator | 6/30/2004 |
| Michael C. McCarthy | Energy Coordinator | 6/30/2004 |
| Linda L. Correia | Water Certifying Officer | 6/30/2004 |
| Edward Carreiro | Dog Officer | 6/30/2006 |
| Christopher B. Lord | Assistant Dog Officer | 6/30/2004 |
| Ronald E. Costa | Veterans Service Agent | 6/30/2006 |
| Ronald E. Costa | Graves Registration Officer | 6/30/2006 |
| Ronald E. Costa | Citizens for Citizens Representative | 6/30/2004 |
| Albert A. Palmer | Special Deputy Shellfish Warden | 6/30/2004 |
| Gary Sherman | Wharfinger | At Will |
| Dennis H. Thibault | Sealer of Weights & Measures | 6/30/2006 |
| Robert Maltais | Building Inspector | 6/30/2005 |
| Lynwood Comstock | Assistant Building Inspector | 6/30/2004 |
| Fred Hanack | Part-Time Building Inspector | 6/30/2004 |
| Robert Maltais | Housing Rehab Specialist | 6/30/2004 |
| Lynwood Comstock | Temporary Housing Rehab Specialist | At Will |
| William Plamondon | Assistant Wire Inspector | 6/30/2004 |
| Dane R. Winship | Assistant Wire Inspector | 6/30/2004 |
| Robert Labonte | Plumbing Inspector (by Building Inspector) | 6/30/2004 |
| Robert Labonte | Gas Inspector (by Building Inspector) | 6/30/2004 |
| Roger Olivier | Assistant Plumbing Inspector (by Building Inspector) | 6/30/2004 |
| Roger Olivier | Assistant Gas Inspector (by Building Inspector) | 6/30/2004 |

MISCELLANEOUS POSITIONS AND/OR OFFICIALS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Daryl Gonyon | Chief Procurement Officer |
| Daryl Gonyon | Affirmative Action Officer |
| Charlene R. Wood | National Organization on Disability Representative |
| Denise Bouchard | Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator |
| Doris Silvia | Municipal Census Supervisor |
| Stephen A. Motta | Municipal Coordinator of the "Right to Know" Law |
| Gary Sherman | Oil Spill Coordinator |
| Richard M. Tongue | Mooring Assignment Committee |
| George Foster | Custodian of Tax Title Properties |
| John Andrade | E-911 Coordinator |
| Russell T. Hart | Railroad Commissioner |
| Steven J. Ouellette | Westport River Watershed Council |
| Daryl Gonyon | SouthCoast emPOWERment Alternate |
| Richard M. Tongue | SouthCoast emPOWERment Representative |
| Daryl Gonyon | Southeastern Massachusetts Health Group Representative |
| Vacancy | Computer Coordinator |
| Stewart Kirkaldy | MBTA Growth Management Task Force |
| Vacancy | Stormwater Pollution Advisory Committee |
| Vacancy | Water System Administrator |
| Daryl Gonyon | Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act Coordinator |

AGRICULTURAL/OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION TRUST
FUND COUNCIL (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Carlton A. Lees | 6/30/2006 | Claude Ledoux | 6/30/2006 |
| Susan B. Pedreira | 6/30/2006 | David Wallace | 6/30/2004 |
| Elizabeth Collins | 6/30/2004 | George Dean | 6/30/2004 |
| George Foster | 6/30/2006 | Dudley Millikin | 6/30/2006 |
| Karl Santos | 6/30/2006 | Charles Costa (Alternate) | 6/30/2004 |

ARTS COUNCIL (2-3 YEAR TERMS)

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Sally Huntington | 6/30/2004 | John A. McDonough | 6/30/2003 |
| Rylan Brenner | 6/30/2003 | Betty J. Spray | 6/30/2006 |
| John F. Dolan, Jr. | 6/30/2004 | James M. Howard | 6/30/2005 |
| Martha Farrar | 6/30/2004 | Henry M. Swan | 6/30/2006 |
| Eunice White Healey | 6/30/2004 | Carol Vidal | 6/30/2006 |
| James Reitzas | 6/30/2006 | George R. Cataldo | 6/30/2005 |
| Sharon Hanover | 6/30/2005 | Whitmore Boogaerts | 6/30/2005 |
| Elaine Ostroff | 6/30/2005 | Carolyn J. Kaiser | 6/30/2006 |

BEACH COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| James A. Burns | Precinct A | 6/30/2005 |
| Arlene Rybicki | Precinct B | 6/30/2004 |
| J. Duncan Albert | Precinct C | 6/30/2006 |
| Wilfred St. Michael | Precinct D | 6/30/2006 |
| Pauline Laursen | Precinct E | 6/30/2006 |

BOARD OF APPEALS

5 Year Terms - Regulars

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Clayton Harrison | 6/30/2004 |
| Christopher J. Graham | 6/30/2008 |
| Gerald Coutinho | 6/30/2007 |
| Kendal Tripp | 6/30/2006 |
| Donna L. Lambert | 6/30/2005 |

1 Year Term - Associates

| | |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Barbara Hanley | 6/30/2004 |
| Margot desJardins | 6/30/2004 |

BOARD OF SURVEY (1 YEAR TERM)

David Bernier (by Inspector of Buildings)
Fire Stephen A. Motta 6/30/2004
Fred Hanack 6/30/2004

BUZZARDS BAY ACTION COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

Elizabeth Collins 6/30/2004
Stewart Kirkaldy (Alternate) 6/30/2004

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| George R. Cataldo | 6/30/2004 | Robert Rayno | 6/30/2004 |
| Leone F. Farias | 6/30/2004 | Michael A. Davis | 6/30/2004 |
| Carlton Lees | 6/30/2004 | Grace G. Newcomer | 6/30/2004 |
| Paula F. Cummings | 6/30/2004 | | |

CAPITAL PLANNING IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| George Foster | 6/30/2004 | Daryl Gonyon | 6/30/2004 |
| Katherine Benoit | 6/30/2004 | John Baughan | 6/30/2004 |
| John McDermott | 6/30/2004 | | |

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| Warren Messier | 6/30/2006 | Richard Lambert | 6/30/2006 |
| Elizabeth Collins | 6/30/2005 | Norma K. Judson | 6/30/2006 |
| Dennis Nadeau | 6/30/2004 | Timothy Gillespie | 6/30/2007 |
| William F. Wyatt | 6/30/2004 | Antone C. Vieira Jr. | 6/30/2004 |
| Charles A. Costa | 6/30/2004 | | |

CONSTABLES (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| Daniel Sullivan | 6/30/2004 | Timothy Ford | 6/30/2004 |
| Leo St. Onge | 6/30/2004 | | |

COUNCIL ON AGING (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| Joanne R. Devlin | 6/30/2004 | Donald A. Maynard | 6/30/2004 |
| Cynthia J. Bolduc | 6/30/2004 | William Gifford | 6/30/2006 |
| Lois E. Spirlet | 6/30/2005 | Selena Howard | 6/30/2005 |
| Phyllis A. Currier | 6/30/2005 | | |

EDUCATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE (2 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| Marjorie A. Holden | 6/30/2005 | Veronica Beaulieu | 6/30/2005 |
| Ann Boxler | 6/30/2005 | Linda Galton | 6/30/2005 |
| George Foster | 6/30/2005 | | |

WESTPORT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GREATER FALL RIVER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COORDINATING COMMITTEE, REGION 7 (1 YEAR TERM)

Arthur Briggs 6/30/2004

(3) FENCE VIEWERS (3 YEAR TERM)

| | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Paige Gibbs | 6/30/2004 |
| Armand Goyette | 6/30/2004 |
| Francois Napert III | 6/30/2004 |

FIRE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| Charles Costa | 6/30/2003 | William Tripp | 6/30/2003 |
| Glenn Wood | 6/30/2003 | Glenn McKillop | 6/30/2003 |
| George Dean | 6/30/2003 | Stephen Motta | 6/30/2003 |
| Allen Manley, Jr. | 6/30/2003 | | |

HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| John Azevedo | 6/30/2004 | John W. Borden | 6/30/2004 |
| Edward B. Carey | 6/30/2004 | James Robeson | 6/30/2004 |
| Ann C. Rosinha | 6/30/2004 | | |

HARBORMASTER (3 YEAR TERM)

Richard B. Earle 6/30/2006

ASSISTANT HARBORMASTER (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| Jonathan Paul | 6/30/2004 | Gary A. Tripp | 6/30/2004 |
| John R. Bevis | 6/30/2004 | James Perry | 6/30/2004 |
| Gregory N. Robb | 6/30/2004 | William White | 6/30/2004 |

HISTORICAL COMMISSION (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| <u>Regular</u> | | <u>Alternates</u> | |
| Geraldine Millham | 6/30/2004 | Paige Gibbs | 6/30/2005 |
| Christopher Wise | 6/30/2005 | Barbara Koenitzer | 6/30/2006 |
| Michael S. Quinn | 6/30/2005 | Jacqueline Hill | 6/30/2005 |
| William F. Wyatt | 6/30/2006 | Norma Judson | 6/30/2006 |
| William Underwood, Jr. | 6/30/2006 | Barbara Wood | 6/30/2006 |
| Bette DeVeuve | 6/30/2004 | Anne Baker | 6/30/2004 |
| Vacancy | | | |
| Lincoln Tripp (Lifetime Honorary) | | | |

HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| Jeff Bull | 6/30/2004 | John Montano | 6/30/2004 |
| Barbara Hanley | 6/30/2004 | Thomas McGarr | 6/30/2004 |
| Elizabeth Collins | 6/30/2004 | Brenda Burke | 6/30/2004 |
| Robert J. Russell III | 6/30/2004 | | |

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| Paul Pereira | 6/30/2004 | Michael C. McCarthy | 6/30/2004 |
| Richard Earle | 6/30/2004 | Stephen A. Motta | 6/30/2004 |
| Christopher Capone | 6/30/2004 | Keith A. Pelletier | 6/30/2004 |
| Brian Souza | 6/30/2004 | Daryl Gonyon | 6/30/2004 |
| Carl Tripp | 6/30/2004 | Ralph Urban | 6/30/2004 |
| Gary Sherman | 6/30/2004 | Michael Duarte | 6/30/2004 |

MASTER PLAN UPDATE COMMITTEE (NO EXPIRATION DATE)

David Aguiar
Judy Beavan
Brenda Burke
Ann Chandanaïs
Anthony Cucchi
Gay Gillespie
David Wallace
Cathy Madsen
John Margarida
Colin Boyle

Deborah Barnes
Ann Boxler
Robert Carroll
Deanna Chase
David Dionne
Timothy Gillespie
William Wyatt
Selena Howard
Ann Rosinha
Philip Hudner

Jack Baughan
Jeff Bull
George Cataldo
Todd Cormier
Gregory Franchetti
Michael Guilmette
Marsha Englund
Melissa Quinn
Ingrid Davidge

PERSONNEL BOARD (3 YEAR TERM)

Ann Chandanaïs 6/30/2006
Marlene Pelletier 6/30/2005
Chester Adams (Finance Committee Rep.)

Phyllis Michalewich 6/30/2005
June M. Hebert 6/30/2005

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief of Police

Keith A. Pelletier

Deputy Chief

John R. Gifford

Administrative Assistant

Nancy A. Braga

Lieutenants

Paul E. Holden

Sergeants

John J. Bell
Michael D. O'Connor
Marshall Ronco

Jeffrey Majewski
Thomas Plourde

Acting Sergeant

David Simcoe

Regular Police Officers

Scott Arrington
David Arruda
Kristen R. Barboza
Gary L. Cambra
Antonio Cestodio
John P. Couto
Mario DaCunha
Christopher Dunn
William J. Falandys
Gary M. Foley

Bryan C. McCarthy
Christopher Mello
Francois Napert III
Ryan Nickelson
Todd Oliver
Michael R. Roussel
Michael Silvia
Maari Stainer
Daniel Sullivan
Robert Thatcher

E-911 Dispatchers

Jennifer Mahaney Scott
Stacy Rose

David M. Leite
Michael Troia

Chaplain

Reverend Gerard Hebert

Reserve Police Officers

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Mark Andrade | Stephen D. Kovar |
| Barry F. Beaulieu | Conrad J. LaFontaine |
| David E. Bellavance | David M. Leite |
| Ernest Belliveau | Thomas H. Lemieux |
| Eugene J. Benevides | Keith J. Novo |
| Eric Bush | John R. Pereira |
| Kristine M. Carreiro | Michael S. Perry |
| Paul M. Casado | Richard Rodrigues |
| Ernest Cretian | Stacy Rose |
| Maurice E. Dore | Mark C. Rosinha |
| Paul Douglas | Brian Souza |
| Justin Fonseca | David Tavares |
| Thomas Garrity | Michael Troia |
| | Eric J. Vanasse |
| Michael R. Carr (Tiv.P.D.) | James Costa (Tiv.P.D.) |
| Patrick W. Jones (Tiv.P.D.) | Thomas E. Kaminski (Tiv.P.D.) |
| Nicholas A. Maltais (Tiv.P.D.) | Charles Mulcahy (Tiv.P.D.) |
| William Munroe (Tiv.P.D.) | Joseph Wieszbecki (Tiv.P.D.) |

PUBLIC WEIGHER (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Jason Fonseca | at 548 State Road | 6/30/2004 |
| Kenneth Kehoe | at 548 State Road | 6/30/2004 |
| Herman Gitlin | at 548 State Road | 6/30/2004 |
| Louis Gitlin | at 548 State Road | 6/30/2004 |
| Mark Gitlin | at 548 State Road | 6/30/2004 |
| Jason Dessert | at 536 Old County Road | 6/30/2004 |
| Katherine Lena | at 536 Old County Road | 6/30/2004 |
| Edward Pereira | at 443 American Legion Hwy. | 6/30/2004 |
| Richard Moniz | at 37 Charlotte White Road | 6/30/2004 |
| Thaddeus Moniz | at 37 Charlotte White Road | 6/30/2004 |

RECREATION COMMISSION/COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| George R. Cataldo | 6/30/2004 | Ian Cresswell | 6/30/2006 |
| Dennis Nadeau | 6/30/2005 | John B. Kelly, Jr. | 6/30/2006 |
| Susan Bishop | 6/30/2005 | Douglas Houde | 6/30/2004 |
| Derek Mazzarella | 6/30/2005 | Laurie Dias-Mitchell | 6/30/2006 |

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS (3 YEAR TERM)

Democrats

Marlene Samson 4/1/2005
Robert St. Amour 4/1/2006

Republican

Jean Louis Clapin 4/1/2004
Geraldine Craveiro 4/1/2005

RIVER DREDGING COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| Gregory Franchetti | 6/30/2004 | Carl Tripp | 6/30/2004 |
| Edward Carey | 6/30/2004 | John Reynolds | 6/30/2004 |
| Chuck Goldberg | 6/30/2004 | Russell Hart | 6/30/2004 |
| Gary Sherman | 6/30/2004 | Richard Earle | 6/30/2004 |
| William J. Underwood, Jr. | 6/30/2004 | | |

ROUTE 6 ADVISORY/TASK FORCE (2 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| Steven J. Ouellette | 6/30/2004 | Michael J. Rodrigues | 6/30/2004 |
| James W. Coyne, Jr. | 6/30/2004 | Shawn Pariseau | 6/30/2004 |
| Kevin Rioux | 6/30/2004 | Brian Souza | 6/30/2004 |
| Normand E. Ouellette | 6/30/2004 | Keith Pelletier | 6/30/2004 |
| Gerald Coutinho | 6/30/2004 | Jeffrey Majewski | 6/30/2004 |

SAFETY REGULATION BOARD (1 YEAR TERM)

(Art. 30 - Section 1, 1978)

Stewart Kirkaldy, Selectmen's Representative 6/30/2004
Paul Pereira, Highway Surveyor 6/30/2004
Paige Gibbs, Fence Viewer 6/30/2004

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| Michael Duarte | 6/30/2004 | William Gifford | 6/30/2004 |
| William J. Underwood, Jr. | 6/30/2004 | J. Duncan Albert | 6/30/2004 |
| Linda Galton | 6/30/2004 | Terry M. Moor | 6/30/2004 |
| Clinton Lawton | 6/30/2004 | Richard M. Tongue | 6/30/2004 |
| Veronica Beaulieu | 6/30/2004 | Daryl Gonyon | 6/30/2004 |
| Sally Huntington | 6/30/2004 | Robert Maltais | 6/30/2004 |

SHELLFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
| James S. Coughlan Jr. | 6/30/2004 | Alexander Smith | 6/30/2004 |
| Richard Hart | 6/30/2004 | Richard Korwicki | 6/30/2004 |
| George Smith | 6/30/2004 | | |

SHELLFISH WARDEN/WHARFINGER (3 YEAR TERM)

Gary Sherman 6/30/2004

DEPUTY SHELLFISH WARDEN (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| Robert W. Pierce | 6/30/2005 | Thomas Mello | 6/30/2006 |
| Diane Baraby | 6/30/2006 | Mike Andrade | 6/30/2006 |
| Daniel P. Sullivan | Honorary | John Doherty | Honorary |

SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD/CONSERVATION COMMISSION (3 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|----------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Susan Burke Pedreira | 6/30/2006 | Tanja E. Ryden | 6/30/2006 |
| Richard Lambert | 6/30/2006 | Thomas McGarr | 6/30/2005 |
| John Reynolds | 6/30/2005 | Paul R. Hebert | 6/30/2004 |
| Elliot Lamontagne | 6/30/2004 | Christopher Capone, Agent | |

SRPEDD & SRTA (1 YEAR TERM)

| | |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Russell T. Hart | SRPEDD - Selectmen's Representative |
| Gregory T. Franchetti | SRPEDD - Planning Board Representative |
| Stewart Kirkaldy | SRTA - Selectmen's Representative |
| Mary Ellen Gomes | SRTA - Selectmen's Designee |
| Russell T. Hart | Joint Transportation Planning Group |
| Mary Ellen Gomes (Alternate) | Joint Transportation Planning Group |

TOWN BEACH LIFEGUARDS

Summer 2003

| | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Gustin N. Cariglia | Head Lifeguard |
| Jonathan Pacheco | Full-Time Lifeguard |
| Jenna St. Martin | Full-Time Lifeguard |
| Amy L. Pineau | Full-Time Lifeguard |
| Alison Caito | Part-Time Lifeguard |
| Amy Costa | Part-Time Lifeguard |
| Gregory P. Gifford | Part-Time Lifeguard |
| Tara Pacheco | Part-Time Lifeguard |

TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
| Terry M. Moor | 6/30/2004 | William Gifford | 6/30/2004 |
| William J. Underwood, Jr. | 6/30/2004 | Vacancy | |
| Vacancy | | | |

UNION NEGOTIATIONS ADVISORY BOARD

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| Steven J. Ouellette | 6/30/2004 | Daryl Gonyon | 6/30/2004 |
| Charles Goldberg | 6/30/2004 | Chester Adams | 6/30/2004 |
| Marc Furtado | 6/30/2004 | Melissa Souza | 6/30/2004 |

WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| Kenneth DeCosta | 6/30/2004 | Elizabeth Collins | 6/30/2004 |
| Bruce E. Fernandes | 6/30/2004 | Sean M. Leach | 6/30/2004 |
| Perry C. Long | 6/30/2004 | Shawn Pariseau | 6/30/2004 |
| Paul Pinault | 6/30/2004 | | |

WESTPORT AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

3 Year Terms - Regulars

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Edward Ferreira | 6/30/2006 |
| Rob Russell | 6/30/2004 |
| Shirley D'Agostinho Robbins | 6/30/2004 |
| Karl Santos | 6/30/2006 |
| Jay Tripp | 6/30/2006 |
| John Bettencourt | 6/30/2005 |
| John Jay Silvia | 6/30/2005 |

1 Year Term - Alternates

| | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Phyllis Michalewich | 6/30/2004 |
| Ronald Potter | 6/30/2004 |
| James Wood | 6/30/2004 |
| Jerome Sampson | 6/30/2004 |
| Sandra A. Porter | 6/30/2004 |

WESTPORT CITIZENS BETTERMENT COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|----------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
| Shirley Desrosiers | 6/30/2004 | Charlene R. Wood | 6/30/2004 |
| Claude Ledoux | 6/30/2004 | Lena Napert | 6/30/2004 |
| Marguerite Plamondon | 6/30/2004 | | |

WESTPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE (1 YEAR TERM)

| | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| Steven J. Ouellette | 6/30/2004 | Richard M. Tongue | 6/30/2004 |
| Gerald Coutinho | 6/30/2004 | Michael Rodrigues | 6/30/2004 |
| Joan Menard | 6/30/2004 | Philip Hudner | 6/30/2004 |
| Paul Hebert | 6/30/2004 | Antone Vieira, Jr. | 6/30/2004 |
| John B. Cummings, Jr. | 6/30/2004 | | |

BONDS

| | |
|----------------|--------------|
| Town Treasurer | \$150,000.00 |
| Tax Collector | \$150,000.00 |
| Town Clerk | \$ 15,000.00 |

TRAILER PERMITS

Issued 101 (\$60.00 ea.)

SUNDAY LICENSES

Issued 22 (\$10.00 ea.)

Sales of Frozen Desserts, Ice Cream Mix
Confectionery Soda Water or Fruit on the Lord's Day

COMMON VICTUALLERS LICENSES

Issued 42 (\$50.00 ea.)

HIXBRIDGE PERMITS

Issued 302 (\$5.00 ea.)

TOTAL COLLECTED

(Fees & Miscellaneous)
\$76,369.16

2003 MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES

CLASS I

Big Boar Harley-Davidson, Inc.
Coach Light RV Restoration
Fall River Seamless

1030 State Road
131 Old Bedford Road
95 State Road

CLASS II

A. J. Turner
Amaral Bus/Truck Sales & Service
Auto Mart
AutoPlus Motorcars
Beaulieu's Garage
Bernard Auto Sales, Inc.
A. G. Bettencourt, Inc.
Carabello Auto Sales & Repair
Carvalho's Bargain Motors, Inc.
C & D Automotive Repair & Sales
Chris's Auto Center
Consumer's Auto Sales
Dan's Auto Sales
Deke's Auto Sales
Distinctive Autobody, Refinishing & Sales, Ltd.
Drift Road Auto Sales
Ferreira's Auto Body & Sales
Ferreira's Auto Sales & Marine Annex
Ferrine's Sales & Service
F & R Auto Sales
Frank E. Brayton, Jr. Auto Sales & Service
Frank E. Brayton, Jr. Auto Sales & Service, Inc. Annex
Glenwood Auto Sales
G. Souza's Hillside Motors
Hart Auto Sales
Highland Auto & Truck Sales
High Tech Auto Sales & Service
Goldstein's Farm Equipment
Hometown Motors
Jack & Paul's Used Cars
J.B.S. Towing Services Corp.
J & J Used Auto Sales & Service, Inc.
John Soares Village Garage, Inc.
John Soares Village Garage, Inc.
Katie's Auto & Truck Sales
Leclairs Auto Sales
Marc's Motors
Bass Inc. d/b/a Mike's Toyota
Nu-Way Auto Sales
177 Auto & Truck Sales
Patriot Auto Center Inc.
Pine Hill Auto Repair Inc.
Pond View Auto Sales
Quality Auto Sales
R & J Auto Sales

1052 State Road
1090 State Road
851B State Road
729 State Road
497 Sanford Road
280 State Road
821 Main Road
851A State Road
935 State Road
276A State Road
1016B State Road
10 Sanford Road
559 State Road
128 Old Bedford Road
1121 State Road
541 Drift Road
91 Forge Road
1115 State Road
914 State Road
585 State Road
626 Adamsville Road
685 Main Road
10 Glenwood Avenue
1175 State Road
431A Main Road
560 Highland Avenue
956 State Road
287 Gifford Road
620 Sanford Road
758 State Road
505 State Road
972 State Road
660 Main Road
660A Main Road
449 American Legion Highway
702 State Road
683E American Legion Highway
983 State Road
837 State Road
1114 American Legion Highway
337 American Legion Highway
929 Pine Hill Road
25 Borden Street
835 State Road
800 G American Legion Highway

RJM Motors
 R & R Auto Body & Sales
 Sanford Auto Sales
 Souza's Garage
 State Road Auto Sales, Inc.
 State Road Motors, Inc.
 Tech Auto World
 Thad's Auto Sales
 3D Auto Sales Inc.
 Union Avenue Auto Sales
 Unlimited Sales & Service
 Val's Auto Sales
 Venture Ltd.
 Westport Auto & RV Center
 Westport Truck Center

718 State Road
 800A American Legion Highway
 735 State Road
 308 Sanford Road
 327 State Road
 712 State Road
 237B State Road
 37 Charlotte White Road
 575 State Road
 8 Union Avenue
 337 American Legion Highway
 757 State Road
 1175B State Road
 1058 State Road
 1018A State Road

CLASS III

Lantic Salvage
 Mid-City Scrap Iron, Inc.
 Richie's Auto Parts
 Robert J. Desmarais
 Thad's Auto Salvage, Inc.
 Westport Auto Recycling

58 Charlotte White Road
 548 State Road
 8511 State Road
 560 Highland Avenue
 37 Charlotte White Road
 443 American Legion Highway

CLASS IV

GARAGE & SERVICE STATION REPAIR LICENSES

Adamsville Diesel & Hydraulics
 Adamsville Garage
 Amaral Bus/Truck Sales & Service
 Arel's tune Up & Trouble Shooting
 Auto Mart
 Auto Tech
 Beaulieu's Garage
 Big Boar Harley-Davidson, Inc.
 Carabello Auto Sales & Repair
 Carvalho's Bargain Motors, Inc.
 C & D Automotive Repair
 Chris's Auto Center
 Coach Light -Circle ("M") Truck & Auto Repair
 Deke's Auto Sales
 Distinctive Auto Body & Refinishing
 Eddy's Repair Shop
 Ferreira's Auto Body & Sales
 Ferrine's Sales & Service
 Four Square Garage
 Genie Auto Repair
 G. Souza's Hillside Motors
 Hart Auto Body
 Head Small Engine Repair
 Henry's Diesel Performance Plus Inc.
 High Tech Auto Sales & Service
 Jack & Paul's Used Cars
 J.B.S. Towing Services

500 Adamsville Road
 626 Adamsville Road
 1090 State Road
 615 State Road
 851B State Road
 443 American Legion Highway
 497 Sanford Road
 1030 State Road
 851A State Road
 935 State Road
 276A State Road
 1016 B State Road
 131 Old Bedford Road
 128 Old Bedford Road
 12 Union Avenue
 25 Elmwood Avenue
 91 Forge Road
 914 State Road
 618 Sanford Road
 800E American Legion Highway
 1175 State Road
 51 Cross Road
 493 Old County Road
 867 State Road
 956 State Road
 758 State Road
 505 State Road

J & J Used Car Sales & Service
 Joal's Garage
 Joe's Auto Repair
 John Mooney's Auto Service
 John Soares Village Garage, Inc.
 J.R.'s Precision Auto Sales
 J's Repair Garage
 Macomber's Garage
 Martin's Repair Shop
 Mendes Auto Repair
 Norwest Automotive, Inc.
 Nu-Way Auto Repair
 Pine Hill Auto Repair Inc.
 Ray's Repair
 Richie's Auto Repair
 Route 6 Gas
 R & R Auto Body & Sales
 Sanford Auto Sales
 State Road Auto Sales, Inc.
 Street Cars Ltd.
 T.C. Used Cars & Repairs
 Thad's Auto Salvage & Service
 Unlimited Sales & Service
 Westport Auto Clinic
 Westport Tire Center
 Westport Truck Center
 Wilfrid's Garage, Inc.

972 State Road
 500 Adamsville Road
 468 American Legion Highway
 541 Drift Road
 660 Main Road
 729 State Road
 140 Old Bedford Road
 1523 Drift Road
 112 Sanford Road
 130 Plymouth Boulevard
 175 State Road
 837A State Road
 929 Pine Hill Road
 50 Faulkner Street
 851F & G State Road
 162 State Road
 800A American Legion Highway
 735 State Road
 327 State Road
 1018 State Road
 648 State Road
 37 Charlotte White Road
 337 American Legion Highway
 422 Sanford Road
 718 State Road
 1018A State Road
 427 Main Road

STORAGE YARD LICENSE

Richie's Affordable Storage

8511 State Road

2003 LIQUOR LICENSES

PACKAGE GOODS STORE - ALL ALCOHOLIC

Briere's, Inc.
 Albert E. Lees, Inc. d/b/a Lees Supermarket
 State Road Package Store
 Watuppa Package Store, Inc.
 Westport Market, Inc.
 Westport Wine & Spirits

233 Sanford Road
 796-800 Main Road
 787 State Road
 151 State Road
 291 American Legion Highway
 655 State Road

PACKAGE GOODS STORE - WINES AND MALT

Harry's Country Store Inc.
 J. Inc. d/b/a Westport Mini Mart
 Olde Westport Trading Post

646 American Legion Highway
 1239-1241 State Road
 1031R Main Road

RESTAURANT - ALL ALCOHOLIC

| | |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Highliners Inc. d/b/a The Back Eddy | 1 Bridge Road |
| Bayside Restaurant | 1253 Horseneck Road |
| Bittersweet Restaurant Inc. | 438-440 Main Road |
| PAP Foods, Inc. d/b/a Captain P.J.'s II | 235 State Road |
| Food First, Inc. d/b/ac Ellie's Place | 1403 Main Road |
| Fred and Ann's Restaurant, Inc. | 977 Main Road |
| P. & G. Bowling W., Inc. d/b/a Holiday Lanes | 236 State Road |
| House of Chu, Inc. d/b/a Oriental Pearl | 576 State Road |
| Westport Club, Inc. | 904 Main Road |
| Lafrance Brothers, Inc. d/b/a White's Restaurant | 66 State Road |

RESTAURANT - WINES AND MALT

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Erika's Family Restaurant | 140 Charlotte White Road |
| Kozy Nook | 655 State Road |
| Marguerite's Restaurant | 778 Main Road |

RESTAURANT (COMMERCIAL CLUB) ALL ALCOHOLIC

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Holy Ghost Club, Inc. | 171 Sodom Road |
| W.A. & R. Ouellette Post #8502 | 843 State Road |

SEASONAL MISCELLANEOUS

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Acoaxet Club, Inc. | 152 Howland Road |
| Acoaxet Club, Inc. d/b/a The Pro Shop | 152 Howland Road |
| Village Pizza | 760 Main Road |

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF WESTPORT WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION MARCH 10, 2003

BRISTOL, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Westport GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to assemble at the respective polling places, namely:

| | | |
|------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| PRECINCT A | American Legion Hall | 489 Sanford Road |
| PRECINCT B | Town Hall Annex | 856 Main Road (rear) |
| PRECINCT C | Alice A. Macomber School | 154 Gifford Road |
| PRECINCT D | Fire Station | 85 Briggs Road |
| PRECINCT E | Westport High School | 19 Main Road |

On Monday, the tenth day of March next, it being the second Monday of the month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon then and there to choose the following Offices, viz: Two Selectmen, One Assessor, One Board

of Health Member, Two School Committee Members, One Fish Commissioner, Two Trustees of the Free Public Library, Two Landing Commissioners, and One Commissioner of Trust Funds, each for three year terms; One Housing Authority and One Planning Board Member each for five year terms and One Housing Authority member for a one year unexpired term.

The polls will be open for balloting for the officers, or any questions contained on the official ballot at 10:00 a.m. and shall be closed at 8:00 p.m.

QUESTION 1.

Shall the Town of Westport be allowed to assess an additional \$3,000,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the operating budgets of the Westport Community Schools for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003?

QUESTION 2.

Shall the Town of Westport be allowed to assess an additional \$884,041 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the Town's operating budget, excluding the Westport Community Schools, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003?

QUESTION 3.

Shall the Town of Westport be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½, so called, the amount of \$300,000 required to pay for the bonds issued for the purpose of funding mandated contamination clean up at the Town Hall and Head of Westport Landing in accordance with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Administrative Consent Orders?

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting five or more attested copies thereof in as many public places within said Town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

Hereof and fail not and make due return of the Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport this 5th day of February in the year two thousand three.

WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Charles A. Costa, Chairman
Marjorie A. Holden
Russell T. Hart
Stewart Kirkaldy
Steven J. Ouellette

Marlene Samson
Town Clerk
Westport, MA 02790
February 12, 2003

I this 12th day of February 2003, I posted 6 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Senior Center
Central Village Fire Station
Briere's Inc. a.k.a. Country Liquor & Variety
Town Hall

Daniel P. Sullivan
Constable of Westport

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
Westport, Mass.
March 10, 2003

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the voters of the Town assembled at the polling places in their respective voting precincts on the above date. Ballots were given in for the following persons, assorted, counted and public declaration made thereof in open meeting, the total result of the balloting from the five precincts as certified by the Precinct Officers, being as follows:

SELECTMAN - three years

| | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Charles A. Costa had one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine | 1899 | |
| Marjorie A. Holden had one thousand three hundred eighty-four | 1384 | |
| Elizabeth A. Collins had two thousand two hundred thirty-six | 2236 | 3/11/03 |
| Richard M. Tongue had two thousand one hundred twenty-three | 2123 | 3/11/03 |
| Steven H. Tripp had one thousand seven hundred thirty-one | 1731 | |
| Blanks, one thousand sixty-five | 1065 | |

Sworn

ASSESSOR - three years

| | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Robert Grillo had three thousand four hundred twenty-six | 3426 | 3/12/03 |
| Blanks, one thousand seven hundred ninety-three | 1793 | |

BOARD OF HEALTH - three years

| | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Brenda J. Burke had three thousand three hundred fifty-two | 3352 | 3/24/03 |
| Blanks, one thousand eight hundred sixty-seven | 1867 | |

SCHOOL COMMITTEE - three years

| | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Ann M. Boxler had two thousand six hundred seventy-five | 2675 | 3/13/03 |
| Sally Huntington had two thousand seven hundred fifteen | 2715 | 3/11/03 |
| Perry C. Long had two thousand two hundred four | 2204 | |
| Blanks, two thousand eight hundred forty-four | 2844 | |

FISH COMMISSIONER - three years

| | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| James S. Coughlan Jr. had three thousand two hundred sixty-three | 3263 | 3/11/03 |
| Blanks, one thousand nine hundred fifty-six | 1956 | |

LIBRARY TRUSTEES - three years

| | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------|------------|
| Nancy M. Dawson had two thousand four hundred seventy-three | 2473 | 3/17/03 |
| Susan B. Pedreira had two thousand four hundred forty | 2440 | 3/27/03 |
| Marjorie T. Sandborg had one thousand six hundred twenty-two | 1622 | (affirmed) |
| Blanks, three thousand nine hundred three | 3903 | |

LANDING COMMISSIONERS - three years

| | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Christopher R. Gillespie had three thousand one hundred forty-one | 3144 | 4/10/03 |
| Carl F. Tripp had three thousand one hundred eighty-four | 3184 | 4/9/03 |
| Blanks, four thousand one hundred ten | 4110 | |

HOUSING AUTHORITY - five years

| | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| John Duncan Albert had three thousand two hundred twenty | 3220 | 3/11/03 |
| Blanks, one thousand nine hundred ninety-nine | 1999 | |

HOUSING AUTHORITY - one year unexpired term

| | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Joseph Tony Cormier had three thousand one hundred two | 3102 | 3/11/03 |
| Blanks, two thousand one hundred seventeen | 2117 | |

PLANNING BOARD - five years

| | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Wayne A. Sunderland had three thousand two hundred sixty-four | 3264 | 3/10/03 |
| Blanks, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five | 1955 | |

Sworn

COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS - three years

| | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| George R. Medeiros had three thousand three hundred fifty-eight | 3358 | 3/11/03 |
| Blanks, one thousand eight hundred sixty-one | 1861 | |

QUESTION NO. 1 (\$3,000,000. over ride)

| | |
|-------------------------------------------|------|
| Yes, two thousand twenty-one | 2021 |
| No, three thousand one hundred twenty-six | 3126 |
| Blanks, seventy-two | 72 |

QUESTION NO. 2 (\$884,041. over ride)

| | |
|---------------------------------------------|------|
| Yes, one thousand five hundred twenty-four | 1524 |
| No, three thousand five hundred sixty-seven | 3567 |
| Blanks, one hundred twenty-eight | 128 |

QUESTION NO. 3 (\$300,000. contamination clean up)

| | |
|-------------------------------------------|------|
| Yes, two thousand four hundred thirty-one | 2431 |
| No, two thousand six hundred forty-three | 2643 |
| Blanks, one hundred forty-five | 145 |

A true record,
Attest:
Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF WESTPORT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MAY 13, 2003

BRISTOL, SS.

To either of the constables of the Town of Westport in said County:
GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to assemble at the Westport High School on Tuesday, May 13, 2003 at 7:30 p.m., and then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Agreeable to the warrant calling said meeting, the voters of the Town of Westport assembled at the Westport High School on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by Moderator Brad C. Brightman who appointed Representative Michael J. Rodrigues and Dave Saluto to act as tellers and they were duly sworn before the Town Clerk. Beverly Kut acted as timekeeper for the meeting in accordance with a By-law adopted under Article 45 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1963.

At this time, Gary Mauk, Chairman of the Finance Committee asked Dr. Linda Galton, Superintendent of the Westport School System to step forward. Mr. Mauk, speaking as a representative of the Finance Committee, presented "an award of appreciation from the Finance Committee of the Town of Westport, Massachusetts to Dr. Linda Galton with our thanks and appreciation on your outstanding budget presentation for Fiscal Year 2004. Your co-operation and innovation are very helpful in constructing the Annual Town Budget."

VOTED: (Unanimously) that this meeting dispense with the reading of the warrant and with the reading of the Constable's return of service of that warrant. That the Moderator not be required to read

articles of the warrant verbatim, but be allowed to refer to articles by number and by subject matter.

VOTED: (Unanimously) that we advance the 16 articles of the consent calendar (Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28) and that these articles be adopted as recommended by the Finance Committee.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to operate the Harbor Enterprise, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

| | |
|----------------|------------------|
| Salaries | \$43,304.00 |
| Expenses | 20,351.00 |
| Capital Outlay | 74,000.00 |
| Debt | <u>15,000.00</u> |
| Total | \$152,655.00 |

And that \$152,655.00 be raised as follows:

| | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Department Receipts | 90,746.00 |
| Municipal Waterways | 1,909.00 |
| Retained Earnings | 30,000.00 |

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/HARBORMASTER/WHARFINGER

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to operate the Waterline Enterprise, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

| | |
|----------|--------------------|
| Expenses | <u>\$48,600.00</u> |
| Total | \$48,600.00 |

And that \$48,600.00 be raised as follows: Department Receipts \$48,600.00

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may

be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from other available funds and/or borrow a sum of money to be used in conjunction with, and/or in addition to any funds allocated by the Commonwealth and/or County for the engineering services, construction, reconstruction, and/or improvements of Town roads, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or transfer from within existing appropriations a sum of \$100,000.00 to be used for the engineering services, repair, resurfacing, reconstruction, drainage, and maintenance of Town roads, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$20,000.00 from Taxation.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$1.00 for the purpose of maintaining during the ensuing year the mosquito control work as estimated and certified by the State Reclamation Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Acts of 1931, and/or to take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$1.00 from Taxation.

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,540.00 to contract for environmental services directly related to Buzzards Bay, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$1,540.00 from Taxation.

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,000 for legal fees and expenses for Appellate Tax Board hearings, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$2,000.00 from Taxation.

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 2003, a revolving fund for the Council on Aging into which will be paid all receipts from health care promotion, recreational and social programs for seniors, except for receipts from the social day care program, from which costs not to exceed the sum of \$20,000.00 for these same services may be expended without further appropriation by the Council on Aging and Board of Selectmen, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 2003, a revolving fund for the Council on Aging into which will be paid all receipts from the Social Day Care Program, from which costs not to exceed the sum of \$40,000.00 for these same services may be expended without further appropriation by the Council on Aging and Board of

Selectmen, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 2003, a revolving fund for the Council on Aging into which will be paid all receipts from income-generating activities, except receipts from health care promotion, recreational and social programs, transportation activities, and the social day care program which are the source of receipts for other revolving funds, to support the Westport Senior Center from which costs not to exceed the sum of \$5,000, for building operating/maintenance expenses, excluding salaries and wages of all full-time and part-time employees who are employed at said Senior Center, may be expended without further appropriation by the Council on Aging and Board of Selectmen, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 2003, a revolving fund for the Council on Aging into which will be paid all receipts from transportation for seniors, from which costs not to exceed the sum of \$10,000.00 for these same services may be expended without further appropriation by the Council on Aging and Board of Selectmen and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COUNCIL ON AGING

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of G. L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 2003, a revolving fund for the Westport Fire Department into which will be paid all receipts from Ambulance Fees, from which costs not to exceed \$80,000 for the purchase of an ambulance, ambulance equipment and/or supplies may be expended without further appropriation by the Fire Department, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FIRE CHIEF

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53D for Fiscal Year 2003, a revolving fund for the Recreation Commission/Community Center Committee into which will be paid receipts from programs to pay wages and salaries of part-time and seasonal personnel, supplies, and expenses relative to programs offered by the Commission/Committee, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

RECREATION COMMISSION/COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 2003, a revolving fund for the Westport Cable Advisory Committee into which will be paid receipts from the additional License Fee, from which costs not to exceed \$100,000.00 for cable services, equipment and/or supplies may be expended without further appropriation by the Cable Advisory

Committee and Board of Selectmen, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 28

To see if the Town will vote to establish and reauthorize pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53E-1/2 for Fiscal Year 2003, a revolving fund for the Planning Board into which will be paid all portions of subdivision filing fee receipts collected for the purpose of maintaining the assessors parcel GIS database, as provided in the *Rules & Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land*, as they may be amended from time to time. These funds may be expended for costs not to exceed \$10,000, and solely for purposes related to maintaining the GIS database, and may be expended without further appropriation by the Planning Board, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PLANNING BOARD

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Town will vote to transfer to reduce taxation certain sums of money from various articles approved by Town Meeting, when there is a balance remaining that is no longer required to accomplish the purpose for which the articles were originally passed, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$5,000.00 from Fire Dept. Land Search article.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elected Town Officers, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Moderator | \$ 694 |
| Selectmen-Chairman | 6,546 |
| Board Members (4) - | \$6,376 |
| Assessors-Board Members (3) | 18,242 |
| Board of Health-Members (3) | 7,769 |
| Highway Surveyor | 59,373 |
| Tax Collector | 49,951 |
| Town Clerk | 49,951 |
| Treasurer | 49,951 |
| Total | \$267,981 |

VOTED: (Unanimously)

VOTED: (Unanimously) to recess the Annual Town Meeting at 8:00 p.m. and to open the Special Town Meeting.

TOWN OF WESTPORT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
May 13, 2003

To either of the constables of the Town of Westport in said County:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to assemble at the Westport High School on Tuesday, May 13, 2003 at 8:00 p.m., and then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

VOTED: (Unanimously) to dispense with the reading of the warrant.

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or transfer from various line items within the current appropriations such sums of money necessary to supplement the budgets of various departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002, and/or to take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

| FROM | TO | AMOUNT |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------|
| Appeals Board Expenses | Appeals Board Personal Services | \$ 600 |
| APR Article 12 FY97 | Legal Budget | 12,000 |
| Cemetery Dept. Personal Services | Cemetery Dept. Expenses | 2,500 |
| Electrical Insp. Personal Services | Building Inspector Personal Services | 1,700 |
| Plumbing Insp. Personal Services | Building Inspector Personal Services | 750 |
| Gas Inspector Personal Services | Building Inspector Personal Services | 550 |
| Electrical Inspector Expenses | Building Inspector Expenses | 50 |
| Plumbing Inspector Expenses | Building Inspector Expenses | 33 |
| Revaluation FY2000 | Data Processing Expenses | 3,000 |
| Selectmen's Personal Services | Data Processing Expenses | 3,000 |
| Town Hall Personal Services | Town Hall Expenses | 4,000 |
| FY02 Road Construction Article | General Fund | 15,000 |
| Veterans Benefits Expenses | Veterans Personal Services | 974 |
| Veterans Graves | Veterans Graves Personal Services | 27 |
| Landfill Personal Services | Landfill Expenses | 2,000 |
| High School Freezer Article | Landfill Expenses | 500 |
| FY01 Landfill Closure Article | Landfill Expenses | 10,500 |
| Board of Health Personal Services | Landfill Expenses | 1,500 |
| FY03 Road Construction Article | Selectmen Expenses (Hazardous Removal) | 20,000 |
| STM02 Hix Bridge Taking | Legal Budget | 2,497 |
| FY03 TH Annex Shingling | Legal Budget | 1,200 |
| FY03 Town Reports | Legal Budget | 1,113 |
| Selectmen's Personal Services | Legal Budget | 3,500 |
| PriorYear Encum. Reed Road | Legal Budget | 834 |
| Shellfish Prior Yr. Encumb. | Legal Budget | 981 |
| Cruiser Article FY03 | Legal Budget | 800 |
| | (Total Transfers to Legal Budget - 22,925) | |

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money necessary for the purpose of paying outstanding bills from prior fiscal years, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehane | \$30,000.00 |
| Gerald F. O'Neil | 1,250.00 |
| Sage Environmental | <u>1,604.45</u> |
| Total | \$32,854.45 |

VOTED: \$32,854.45 from the Nursing Revolving Fund. Carried. Yes: 312 No: 4

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$10,000 from the sale of cemetery lots account for the maintenance and upkeep of the cemeteries, avenues, parks and structures situated therein, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$10,000 from sale of cemetery lots.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$275,000 for the purpose of paying expenses necessary for the state mandated cleanup of hazardous waste sites at the Head of Westport and Town Hall.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 4.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to adjourn and dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 8:16 p.m. and reconvene the Annual Town Meeting.

Hereof and fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting.

Given under our hands at Westport this 28th day of April in the year two thousand three.

Steven J. Ouellette
Russell T. Hart
Stewart Kirkaldy
Elizabeth A. Collins
Richard M. Tongue
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson
Town Clerk
Westport, MA 02790
April 29, 2003

I this 29th day of April, 2003, I posted 6 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Senior Center
Central Village Fire Station

Briere's Inc. a.k.a. Country Liquor & Variety
Town Hall

Daniel P. Sullivan
Constable of Westport

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money considered necessary to defray the Town's expenses for a twelve month period beginning July 1, 2003 and appropriate the same to several departments and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

| | | |
|------------------|----------|---------|
| Accountant | Salaries | 68,993 |
| | Expenses | 11,605 |
| | Total | 80,598 |
| Appeals | Salaries | 3,584 |
| | Expenses | 1,225 |
| | Total | 4,809 |
| Assessors | Salaries | 117,128 |
| | Expenses | 3,402 |
| | Total | 120,530 |
| Board of Health | Salaries | 174,106 |
| | Expense | 11,220 |
| | Total | 185,326 |
| Building | Salaries | 111,493 |
| | Expenses | 9,309 |
| | Total | 120,802 |
| Cemetery | Salaries | 96,193 |
| | Expenses | 7,043 |
| | Total | 103,236 |
| Collector | Salaries | 99,229 |
| | Expenses | 15,050 |
| | Total | 114,279 |
| Conservation | Salaries | 66,024 |
| | Expenses | 963 |
| | Total | 66,987 |
| Council on Aging | Salaries | 91,913 |
| | Expenses | 13,700 |
| | Total | 105,613 |
| Data Processing | Salaries | 8,500 |
| | Expenses | 38,700 |
| | Total | 47,200 |
| Dog Officer | Salaries | 23,114 |
| | Expenses | 5,263 |
| | Total | 28,377 |

| | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------|-----------|-------|
| Elections/Registrations | Salaries | 38,788 | |
| | Expenses | 15,943 | |
| | Total | 54,731 | |
| Emergency Management | Salaries | 2,564 | |
| | Expenses | 1,500 | |
| | Total | 4,064 | |
| Employees Benefits | Health Insurance | 1,475,000 | |
| | Life Insurance | 6,000 | |
| | FICA/Medicare | 135,000 | |
| | Unemployment | 85,000 | unan. |
| | Workers Comp | 70,000 | |
| | Total | 1,771,000 | |
| Finance Committee | Salaries | 1,055 | |
| | Expenses | 2,200 | |
| | Total | 3,255 | |
| Reserve Fund | Total | 102,324 | |
| Fire | Salaries | 1,170,956 | unan. |
| | Expenses | 98,870 | |
| | Total | 1,269,826 | |
| Gas Inspectors | Salaries | 0 | |
| | Expenses | 0 | |
| | Total | 0 | |
| Highway | Salaries | 527,305 | unan. |
| | Expenses | 88,102 | |
| | Total | 615,407 | |
| Highway Snow/Ice | Salaries | 38,202 | |
| | Expenses | 30,000 | |
| | Total | 68,202 | |
| Historical Commission | Total | 539 | |
| Landfill | Salaries | 70,169 | |
| | Expenses | 161,439 | |
| | Total | 231,608 | |
| Legal | Total | 105,000 | |
| Library | Salaries | 148,302 | |
| | Expenses | 21,924 | |
| | Total | 170,226 | |
| Moderator | Salaries | 665 | |
| | Expenses | 101 | |
| | Total | 766 | |
| Nursing | Salaries | 26,211 | |
| | Expenses | 3,843 | |
| | Total | 30,054 | |

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|--------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| Parking Tickets | Total | 3,285 | |
| Personnel | Salaries | 484 | |
| | Expenses | 80 | |
| | Total | 564 | |
| Planning Board | Salaries | 63,709 | unan. |
| | Expenses | 2,675 | |
| | Total | 66,384 | |
| Plumbing Inspector | Salaries | 0 | |
| | Expenses | 0 | |
| | Total | 0 | |
| Police | Salaries | 1,863,101 | |
| | Expenses | 195,215 | |
| | Total | 2,058,316 | |
| Property Insurance | Total | 194,333 | |
| Recreation/Community Ctr | Salaries | 0 | |
| | Expenses | 5,000 | |
| | Total | 5,000 | |
| Regional Schools | Diman | 323,773 | |
| | Bristol Aggie | 13,758 | |
| | Total | 337,531 | |
| Retirement | Total | 837,195 | |
| Sealer of Wghts./Measure | Salaries | 1,563 | |
| | Expenses | 267 | |
| | Total | 1,830 | |
| Selectmen | Salaries | 171,448 | |
| | Expenses | 23,191 | |
| | Total | 194,639 | |
| Shellfish | Salaries | 60,601 | |
| | Expenses | 15,205 | |
| | Total | 75,806 | |
| Street Lighting | Total | 18,771 | |
| Town Beach | Salaries | 16,340 | |
| | Expenses | 1,675 | |
| | Total | 18,015 | |
| Town Building Comm. | Salaries | 484 | |
| | Expenses | 80 | |
| | Total | 564 | |
| Town Clerk | Salaries | 72,824 | carried |
| | Expenses | 1,325 | |
| | Total | 74,149 | |
| Town Farm | Total | 2,816 | |

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| Town Hall | Salaries | 59,345 |
| | Expenses | 1,449 |
| | Total | 100,794 |
| Town Reports | Total | 4,223 |
| Treasurer | Salaries | 102,320 |
| | Expenses | 26,525 |
| | Total | 128,845 |
| Veterans Graves | Salaries | 820 |
| | Expenses | 1,937 |
| | Total | 2,757 |
| Veterans Services | Salaries | 30,048 |
| | Expense | 66,744 |
| | Total | 96,792 |
| Wire Inspector | Salaries | 0 |
| | Expenses | 0 |
| | Total | 0 |
| School Salaries/Expenses | Total | 11,124,429 |
| School Transportation | Total | 1,175,366 |
| SRPEDD | Total | 2,291 |
| Long Term Interest | School Bond | 103,050 |
| | Landfill Bond | 22,900 |
| | Agricultural Open Space | 12,264 |
| | Total | 138,214 |
| Short Term Interest | | 15,000 |
| Debit Retirement | | 0 |
| School Bond | | 300,000 |
| Landfill Bond | | 200,000 |
| Agricultural Open Space | | 90,000 |
| | Total | 590,000 |
| Total Expenditures | | 22,672,668 |
| | Taxation | \$22,542,668 |
| | Retirement Interest | 100,000 |
| | Old Articles | 5,000 |
| | Perpetual Care | <u>25,000</u> |
| | | \$22,672,668 |

VOTED: (Unanimously) unless otherwise indicated.

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$97,500.00 for the purposes of funding capital items listed below as recommended by the Capital Improvement Planning Committee for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2003:

| <u>DEPARTMENT</u> | <u>ITEM(S)</u> | <u>CIPC REC. AMT</u> | <u>FIN.COM.REC.AMT</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Police | 3 Marked Cruisers | \$125,000(4) | 90,000.00 |
| Harbormaster | Dredge/Jetty Reconstruction | 50,000 | 0.00 |
| Board of Selectmen | Town Hall Annex Well | 10,000 | 7,500.00 |
| Fire Department | Garage Exhaust System | 50,000 | 0.00 |
| | | 235,000 | 97,500.00 |

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$67,500 from Taxation as follows:

| | | |
|--------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Police | 2 Marked Cruisers | 60,000 |
| Board of Selectmen | Town Hall Annex Well | 7,500 |
| | Total | 67,500 |

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town of Westport appropriate the funds voted for approval on March 10, 2003 an additional \$3,000,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the operating budget of the Westport Community Schools for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003?

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 13.

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town of Westport appropriate the funds voted for approval on March 10, 2003 an additional \$884,041.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the Town's operating budget, exclusive of the Westport Community Schools, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003?

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 14.

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town of Westport appropriate a sum of \$300,000 for the purpose of complying with mandated Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Administrative Consent Orders to clean up the Town Hall and Head of Westport contamination sites and to determine how such sum shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, provided that if by borrowing said vote shall be contingent on a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion in accordance with G.L.c.59, section 21C(m), and/or take any other action relative thereto?

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The main motion of article 15 was changed to "a sum of \$201,000 with \$101,000. for the Head of Westport and \$100,000 for Town Hall".

VOTED: to amend the amount in article 15 to \$235,000 with \$201,000 from Taxation and \$34,000 from the Stabilization Fund. Lost -- Yes: 156 No: 184

Voted: \$201,000 from Taxation. \$100,000 for the Head of Westport, \$101,000. for Town Hall. Carried.

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$90,000 for the purpose of funding the Fire Department Budget for the purpose of hiring two (2) Firefighters/Paramedics for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and or take any other action relative thereto.

FIRE CHIEF

The main motion of article 16 was changed to "a sum of \$20,000 to hire one (1) Firefighter/Paramedic". Said sum to come from the Stabilization Fund.

VOTED: the provisions of Article 16 were lost. Yes: 156 No: 124 (2/3 vote needed)

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$9,000 to be used by the Police Department to provide for additional patrols for the Town's beaches, and or take any other action relative thereto.

CHIEF OF POLICE

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 17.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or the Municipal Waterways Fund the sum of \$10,000 for core samples and dredging in the Westport River, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

DREDGING COMMITTEE

VOTED: \$10,000 from Municipal Waterways Fund. Carried.

VOTED: to postpone Article 19 until tomorrow night after Article 48. Carried.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money, if necessary, to purchase an easement from the City of Fall River on land located on the easterly side of Gifford Road as shown on Assessor's Map 33, Lot 96 for the construction of a retention basin for the treatment of stormwater runoff, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 29

To see if the Town of Westport will vote to reestablish a moratorium against the issuance of any further Class 2 licenses under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 140, Sections 56, 57 and 58 in the Town of Westport by the Board of Selectmen, which moratorium shall not apply to renewals or transfers of licenses in good standing, pending the outcome of the Master Plan, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: Carried.

ARTICLE 30

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Dog Control, the position:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Dog Officer | 7C | R | Annual | PT |

and inserting therein under Schedule A—Board of Health, the position:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Animal Control Officer | 7C | R | Salary | FT |

and if necessary, to raise and appropriate a sum of money and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Animal Control Personal Services Budget and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF HEALTH/BOARD OF SELECTMAN

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 30.

ARTICLE 31

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Police Department, the title:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Executive Officer | 1 | 40 | Salary | FT |

and inserting therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|--------------|-------|----------|-----------|------|
| Deputy Chief | 1 | Required | Salary | FT |

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 32

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by deleting under Schedule A—Council on Aging, the title:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|----------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| Director | 1 | 35 | Salary | FT |

and inserting therein:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|----------|-------|----------|-----------|------|
| Director | 1 | Required | Salary | FT |

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 32.

ARTICLE 33

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by adding under Schedule A—Board of Selectmen, the title:

| Position | Group | Hours | Pay Basis | Type |
|--------------------|-------|----------|-----------|------|
| Town Administrator | 1 | Required | Salary | FT |

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 34

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law XXI by amending Section 4. Personnel Board Procedures: A.1. Rules, Regulations and Procedures: which presently reads:

The Personnel Board shall prescribe rules and regulations and establish procedures for the standardization of employee conditions of employment and benefits. In addition, the Personnel Board shall set, no later than January 31 of each year, a schedule of pay rates for all hourly employees covered by this by-law, said rates

to be compiled from the annual appropriations by Town Meeting, the records of the Finance Committee, and consultation with all departments heads, requesting rate changes from the prior fiscal year. The Personnel Board shall adopt rules and regulations pertaining to employee condition of employment and benefits in the following manner:

Delete the word "hourly" from the fourth line; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: Carried.

ARTICLE 35

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law XXI by amending Section 6. Fringe Benefits and Working Conditions as follows:

Leave: A.3. Holidays, which presently reads:

Full time or regular employees covered by this By-Law shall receive the following paid holidays:

Insert after the word "regular" the words "non-exempt"

Jury Leave: A. 8. Which presently reads:

An employee in full time employment required to serve on the Jury and thus having to be absent from regular duty may upon application be paid the difference between the compensation received from jury duty and his regular compensation from the Town, upon presentation of an affidavit of jury pay granted.

Delete this section and adopt in its place the following:

A full time or regular employee may request unlimited days of jury duty leave during the year. Seasonal, part-time and temporary employees will only be paid for jury duty to a maximum of three days. Jury duty includes serving as a jury member, or serving as a witness in response to a court subpoena. Jury duty pay will be calculated on the employee's base pay rate times the number of hours the employee would otherwise have worked on the day of absence.

Employees must show the jury duty summons or subpoena to their supervisor as soon as possible so that the supervisor may make arrangements to accommodate their absence. Employees are expected to report for work when the court schedule permits, and/or take any other action relative thereto

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 36

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law XXI Section 6. Fringe Benefits and Working Conditions A.3. Holidays by inserting the following:

If the Deputy Fire Chief and the Police Executive Officer/Deputy Police Chief are called in to work for a material reason on holidays listed under the Personnel By-Law, they shall be compensated an additional day's pay, for each holiday worked, at the discretion of the Fire Chief and Police Chief. Not qualifying as a material reason would be any work done that does not mandate their presence, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 37

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law XXI Section 6. Fringe Benefits and Working

Conditions, Section C. Related Personnel Provisions by inserting therein :

Deputy Fire Chief Career Incentive Pay Program

In addition to his/her regular pay, the deputy Fire Chief shall receive incentive pay predicated on the accumulation of credits earned in the following manner:

Credits will be granted and recognized for college credits in Fire Science and Public Administration related subjects only, as approved by the Fire Chief.

Payment will be made at the rate of \$.010 per credit hour up to a maximum one hundred and seventy (170) hours.

Payments will commence only after the Deputy Fire Chief has accumulated fifteen (15) credits and will increase thereafter upon the accumulation of thirty (30) credits, forty-five (45) credits, the award of an Associate Degree seventy-five (75) credits, ninety (90) credits, one hundred and five (105) credits, the award of a Baccalaureate Degree, one hundred and thirty-five (135) credits, one hundred and fifty (150) credits and the award of a Master's Degree, and/or take any other relative action thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 38

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law XXI Section 6. Fringe Benefits and Working Conditions 4. by deleting: Vacations for Salary and Full Time Annual employees, which reads as follows:

| <u>Amount Of Time Worked</u> | <u>Working Days Vacation Per Year</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Less than 6 months | 0 Days |
| Six months to two years | 10 Days |
| Two years to five years | 15 Days |
| Five years to 12 years | 20 Days |
| Twenty years or more | 25 Days |

And inserting therein:

Salary and full time annual employees shall be granted vacation as follows:
Vacation shall be earned on a monthly accrual basis.

| <u>Amount of Time Worked</u> | <u>Working Days Vacation Per Year</u> | <u>Monthly Accrual Rate</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Less than 6 months | 0 Days | 0 Days |
| Six months to two years | 12 Days | 1 Day |
| Two years to five years | 18 Days | 1.5 Days |
| Five years to 18 years | 21 Days | 1.75 Days |
| 18 years + | 27 Days | 2.25 Days |

At the discretion of the Supervisor, the employee may be advanced vacation time not to exceed five days. In the event of termination the cost of any advanced vacation time shall be deducted from the employee's final pay, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: Carried.

ARTICLE 39

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law XXI Section 6. Fringe Benefits and Working Conditions 4. by deleting: Vacations for all other full time or regular employees, which reads as follows:

| <u>Amount Of Time Worked</u> | <u>Working Days Vacation Per Year</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Less than 6 months | 0 Days |
| Six months to one year | 5 Days |
| One year to five years | 10 Days |
| Five years to 12 years | 15 Days |
| More than 12 years | 20 Days |
| Twenty years or more | 25 Days |

and inserting therein:

All other full time or regular employees shall be granted vacation as follows:

Vacation shall be earned on a monthly accrual basis.

| <u>Amount of Time Worked</u> | <u>Working Days Vacation Per Year</u> | <u>Monthly Accrual Rate</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Less than 6 months | 0 Days | 0 Days |
| Six months to one year | 6 Days | 5 Days |
| One year to five years | 12 Days | 1 Day |
| Five years to 12 years | 18 Days | 1.5 Days |
| Twelve to twenty years | 21 Days | 1.75 Days |
| Twenty years + | 27 Days | 2.25 Days |

At the discretion of the Supervisor, the employee may be advanced vacation time not to exceed five days. In the event of termination the cost of any advanced vacation time shall be deducted from the employee's final pay, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: Carried.

ARTICLE 40

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law Article XXI Section 6. Fringe Benefits and Working Conditions.5.Sick Leave by deleting:

All full time or regular hourly employees shall accumulate sick leave at the rate of one and one half (1 ½) days per month credited on the first day of each month. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of one hundred and fifty (150) days.

Salary and annual employees shall receive sick leave as required for actual illness or injury without loss of pay. There shall be no accumulation provision for such employees. Any sick leave granted to an annual or salaried employee in excess of 20 working days in any given fiscal year shall be subject to approval by the relevant Department Head and the Personnel Board.

And insert therein:

All salary, annual, full time and regular employees shall accumulate sick leave at the rate of one and one half (1 ½) days per month credited on the first day of each month. Sick leave may be accumulated to a maximum of one hundred and eighty (180) days, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: Carried.

VOTED: to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 10:32 p.m. until tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.
There were 413 registered voters and 13 visitors and guests in attendance.

A true record,
Attest:
Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

MAY 14, 2003

The adjourned Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Moderator Brad C. Brightman who appointed Ken DeCosta and Doug Houde to act as Tellers and they were duly sworn by the Town Clerk. Beverly Kut acted as timekeeper for the meeting.

Gary Mauk, Chairman of the Finance Committee, made a motion to reaffirm the votes and funding sources for Articles 8, 10, 11 and 12.

VOTED: (Unanimously) Articles 8, 10, 11 and 12 from Taxation.

ARTICLE 41

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law XXI Schedule "A" as shown as Appendix A on Page 19, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD

VOTED: (Unanimously) with 2 changes to the Schedule. Under COA Director, change "required" to "35"; under Planning Board, change "Group - 2 to Group -1".

ARTICLE 42

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 32B, Section 9D that allows the town to pay one-half of the premium costs payable by the surviving spouse of an employee or retired employee for group health insurance.

TREASURER /BOARD OF SELECTMEN

VOTED: (Unanimously)

ARTICLE 43

To see if the town will vote to amend town by law 3101, to say all permanent police officers for the Town of Westport shall abide by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41 Section 99A.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 43.

ARTICLE 44

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Law Article IV, Section 0403, which currently reads "The Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, may sell, sign, seal, and acknowledge in the name and on behalf of the Town deeds conveying land, the title to which has been acquired by the Town through the foreclosure of a tax title", by deleting such section and inserting in place thereof the following:

"All Real Property, including property the title to which has been acquired by the Town through the foreclosure of a tax title shall be conveyed or sold only after a vote by an Annual Town Meeting." and/or take any other action.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 44.

ARTICLE 45

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws by adopting the following, or take any action relative thereto:

Buffer Zone and Groundwater Protection Bylaw

Section 1: Purpose

The purpose of this bylaw is to protect the wetlands, groundwater, related water resources, and adjoining land areas in the Town of Westport by establishing a 50 foot limited activity area within the buffer zone to control activities that have a significant or cumulative effect upon wetland values. The buffer zone protection provided under this bylaw contributes to the following interests: protection of private or public water supply and ground water supply, flood control, erosion and sedimentation control, storm damage prevention, prevention of water pollution, protection of fisheries, wildlife habitat and land containing shellfish, and maintenance of agricultural values.

This by-law employs the home rule authority granted to cities and towns under the Massachusetts Constitution (Amend. Art. 89, Section 6) to protect the areas specified in Section 3 with additional standards stricter than those of the Wetlands Protection Act (M. G. L. c. 131 s. 40) and regulations thereunder (310 CMR 10.00). This bylaw shall become effective as soon as the requirements of M.G.L. c.40 s.32 have been satisfied.

Section 2: Definitions

The definitions contained within MGL c.131 s.40 and 310 CMR 10.00 are incorporated herein by reference and made part of this bylaw, except where the language in the bylaw is more protective, in which event the language in this bylaw shall prevail.

Section 3: Jurisdiction

Except as provided in this bylaw, no person shall remove, fill, dredge, build upon, or alter the following areas:

- A) Within 50 feet of any freshwater or tidal wetland, bordering vegetated wetland, marsh, wet meadow, bog, swamp, vernal pool, or estuary; and
- B) Within 50 feet of any bank (coastal or inland), lake, pond, stream (whether intermittent or perennial), or creek;

Section 4: Exemptions

The following are exempt from this bylaw and remain subject to any applicable requirements of the Wetlands Protection Act (M. G. L. c. 131 s. 40) and regulations thereunder (310 CMR 10.00):

- A) Any land within the jurisdiction of this bylaw that is presently in an approved altered state, having been previously permitted under 310 CMR 10.00.
- B) Preexisting lots if the applicant shows there is no practicable and substantially equivalent economic alternative to the proposed project with less adverse effects (as defined in MGL c.131 s.30).
- C) Normal maintenance or improvement of land in agricultural use or land in aquacultural use, as defined in 310 CMR 10.04.
- D) Maintaining existing landscaping.
- E) Maintaining, repairing, or replacing an existing and lawfully located structure or facility used in the service of the public to provide gas, electric, water, telephone, or other telecommunication services, provided that:
 - 1. The structure or facility is not substantially changed or enlarged;
 - 2. Written notice, with detailed plans of the work to be performed has been submitted to the Conservation Commission prior to commencement of the work.
- F) Certain minor activities:
 - Unpaved pedestrian walkways for private use;

Fencing, provided it will not constitute a barrier to wildlife movement; stonewalls; stacks of cordwood;

Plantings of native species of trees, shrubs or groundcover, but excluding turf lawns;

The conversion of impervious to vegetated surfaces, provided that erosion and sedimentation controls are implemented during construction; and

Activities that are temporary in nature, have negligible impacts and are necessary for planning and design purposes (e.g., installation of monitoring wells, exploratory borings, sediment sampling and surveying).

- G) Access to upland via an approved roadway layout through land that is within the jurisdiction of this bylaw, when there is no alternative access available, as well as any related replication that would be required under 310 CMR 10.00.

Section 5: Exceptions

The Conservation Commission may permit the following activities with an Order of Conditions, if the applicant has ensured the impact on the 50-foot limited activity areas within the buffer zone will be minimized. Requests for exceptions are subject to the administrative procedures including filing fees, specified in the Wetlands Protection Act (M. G. L. c. 131 s. 40) and regulations thereunder (310 CMR 10.00).

- A) The placement and drilling of a well for public or private water supply.
- B) The construction of ditches, swales, installation of pipes, construction of settlement ponds, retention ponds and any similar facilities for treatment and control of road and stormwater runoff.
- C) The installation of pipes for the conveyance of sewage to a treatment facility.
- D) The installation of private utilities (i.e., gas, electric, water, telephone and communications).

Section 6: Emergencies

Section 3 of this bylaw shall not apply to emergency projects necessary for the protection of health or safety of the public, provided that the Commission or its agent certifies the work as an emergency project. The work shall be performed only for the time and place certified by the Conservation Commission for the limited purposes necessary to abate the emergency.

Section 7: Enforcement and Penalties

The Conservation Commission, its members, employees, duly authorized agents and local and state law enforcement agencies are hereby authorized to enforce the provisions of this bylaw. The Conservation Commission, its agent officers and employees shall seek the property owner's permission to enter upon privately owned land for the purpose of performing their duties under this bylaw. If permission is not granted and such access is necessary, then an authorized agent of the Commission may seek appropriate authorization through the courts. The Conservation Commission may make or cause to be made such examinations, survey or sampling, as the Commission deems necessary.

Notice of violation shall be in the form of a violation letter, enforcement order or a cease and desist request. The Conservation Commission may after notice and a public hearing, order mitigation measures to rectify the adverse impact of a violation through repair, rehabilitation or restoration of the affected area or to compensate for an adverse impact by enhancement or provision of a replacement buffer zone.

Any person who willfully violates any provision of this bylaw shall be subject to a fine of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for the first offense, one hundred fifty (\$150.00) for the second offense, three hundred (\$300.00) for the third and each additional offense from the date of notice of violation, not to exceed \$25,000 for each violation. Each day or portion thereof shall constitute a separate offense, and each provision of the bylaw, permits or administrative orders violated shall constitute a separate offense.

This by-law shall be enforced by non-criminal disposition as provided by M.G.L. s. 40 s.21D and the Town of Westport Non-Criminal Disposition of Violations Bylaw.

Section 8: Administrative Review

Anyone aggrieved by a denial of permit or finding of violation under this bylaw may request a hearing before the Board of Selectmen. The Selectmen must receive a request for a hearing in writing within 10 business days of the Conservation Commission's notification of the denial of a permit or of a violation. Upon such notice, the Board of Selectmen shall schedule an informal hearing in which the aggrieved party and representatives of the Conservation Commission are each afforded an opportunity to present information on the case under this bylaw. The Board of Selectmen may request additional information, make a site visit, seek legal counsel, or take other appropriate steps to assess the circumstances presented by the parties prior to making a decision consistent with the requirements of the bylaw. A decision by the Selectmen must be provided in writing within 60 days of the hearing to the aggrieved party and to the Conservation Commission.

Section 9: Severability

A determination that any portion of this by-law is invalid shall not invalidate any other portion or provision thereof.

BY PETITION

VOTED: to commit and refer Article 45 to the Conservation Commission Carried.

ARTICLE 46

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws to allow the construction of assisted living facilities or nursing homes by Special Permit of the Zoning Board of Appeals by adopting the following to Section 4.0.1.D: "Assisted Living Facilities or Nursing Homes"

Special Permit Requirements for Assisted Living Facilities or Nursing Homes

Application for special permits for assisted living facilities or nursing homes shall be on such forms or in such manner as the special permit granting authority may specify and in accordance with its rules and regulations and shall be submitted together with all required exhibits and site plans.

The plans shall include, but not be limited to pertinent information in regard to the following: lot boundaries, streets contiguous to the site, vegetation, existing and proposed roadways, existing and proposed buildings, location of sources of water, sewage disposal, parking, ponds and wetlands.

Copies of the plan will be referred to the following Boards or individuals within fourteen days for their review and input: Conservation Commission, Highway Surveyor, Fire Chief, Board of Health, Building Inspector and Chief of Police.

The special permit granting authority shall determine that the proposal generally conforms to the principles of good engineering, sound planning and correct land use and that the applicant has the means to implement the proposal if a special permit is granted. Applicants may be required, as a condition to special permit, to guarantee that all conditions and features of the plan are completed by posting a suitable bond or deed covenant and/or take any other action.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to refer and commit Article 46 to the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 47

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws to allow the construction of Condominiums by Special Permit of the Zoning Board of Appeals by adopting the following to Section 4.0.1.D: "Condominiums with not more than two bedrooms each."

Special Permit Requirements for Condominiums:

Application for special permits for condominiums shall be on such forms or in such manner as the special permit granting authority may specify and in accordance with its rules and regulations and shall be submitted together with all required exhibits and site plans.

The plans shall include, but not be limited to pertinent information in regard to the following: lot boundaries, streets contiguous to the site, vegetation, existing and proposed roadways, existing and proposed buildings, location of sources of water, sewage disposal, parking, ponds and wetlands.

Copies of the plan will be referred to the following Boards or individuals within fourteen days for their review and input: Conservation Commission, Highway Surveyor, Fire Chief, Board of Health, Building Inspector and Chief of Police.

The special permit granting authority shall determine that the proposal generally conforms to the principles of good engineering, sound planning and correct land use and that the applicant has the means to implement the proposal if a special permit is granted. Applicants may be required, as a condition to special permit, to guarantee that all conditions and features of the plan are completed by posting a suitable bond or deed covenant and/or take any other action.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to refer and commit Article 47 to the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 48

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws to allow Bed & Breakfast type facilities to be located in the Town by Special Permit by the Zoning Board of Appeals by adopting the following to Section 4.0.1.D: "Bed & Breakfast consisting of renting of rooms on a daily or weekly basis and providing meals to guests renting such rooms." and/or take any other action.

BY PETITION

VOTED: to refer and commit to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Lost. Yes: 73 No: 95

The main motion of Article 48 was amended by the Petitioner to read as follows:

ARTICLE 48

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-laws to allow Bed & Breakfast facilities to be located in the Town by Special Permit by the Zoning Board of Appeals by adopting the following to Section 4.0.1.D: "Bed & Breakfast consisting of renting rooms on a daily or weekly basis and providing breakfast meals to guests renting such rooms."

In qualifying such a facility, the Town will utilize the American Planning Association (APA) and the American Bed & Breakfast Association (ABBA) definition of a Bed & Breakfast (homestay):

Definition - Bed and Breakfast (homestay): a private owner occupied residence with one to three guestrooms. The bed and breakfast homestay is subordinate and incidental to the main residential use of the building. The home is to be the primary and legal residence of the owner, is a single-family residence, and the owner shall be responsible for the operation of the property and shall be a resident of the property when the Bed and Breakfast establishment is in operation. Individual guests are prohibited from staying at a particular bed and breakfast establishment for more than fourteen (14) days in any 30-day period.

Bed and Breakfast (homestay) operations shall be subject to the following regulations:

Parking Requirements - The owner shall be required to provide 1 off-street parking space per guest room, plus two spaces for the residence, in a location normal for residential use, and on the premises.

Use Regulations - The only meal to be provided guests shall be breakfast, and it shall only be served to

guests taking lodging at the facility and shall be included in the guestroom rate. The business owner shall conform to any requirements of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Department of Public Health and Code Enforcement, adhere to all existing rules, regulations, codes and other Federal, Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Town of Westport requirements pertaining to health and safety as typically regulated and enforced by the Building Department, Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Fire Department, Planning Board and/or Board of Selectmen. A maximum of two guests per room are allowed and children under the age of twelve (12) shall not be considered in the total number of guests. Guestroom shall not include individual kitchen facilities and shall have at least one toilet, one bath/shower, and one washbasin separate from those required for the single-family residence portion of the dwelling. Additionally not more than forty-five (45%) percent of the entire habitable living space shall be allocated for Bed and Breakfast establishment purposes. One non-illuminated sign may be erected on the property, not to exceed eight (8) square feet in size, with no single dimension exceeding four feet (4').

VOTED: Carried. Yes: 131 No: 34

(NOTE: per Town Counsel, the first two paragraphs amends section 4.0.1.D, page 27, #7; the third paragraph amends § 1.1, page 4 of Zoning Board of Appeals and last three paragraphs amends § 4.0.1, page 25 as set out at pages 34-36.)

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the FY 2004 Community Preservation budget and to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2004; and further to reserve for future appropriation amounts as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee: a sum of money for the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space excluding land for recreational use, a sum of money for acquisition and preservation of historic resources, and a sum of money for the creation, preservation and support of community housing, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

| <u>APPROPRIATION PURPOSE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>FUNDING SOURCE</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Administrative Costs | \$ 14,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Open Space Needs | 100,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Historic Preservation Needs | 35,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Community Housing Needs | 40,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Westport Housing Authority's Unit Accessibility Project | 25,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Westport Pt. Historic District Waterways Restoration | <u>30,000.00</u> | CPA Fund Revenues |
| | 244,000.00 | |

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

VOTED: (Unanimously) \$244,000 as follows:

| <u>PURPOSE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>FUNDING SOURCE</u> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Administrative costs | \$ 14,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Agricultural/Open Space Preservation Restrictions for land commonly referred to as the Oscar Palmer Farm | \$115,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Historic Preservation Restrictions for buildings on property commonly referred to as the Oscar Palmer Farm | \$ 35,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Community Housing Needs | \$ 40,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Westport Housing Authority's Unit Accessibility Project | \$ 25,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |
| Westport Point Historic District Waterways Restoration | \$ 30,000.00 | CPA Fund Revenues |

ARTICLE 49

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Paul Drive and/or take any other action relative thereto.
BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 49.

ARTICLE 50

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Layout of Hunters Way and or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 50.

ARTICLE 51

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Layout of Romano Village Drive and or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 51.

ARTICLE 52

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Layout of Field Stone Drive, on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 52.

ARTICLE 53

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Layout of Winterberry Lane, on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 53.

ARTICLE 54

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/FINANCE COMMITTEE

VOTED: (Unanimously) to pass over Article 54.

VOTED: (Unanimously) to adjourn and dissolve the Annual Town Meeting at 9:28 p.m. There were 205 registered voters and 7 visitors and guests in attendance.

A true record,
Attest:
Marlene M. Samson
Town Clerk

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting five or more copies in as many places within said Town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

Hereof and fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting.

Given under our hands at Westport this 17th day of March in the year two thousand three.

Steven J. Ouellette
Russell T. Hart
Stewart Kirkaldy
Elizabeth A. Collins
Richard M. Tongue
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson
Town Clerk
Westport, MA 02790
April 29, 2003

I this 29th day of April 2003, I posted 6 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Senior Center
Central Village Fire Station
Briere's Inc. a.k.a. Country Liquor & Variety
Town Hall

Daniel P. Sullivan
Constable of Westport

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT ARTS COUNCIL

| <u>Members</u> | <u>Term Expires</u> |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Whitmore Boogaerts | 6/30/05 |
| George Cataldo | 6/30/05 |
| Sharon Hanover | 6/30/05 |
| John McDonough | 6/30/03 |
| James Reitzas | 6/30/03 |
| Elaine Ostroff | 6/30/05 |
| Betty Spray | 6/30/06 |
| Henry Swan | 6/30/06 |
| Carol Vidal | 6/30/06 |
| Carolyn J. Kaiser | 6/30/06 |

The Westport Arts Council administered two grant programs during the year 2003: \$2,300.00 from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and \$16,220.00 from the Helen Ellis Charitable Trust.

Massachusetts Cultural Council Grant: \$2,300.00

The following 8 applicants were granted partial funding: Robert St. Amour, Senior Entertainment; Westport High School, Zeiterion Theatre tickets for students; Westport High School, RISD trips for art students; Westport Free Public Library, Concert of songs from around the world; Peter Fradley, Publication of collection of "Perspective" column on Westport history; Concerts on the Point, Muir String Quartet performance; Westport Historical Society, "Old-Fashioned Christmas"; Westport Fisherman's Association, Whaling history account narrated at WHS.

The Helen Ellis Charitable Trust: \$16,220.00

The following 11 applications were granted full or partial funding: William F. Wyatt, Exhibit of Artwork by Herb Hadfield; Robert St. Amour, Senior Entertainment; Alyn Carlson-Webster, Children's Activity; Concerts at the Point, 2nd concert for 2003 season; Our Lady of Grace Senior Citizen's Club, Dance for seniors; Claude Ledoux, Westport History Documented on CD's; Westport River Watershed Alliance, Inc., Partial Funding for River Day; WB Sculpture Studio, 11 ft. sculpture for Westport Library, Westport Community Schools, student's visit to Worcester Art Museum; Westport High School, replacement for band uniforms; Westport Free Library, professional storyteller.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board of Appeals is submitting its report for the year ending December 31, 2003. The organization of the Board is as follows:

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| Clayton Harrison - Chairman | Term expires 6/30/2004 |
| Gerald Coutinho - Vice-Chairman | Term expires 6/30/2007 |
| Donna Lambert - Clerk | Term expires 6/30/2005 |
| Kendal D. Tripp | Term expires 6/30/2006 |
| Christopher Graham | Term expires 6/30/2004 |
| Barbara Hanley - Associate | Term expires 6/30/2004 |
| Margot desJardins - Associate | Term expires 6/30/2004 |
| Maria I. Branco | Recording Clerk |

During the calendar year, the Board conducted 10 hearings as follows: One Administrative Appeal from the decision of the Building Inspector, which was later withdrawn by the applicant; Three applications for variances were filed, one of which was granted for installation of an above-ground pool, one was withdrawn and one is still pending before the Board into 2004; one Special Permit was granted for construction, operation and maintenance of a telecommunications tower at American Legion Highway; and of the four (4) Comprehensive Permit applications filed in 2002, several hearings were conducted on each of these applications, of which three were approved by the Board and one is still pending into 2004. One of the permits granted is for a senior housing project on Main Road and the other permits were granted for single-family residences. One of these projects is pending litigation with the Superior Court and Land Court. Two findings were granted by the Board, one for allowance of a full-liquor, year-round liquor license; and for the removal of sand and gravel.

The Board regrets to announce that Raymond L. Medeiros, who served as a Member of the Board of Appeals for 33 years, retired in 2003. The Board extends its appreciation for his dedication and loyalty and wishes him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

I remain the Appeals Board representative to the Master Plan Update Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Clayton Harrison, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSOR

The Board of Assessors respectfully submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 2003 with organization as follows:

Mr. Stephen J. Medeiros, Chairman
Mr. John J. McDermott
Mr. Robert Grillo
Mr. Paul A. Matheson III, Assistant Assessor/Appraiser
Ms. Sharon M. Potter, Office Manager
Mrs. Sharon L. Martori, Senior Clerk
Ms. Carol F. Tripp, Clerk

Tax Rate Summary for Fiscal 2004:

Fiscal 2004 Tax Rate \$8.07 per m.

| | | |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| I. | Tax Levy Calculation | |
| | A. Total amount to be raised | \$24,566,376.18 |
| | B. Total Estimated Receipts & Available funds | 9,394,415.45 |
| | C. Tax Levy | \$15,171,960.73 |
| II. | Amount to be raised | |
| | A. Appropriations | \$23,779,866.45 |
| | B. Other amounts to be raised | |
| | Debt & Interest charges | 115,098.00 |
| | Total Cherry Sheet offsets | |
| | Total II B. | 115,098.00 |
| | C. State and County Cherry Sheet Charges | 395,629.00 |
| | D. Allowance for Abatements and Exemptions | 228,527.12 |
| | E. Total Amount to be Raised | \$24,566,376.18 |
| III. | Estimated Receipts and other Revenue Sources | |
| | A. Estimated Receipts-State | |
| | 1. Cherry Sheet estimated receipts | 5,435,258.00 |
| | 2. Cherry Sheet overestimates | |
| | Total III. A | 5,435,258.00 |
| | B. Estimated Receipts -Local | |
| | 1. Local Receipts not Allocated | 3,014,000.00 |
| | 2. Offset Receipts | 0.00 |
| | 3. Enterprise Funds | 201,255.00 |
| | 4. Community Preservation funds | 529,139.00 |
| | Total III. B | 3,744,394.00 |
| | C. Revenue Sources Appropriated for Particular Purposes | |
| | 1. Free Cash | |
| | 2. Other Available Funds | 214,763.45 |
| | Total III. C | 214,763.45 |

| | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| D. Other Revenue sources appropriated specifically to Reduce the Tax Rate | 0.00 |
| E. Total Estimated Receipts and Other Sources | 9,394,415.45 |
| IV. Summary of Total Amount to be Raised and Total Receipts From All Sources | |
| A. Total amount to be raised | 24,566,376.18 |
| B. Total estimated receipts and other Revenue Sources | 9,394,415.45 |
| C. Total Real and Personal Property Tax Levy | 15,171,960.73 |
| D. Total Receipts From All Sources | 24,566,376.18 |

Under General Laws, Chapter 58, Section 10, we classify property reportable to the State as follows:

| Property Class | #of Parcels | Valuation as of 1/1/2003 |
|------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| 101-Single family | 5280 | 1,384,771,920 |
| 102-Condominium | 74 | 13,260,100 |
| Misc-Res 103,109 | 157 | 72,868,720 |
| 104-Two family | 320 | 78,307,790 |
| 105-Three family | 13 | 3,023,440 |
| 111-125 4-8 Units | 26 | 6,695,300 |
| 130-32 & 106 Vacant Land | 1335 | 103,902,500 |
| 300-393 Commercial | 246 | 76,909,310 |
| 400-452 Industrial | 17 | 6,328,600 |
| Ch 61 Forest | 25 | 809,340 |
| Ch 61A Agriculture | 249 | 9,438,100 |
| Ch 61B Recreational | 16 | 5,395,190 |
| 012-043 Mixed Use | 51 | 89,363,820 |
| Total Real Estate | 7809 | 1,851,074,130 |
| Personal Property | 963 | 9,922,640 |
| Public Utilities | 12 | 19,047,930 |
| Total Personal Property | 975 | 28,970,570 |
| Number of Transfers of Property in 2003 | | 558 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 2003 | | |
| Number of Vehicles Assessed \$25. per m. | | 19,488 |
| Excise assessed | | \$1,712,888.68 |
| Valuation of Automobiles | | 74,619,955 |
| Farm Animal Excise Tax | | |
| Number of Farms | | 27 |
| Excise Assessed \$5. per m. | | \$4,438.73 |
| Valuation of Animals & Machinery | | 887,745.00 |
| Boat Excise Tax | | |
| Number of Boats | | 1,091 |
| Excise Assessed \$10. per m. | | \$56,757.00 |
| Valuation of Boats | | 5,675,700.00 |

We wish to thank the various departments in the Town Hall for their continued cooperation during the year.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health respectively submits the following report for the year ending 2003:

| | |
|------------|-----------------|
| Chairman: | Sean M. Leach |
| Secretary: | Donna Lambert |
| Member: | Brenda J. Burke |

Staff And Appointees:

Ralph Urban, Sr. Public Health Agent/State Animal Inspector
Beth M. Hallal, Full-time Health Agent/State Animal Inspector
Debra Charette-Vieira, Part-time Health Agent/Tobacco Control/State Animal Inspector
Nancy J. Paquet, Principal Clerk-Full time
Patricia Kershaw, Senior Clerk-Full time
Lucy Tabit, Recording Clerk
Harold J. Sisson, Landfill Worker
Keith Spooner, Landfill Worker
Dr. Stewart Kirkaldy, Medical Advisor
Marlene Samson, Burial Agent/Special BOH Agent

Nursing Department Staff:

Kathleen Burns, R.N, Part-time Public Health Nurse

Licensed Funeral Directors:

Jonathan H. Potter Jr.
Harry L. Potter
Shane Erickson Potter

Certificates, Licenses, Permits, & Applications Issued:

Bakery Permits 4, Bottled Water Permits 9, Catering Permits 8, Food Handler's Certificates 72, Food Service Est. Permits 41, Frozen Dessert Permits 5, Mobile Food Service Permit 4, Pasteurization Permit 1, Residential Kitchen Permits 1, Retail Food Service Permits 24, Seasonal Food Service Permits 9, Temp. Food Service Permits 28, Above-Ground Pool Permits 27, Camps/Motels Permits 5, Duplicate Permit Issued 2, Equine Permits 29, Funeral Director Certificates 3, Garbage Removal Permits 3, In-Ground Pool Permits 15, Installer's Permits 65, Massage Establishment Permits 5, Massage Therapy Permits 10, Perc Applications-New Construction & Upgrades 139, Perc Applications-Repairs 126, Extra Perc Holes 29, Soil Stratas 6, Water Tables 3, 1-4 Piggery Permits 8, Piggery Permits 3, Port-a-Jon Permits 8, Semi Private Pool Permits 1, Septic Repair Permits Approved 126, Septic New Construction Permits Approved 80, Septic Upgrades Permits Approved 9, Septic Permits 1 Yr. Ext. 3, Septic Plan Revision Reviews 20, Sewage Removal Permits 9, Stable Permits 17, Tanning Salon Permits 3, Tobacco Permits 21, Well Permits 92, Late

Renewal Penalties 11, Smoking Violation Tickets 9, Non-Criminal Disposition Ticket 1, Regulation Violation 1.

Animal Bite Reports:

Dog bites 15
Cat bites 6
Other 1

Transfer Station Collections:

1,078 tons of Recyclables, which include cardboard, scrap metal, tin, magazine/junk mail, newspaper, plastics #1 & #2, glass. The Town has received payments totaling \$12,919 for recyclables collected at the Transfer Station in 2002 and an additional \$1,856 was received in March 2003 from the State for participation in the Municipal Recycling Incentive Program for May through November 2002. Due to lack of state funding the MRIP Program was suspended.

2,210 tons of Municipal Solid Waste was transferred to New Bedford Waste Services during 2003, which cost the Town \$180,291.

Board Of Health Goals:

The Board meets every other Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Annex.

The year of 2003 proved to be a busy year for the Board with some unique and interesting challenges. The Board established new regulations for the protection of water quality, adopted the equine regulations, and policies for septic system approval and inspections. These with the ever-increasing regulatory agency requirements have kept the office staff busy. Emergency response to the oil spill in the spring provided some new experience for the staff.

The Board also was instrumental in the kick-off of the drainage project at the head of Westport with grant monies. The Board further enhanced its commitment to reducing smoking by promulgating no smoking regulations in public restaurants and school grounds.

In regular business the Board continued to see a number of septic repairs and upgrades as well as new construction percolation tests. Because road kill remained a time consuming endeavor, the Board has pursued an animal control officer position.

The Board looks forward to the next year by further protecting public health and the environment by streamlining the septic upgrade process and encouraging new technologies for wastewater treatment. The Board intends to adopt educational programs to increase recycling and composting efforts, disease prevention and awareness, and protection of the natural resources in the town. The Board seeks to improve the enforcement of public health regulations. It wishes to increase the professionalism of the office, and the knowledge of the workers, as well as establish or change regulations to improve the ability of the Board of protect public health.

Finally the Board wishes to thank the agents, secretarial staff and the Town nurse for their outstanding effort and invaluable help throughout the year. Their professionalism is a credit to the Town.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH NURSING DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit the report for the Nursing Department for the year 2003

Group of Professional Personnel:

Kathleen Burns, R.N.....Part-time Staff Nurse
J.K.S. Kirkaldy, M.D.....Medical Advisor
Jean Leimert, M.D.....Well Child Clinic Pediatrician
Carmen MaioccoLead Testing

Clinic Volunteers:

Germaine Baker
Jeanne Aquilia

Nursing services rendered from 1/1/03 through 12/31/03

Well Child Clinic:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Total exams | 20 |
| D.T.A.P | 08 |
| M.M.R | 05 |
| Prevnar | 04 |
| I.P.V | 07 |
| H.I.B. | 04 |
| Lead Tests | 06 |
| Varivax | 01 |
| Tuberculosis screening assessment | 08 |

Office Visits and Clinics

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Blood Pressure Clinic/ walk-in | 883 |
| Flu shots | 440 |
| Mantoux Tests | 15 |
| B12 Injections | 82 |
| Glucose Screenings | 20 |
| Blood Pressure Clinic @ Senior Center | 112 |
| Dressing changes | 04 |

Communicable Disease Case Reports (New Cases This Year):

| | |
|------------------|----|
| Chicken Pox | 01 |
| Pertussis | 01 |
| Hepatitis B | 03 |
| Hepatitis C | 14 |
| Enteric | 04 |
| Lyme Disease | 30 |
| Viral Meningitis | 01 |
| Ehrlichiosis | 03 |

Pneumonia 02

Adult Immunizations

| | |
|----------------------------|----|
| Measles, Mumps and Rubella | 04 |
| Tetanus and Diphtheria | 21 |
| Hepatitis B | 23 |
| Pneumonia | 15 |
| Hepatitis A | 03 |

Adolescent Immunizations

| | |
|----------------------|----|
| B) In Office | |
| M.M.R | 03 |
| Hepatitis B | 20 |
| Tetanus & Diphtheria | 19 |
| Varivax | 03 |

Home Visits 58

Maternal & Child Health Follow-ups 2

WIC satellite program held monthly

Durable Medical Equipment - accept donations of
equipment to loan to others in need

Deposits to Treasurer \$1,521.00

The responsibilities of the Westport Community Nurse include protection, preserving, and improving the health of the town residents. This is accomplished through services provided, such as blood pressure clinics, Well- Child clinics, referrals to appropriate resources, flu clinics, health education committees, and immunizations. While providing these services, opportunities for education concerning medication, nutrition, and healthy life choices occur. Communicable disease case investigations and case reports, mandated by the MDPH, are an important part of the town nurse's duties. These reports help document and describe the extent of disease in a population, spread of disease to new areas, and assess control measures. During the investigation, education and support are provided to the client, and at risk contacts are identified to prevent further transmission of the disease.

Special thanks to my faithful volunteers for their continued service.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Burns, R.N.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

On June 30, 2003 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project completed forty-three years of service to the cities and towns of Bristol County.

The Mosquito Control Project works year-round in its efforts to reduce mosquito breeding sites and adult mosquito populations. The Project uses several different measures of control in its never-ending fight against mosquitos.

Spring and Summer Larviciding - To reduce the emergence of adult mosquitos in areas where mosquito larvae is present.

Catch Basin Treatment - To stop mosquito emergence from rain-filled catch basins and storm drains.

Light Trapping Program - To monitor mosquito populations as to their type and number - a program necessary in encephalitis surveillance. Light trapping of mosquitos is also useful to determine what areas have high mosquito populations and should be sprayed.

Water Management - A year round endeavor to clean and construct mosquito drainage ditches in lowland swamps to reduce their favorability as breeding sites for mosquito larvae.

It is the policy of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project to use pesticides that are environmentally safe so that the safety of the people and environment are not jeopardized. We use as many of the biological insecticides as are practical with the environmental conditions present in the New England area. We are presently using three different formulations of B.T.I. in our larviciding program.

All of our spray equipment is calibrated periodically in order to insure that dosage rates remain at safe levels but are adequate to reduce mosquito populations. The operators of our spray equipment are state certified pesticide applicators that are required to attend classes on pesticide safety on a yearly basis.

During the time period January 1, 2003 - December 31, 2003 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project in Westport:

- . Sprayed over 7,683.8 acres
- . Treated 40.4 acres in 23 locations with BTI for mosquito larvae
- . Received 721 requests for spraying
- . Cleared and reclaimed 1,650 feet of brush

In a cooperative program with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project has been trapping mosquitoes throughout Bristol County. As of October 31, 2003, there were thirteen isolates of West Nile Virus, two isolates of Eastern Equine Encephalitis and three isolates of Highlands Jay Virus from mosquitoes. One horse contracted WNV and three others contracted EEE. There were two human cases of WNV.

I would like to thank the town officials and the people of Westport for their continued support and cooperation and look forward to serving them in the coming year. Should anyone have a question as to what

might be done to relieve a mosquito problem in their area, whether it is water management work, treatment of a breeding site, or just having an area checked, please feel free to call our office.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Andrews, Superintendent

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

A total of 441 building permits were issued. Eighty-seven woodstove, fireplace and chimney permits were processed. The total valuation for all permits was \$21,306,332.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| 79 | Single Family Dwellings* | \$ 10,520,149 |
| 64 | Foundations | 408,100 |
| 4 | Accessory Apartments | 214,900 |
| 49 | Additions | 2,502,357 |
| 43 | Garages (w/ or w/o additions) | 1,957,110 |
| 39 | Renovations, Alterations and Repairs | 1,402,600 |
| 30 | Replacement Windows | 191,544 |
| 39 | Decks and Porches | 485,868 |
| 4 | Greenhouses and Sunrooms | 61,600 |
| 24 | Sheds and Barns | 303,635 |
| 16 | Aboveground Pools | 57,020 |
| 10 | Inground Pools | 135,700 |
| 87 | Woodstoves, Chimneys, Fireplaces | 455,384 |
| 15 | Demolitions | N/V |
| 1 | Tank Removal | N/V |
| 23 | Commercial | 910,365 |
| 1 | Apartment Complex (40B - 36 Units) | 1,700,000 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$ 21,306,332 |
| <hr/> | | |
| 62 | Yard Sale Permits | \$282 |
| | Fees to Treasurer | \$97,963 |
| (Including Building Permits, Yard Sale Permits, Woodstove | | |
| Booklets, Requested Inspections, Certifications Inspections | | |
| Re-Inspections, Occupancy Permits, etc.) | | |
| | | |
| | Miles Traveled | 7,643 |

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert Maltais
Inspector of Buildings
Zoning Officer

* 79 Permits were processed for new Single Family Dwellings. Permits for new houses are now issued in two stages - foundation and house permit. Forty-four houses are in the second stage, the balance of the homes are in the foundation stage.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

The following is a summary of the inspections made by the Gas Inspector for the year ending December 31, 2003. Included are all residential, commercial, club and municipal permits.

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Rough Inspection | 84 |
| Final Inspection | 68 |
| Direct Vent Heater | 7 |
| First Stage | 13 |
| Furnace | 5 |
| Boiler | 4 |
| Dryer | 3 |
| Range | 14 |
| Re-inspection | 22 |
| Meter Cut Back | 3 |
| Pool Heater | 12 |
| Unit Heater | 3 |
| Gas Fireplace | 11 |
| Piping | 2 |
| Generator | 4 |
| Cooktop | 1 |
| Building Department Request | 2 |
| Water Heater | 4 |
| Certification Inspection | 1 |
| Test | 1 |
| Space Heater | 1 |
| Total Inspections Made | 265 |
| Total Permits Issued | 186 |
| Fees to Treasurer | \$ 7,415 |
| Miles Traveled | 2,290 |

Respectfully submitted,
Robert LaBonte
Gas Inspector

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

The following is a summary of inspections made by the Plumbing Inspector for the year ending December 31, 2003. Included are all residential, club, commercial and municipal permits.

| | |
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| Rough Inspection | 184 |
| Final Inspection | 170 |

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|-----------------------------|----|
| Water Heater | 11 |
| Water Meter/Water Service | 3 |
| Consultation | 10 |
| Re-Inspection | 28 |
| Septic Pump | 7 |
| Underground Inspection | 22 |
| Back-flow Preventor | 8 |
| Boiler | 2 |
| Kitchen Sink | 5 |
| Floor Drain | 1 |
| Building Department Request | 3 |
| Washing Machine | 1 |
| Water Filter | 1 |
| Certification Inspection | 1 |

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|------------------------|-----------|
| Total Inspections Made | 457 |
| Total Permits Issued | 226 |
| Fees Paid to Treasurer | \$ 19,771 |
| Miles Traveled | 4,230 |

Respectfully submitted,
Robert LaBonte
Plumbing Inspector

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

We hereby submit our report as Wire Inspectors for the year ending December 31, 2003. There were 514 permits issued and 94 annual inspections were requested of trailers and services located in the beach area.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| New Residences | 73 |
| Alterations and Additions | 82 |
| Senior Housing (40B) | 3 |
| New Services | 75 |
| Temporary Services | 23 |
| Relocate and Repair Services | 4 |
| Upgrade Service | 14 |
| Service Entry Cable, Meter Socket | 10 |
| Transformer Pads | 8 |
| Poles | 3 |
| Road Layout | 1 |
| Rewire and Repair | 31 |
| Barns and Sheds | 8 |
| Garages | 15 |
| Greenhouse | 1 |
| Commercial | 42 |
| Low Voltage | 50 |
| Septic Pumps | 16 |

| | |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|
| Propane Pump | 1 |
| Water Pump | 1 |
| Hot Tubs | 2 |
| Furnaces | 4 |
| Generators | 4 |
| Pools - Inground 11 ---- Aboveground 17 | 28 |
| Air Circulation | 4 |
| Municipal, Civic, Churches | 9 |
| Annual Permits | 2 |
| Miles traveled by Inspectors | 9,219 |
| Fees paid to Treasurer | \$ 34,645 |

Respectfully submitted,
William Plamondon
Dane Winship
Assistant Inspectors of Wires

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

George Cataldo
Michael Davis
Leone F. Farias
Carlton Lees
Robert Rayno
Gay Newcomer
Paula Cummings

The Westport Cable Advisory Committee is submitting its report for the year ending December 31, 2003.

The Committee has met frequently each month with regard to the multiple tasks before them. We have concluded negotiating the Contract with Charter Communications. The Committee has worked diligently to prepare a Job Description, advertise the positions and is in the process of hiring the Cable Advisory Staff Assistants. The Board of Selectmen was petitioned for use of room at the Town Hall Annex which is handicap accessible and will offer televising of all Public Meetings. It is the goal of the Committee to bring Town government into the homes of the taxpayers of Westport. This will provide information to educate and allow residents to see first hand the hard working people who serve them, mostly unpaid, and make resources available to become informed voters.

The Committee will use the room at the Annex for broadcasting live and on tape. A secure room for use by the Public Access Assistant as both an editing area and mini-studio was needed and we wish to thank the Board of Selectmen for allowing us this access.

A Memorandum of Understanding has been reached and signed by the Board of Selectmen, Cable Access Committee and the American Legion Hall for an area to be used as a studio to broadcast programs and events.

I wish to thank my Committee for their diligent efforts, expertise and dedication in working towards

the conclusion of these endeavors. Carlton Lees, George Cataldo, Michael Davis, Robert Rayno and our two new members Grace Newcomer and Paula Cummings; thank you for your total support and continued efforts in attaining these goals.

Respectfully submitted,
Leone F. Farias, Chair

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit the report for the Cemetery Department for the year 2003

Reimbursements to the Town of Westport

| | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| 87 Interments | \$ 34,800.00 |
| 33 Cremations | 4,950.00 |
| 90 Foundations | 7,690.05 |
| 87 Grass & Device | 3,480.00 |
| 23 Saturday & Sunday Fees | 4,600.00 |
| Sale of Lots | 19,675.00 |
| Perpetual Care | <u>28,575.00</u> |
| Total | \$ 103,770.05 |

Respectfully submitted,
Westell G. Norman Jr.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CITIZENS FOR CITIZENS, INC. REPRESENTATIVE

Mission Statement

Originally established under the auspices of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, the Fall River Community Action Agency (FRCAA) was borne. At that time, FRCAA served only the City of Fall River. In 1965, FRCAA was asked to expand its jurisdiction to a more regional area. This resulted in the creation of a private, non-profit agency to be known as Citizens for Citizens, Inc. (CFC). The original service area of CFC was Fall River, Freetown, Somerset, Swansea and Westport. Subsequently, CFC was asked to represent additional areas to the extent feasible and permissible. This included Taunton, Attleboro, Berkley, Dighton, Rehoboth, Seekonk, and Lakeville.

It is Citizen for Citizen's mission to: assist members of the low-income community by the provision of services and programs which attack the cycle of poverty; advocate on behalf of low-income people with

government agencies, private agencies and the community at large; be a major player in the area Human Services Network so that all present a unified front in attacking the causes and effects of poverty.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald E. Costa
CFC Board of Directors

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

The Community Preservation Act (the "CPA", MGL 44B) allows any city or town in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to adopt a property tax surcharge. The revenues from this surcharge along with state matching funds are required to be used for open space, historic preservation, affordable housing, and land for recreational use. Westport at its April 5, 2001, annual town meeting adopted the Act with a 2% surcharge beginning July 1, 2002. In addition, the community preservation act was approved by voters at the 2002 annual town election and then approved by the Massachusetts Attorney General.

A Community Preservation Committee (CPC) was established in April 2002. CPC consists of nine (9) voting members pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44B, Section 5. Consistent with the terms of the CPA and with article 21 of the April 5, 2001, annual town meeting, the CPC was formed to study and recommend how Westport's CPA revenues should be spent. The Committee, appointed by the Selectmen, included three members at-large (Tony Vieira, John Jay Silvia, and William Wyatt) and representatives of the town's Conservation Committee (Richard Lambert), Historic Commission (Geraldine Millham), Planning Board (Tim Gillespie), Recreation Commission/Community Center Committee (James Long), Housing Authority (Elizabeth Collins), and the Finance Committee (Warren Messier). Tony Vieira was elected chair by the committee. On April 30, 2003 Dennis Nadeau replaced James Long on the committee.

In the fall, John Jay Silvia, and Geraldine Millham resigned from the committee and were replaced by Norma Judson and Charles Costa. Tony Vieira was again elected chair for another term. Dennis Nadeau step down from the recreation committee and there remains an opening on the committee for a Recreation committee representative.

In preparation for FY 2004, the CPC members conducted an in-depth study of Westport's community preservation needs, possibilities, and resources (including interviews with interested citizens, committees, and officials). The committee also reviewed the town's updated master plan as well as the goals and objectives of various town departments, boards, and committees.

Based on this research, the committee began to prepare a Community Preservation Plan, encouraged proposals, and prepared a FY 2004 CPA Budget. On November 12, 2002, a public hearing was held to update town residents on considerations to date. In December 2002, the Committee voted on several preliminary recommendations for FY 2004 CPA spending in for the FY 2004 Annual Town Meeting. During January, February, and March in 2003, the Committee further reviewed proposals received and encouraged the submitters to develop in-depth details on costs related to their proposals. On March 12, 2003, another public hearing was held to review recommendations for town meeting vote, as well as, seek additional input by interested residents.

The final recommendations were submitted to the FY 2004 Annual Town Meeting for approval. The Committee recommended and town meeting approved a budget of \$244,000.00. The amount of \$41,139 from Community Preservation funds was not appropriated or reserved at this town meeting. This was because the exact amount of funds from the surcharge (\$285,139) being collected was still uncertain at town meeting time. The difference between \$285,139 and \$244,000(budgeted) is \$41,139. These funds remain in the CPA fund account and may be appropriated or reserved in the future by town meeting vote. In addition,

we believed it was not wise at that time to exceed the budgeted \$244,000 amount because of the state's budget uncertainty. The state did match the town funds (as required by the ACT) in the amount of \$285,139 in October 2003.

Four projects were considered during 2003 for town meeting action and they concerned Affordable Housing and Historic Preservation/Open Space. The Westport Housing Authority, Westport Land Conservation Trust (WLCT), The Trustees of Reservations (TTOR), Westport Agricultural/Open Space Preservation Trust Fund, and the Westport River Dredging Committee were all sponsors of these projects. The Housing Authority received up to \$25,000.00 by town meeting vote for a unit accessibility project. This money is being used for the engineering and design of handicap accessible units for elderly and disabled individuals. It will also include test borings and perc tests for new units. Presently only four units are considered handicap accessible and even they don't meet today's standards.

The Westport River Dredging Project received up to \$30,000.00 by town meeting to allow the restoration of the Westport Point Historic District Waterways. The monies are being used to deepen the area now known as the "mud dock", west of Lees Wharf, and to dredge the area west of the town docks, up to and including the harbor master dock. Access and use of the river enhances the public awareness and preserves the precious nature of a Westport resource.

The land commonly referred to as the Oscar Palmer Farm covered the final two projects that were considered in 2003 action. The Agricultural/Open Space Preservation Trust Fund Council, along with WLCT and TTOR sponsored this project. Restrictions were considered being purchased on the land for open space/agricultural preservation, as well as, restrictions on the buildings for historic preservation. This property's history is documented back to 1700 and its serves as a model early New England farm. At the close of 2003, no purchase had been finalized.

Town meeting reserved \$100,000.00 from open space needs for this attempt, and another \$35,000 for historic preservation restrictions on the buildings. If the funds are not used for this purpose they will remain in the open space and historic preservation accounts. Town meeting also reserved \$40,000.00 for future Community Housing needs and \$14,000.00 for current administrative expenses if needed.

A number of other projects and proposals are at various stages of development and will be presented for your consideration at a future town meeting. Other proposals, although worthy of town consideration perhaps under other funding sources, were not submitted for your consideration because they did not meet the requirements for funding under the Community Preservation Act.

Meanwhile, the Committee continues to accept proposals for future funding. Guidelines for proposals and proposal submissions sheets are available from committee members. Meeting dates are posted and citizens' participation is encouraged. We normally meet the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall. Written comments and questions are also welcomed and can be directed to members or to the Community Preservation Committee, Town Hall, 816 Main Road, Westport MA 02790.

Respectfully submitted,
Antone C. Vieira Jr., Chairman
Elizabeth Collins
Norma Judson
Charles Costa
Timothy Gillespie
Richard Lambert
Warren Messier
William Wyatt

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION/SOIL BOARD

The Conservation/soil Conservation Board hereby submits its annual report for the calendar year ending December 31, 2003.

The Commission continues to oversee the Towns Wetland Resources by the authority vested to the Town by the Commonwealth through our appointed Commission. This activity includes the issuance of Determination of Applicability and Orders of Condition for projects within our jurisdiction in and around the Town's extensive inland and coastal wetlands.

Violations are addressed through the hearing process and if further action is required by means of an Enforcement Order and if necessary through other legal actions with the support of the Commonwealth if available.

We have continued recording Enforcement Orders with the Registry of Deeds as an incentive for response without using the expensive and time-consuming pursuit through the Court System. This initiative has brought positive results and increased compliance. Serving as the Soil Conservation Board for the Town of Westport, the Commission continues to review and consider permits and applications for storage, transfer and removal of certain materials as set forth in Town regulations. Our Staff Agent, Christopher Capone resigned after eight years of service to assume a position in the private sector. Beth Hallal a staff member of the Health Department and qualified in conservation matters was made available on a part-time basis to assist the Commission until a replacement Agent is appointed.

Leone Farias, Principal Clerk, with the assistance of Mrs. Hallal and other consultants has managed to maintain a responsive Office and Field operation. This includes planning the Agendas for the bimonthly Public Hearings, administering to the variety of Applications received from applicants and recording the minutes of the public hearings and providing Public access to the Commission records, which play such an important part in our deliberations. The Principal Clerk has been largely responsible for adjusting our budget to the restraints imposed over the past several years. We will be requesting an upward adjustment to enable us to operate without accessing dedicated funding for ordinary expenses. This year the Conservation Commission has again accessed the Wetland Funds Reserve for the purpose of covering certain expenses formerly budgeted from taxation but permitted under the regulation. This coupled with the reduction of Agent's hours has enabled the Commission to provide substantially continuous service this year in spite of budget cuts called for by Town Government. The Conservation Commission along with other interested Boards has been actively engaged with the State to forestall a number of expansions of properties in the barrier Beach and Coastal dune areas of Westport. These projects are being closely watched for guidance on how others might proceed to expand their impact on this protected Resource Area.

The upsurge in 40B type housing projects has put increasing demands on the Commission since only the State Conservation Laws remain unchanged in their application unlike most State and Local bylaws which may be ignored or minimized to a lower statewide standard. These increases in demand for our services suggests the Town develop an appropriate fee system to cover these extra costs which would help us to attain the reasonable goal of a largely self supporting and responsive public service entity.

The Commission welcomed newly appointed Tanja Ryden and Susan Pedreira a former member both taking active roles in Commission work. Other Members continue to serve are Vice Chairman Richard Lambert, Thomas McGarr, Jack Reynolds, Paul Hebert and Elliott LaMontagne, who stepped down as Chairman to provide the members with a spokesman more in keeping with their positions on public policy.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Lambert Vice/Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT COUNCIL ON AGING

| <u>Council Members</u> | <u>Term Expires</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Cynthia Bolduc | June 30, 2004 |
| Member 6/30/01 | |
| Phyllis Currier | June 30, 2005 |
| Member 7/26/99 | |
| Joanne R Devlin | June 30, 2004 |
| William E. Gifford, Jr | June 30, 2006 |
| Member 7/1/03 | |
| Selena Howard | June 30, 2005 |
| Member 6/30/99 | |
| Donald A. Maynard | June 30, 2004 |
| Member 7/1/02 | |
| Lois E. Spirlet | June 30, 2005 |
| Chairman 7/12/96 to date | |
| Member 8/16/93 | |

Town Funded Employees

| <u>Staff</u> | <u>Duties</u> |
|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mary Ellen Gomes | Director of the Council on Aging. Mrs. Gomes oversees and administers all four branches of the Department. She recruits trains and supervises 16 staff and numerous volunteers. The Director is responsible for the daily operation of the Senior Center. She develops and monitors budgets, develops short-term and long-term goals. She works with Federal, State and local agencies to obtain funding services, and information to meet the needs of the elder population of Westport. |
| Lorraine Roy | Mrs. Roy is the principal clerk and performs accounting services for the department; prepares bi-weekly payroll, expense vouchers, and monthly budget reports, Dial-a-Ride reports, and all other local, regional and state reports required. As dispatcher she coordinates schedules, arranges for drivers, and arranges for vehicle repair and maintenance. Mrs. Roy edits the monthly newsletter <i>Evergreen</i> . She assists the public in the office and on the telephone and directs the calls to the appropriate staff person. |
| John Medeiros | Mr. Medeiros is the Custodian and Maintenance Specialist. He keeps the building clean and in good working order. Mr. Medeiros performs minor repairs and acts as liaison with plumbers, electricians and other workmen and the COA. |

Partially Town Funded Employees

Van Drivers for the Council on Aging. In addition to driving the vans they act as curriers for the COA.

Roland Chretien
Richard Fragoza
Evelyn O'Hara
Bruce Belling
Robert Kowalczyk

Richard Thorpe Van Driver and computer systems manager. When needed, he repairs and maintains the website, computers, networks and printers at the Council on Aging.

Non Town Funded Employees

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| Susan Oliveira | Outreach Worker. She conducts in-home visits to assist elders in defining their needs and to facilitate access to services. Mrs. Oliveira makes appropriate referrals and follow-up visits to ensure adequate assistance is provided. She conducts support groups, private counseling and case management. |
| Betty Spray | Outreach aide. Mrs. Spray conducts follow-up visits to home bound elders. She maintains and updates the Resource Manual. Mrs. Spray also works as an aide in the Social Day Care Program. |
| Barbara Teixeira | Assistant Dispatcher/activity scheduling/publicity and media contact |

Social Day Care

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|---------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Beverly Roynestad | Director |
| Alice Rezendes | Assistant Director |
| Valorie Schofield | Activity Director/Administrative Assistant |
| Marilyn De Jesus | SDC Aide |
| M. Olivia Bienvenue | SDC Aide |

Currently there are more than 3,300 people over the age of 60 living in Westport. One of the most surprising statistics is that in our community there are more than 650 people over the age of 80. According to an AARP Housing Study the overwhelming proportion of elders want to stay in their own homes as they age. One of the goals of the Westport Council on Aging is to identify the needs of our elders and link them with services that will enable them to live independently in their own homes and connected to their communities. We believe that we do this quietly and efficiently and we have statistics to verify this fact. The Council on Aging is the silent side of safety. The services and information we offer can often prevent a crises situation.

A report compiled by the Community Transportation Association of America indicates that the average American will outlive their ability to drive. Westport is a rural community. If you do not have the ability to drive it is very difficult to remain independent. Isolation can lead to serious physical and mental health problems. In the statistical data below you will see that the Council on Aging provided 8133 rides with the three handicapped accessible vans and one mini-van. The little white vans with the blue lettering can be seen all over Town happily carrying passengers to medical appointments, shopping or on a variety of errands. What you may not be aware of is that most of the people using the Dial-a-Ride service not only need assistance getting to the bus, but also need help getting from the bus to their destination.

In the past we have hesitated to provide a list of statistics because they seem impersonal. The statistic that lists the number of people who come in for office visits does not tell you about the Grandmother struggling to get the right to have visitation with her granddaughter. Statistics do not reflect that we provided this distraught lady with transportation to court on many occasions nor does it explain that the Outreach worker accompanied the grandmother on the court visits. When you read a statistic that says that 540 times we provided General Help you may not realize that means baskets of food, the loan of a walker or wheelchair, help with an oil bill or repairs to a well.

Our Social Day Care Program provides essential services to participants and their caregivers. Numbers do not accurately reflect the caregiver's need for someone who understands the stress they experience day in and day out. This stress can be so severe that up to 1/3 of caregivers die before the person for whom they are providing care. The caregiver needs respite and Day Care for the care recipient provides that respite. For every person in the Social Day Care we are serving at least one additional person, the caregiver. If only there was a way to show you the joy on the faces of the participants in Social Day Care when children come in for intergenerational activities but that is not reflected in any way by a number.

Life at the Senior Center may get hectic but it is never boring. Just drop in any morning and see the

wide range of physical exercise. There is something for everyone male or female with choices of Tai Chi, Aerobics, Osteoporosis prevention weightlifting, Pilates or Men in Motion. One of the highlights of the week is to watch Wendy Sperduti-Ray, the personal trainer, as she does weight training with the participants in the Social Day Care. The building reverberates with the sound of 50's music and laughter. For those with a more artistic nature there are classes in Watercolor painting, knitting, quilting, poetry, computer skills training, and Shakespeare. Periodically we offer informative seminars on issues such as safety, health or planning for the future. There are times set aside for fun such as the Tuesday and Friday pool tournaments or Bingo on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Near the door is a book for people to sign-in when they come to the Senior Center. We know that not everyone is faithful about signing-in but by actual count 8589 signatures were placed in the register for the period from 1/1/03 to 12/31/03.

Services Provided

| Programs, Services & Activities | Service Units | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| | Over 60 | Under 60* |
| Client Support | 250 | 9 |
| Community Education | 118 | 15 |
| Family Assistance | 5 | 4 |
| Financial | 18 | 3 |
| Fitness/Exercise | 3,291 | 592 |
| General Help | 519 | 21 |
| Health Benefit Counseling | 169 | 6 |
| Health Screening | 38 | 9 |
| Instructional Courses | 455 | 284 |
| Other Health Services | 40 | 2 |
| Recreation | 1,267 | 236 |
| Social Day Care | 2,282 | 12 |
| Transportation | 6,561 | 1,572 |

Outreach

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|--------------------------|-----|
| New Clients | 159 |
| Repeat Clients | 396 |
| Office Visits | 244 |
| Home Visits | 102 |
| Case Management | 485 |
| Phone Consults | 844 |
| Program/meetings | 156 |
| Support Group | 85 |
| Mailing | 184 |
| Hours w/At Risk Clients | 45 |
| Hours supervising Intern | 21 |

Unduplicated Elders Served 627 Women 254 Men Total 881

(Unduplicated = no matter how many services received or how many programs you attended you were only counted 1 time)

*It is the policy of the Westport Council on Aging to offer classes and programs to Westport Residents 60+ first, if there is additional room in a class people <60 are invited to attend. The only exception would be when the program is funded with a grant sponsored by an agency that limited funding to 60+.

The above has been the year in review for the Westport Council On Aging. The staff, volunteers and the Council on Aging Board have worked very hard to encourage healthy aging, not just longer life for the people in our community. Each year the financial crunch gets tighter and tighter as the over 60 population in Westport grows larger and larger. We have been asked to provide more services with fewer resources.

During 2003 the Council on Aging did continue to offer increased levels of services through grant funding, gifts and donations. The Council on Aging will continue to make every effort to attain this type of funding, but competition increases and sources diminish. Let us work together to continue supporting the elder population as well as the entire community.

Respectfully submitted,
Lois E. Spirlet, Chairman
Council on Aging Board

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RONALD DESROSIERS MEMORIAL FUND & WESTPORT CITIZENS BETTERMENT FUND & COMMITTEE

The following is a report of the Westport Citizens Betterment Committee for the year ending December 31, 2003.

Members Shirley Desrosiers, Lena Napert, Maggie Plamondon, Claude Ledoux and Charlene R. Wood were reappointed to the committee by the Board of Selectmen. All terms expire June 30, 2004.

The Westport Citizens Betterment Committee awarded this year's \$1,000 grant to the Westport Police Department on an application submitted by Officer Kristen Barboza. The grant will go toward the purchase of equipment and training to be used in conjunction with the department's new bloodhound Ben. Officer Barboza believes the Bloodhound and Rescue program will be a valuable asset to the community and we agree

Trustees of the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund and the Westport Citizens Betterment Fund encourage contributions to either of these funds. Any person or organization wishing to donate to either of these funds may do so through the Board of Selectmen's office. It is these donations that put the resources back into the community.

The balance in the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund as of 12/31/03 is \$27,417.83. Our portion of the Westport Citizens Betterment Fund has a balance of \$6,107.48

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Desrosiers, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit my report as Fire Chief for the year ending December 31, 2003

Fire Chief

Stephen A. Motta

Deputy Fire Chief

Brian R. Legendre

Lieutenants

John W. Andrade

Michael P. Silvia

Glenn A. Wood

Allen N. Manley, Jr.

Firefighter/EMT's

Douglas P. Orr

James C. Thibault (Ret. 1/19/2003)

Glenn Mackillop

Raymond E. Benoit

Brian D. Souza

Brian A. Beaulieu

Daniel F. Ledoux

Bruce Martin, Jr.

Glenn R. Nunes

Matthew Cowell

Keith Nickelson

Darren Nunes

Dennis Pelland

Mark Brisk

Call Firefighters

Daniel Baldwin

David Charest

Delray Dorsey

Todd Mackay

Roger Maynard

Bryan Moniz

Kendall G. Nickelson

Kenneth Reilly

Joseph Reilly

Matthew Rodrigues

Jamie Souza

Ronald Vien

Anthony Ward

Principal Clerk

Theresa A. Vaillancourt

E-911 Coordinator

John W. Andrade

Training Officer

Allen N. Manley, Jr.

Drillmaster

Brian D. Souza

Fire Investigation Unit

Michael P. Silvia

Public Education Committee

Kenneth Reilly

Brian D. Souza

EMS Coordinator

Glenn A. Wood

Assistant EMS Coordinator

Glenn R. Nunes

Computer Administrator

Michael P. Silvia

ALS Committee

Glenn A. Wood

Douglas P. Orr

Allen N. Manley, Jr.

Glenn R. Nunes

The Fire Department answered 1,700 calls for a total of 2,008 vehicle runs during 2003, classified as follows:

| | |
|----------------------------------------------|----|
| Buildings..... | 17 |
| Woods..... | 3 |
| Brush and Grass..... | 11 |
| Vehicles..... | 10 |
| Lost Person..... | 3 |
| False Alarms..... | 9 |
| Mutual Aid..... | 17 |
| Chimney..... | 5 |
| Assist Rescue..... | 24 |
| Cooking & Heating Appliances..... | 6 |
| Bomb Scares..... | 0 |
| Pump Cellar..... | 0 |
| Jaws-of-Life..... | 14 |
| Unclassified..... | 19 |
| Investigations..... | 74 |
| Dumpsters..... | 3 |
| Fire Alarms..... | 80 |
| First Aid in Stations..... | 11 |
| Illegal Burning..... | 46 |
| Public Service..... | 23 |
| Hazardous Materials..... | 14 |
| Water Rescues..... | 3 |
| Tires..... | 0 |
| Carbon Monoxide Detector Investigations..... | 6 |

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|------------------------------|-------|
| Station Coverage..... | 6 |
| Good Intent..... | 4 |
| Assist Police..... | 1 |
| Motor Vehicle Accidents..... | 169 |
| Refuse Fires..... | 0 |
| Emergency Ambulance..... | 1,122 |
| Fire Related Calls..... | 578 |

The following is a summary of vehicle runs for the year:

| | |
|------------------------------|-----|
| Engine 1..... | 25 |
| Engine 2..... | 88 |
| Engine 3..... | 65 |
| Engine 4..... | 39 |
| Engine 6..... | 113 |
| Engine 7..... | 109 |
| Tanker 1..... | 74 |
| Chief's Car..... | 57 |
| Deputy's Car..... | 62 |
| Marine 1..... | 4 |
| Personal Vehicles..... | 5 |
| Car 3..... | 2 |
| Car 4..... | 13 |
| Special Operations Unit..... | 9 |
| Ambulance 1..... | 487 |
| Ambulance 2..... | 843 |
| Ambulance 3..... | 13 |

Permits for the following were issued during the year:

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| Smoke Detectors..... | 244 |
| Oil Burners..... | 51 |
| Underground Tank Removal..... | 5 |
| Propane..... | 16 |
| Open Air Fire..... | 2,379 |
| Blasting..... | 0 |
| Aboveground Tank..... | 1 |
| Black Powder..... | 5 |
| Waste Oil..... | 0 |
| Fire Reports..... | 7 |
| Sprinklers..... | 2 |

Loss due to fire:

| | |
|----------------|---------------|
| Buildings..... | \$ 148,150.00 |
| Contents..... | 82,300.00 |
| Vehicles..... | 111,900.00 |
| Contents..... | 10,000.00 |
| Total Loss | \$ 352,350 |

* Includes two vessels that burned at Tripp's.

Year 2003 has been a successful one for Grants. The Fire Department has been awarded a Homeland Security Grant to provide a \$50,000.00 exhaust system for the Town owned Briggs Road Fire Station. At the same time we are looking forward to a Bristol County Homeland Security Grant to pay the Town's share of the Federal Grant and to procure Hazardous Material Protective Suits for use by all Public Safety Personnel.

The Fire Dept has realized the loss of one of our ranks with the deployment of FF/EMT-I Brian Beaulieu to Iraq with his National Guard Units. While we know he will be an asset to the Hospital Unit there we miss him here and pray for his safe return.

We welcome back Call FF/EMT Jamie Souza after having been deployed to Iraq for the year.

I have again requested the Townspeople vote the monies needed to replace a 1974 Pumper/Tanker. This vehicle continues to breakdown and because of its age we can only replace parts with used parts, which have limited lifespan and are increasingly difficult to find.

We would again like to thank those Townspeople and businesses who have donated to our Department through in-kind services and money for the Ambulance and Fire Department Gift Accounts. Through their generosity, we have been able to replace the engine in a 1982 2,000 gallon Tank Truck, 2 personal Flotation devices, 4 Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) and 2 wall mounts, a laptop computer with multi-media projector with Power Point Software for use to maintain and upgrade training, a metal cabinet to hold ambulance supplies. Finally, we were able to purchase an outboard motor and the materials the Fire Department Personnel used to rebuild a 15 ft. Sturdy Boat and Trailer.

Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School students have again refurbished and painted a high mileage police cruiser for use by the department. A local business donated the paint and materials that the students used allowing us to have reliable vehicle to use when needed to transport personnel when needed at no cost to the Town.

FF/EMT Brian Souza has continued his Child Safety Seat inspections, both in cooperation with Local and State Police as well as the Briggs Road Fire Station. At the Station alone he has installed 52 seats. He is planning a Car Seat Inspection Point at the Briggs Road Station in the spring of 2004.

Call FF/EMT Ken Reilly coordinated with the School Department, FF/EMT-I Daniel Ledoux, FF/EMT Souza along with Call Firefighters Ron Viens and Delray Dorsey to continue to bring Fire Safety Classes to the children of our Town. Together they spent 65 man-hours in the schools. Kindergarten, Second, and Fourth grades at the Elementary Level learned about personal Fire Safety, Basic First Aid, and Fire Services Careers. At the High School some of the Ninth Grade Health classes included Fire Safety at home and care safety lessons and Junior and seniors participated in the Prom Safe program in an effort to prevent any tragedies.

Our firefighters participated in over 500 hours of fire related training this year. Firefighters received training in handling of hazardous materials, Rapid Access Mass Decontamination, structural firefighting practices as well as training on several new pieces of equipment such as semi automatic External Defibrillators and multi-gas detectors. In addition we conducted on-site training sessions at various local businesses providing firefighters familiarity with the physical layout and construction. This training will increase our ability and knowledge in order to provide our firefighters with the safety work types and potential hazards. We continue to strive for the safest work place possible while providing the best protection to the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen A. Motta
Fire Chief

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FISH COMMISSIONERS

The activities of the Fish Commissioners for the Year 2003 were as follows:

The Commission noted a very small run of alewives at the Adamsville Pond fish ladder in the spring of 2003. The decrease in volume could be related to the loss of the wooden fish ladder in the storm of March 30, 2001. This loss resulted in one year's production of small fry. We hope for a more productive year in 2004.

We would like to thank Ralph Guild and Ann (Pete) Baker for their efforts to remove the debris from Adamsville Pond. They have done expensive surveys and studies at Mr. Guild's expense and we are hopeful that their efforts are successful. This would add to the acreage of the pond for better propagation of all species of fish.

The Commission observed a successful run at the Cockeast Pond herring ditch which produced a noticeable amount of small fry. The culvert at the herring ditch under River Road needs to be replaced. Consideration should be given to its design and elevation to increase the herring run. Meetings have been conducted with the abutters and concerned neighbors regarding the salinity, elevation of the pond, and the influx of fragmites.

Salinity tests were taken in the spring of 2003 and thanks to Bernie Taber of the Buzzards Bay Action Committee some consideration is being given to this project.

The Commission is concerned with what seems to be an overpopulation of cormorants which we feel adversely affects the winter flounder and other species that spawn in the Westport River. Their feeding habits are reducing the population of small fry and is harmful to the fisheries.

The Fish Commissioners will continue to promote positive and progressive programs to benefit the Westport fishing community and invite any constructive input that will make our activity more meaningful.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Sullivan, Chairman
Russell T. Hart
James Coughlan
Fish Commissioners

GREATER FALL RIVER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY REPORT JULY 1, 2002 – JUNE 20, 2003

Introduction

It is with continued pride that I submit to you this 2002-2003 Annual Report, which describes our programs and successes.

Recognized as a leader among vocational technical high schools by local and statewide employers,

Diman Regional, serving the district communities of Fall River, Somerset, Swansea, and Westport, has a long and proud tradition of producing highly skilled graduates. Our graduates not only possess the skills necessary to enter the workforce but also the academic foundation to continue their education at a two- or four-year college/university, community college, or technical institution.

In keeping with its mission "to develop the unique potential of each learner", Diman Regional continues to purchase and utilize cutting-edge technology, to update curricula, and to provide professional development opportunities for its staff. To say we are proud of the vocational technical programs and academic instruction we provide is an understatement.

On behalf of the students, faculty, staff, and administration, I thank the Greater Fall River Vocational School District Committee, governmental leaders, citizens, and parents for their continued unwavering support.

Respectfully,
Rogerio Ramos
Superintendent-Director

GENERAL INFORMATION REPORTS

Summer Programs 2002

Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School offered remedial make-up programs in English, Math, Science, and Shop Related Theory as our continuing commitment to assist students experiencing difficulty. The remedial program was self-funded with an enrollment of 97 students.

Due to financial constraints imposed by the uncertainty of the State Budget, the Summer Exploratory Program was not offered during the summer of 2002.

Orientation Process

On August 20, 21, 22, 2002, an orientation program was held in the school cafeteria for all new students. Students were given instructions for the opening of school, bus routes were assigned, and handbooks as well as students schedules were distributed and explained.

A "Parent Night" was held on September 17, 2002, to familiarize parents of new students with school programs and the school's philosophy and policies. School administrators were present to explain their roles and what Diman expects of the students. An estimated 285 parents and students attended.

Admissions

For the school year 2002 / 2003 there were 538 applications for grade nine. In April 2002 the newly accepted students were tested in reading comprehension, numerical ability, mechanical reasoning, and language usage. Results were used to assist in the initial academic placement of incoming grade nine students. Three hundred thirty-six (336) were enrolled as of October 1, 2002.

| | BOYS | GIRLS | TOTALS |
|----------|------|-------|--------|
| GRADE 9 | 213 | 123 | 336 |
| GRADE 10 | 196 | 123 | 319 |
| GRADE 11 | 153 | 91 | 244 |

| | | | |
|----------|-----|-----|------|
| GRADE 12 | 171 | 74 | 245 |
| GRADE 13 | 3 | 32 | 35 |
| TOTALS | 736 | 443 | 1179 |

Comprehensive Health Committee

In 2002-2003 Diman Regional received a small Drug Free School Grant. This money were used by the Comprehensive Health Care Committee under the direction of our Health Care Coordinator, Ms. Noreen Burns, to support a variety of anti-drug/alcohol abuse and anti-violence messages. Programs, presentations, and/or guest speakers worked before, during, and after school hours not only with our student body but also with our school staff, and parents. Unfortunately, due to budget constraints, the position of Health Care Coordinator was not funded for the 2003-2004 school year.

School Improvement Council

The following individuals served on the School Improvement Council: Mrs. Cynthia Vadeboncoeur, Mrs. Anna Ratcliffe, Ms Hollie Donald, Mr. Leonard Freeman, Mr. Edward Szynal, Mr. Carl F. Sawejko and Mr. Robert Goulet. Through their efforts the School Improvement Plan was revised and presented to the School Committee.

Parent Advisory Council

The Parent Advisory Council had a very successful year. PAC began the year at New Student Parent Night held in September by informing parents of the goals of PAC and recruiting new members. PAC expanded participation in 9th, 10th and 11th grade activities. Gift Certificates or gifts were given to students at the Homecoming Dance, Junior Prom and the Achievement Award Assembly. The PAC held several raffles throughout the school year including a very successful Christmas Tree Raffle. In October, PAC teamed up with SkillsUSA-VICA and participated in the Westport Harvest Festival where they raffled off a shed that had been built by students in the House & Mill Carpentry shop. Other activities included Parent Teacher Night, the Annual December Pancake Breakfast, Valentine Day Dance, Open House, Fashion Show, and Yard Sale. Through their fund raising efforts nineteen \$275 PAC scholarships were awarded to seniors who would be continuing their education. Additionally, Service Awards were given to students who assisted PAC in their fund raising activities. The Post Prom Party at Diman was held in the gymnasium. It followed the prom, which was held at the Viking Hotel in Newport. Any graduating senior and a guest could attend the post prom. Over thirty PAC members volunteered for post prom related activities including decorating, "manning" the phones, supervision, food selling, and soliciting funds and prizes. A car was raffled off to a senior who stayed throughout the night.

Freshman Class

The freshmen class participated in Teacher Appreciation Week in May of 2003 by distributing bags, tees, golf balls and note pads to all members of the Diman faculty, Mrs. Judith Davidian-Taylor was the class advisor.

Sophomore Class

Mrs. Maria Torres, the Sophomore Class advisor held elections for Class officers. The officers organized a Christmas toy drive to benefit Citizens for Citizens. The class participated in Teacher Appreciation Week by having class members distribute monogrammed pens and notepads to all faculties.

Junior Class

With the guidance of its class advisor, Mrs. Maureen Pacheco, the Junior Class held two fundraisers and raised over \$2000 to help defray the costs of the Junior Prom. The Juniors distributed calculators to the faculty during Teacher Appreciation Week. The Junior Prom was held on Friday, May 23, 2003, at the Abbey Grille, Fall River, MA. One hundred thirty-three (133) students attended the Junior Prom.

Senior Class

The Senior Prom Committee of the Class of 2003 consisted of a representative sampling of all shops. Approximately thirty students were involved in fundraising, fostering class spirit, and planning the prom. Many of the fundraising activities placed the emphasis on "fun". The class realized a profit of over \$4000 in fundraising activities this year. The Prom Committee used the funds to defray prom expenses and to keep the ticket price as low as possible.

The Senior Prom was held on Friday evening, June 6, 2003 at the Viking Hotel in Newport. Two hundred seventy-seven (277) students and 20 faculty members attended. Mrs. Rosemary Walde was the Senior Cable Advisor. Once again, the after-prom party at Diman sponsored by the Parent Advisory Council was well attended and enjoyed by approximately 210 seniors and their guests.

Both class night and graduation activities ran smoothly. The Class of 2003 received compliments from many of those people attending their graduation events as being a well-behaved and courteous class. At graduation, on June 8, 2003, honorary diplomas were awarded to Mr. & Mrs. Julius Rodrigues who have remained active in Diman activities and have contributed thousands of dollars to Diman students in memory of their son Thomas. Jeffrey Costa, the Class of 2003 Valedictorian, delivered an inspiring address. The graduation ended on a happy note with seniors tossing their caps into the air as they prepared to go forward to face the future.

Key Club

The Key Club, with second year advisor Mrs. Susan DeJesus, continued to prosper and expand its community involvement. Mrs. DeJesus and the Key Club members continued the community service experiences of the 21 Key Club members by having them participate in a Christmas Food Basket Drive. The Key Club also took on a new venture, the school store, and attempted to staff it on a daily basis with club members to sell various items of interest to the students. The Key club provided 22 needy families with Christmas Food Baskets as well as making donations to the local soup kitchens. All of the school's shops participated in the collection of canned goods and/or monetary donations for this annual event. Money for the Christmas Food Baskets was raised by candy sales and novelty item sales. Private donations were also received from members of the Greater Fall River Community.

National Honor Society

The National Honor Society continued to flourish during the 2002-2003 school year under the guidance of its advisor Mrs. Cynthia Polak. In her second year at the helm, the NHS increased the number of meetings, fund raising and community services activities. Community Service activities included: assisting at the Pediatrics Ward of Saint Anne's Hospital, THE Adams House in Fall River, Care for Children-Africa, Forever Pays, the American Cancer Society, and the Isaiah Avilla Foundation. Mrs. Polak and four NHS members attended the National Council of the National Honor Society in Atlantic, Georgia.

The Induction Ceremony held in May 2003 was a highlight. This well planned and executed program left all who were in attendance in awe. In a ceremony held in the Diman auditorium on May 15, 2003, over 125 parents and friends attended. The students proudly performed a song from Phantom of the Opera. At the present time there are 23 members in good standing in the Diman Chapter of the National Honor Society.

Project Spotlight

Spotlight is a weekly program at Umass Dartmouth consisting of presentations by staff and guests. Small group discussions and mini-courses in poetry, psychology, drama, and stress management are a few of the diverse subjects offered. These enrichment activities provide a bridge into higher education as well as an opportunity for high school students to feel comfortable in a college setting while meeting other area high school students. This year 10 students participated in the Spotlight Program, Along with their advisor Mrs. Elizabeth Jonsson.

Student Government

The Diman Student Government continued to be active this year with its advisor, Mr. Roger Dugal. The Student Government reviewed the Student Handbook and concluded that there were no changes to be made so they offered no changes. The newly elected Student Advisory Council is energetic and has a very positive attitude. Members for the 2003-2004 school year included: Hollie Donald, James Correia, Brad Beaudoin, Semena Islam, Samantha Thompson, Nelson Reis and Dennis Correia. Hollie Donald and James Correia are the student representatives to the Regional School Committee, and to the Regional Board of the Ste Department of Education.

Athletics

During the 2002-2003 school year the Boy's Cross Country Team and Baseball Team won their respective Mayflower League Championships. The Hockey and Baseball Teams each qualified for the MIAA State Tournaments. The Boy's and Girl's Cross Country teams each won the State Vocational Cross Country Championship.

Yearbook

The yearbook staff, under the direction of Mrs. Maria Torres and Mr. Frank Kuthan, Proudly produced the 54th edition of the Artisan. The staff worked endlessly to achieve a unique and contemporary style, and wit a vote of the senior class, became the first edition with a fall (September 2003) delivery.

The 2003 Senior Class dedicated the 54th edition of The Artisan to Mrs. Judith Davidian-Taylor, a Dental Assisting teacher and Mr. Roger Salpietro, a Culinary Arts teacher. These two individuals are an inspiration to their students.

School Newspaper

The Newspaper advisors, Mr. Joseph Sousa and Mr. Paul Viveiros, published four editions of the school newspaper, The Tradesman. There were five students on the newspaper staff.

Peer Leadership

Due to budget restrictions and the departure of the Leadership advisor, the Peer Leadership group was not active during the 2002-2003 school year.

Diversity Group

This year Diman's Diversity Group members, under the direction of Lisa Nadeau-Pounds, participated in the various local conferences. They worked hard during multi-culturalism week with morning announcements, showcase displays and culinary delights to promote their message.

This is Diman's 5th year involved with the interschool Diversity Networking Group. This group is a collaboration of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, and Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical High School. The group promotes diversity awareness. The students and staff take a pro-active stand against prejudice, hatred, and promote and appreciation and understanding of tolerance of others.

Tech Prep (Women In Technology)

The TechPrep Program at Diman continues to include articulation agreement with Bristol Community College (BCC) University. This means that 90 % of our shops are included in a Tech Prep opportunity. We are currently completing an agreement between Diman's Culinary Arts Program and Bristol Community College's Culinary Program, which has been expanded to a two-year Associates Degree Program.

Membership totaled 50 students this year covering nine trade areas. We are continuing to pursue articulation agreements in all areas. Most students have expressed an interest in a technical course of study beyond high school. However, the allied health field and the service trades are also included in this program.

All Tech Prep students are encouraged to take college courses at BCC.

Women In Technology

Female Tech Prep students who are interested in a technology or engineering career can participate in the Women in Technology (WIT) program. These students receive support for the pursuit of a non-traditional trade through activities provided by BCC and UMD.

Due to a lack of funding, Diman did not participate in the Texas Instrument Program.

Professional Development

Professional development opportunities were provided to all faculty members including the circulation of information for professional development opportunities, as well as the planning, coordination and implementation of courses, conferences and workshops for the 2002-2003 academic year.

Courses were provided for undergraduate and graduate credit through Fitchburg State College. These courses were chosen to help staff move towards vocational certification and advanced graduate degrees. A monthly Professional Opportunities update was prepared and distributed to staff members to make them aware of current opportunities for enrichment.

Academics Program Overview

In the 2002-2003 school year planning for the upcoming NEAS&C Decennial Accreditation continued in earnest. Meetings were held each month on time-release days to continue the self-study process necessary prior to the Visiting Committee coming to Diman in October 2003. Numerous building projects and safety reviews were completed in preparation of the "Visit". The Steering Committee met over twenty-five times to review and revise reports submitted by all the committees. Members of the Steering Committee were: Mr. Robert Ciosek, Co-Chairperson; Mrs. Michelle Letendre, Co-Chairperson; Mrs. Colette DeGagne, Mrs. Susan DeJesus, Mrs. Maureen Pacheco, Mr. Stephen Blanchette, Mr. Roger Dugal, Mr. Edward Gillespie, Mr. Edward Kerr, and Mr. John Maurer.

The English Language Arts department and the Mathematics department were both pleased with the results of the MCAS test, however, each expressed a desire for Diman students to improve upon their scores. The History/Social Studies department kept abreast of the changes being developed by the

Massachusetts Department of Education on a re-alignment of the sequencing of courses for High School students in Massachusetts. The Science department continued to strengthen its curriculum with the addition of a new instructor. The Special Needs department re-aligned itself with courses more aligned with the mainstream course offerings and a rotating teacher/student schedule.

Academic Advisory Committees

On October 1, 2002 and February 4, 2003 the academic advisory committees met. Topics of discussion included: NEAS&C self-study and evaluation, revision of Summer Work Packets and department policy on collecting and grading of the SWP, suggestions for Agenda/Handbook revisions, Mentor/Mentee program, off-cycle assignments, integration projects, final exams, MCAS scores and plans for mapping and aligning courses to the Massachusetts Frameworks. Most academic departments have a similar problem in not being able to attract and retain members for their committees. All academic advisory committees submitted minutes to the Academic Coordinator.

Vocational Programs Overview

Diman's computerized Competency Based Vocational Education (CBVE) reporting system was placed into full operation after having been reviewed, revised and approved by members of each of our program advisory committees. All Competency & Task lists along with the quarterly course outlines were used to create a refined four-year scope & sequence document for all of our vocational programs. These new computerized reporting documents will allow Diman to easily infuse any new changes that will come about over the next several years because of the new Chapter 74 regulations and the Certificate of Occupational Proficiency (COP) project. For years to come DIMAN will be in an excellent position to replace or add any Competencies & Tasks on any lists that currently exist.

All of the related instructors completed their course syllabi for each of the grade levels that they will be teaching during the 2003-04 SY. Shop curriculum revisions were made with the inclusion of recommendations from our advisory committees and our business and industry partners. Changes have also been made to help meet the challenges of the MCAS exam.

Diman's school wide integration plan was further improved upon after a committee of three ELA teachers and three related instructors met with both the Academic and Vocational Coordinators in order to create workable procedures that went into effect in September of 2003.

Diman received approval from the Department of Education (DOE) to use Perkins Funds in order to create and open a new vocational program starting in September of the 2003-04 SY. It is called Office Technology.

The Diman Alumni Association

The "Perpetual Scholarship Fund" continues to accomplish its goal. A fifth Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony was held on October 19, 2003. The annual golf tournament was held this past June and it was a huge success. Hockey games and a basketball fundraiser were also held to raise additional funds. All fundraisers have produced several thousands of dollars. Six \$500.00 DIMAN Alumni Association Scholarships totaling \$3,000.00 were awarded to the Class of 2003 graduating seniors.

SkillsUSA-VICA 2002-03

During the 2002-03 school year, 115 students joined SkillsUSA-VICA, becoming members of the Local Chapter at Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School. Forty-eight vocational instructors, six academic teachers and three administrators served as event/section advisors.

Nearly 125 students participated in pre-contest demonstrations prior to the final selection of 18 students that presented their presentations during Diman's Annual Local Job Skill Demonstration and Action Skills contests.

On March 4th 2003, fifty-two students participated in the Central District level of competition. Diman students earned eleven (11) Gold, ten (10) Silver and six (6) Bronze medallions. These victories allowed Diman to send twenty-seven (27) students on to the state level of competition in sixteen (16) trade and technical contest areas and eighteen (18) students too participate in team and leadership events.

On Friday, May 2, 2003, forty-five students from DIMAN R.V.T.H.S competed at the 29th Annual SkillsUSA-VICA Conference in Fitchburg Massachusetts. Twenty-eight students, or a little over 62% of the students competing, returned to DIMAN with a medallion that they earned. This was the best year that DIMAN has ever had at a State Conference.

Eighteen students from Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School along with their advisors attended the 39th annual SkillsUSA-VICA National Conference during the week of June 23rd – June 28th in Kansas City, MO. Diman students returned with a total of seven medallions – two silver and five bronze.

School Of Practical Nursing

This Annual Report will reflect the success of the 2002-2003 school year of the Practical Nurse Program in its continued effort to provide quality vocational/technical education.

The Day Program admitted 38 students; 22 are anticipated to graduate on July 1, 2003. An additional student was re-admitted in May 03 to finish Term 4. One student was a no show for the September class leaving 37 students starting the program.

The Evening Program began its school year with 30 students with graduation scheduled for June/July 2004.

The Program was honored as recipient of Community Award 2002 by the Greater Fall River Partners for a Healthier Community, Inc., and the Greater New Bedford Health and Human Services Coalition.

Employment opportunities for the 2001 graduating class remained bright with a documented 100% job placement including those continuing their education. The class achieved a State Board pass rate of 100%.

Grants

Diman applied for and received funding for various grants, which totaled \$739,971. The Carl Perkins Grant totaled \$218,284 and Professional Development Grant was \$32,743.

Diman also received grants for:

- 1) The Special Needs 94-142 grant (\$189,769)
- 2) Title V grant (\$6,781)
- 3) Title IV grant (\$6,706)
- 4) Title I grant (\$192,549)
- 5) Supporting Access to Curriculum grant (\$12,468)
- 6) Academic Support - After School (\$25,807)
- 7) Title II – Part A: Grant (\$53,081)
- 8) Title II – Part D: Grant (\$6,710)
- 9) Academic Support – Summer (\$23,816)
- 10) Title I School Achievement Grant (\$3,000)
- 11) Governor's Highway Safety Bureau (\$1,000)

GREATER FALL RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION BUDGET 2002 - 2003

Transportation (By Regional Agreement)

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Student Transportation Expenses | \$ 402,625 |
| Chapter 71 Transportation Aid | <u>332,815</u> |
| Regional Transportation Assessment | \$ 69,810 |

Non-Foundation Enrollment (Transportation)

| | <u># Students</u> | <u>Ratio</u> | <u>Regional Assessment</u> | <u>Community Assessment</u> |
|------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Fall River | 943 | 0.7938 | \$69,810 | \$ 55,413 |
| Somerset | 66 | 0.0556 | \$69,810 | \$ 3,878 |
| Swansea | 98 | 0.0825 | \$69,810 | \$ 5,759 |
| Westport | 81 | 0.0682 | \$69,810 | \$ 4,760 |
| Total | 1188 | | | \$ 69,810 |

Total Community Assessments

| | <u>Foundation</u> | + | <u>Transportation</u> | = | TOTAL |
|------------|-------------------|---|-----------------------|---|-------------|
| Fall River | \$ 569,008 | + | \$ 55,413 | = | \$ 624,421 |
| Somerset | \$ 196,439 | + | \$ 3,878 | = | \$ 200,317 |
| Swansea | \$ 385,903 | + | \$ 5,759 | = | \$ 391,662 |
| Westport | \$ 319,013 | + | \$ 4,760 | = | \$ 323,773 |
| Total | \$1,470,363 | + | \$ 69,810 | = | \$1,540,173 |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HARBORMASTER

The 2003 boating season started off with lousy spring weather, so-so summer weekends (a scare from hurricane "Isabel" caused some lost boating time), and a much better fall weather pattern than that of 2002.

Fuel costs were high (over \$2.00 per gal. For gas), dockage at marinas sold out, transient boating less than previous years and fewer groundings in the main channel. With less weekend traffic, boat septage gallongage pumped out was a little less than 2002 (10,000 gallons).

We had a girl drown on July 4th weekend off of the Town Beach on the ocean side, and recovered her body a week later. A local lobsterman named Milton Broulliard Jr., was lost at sea when he was dragged overboard while setting out his lobster gear offshore. Also, a recreational diver named Paul Cassie who kept his boat at F.L. Tripp & Son's Marina, died while diving off of Little Compton, R. I.

The Rte. 88 bridge refurbishing (2) year project is pretty much done except for the drawbridge

electrical and fender systems, which should be done in 2004. Hixbridge repairs and demolition started July 1, 2003. The Town Highway Dept. did a great job in building a new entrance to the Hixbridge boat ramp.

Shoaling in the river and its main channel has remained about the same as 2002. The proposed Army Corp. dredging in the main channel is in the final design and cost sharing stage. The Town Dredging Committee and Board of Selectmen unanimously approved this project and sent the Army Corp. \$25,000 to show our commitment for the proposed dredging and beach renourishment. We are keeping our fingers crossed that this project is carried out soon (2004).

The state funded dredge project around Westport Pt. And its historical fishing docks is moving forward with a dredge sampling plan that was approved by all government agencies. This sampling was completed in November of 2003 and hopefully the results will tell us if and where we can put the material. The Seaport Bond Council gave the town a \$10,000 grant for this sampling. Also, Town Meeting approved an article for \$10,000 to go toward sampling costs.

Estimated total cost for the state project is approximately \$240,000 with the state paying 75% and town 25%. The total projected cost for the Army Corp. project is about \$640,000 with the feds paying 80% and the town and state (possibly sea port bond) 20%. The federal Army Corp. project, if completed means that the Army Corp. maintains a dredge depth of 9' mlw forever at no further cost to the town.

To date, the Harbormaster Dept. collected \$26,600 thru a \$1.00 per foot surcharge on all registered boats in Westport. This money is dedicated for (3) years (possibly a total of \$75,000) to go toward paying the town share of the federal project. Also, \$30,000 was appropriated from the CPC for helping the town share of cost for the state project around commercial docks at historic Westport Point.

Collections or revenues for 2003 have been pretty much on projected targets with a state ramp increase from \$4.00 to \$5.00 per day and an annual fee from \$30 to \$35. Also, non-resident boat fees went from \$2.50 per foot to \$3.00 per foot along with a \$1.00 per foot surcharge for all registered boats.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard B. Earle
Harbormaster

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

As we roll into 2004 the Highway Department is again in the middle of an exceptionally bad winter. Record sub zero temperatures, snow and ice have made for a lot of long days and late nights. Beginning in December, we were hit with a 3-day storm that was classified as a 100-year storm. As usual Highway Department personnel were up for the task. I can't say enough about the dedication our employees have displayed through this long cold winter.

I respectfully submit this report as the current department head of the Westport Highway Department. Upon the retirement of Highway Surveyor Paul Pereira, as General Foreman have I have assumed the duties of the department head since November of 2003. As Highway Surveyor, I intend to continue to provide the Town of Westport with the level of service that the taxpayers deserve.

In 2003/2004 the Highway Department has continued to maintain the towns @ 160 miles of road. Several roads were resurfaced or repaired. In 2004/2005 several more roads are scheduled to be resurfaced, repaired or overlaid with asphalt. We are also looking into some new methods of asphaltting with alternative products that use recycled material that could be more financially feasible for the town.

As in the past, the Highway Department has helped almost every other town department. Continuity

between the various departments helps all of us to facilitate our required duties. In addition to our regular duties of sanding, plowing, sweeping, sidewalk cleaning, mowing the sides of the roads and landings, tree work, catchbasin cleaning, drainage repair, signs, road preparation for paving and repairs, as well as emergency situations that arise, we were instrumental on several other projects for other town departments. The following are just a few examples of services we have provided.

The Highway Department attended to the School Department's athletic fields and playgrounds as well as provided for new signs at the High School and Elementary School. In the coming year there are plans to help repave the parking lots at the Middle School.

We also helped to build new gardens at the Senior Center and repaired the parking lot. In January 2004 the Highway Department installed a remediation system behind the Town Hall to rectify the ground contamination, saving the town a significant amount of money. Work at the Cemetery Department continues, digging graves and preparing new sights. The Landing Commission asked for our assistance when they excavated contaminated material from the old Head Garage. The Highway Department supplied material, trucks and manpower. The Board of Health requested the use of Highway Department equipment and personnel to perform perk tests on town properties. We accommodated their requests. And as always we continue to lend a hand to the Police Department, Fire Department and all other town entities as needed.

In 2003 the Highway Department, with the much appreciated help from the Buzzards Bay Project and the Westport River Water Shed Alliance, received a 319 Storm Water Remediation Grant for a sight at the Head of Westport and Gifford Road. Construction should begin in spring of 2004. The Highway Department hopes to partake in more of these projects to further increase the quality of our towns' rivers and streams.

The past year has been very busy as usual and the future promises to bring more tasks to be dealt with. With the acceptance of more roads and the pending water and sewage lines, the Highway Department looks forward to accommodating the needs of the Town of Westport. I intend to make whatever changes are necessary to make the Westport Highway Department as efficient and functional as needed for the citizens of Westport. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
Shawn Pariseau
General Foreman

WESTPORT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Westport Historical Commission met eleven times in 2003. One meeting, a continuation of a public hearing, was at the site for which an application had been submitted. The commission held nine preliminary hearings and seven public hearings. Eight Certificates of Appropriateness and one Certificate of Non-Applicability were issued.

Susanne Lentini resigned as a permanent member and clerk. Commission member Bette DeVeuve replaced her as clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,
William Underwood, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Westport Housing Authority is a public agency operated by a Board of Commissioners composed of four town elected members and a Governor Appointee. This Authority is regulated by the Massachusetts Dept. of Housing And Community Development, and operates a 48-unit complex known as Greenwood Terrace at 666 State Road. It is the only development this Authority operates. All are two room (one bedroom) units suitable for one person or a couple. This state subsidized housing is available to applicants at least 60 years of age or disabled with incomes not exceeding \$31,450 for one person and \$35,950 for two. There is no asset limit. Rents are based on approximately 30% of the tenant's income. Applications are processed according to a state determined priority basis with local residents given preference.

Report for 2003

There will be one vacant seat to be voted on at the Town Election in March. The major work for a new Bioclere septic system has been completed, and plans are in progress for the generator and three-phase electric service to complete the project. The fire alarm system upgrade is nearing completion, and re-roofing all seven buildings has been accomplished. Gas stoves of earlier vintage are being replaced as needed. The Board continues to pursue building additional housing for Westport's citizens, and initial community Preservation funds will enable startup costs.

Board of Commissioners

The Board holds their regular meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 3:30 PM. This is an open forum. Interested community members and tenants are welcome to participate.

Members for 2002

Elizabeth Collins
Donald Maynard
Tony Cormier
Duncan Albert
Marjorie Holden

Vice Chair
Chair
Treasurer
Secretary
Governor's Appointee

Term Expires

2005
2006
2003
2008
2007

Respectfully submitted by:
Francine Hadjisoffi, Executive Director

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LANDING COMMISSION

TREASURER

I hereby submit my annual report as Treasurer, December 31, 2003

Balance January 1, 2003
Received from Leases

\$24,173.99
3,337.60

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Received from Bid/spec fees | 725.00 |
| Interest Received on Deposits | <u>424.76</u> |
| TOTAL | \$28,661.35 |

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| Expenditures 2003 | 103.99 |
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|---------------------------|-------------|
| Balance December 31, 2003 | \$28,557.36 |
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Respectfully submitted,
George E. Foster
Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE WESTPORT FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Frances Kirkaldy
Pauline Dooley
Susan Pedreira

Ruth Manchester
Deborah Lee
Nancy Dawson

Staff

Library Director
Assistant Library Director
Library Clerk
Library Clerk
Library Aide
Custodian

Anita Baron
Susan Branco
Gayle Boudria
Jane Young
Janina Oliver
John Medeiros

This year saw the election of two new trustees, Nancy Dawson and Susan Pedreira. They replaced Margaret Panos, who passed away, and Mary Medeiros, who elected not to run again.

In June, Anita Baron, our library director, announced that she would be retiring at the end of the calendar year. She did an excellent job running the library and we will miss her. Susan Branco, our assistant library director, was named to replace her and we are confident in her abilities to fill the position. It will be necessary to hire someone to fill the assistant library director position.

Due to underfunding of our budget for the coming fiscal year, it was necessary to apply for a waiver from the State Board of Library Commissioners in order to maintain certification as we failed to meet the state minimum requirement. Also because of the budget cuts it was necessary to further cut our hours of opening. A total of 7 hours per week has been cut over the past 2 fiscal years. Another saving came from the non-renewal of passes to the Boston Children's Museum and the New England Aquarium, as these were expensive for us to purchase.

We actively sought volunteers and now have a group of dedicated people who shelve books five days a week. We cannot thank them enough for their help.

The Helen Ellis Charitable Trust awarded a grant to Whitmore Boogaerts who proposed to erect a sculpture in front of the library. It is called "New River", a combination of Fall River and New Bedford. We are extremely fortunate and very pleased to have it on our property.

I'm sure by now that everyone knows we need a new floor covering in our project/meeting room to replace the extremely stained carpet. Allen's Neck Community Club was one of the first donors with a gift of \$250.00. This was very generous of them and we are grateful. We are also extremely grateful to Eva McGuinness who single-handedly organized a raffle of filled baskets donated by bookclubs. She gathered a lot of support from businesses and individuals and it became a community project. This raffle raised approximately \$3,700.00.

The annual Friends of the Library book sale was held and raised \$1,950.75 for use by the library. We're grateful to them and particularly to Michael Habib, Lillian Barresi and Cal Hopkinson who do the lion's share of the work.

A workstation with computer, printer and scanner was placed in the library by the Westport Historical Society to help in the preservation of information and documents relating to Westport history. This is a valuable asset for our library and we thank them for sharing these resources with us.

The library trustees have been working on forming a foundation to receive donations when the time comes to seek funds for an addition to the library. We would like to thank one of our patrons, Attorney Brian Sullivan, for the time he has donated to help us form the Articles of Association.

Three family programs were held during the year. On Friday, March 14th the Friends of the Library sponsored "Music and Magic of Ireland" attended by 110 children and 70 adults. A Family Concert sponsored by the Westport Arts Council was held Thursday morning July 17th attended by 33 children and 22 adults. And on Friday October 24th the Helen E. Ellis Charitable Trust sponsored an evening of Halloween stories and songs attended by 75 children and 45 adults.

Fifty children ages 3-12 participated in the summer reading program and were presented certificates. This includes the Thursday night pajama story time. The "6" second grade classes from the elementary school visited the library in October for new library cards and to check out materials. There were 7 after-school programs for ages 6-12. The U.S. Coast Guard sponsored a program on boating safety for ages 5-8 in June. Seven children, each with an adult, attended.

F.O.W.L. sponsored a program in July on "Little Known Facts About New Bedford: People, Places, Events" presented by Milton George. 36 adults attended.

We are very proud of the students in grades 5-8 who participated in the "Pennies for Community Service Campaign" and raised \$772.21, which they donated to the library. We thank them very much.

I have been a library trustee for 30 years, first running in 1974. I will not run for re-election again in 2004 because I feel it is time to step aside and let others have a chance. It has been a privilege, as well as a joy, to serve and I will miss it. We have a library staff second to none. Everyone is dedicated and hard-working and they have made the job of trustee an easy one.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances Kirkaldy
Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MODERATOR

I respectfully submit my 2003 Annual report as Moderator of the Town of Westport.

During the year, I presided at all Town Meetings, and appointments and reappointments to the Finance Committee.

Town Meetings

During the year, the Town held two Town Meetings, and Annual and the Special of May 13th.

The Moderator's Consent Calendar is a regular practice at the Annual Meeting. The meeting saved time by not requiring the Moderator to read the Articles in the Warrant verbatim, but allowed the Moderator to refer to Articles by number and subject matter. This year we considered and voted in one motion 16 Articles.

Finance Committee

During the year, I acted on the following, regarding the Finance Committee.

In June, I accepted with regret, the resignation of Mr. George F. Dean. Mr. Dean served the Finance Committee with honor since 1997 and served the Town in other capacities for over 50 years. I accepted with regret at the end of his term, Mr. Gary E. Mauk served as a dedicated member of the committee since 1994 and for several years served as its Chairman. Both members gave a lot of their time, effort, and knowledge for the best interests of our Town.

In July, I reappointed for three years, term expires June 30, 2006, Mrs. Veronica F. Beaulieu of Amory Petty Way, and Mr. Warren M. Messier of Tickle Road.

In September, to fill the vacancy of Mr. Mauk, I appointed Mr. Paul A. Schmid, III of Fisherville Lane, term expires June 30, 2006. To fill the vacancy of Mr. Dean, I appointed Mr. Maxwell F. Turner of River Road, term expires June 30, 2005.

Finance Committee As Of December 31, 2003

| <u>Members</u> | <u>Term Expires</u> |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| John J. Baughan | 2004 |
| Robert N. McCarthy | 2004 |
| Chester B. Adams, Jr., Chairman | 2004 |
| Patricia M. Sieminski | 2005 |
| Charles A. Goldberg | 2005 |
| Maxwell F. Turner | 2005 |
| Veronica F. Beaulieu | 2006 |
| Warren M. Messier | 2006 |
| Paul A. Schmid, III | 2206 |

Respectfully submitted,
Brad C. Brightman, Moderator

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD

The Personnel Board consisting of, Mrs. Ann Chandanais (Chairwoman), Mrs. Marlene Pelletier (Vice Chairwoman), Mrs. June Hebert, Mr. Chester Adams and Mrs. Phyllis Michalevich, met regularly throughout 2003 with the following accomplishments.

Reviewed and amended the Personnel By-laws as they pertain to Fringe Benefits and working conditions, Jury duty and Holiday rules, regulations and procedures and Vacation benefits. Reviewed and amended Schedule A. Approved two part-time positions for the Cable Advisory Committee. Approved position for a temporary part-time Recording Secretary to the Board of Health. Approved position for a temporary part-time Data Processor. Approved an increase in hours for the part-time Clerk in the Building Department. Retired Mr. Chester Adams from the Board. Welcomed Ms. Veronica Beaulieu to the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Chandanais, Chairwoman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Role

Under the Massachusetts General Laws, the Planning Board is charged with formulating and administering Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of land in accordance with the Subdivision Control Act; with reviewing plans for all proposed subdivisions; with reviewing and holding public hearings on all zoning amendments and; and with preparing the Master Plan. In addition, the Board advises the Town on land use projects and policies and tracks development trends affecting Westport. The Planning Board staff conducts research and analysis to assist the Board and provides responses to hundreds of requests for information from a wide variety of parties.

Meetings

The Board meets every other Tuesday evening in the Town Hall Annex. During 2003 the Board held 31 regular meetings and 15 public hearings. Fourteen public hearings were for the purpose of considering proposed definitive subdivisions and 1 to consider zoning amendments. Citizen zoning petitions proposed allowing Bed and Breakfasts by Special Permit, Assisted Living by Special Permit, and Condominiums by Special Permit. The Bed and Breakfast provision passed at Annual Town Meeting. The remaining two were to be addressed by the Planning Board for the 2004 Annual Town Meeting.

Membership

All members are elected to a five-year term. Chairman John Montano will serve until 2006; Vice Chairman David Wallace until 2005; Clerk Gregory Franchetti until 2004; Wayne Sunderland until 2008; and Timothy Gillespie will serve until 2007.

Staff

Administrative Assistant Gale E. Nigrelli; Principal Clerk Bernadette Oliver.

Revenues

The Board collected a total of \$17,555.60 in filing fees and other charges in 2002, as compared with \$14,721.20 in 2002, reflecting an increase in revenues of 19 per cent.

Table 1. Plans Submitted, Endorsed, Approved

| Type | Plans Submitted | Plans Approved | Plans Withdrawn | Plans Denied | To be acted on in 2004 | New Lots Created |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------|
| ANR | 31 | 24 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 13 |
| Preliminary | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -- |
| Definitive | 13 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 111 |
| Definitives submitted in 2001, 2002, acted on in 2003 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 63 |
| Totals of plans submitted in 2003 | 45 | 37 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 124 |
| Total New Lots Created 2003 | | | | | | 187 |

Table 2. Plan Submissions And Number Of New Lots Created
Per Cent Change, 2001-2003

| Plan Type | Per Cent Change 2001-2002 | Per Cent Change 2002-2003 |
|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| ANR Plans | +46% | -9% |
| Preliminary | +400% | -80% |
| Definitive | +71% | +8% |
| Total Submissions | +46% | -12% |
| New Building Lots | +46% | +58% |

Highlights

Development activity – The rate of development activity in Westport continues to increase briskly, as it has over the previous 2 years. ANR and Preliminary plan submissions are slightly down compared to 2002, and the number of lots created through the Approval Not Required process has decreased from 32 to 13. However, Definitive Plan submissions have increased slightly, and more significantly, the total number of new building lots being created has increased dramatically from 2002 to 2003, with 187 new lots being created in 2003 compared to 118 lots in 2002, an increase of 58%. The large increase in the number of new building lots created in 2003 compared to 2002 indicates that the definitive plans being submitted are larger and more complex than those received last year. Thus the time demands they create for administrative processing, multiple hearing sessions, legal deadline tracking, plan review, construction monitoring, and lot releases remains the same or greater. More importantly, the upward trend in new building lot creation over the last two years, with 46% and 58% more lots being created each year, are a strong indication that the Town must continue to actively plan and zone for smart growth and to plan for the increase in services and facilities spending that will be required to serve the residents of these lots. The Board continues to see significantly increased revenues from increasing its fees and will continue to re-examine the costs of subdivision administration to document costs that may be passed on to applicants rather than absorbed by the Town.

In addition to their Planning Board duties, members Tim Gillespie and Dave Wallace served as co-chairs of the Master Plan Update Committee.

Dave Wallace served as the Planning Board's representative to the Agricultural Open Space

Preservation Trust Fund Council. Tim Gillespie served as the Planning Board's representative to the Community Preservation Committee. Wayne Sunderland served as the Planning Board's representative to the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD). Greg Franchetti served as the Planning Board's representative to the Dredging Committee. John Montano served as the Planning Board's representative to the Phase II Stormwater Committee and the Housing Partnership. The Board asked Phil Hudner to serve as their representative on the Economic Development Task Force. Staff and the Master Plan Update Committee continue to work on the Master Plan; staff also worked on the DHCD Housing Certification.

The GIS system was used by the Board, its staff and others to support and produce maps for several ongoing projects for other departments and boards, measuring beach frontage, as well as for the Planning Board and Master Plan Update Committee's own mapping needs.

Road determinations - The Board made determinations and recommendations on a number of subdivision roads whose developers proposed that the Town accept the roads as public ways at the Annual Town Meeting: Paul Drive, Romano Village Drive, Hunter's Way, Fieldstone Lane, Winterberry Way. None were accepted by Town Meeting.

Master Plan Update Committee

The Master Plan Update Committee held 2 regular meetings in 2003 and 1 public meeting on February 26, 2003 at the Middle School. Co-chairs Tim Gillespie and Dave Wallace, editor and team captain Phil Hudner, and Administrative Assistant Gale Nigrelli edited the drafts of individual chapters produced by the teams into comprehensive report and produced supporting maps and other materials. A colored handout entitled "Setting a Course for our Future" was produced and mailed to all households in Town as an insert in Shorelines newspaper. This document, which contained maps, vision statements, and actions needed to implement the Master Plan, was presented for public comment at the February 26 public meeting. Comments received at that meeting will be incorporated into the final version of the plan. The draft of the plan was presented to the Planning Board by Tim Gillespie, David Wallace and Gale Nigrelli. The Planning Board discussed the plan elements over the course of several meetings and voted to approve the Master Plan, as required by Massachusetts General Law. Comments from Planning Board members will also be noted in the final plan version. The draft version was presented to the Master Plan Update Committee in December for their final comments to be given to the Production Group by late January, in order that the final plan may be completed in the spring of 2004.

Respectfully submitted,
John Montano, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit the Westport Police Department's Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 2003

ORGANIZATION

Chief Of Police
Keith A. Pelletier

Executive Officer
John R. Gifford

Administrative Assistant
Nancy A. Braga

Lieutenant(s)

Paul E. Holden
Stephen Kovar (Retired)

Sergeants

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| John J. Bell (Detective) | Jeffrey F. Majewski |
| Thomas R. Plourde | Michael D. O'Connor |
| Marshall A. Ronco | David Simcoe (Acting) |

Regular Police Officers

| | | | |
|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Michael Roussel | Gary Foley | John Couto | Mario DaCunha |
| Antonio Cestadio | Gary Cambra | Scott Arrington | Frank Napert |
| David Arruda | Michael Silva | Daniel Sullivan | Robert Thatcher |
| Todd Oliver | Christopher Dunn | Kristen Barboza | Christopher Mello |
| Maaris Stainer | Ryan Nickelson | Bryan McCarthy | |

E-911 Dispatchers

| | |
|----------------|---------------|
| Jennifer Scott | Michael Troia |
| David M. Leite | Stacy Rose |

Reserve Police Officers

| | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Keith J. Novo | Kristine M. Carreiro | David E. Bellavance |
| Brian D. Souza | David M. Leite | Mark C. Rosinha |
| Barry Beaulieu | Conrad J. LaFontaine | Thomas H. Lemieux |
| Eric J. Vanasse | Eugene J. Benevides | John Pereira |
| Richard Rodrigues | Michael Perry | Paul Douglas |
| Stephen Kovar | Moe Dore | Ernest Belliveau |
| Mark Andrade | David Tavares | Eric Buch |

Going into my second year as the Chief of Police, I would like to start by saying, "Thank You" for allowing me the privilege of serving you.

Although the number of Officers has been reduced down to 28, we have accomplished a great deal in the last year. We answered 15,471 calls for service, which is 1,744 more calls than in the previous year. By combining the duties of two positions and the great dedication and effort of Officer Gary Foley, we now have a second School Resource Officer. Officer Foley has accepted the challenge of being the department's Computer Specialist and a School Resource Officer with an office in the Middle School. He is serving along side S.R.O Michael Roussel who has an office located at the High School.

Additionally, the department through the efforts of Officer Kristen Barboza now has a new K9 (BEN). Ben is a Bloodhound that along with Officer Barboza will serve with Czar and Officer DaCunha in our K9 unit. Also during 2003, all of our Officers were trained to respond to an active shooter incident, and all of our supervisors were trained in the incident command system.

When the Police Station was designed, back in the early 70's there was no way of knowing how the computer age and terrorism would change the police profession. Therefore, the structure itself may never meet the needs of a modern day police department. However, we are making the best of what we have. Ninety percent of the interior of the station has been given a much-needed facelift, which was accomplished at no cost to the taxpayers. Broken tiles, ripped carpets, outdated non-compliant furniture have been replaced and a few walls have been erected.

The end of the year has been marked by the end of our "radio woes". After two long years in the making, we have successfully transferred over from a low band frequency to a UHF (Ultra High Frequency) 471.40. This would not have been possible if it were not for the support of former Selectman and local businessman, James J. Long of Long Electric. He was instrumental in serving on the radio committee and

acting as a general contractor with Tower Ventures to ensure the project was completed, and he is allowing the town to utilize the tower and his building at no expense. We successfully applied for and received a Homeland Security Grant, which allowed us to purchase 33 portable radios. Now every officer has a portable radio assigned to take home and in the event of a future emergency, they will be able to respond directly from their residence. This is a positive step in improving the safety of our Officers and the community, which they serve. I will continue in the next year to seek out grant money and alternative funding when it is available to meet the public safety needs of the town.

If it were not for the dedication and commitment of all of the members of the Westport Police Department, we would have been unable to accomplish so much in the past year. I would be remiss if I did not also thank the Board of Selectmen, Town Hall employees, Highway Department, Building Department, School Department and the Board of Health, as they are each equally important participants in making the community policing philosophy become a reality and improving the quality of life for the citizens of Westport.

Respectfully submitted,
Keith A. Pelletier
Chief of Police

Those officers of the department who are responsible for various programs have prepared the following reports:

Explorer Post #305 by Deputy Chief John R. Gifford, Post Advisor

Law Enforcement Exploring is a worksite-based program for young men and women who have completed the eighth grade and are 14 years of age, or are 15 years of age but have not yet reached their 21st birthday. Law Enforcement Explorer posts help youth gain insight into a variety of programs that offer hands-on career activities. For young men and women who are interested in careers in the field of law enforcement, Exploring offers experiential learning with lots of fun-filled, hands-on activities that promote the growth and development of adolescent youth.

Westport Police Explorer Post #305 is so named to correspond with the Department's longtime radio call number KCB-305. This radio frequency will be slowly phased out in the near future, but the Post will maintain its name in order to salute the men and women who have served the Department over the ages.

Longtime Post Advisor, Officer Christopher Mello stepped down during the year due to added responsibilities at home with the birth of his second child. Post members wish him well in the future and would like to convey their appreciation for the influence he has provided in shaping their lives and careers.

In 2003, the Post participated in a number of local events, namely: DARE Graduation, Ride for Blue Pride, Public Safety Day, Memorial Day Parade, Harvest Festival, Parker/Araujo Scholarship Night fundraiser, and Christmas in the Village. Post participants have included Michael A. Cabral, Nathan A. Dufault, Paul J. Ferland, Matthew P. Holden, Brian S. Parent, Steven N. Phipps, Clifford J. Read, Tara E. Souza, and Michael E. Teixeira. We have lost a number of these young adults due to their age and are constantly trying to recruit new members.

Training has been a large part of Post meetings again this year, as our members work towards attaining a number of proficiency awards.

The following awards were earned by Post members during this calendar year:

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|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 Year of Tenure | Tara E. Souza Steven N. Phipps |
| Perfect Attendance | Tara E. Souza Steven N. Phipps |

Ms. Souza currently holds the rank of lieutenant within the Post.

What is Exploring?

The Westport Police Explorer Post 305 is affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). The Westport Police Department, as a community-based policing program, sponsors the Post. The Explorer Program through the BSA is distinctively different from scouting. Exploring is a co-educational, young-adult program developed and supervised by the Westport Police Department. It provides an opportunity for young adults to explore the law enforcement field hands on.

As an Explorer, young adults have the opportunity to assist the Westport Police Department. Explorers can broaden their understanding and gain firsthand knowledge of the challenges and job skills that make up their community's policing service. In addition to gaining knowledge of police work, the participants have the opportunity to give themselves to the their community. Although Post 305 is law enforcement oriented, explorers are volunteers and do not serve as police employees, sworn or civilian. The Westport Police Department wants to maintain an effective Law Enforcement Explorer Post for our young adults by providing career training in law enforcement, social activities, community service and leadership training. The particulars to their training can and will differ depending on what the post elects to do.

Qualifications

- Must be between the ages of 14-20 and have completed the 8th grade
- Have good moral character
- Not have a police record
- Complete a written application (parental/guardian consent if applies)
- Complete and pass an oral interview
- Be willing to volunteer your time to attend Explorer functions
- Be willing to exemplify a professional image of the Westport Police Department

Any male or female, young adult who meets these requirements may apply

Process of Becoming a Member of the Explorer Post 305

1. Written application is filled out (parental/guardian consent if applies)
2. Background investigation is completed
3. An interview is scheduled, with a one-page letter to be submitted at the interview explaining why you want to be an Explorer.

The Post will vote on the applicant with recommendations from the Post advisor. The members will also have the opportunity for advancement within the Post. The Post members will elect members seeking rank (such as sergeant, lieutenant, and captain) with final approval from the advisor.

Detective Bureau Report by Detective Sergeant John J. Bell

The Detective Division went through some major changes in 2003. Due to budget restraints the detective division went from three full-time detectives to two full-time detectives and one part-time detective. Detective Scott Arrington was re-assigned to the uniform division. Detective Arrington served as a Detective for two years and was very successful in that assignment. Officer Dunn was assigned as the part-time detective. The full-time detectives include Detective Sergeant John Bell and Detective Daniel Sullivan.

During the year, the detective division investigated 109 incidents that range from breaking and entering to tagging and malicious damage. We also investigated six incidents involving identity theft, six sexual assault cases and three armed robberies.

The detective division made 35 arrests, requested and obtained 28 arrest warrants and requested that 23 individuals be summons to court. The detective division served nine search warrants during 2003.

The Westport Detectives are no longer part of the South Coast Anti-Crime Team. Throughout the years, we found that narcotic investigations were continuously taking us into New Bedford or Fall River. Since those cities were not included in the South Coast Anti-Crime Task Force it was difficult to communicate and coordinate investigations. We recently agreed to serve on a Task-Force that, along with Westport, includes Fairhaven, New Bedford, Fall River and Dartmouth.

Community Safety Programs: By: Officer Maari Stainer)

- (1) R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense) Program in Westport is a safety awareness, risk reduction, empowerment, self-defense course for women. The Westport Police department currently has three trained R.A.D. Women instructors, Officers John Couto, Mike Silvia and Maari Stainer.

From May 29 – June 12, 2003, 19 Westport residents successfully completed an intense 18-hour R.A.D. course held at the Westport Senior center.

- (2) r.a.d.KIDS (Resisting Aggression Defensively) Program made its debut this year with the generous assistance of the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund grant. The r.a.d.KIDS Program is nationally recognized as the most effective program in providing realistic and empowering safety education to children ages 5-11 years. Our mission is to provide children with the tools they need to recognize, avoid and when necessary resist and escape violence in their lives including bullying, assault and abduction.

We currently have two trained r.a.d.KIDS instructors, Officer Kris Barboza and Officer Maari Stainer, who conducted two classes this year from July 15 – August 8, 2003. Ten children ages 5-7 and 17 children 8-11 successfully completed the 10-hour program. Over 54 parents and family members received r.a.d.KIDS manuals outlining all materials. Parents are encouraged to stay and several participated during class. Classes were held at the Town Hall Annex gymnasium with the support of CCOW(Community Centers of Westport).

- (3) S.A.F.E. (Safety Awareness Familiarization Education) Program is a two hour safety awareness class that alerts women to social concerns regarding personal safety and encourages women to make a commitment to learn self-defense techniques. Our two trained S.A.F.E. Instructors, School Resource Officer Roussel and Officer Maari Stainer provided the class to 10 Westport High School senior women during their last week of school. In April of 2003, 22 area women involved in a SSTAR domestic violence group also participated in our S.A.F.E. Program class.

****The Westport Police Department is also an active member of the *Greater Fall River Coalition For The Prevention of Domestic Violence*. We attend monthly meetings with local service providers and other area police departments to assess area needs and services. Our department distributed over 60 WAVES (*Westport Against Violence for Education and Support*) informational packets for Westport victims of domestic violence.

R.U.O.K. Program Report by Officer Gary M. Foley

"Are you ok"

The Westport Police Department in partnership with the Westport Council on Aging has established a program that places telephone calls to senior citizens at a predetermined time to check on their well being.

The program uses a computer system and software to make automated calls to subscribers and will

alert 911 dispatchers in the event two call go unanswered. The dispatcher can then dispatch a Police Officer or any other appropriate emergency personnel to the subscriber's residence to personally check on their well being. The system also contains emergency contact information for the subscribers next of kin, key holders etc. The service is free and maintained by the Police Dept. Interested parties can contact the Westport Council on Aging to subscribe.

The Westport Police Department responded to 37 RUOK alerts.

School Resource Officer Report (By: Michael Roussel)

High School

My assignment as the School Resource Officer continued for the school year 2003 - 2004. This assignment has allowed me to continue to organize and educate people in the various community awareness programs that I was trained in. My personal reward from one of the classes that I present is children restrained in child safety seats. The programs show a bond that continues between the School Department, Police Department, and the Community. The common goal that we have is to continue to provide a safe and healthy environment for the children to live and learn. This Officer continues training in all related programs for school children and SRO's.

Some of the events that the School Resource Officer was involved in were as follows. School Bus Safety, traffic enforcement in school zones, seat belt awareness, domestic violence, sexual assaults, bullying program, civil rights, and several awareness programs in the classrooms at the High School, Middle School, Elementary and Macomber Schools.

Since March I have had numerous complaints filed with me requiring an investigation broken down they are as follows: 21 applications for complaints, 7 arrests, 10 drug and/or alcohol investigations, 35 residency investigations, 4 community investigations, 2 truancy investigations, 7 assault investigations, 9 assault & battery investigations, 6 larceny investigations, 32 school bus incidents, 4 threats and 5 harassment investigations, 4 runaway investigations, 3 protective orders, 3 sexual assaults, 7 disturbing school assembly, 9 disorderly person, 9 trespassing, 1 civil rights violation, 5 medical emergencies, 6 domestic violence investigations, 18 court cases, 6 crisis meetings. Also, during 2003, I have made 8 classroom presentations, counseled 27 students for various reasons and attended numerous meetings and functions with students and staff. I have sponsored and cosponsored 8 Child Passenger Safety Checkpoints in the area.

School Resource Officer Report (By: Gary M. Foley)

Middle School

School and Police administration realizing a need for proactive rather than reactive response to issues and problems that may arise at the Westport Middle School, have assigned me to the post of School Resource Officer. This position will reinforce the established position at the High School held by Officer Roussel. My duties include teaching the D.A.R.E. program to the entire 5th grade class as well as many visits to the 7th grade health classes to reinforce the many segments of the health curriculum. I also have begun an anti bullying program that is being taught to the 6th grade class.

My duties also include enforcing laws and bringing criminal charges when necessary. I am pleased to report that I have only had to bring criminal charges to six students as of this writing. I feel that this is due to the interaction I have with the students making it possible to address problems before they happen. I look forward to serving in this capacity for years to come and help establish a bond between police and the youth of our community.

Police Training Report Prepared by Sergeant Thomas R. Plourde

During the year of 2003, in addition to the mandatory In-Service Training, officers on the Westport Police Department received specialized training in the following areas:

- Enhanced 911 Training: Officers Beaulieu and Carreiro (16 hours)
- Reid Interviewing Techniques Training: Officer Dunn (24 hours)
- Breath Test Instructor Recertification: Sergeants Plourde and Bell (8 hours)
- Patrol Rifle Instructor School: Lieutenant Holden (8 hours)
- Firearms Instructor Recertification: Lieutenant Holden and Officer Couto (8 hours)
- Breath Test Operator Recertification: Officers Barboza, Mello, and Foley (8 hours)
- Breath Test Operator Recertification: Sergeants Ronco and O'Connor (8 hours)
- Sexual Assault Investigations: Officer Dunn (40 hours)
- Rave/Club Drug Awareness: Officer Stainer (8 hours)
- Breath Test Recertification: Officers Napert, Beaulieu and Souza (8 hours)
- Identity Theft Investigations: Officers Dunn and Sullivan (8 hours)
- National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO): Officers Foley and Roussel (40 hours)

Police K-9 Report by Officer Mario DaCunha

Cezar and I were again invited to attend and participate in several K-9 demonstrations throughout the community and the Bristol County area. The Bristol County Sheriffs K-9 Division sponsored a few of the demonstrations that were attended by Cezar and I. The other K-9 demos were held in town at gatherings such as the Westport Fair.

Cezar and I were called out throughout the year to help our patrol officers apprehend suspects. The suspects that were sought were wanted for crimes that stemmed from breaking and entering into homes to a bank robbery. Cezar and I also assisted in finding a lost child who had wandered from home. Other departments in the nearby area also requested help from Cezar in tracking wanted felons as well as helping with unruly students at a nearby university.

In closing I would like to welcome a new addition to the Westport K-9 Division. His name is Ben and his trainer is Officer Kristin Barboza. Cezar and I look forward to working with Officer Barboza and Ben.

Firearms Licensing (By Deputy Chief John Gifford)

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Firearm Safety Class Attendees | 75 |
| Class A / Licenses To Carry | 546 |
| Class B / Licenses To Carry | 0 |
| Class C / FID Cards | 15 |
| Class D / FID Cards | 13 |
| Class E / Machine Gun | 1 |
| Total Permits Issued | 575 |

2003 Fees, Fines and Reimbursements Received (As Prepared by Administrative Assistant Nancy Braga)

The following fees, fines and reimbursements were received by the Westport Police Department and turned over to the Town Treasurer, George Foster, during the year 2003.

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| For Court Default/Subpoena/Witness Fees | \$ 340.00 |
| For Firearms Licenses/Permits Issued | 28,225.00 |
| For Firearms Safety Class Fees | 3,595.00 |
| For Photostatic Copies of Police Reports | 1,549.00 |
| For Administrative Service Charge (off-duty details) | 21,759.01 |
| For Fines and Restitution (Fall River & New Bedford District Courts/Bristol County Juvenile Court) | 8,970.38 |
| For Motor Vehicle Citations (Registry of Motor Vehicles) | 102,395.00 |
| For Parking Violations | 29,761.25 |
| For Police Career Incentive (C 41, S.108L) | 69,192.00 |
| For Federal Drug Forfeiture Account | 47,861.99 |
| For Police Department Gift Account | 6,875.00 |
| Reimbursements to Budget Line Items | 4,600.00 |
| For Vehicle Insurance Account (cruisers) | 4,019.21 |
| TOTAL MONIES | \$ 329,142.84 |

Year End Cruiser Mileage Report 2003

| Unit Number | Year | Make | Model | Status | Start | Finish | Miles Traveled |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|--------|------------|----------|--------|---------------|----------------|
| 1 | 1998 | Ford | Explorer | Unmarked | 84152 | 92311 | 8159 |
| 2 | 1997 | Ford | Crown Vic | Unmarked | 48962 | 55312 | 6350 |
| 3 | 1997 | Ford | Explorer | Marked | 129903 | 134330 | 4427 |
| 4 | 1995 | Chev. | Caprice | Marked | 149669 | 162835 | 13166 |
| 5 | 2004 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 20 | 5196 | 5176 |
| 6 | 1995 | Chev. | Caprice | Marked | 164951 | 170983 | 6032 |
| 7 | 2004 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 20 | 7726 | 7706 |
| 8 | 2001 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 44539 | 82832 | 38293 |
| 9 | 2003 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 20 | 41660 | 41640 |
| 10 | 2003 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 20 | 45794 | 45774 |
| 11 | 2003 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 15381 | 69980 | 54599 |
| 12 | 2001 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 85766 | 101378 | 15612 |
| SRO 15 | 1999 | Ford | Taurus | Marked | 51174 | 55940 | 4766 |
| 17 | 2000 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 137659 | 174486 | 36827 |
| K9 | 1996 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 105146 | 117127 | 11981 |
| 19 | 2000 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 134300 | 154631 | 20331 |
| MC 1 | 2000 | Harley | Motorcycle | Marked | 6973 | 8975 | 2002 |
| Det. 1 | 1995 | Chev. | Impala | Unmarked | 144434 | 156777 | 12343 |
| Det. 2 | 1997 | Ford | Taurus | Unmarked | 81748 | 92278 | 10530 |
| Det. 3 | 2000 | Ford | Taurus | Unmarked | 33552 | 45964 | 12412 |
| | | | | | | Total: | 358126 |
| Note: Car #16 was given to the Westport Fire Department: Mileage include above. | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 1999 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 164607 | 168197 | 3590 |
| Car #13 is being used for parts having a blown engine: Mileage included above. | | | | | | | |
| 13 | 1997 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 150097 | 150569 | 472 |

Criminal Offenses

| <u>Violation</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Accessory Before / After The Fact | 4 |
| Annoying Telephone Calls | 30 |
| Arson | 1 |
| Assault | 18 |
| Assault & Battery | 33 |
| Assault & Battery Dangerous Weapon | 47 |
| Assault & Battery Person Over 60 | 1 |
| Assault & Battery Police Officer | 4 |
| Assault To Murder | 2 |
| Attempt Suicide | 1 |
| Breaking & Entering Motor Vehicle | 2 |
| Breaking & Entering | 117 |
| Breaking & Entering Depository | 2 |
| Breaking & Entering Motor Vehicle | 12 |
| Breaking Into Depository | 2 |
| C.H.I.N.S | 1 |
| Civil Rights Violation | 1 |
| Conspiracy | 14 |
| Criminal Harassment | 9 |
| Cruelty To Animals | 2 |
| Disorderly Conduct | 19 |
| Disturbing School Assembly | 13 |
| Disturbing The Peace | 10 |
| Dog By-Law Violations | 2 |
| Domestic Assault | 7 |
| Domestic Assault & Battery | 51 |
| Drug Distribution | 11 |
| Drug Possession Near School | 1 |
| Drug Possession Class A | 2 |
| Drug Possession Class B | 5 |
| Drug Possession Class C | 4 |
| Drug Possession Class D | 37 |
| Drug Possession Class E | 2 |
| Drug Possession Paraphernalia | 7 |
| Electronic Stalking | 1 |
| Failure To Register Sex Offender | 7 |
| Failure To Report A Crime | 1 |
| Failure To Return Leased Property | 5 |
| False Name To Police Officer | 2 |
| False Report Of A Crime | 3 |
| Forged Registry Document | 2 |
| Forgery | 3 |
| Fugitive From Justice | 1 |
| Identity Fraud | 4 |
| Improper Use Credit Card | 22 |
| Indecent A & B Person Over 14 | 8 |
| Indecent A & B Person Under 14 | 2 |
| Intimidate A Witness | 18 |
| Kidnapping | 2 |

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|-----------------------------------------|------|
| Larceny By Check | 17 |
| Larceny From A Boat | 5 |
| Larceny From A Building | 26 |
| Larceny From A Motor Vehicle | 7 |
| Larceny From A Person | 1 |
| Larceny Of A Motor Vehicle | 25 |
| Larceny Over \$250. | 153 |
| Larceny Under \$250.00 | 106 |
| Lewd Conduct | 1 |
| Liquor Open Container Motor Vehicle | 12 |
| Liquor Person Under 21 In Possession | 12 |
| Littering | 1 |
| Oui Drugs | 5 |
| Oui Liquor | 48 |
| Protective Custody | 8 |
| Rape | 7 |
| Rape Of A Child | 1 |
| Receiving Stolen Property | 15 |
| Resisting Arrest | 3 |
| Robbery | 3 |
| Shoplifting | 3 |
| Sodomy | 3 |
| Stalking | 1 |
| Threats To Commit A Crime | 39 |
| Trespassing | 7 |
| Unlicensed Operation Of A Motor Vehicle | 185 |
| Used Car Dealer Violations | 5 |
| Using Motor Vehicle Without Authority | 2 |
| Utter False Check | 16 |
| Vandalism | 284 |
| Violation 209 A | 23 |
| Warrant Arrest | 32 |
| Weapon Law Violations | 20 |
| Total | 1631 |

Citations Issued

| <u>Charge</u> | <u>Civil</u> | <u>Warning</u> | <u>Arrests</u> | <u>Criminal</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Speeding | 861 | 462 | 28 | 29 | 1380 |
| Seat Belt Violation | 169 | 23 | 6 | 15 | 213 |
| Failure to Use Directional | 16 | 10 | 5 | 3 | 34 |
| Unregistered Motor Vehicle | 71 | 10 | 12 | 35 | 128 |
| Expired Inspection Sticker | 436 | 41 | 13 | 18 | 508 |
| Defective Equipment | 41 | 61 | 9 | 11 | 122 |
| Red Light/Stop Sign Violation | 117 | 74 | 3 | 7 | 201 |
| Number Plate Violation | 31 | 20 | 4 | 3 | 58 |
| Registration Sticker Not Properly Displayed | 2 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 10 |
| Impeded Operation of a Motor Vehicle | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| No License/Registration in Possession | 102 | 13 | 9 | 9 | 133 |
| Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle | 0 | 2 | 11 | 38 | 51 |
| Marked Lanes Violation | 72 | 30 | 21 | 16 | 139 |

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Open Container of Alcohol | 9 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 17 |
| Allowing an Improper Person to Operate | 7 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Spinning Tires/Loud Exhaust | 19 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 23 |
| Uninsured Motor Vehicle on Public Way | 1 | 0 | 18 | 58 | 77 |
| Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Revoked/ Suspended License/Registration | 2 | 2 | 95 | 101 | 200 |
| Operating a Motor Vehicle Under the Influence of Alcohol | 0 | 0 | 73 | 0 | 73 |
| Operating a Motor Vehicle to Endanger | 0 | 1 | 0 | 37 | 38 |
| Failure to Report Address Change to Registrar Within 30 Days | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Fail to Stop For Police | 0 | 0 | 14 | 2 | 16 |
| Fail to Grant Right of Way at Intersection | 9 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 24 |
| Child Passenger Not Wearing Seat Belt/Ages 5-12 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| Transporting an Animal/Not Properly Secured | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Junior Operator Violation | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 7 |
| Driving Over Traffic Island | 8 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 19 |
| Unsecured/Uncovered Load | 7 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 11 |
| Failure to use Care in Starting/Stopping/ Turning or Backing Up | 22 | 36 | 1 | 1 | 60 |
| Operation of a Recreational Vehicle on a Public Way | 17 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 20 |
| Drug Possession | 1 | 0 | 28 | 2 | 31 |
| Total | 2040 | 820 | 358 | 404 | 3622 |

Board of Selectmen
816 Main Road
Westport, MA 02790-4311

Dear Board Members:

I hereby submit the revised Westport Police Department's Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 2001.

Very truly yours,
Michael R. Healy

ORGANIZATION

Chief Of Police
Michael R. Healy

Executive Officer
John R. Gifford

Administrative Assistant
Nancy A. Braga

Lieutenants
Stephen D. Kovar, Jr. (Acting)
Paul E. Holden (Acting)

Sergeants

John J. Bell (Detective)
Keith A. Pelletier
Michael D. O'Connor

Thomas R. Plourde
Jeffrey F. Majewski
Marshall A. Ronco

Regular Police Officers

Johnny P. Couto (RAD)
Reginald Deschenes (Court)
Scott W. Arrington (Detective)
Mario D. DaCunha (K-9)
David Simcoe (FTO)
Francois A. Napert III
Christopher M. Mello (Explorers)
David Arruda

Todd C. Oliver
Michael S. Perry
Richard J. Rodrigues
Gary L. Cambra
Maari Stainer (RAD Kids)
Michael D. Silvia (RAD)
Robert E. Thatcher
Antonio J. Cestodio (FTO/DARE)

Michael R. Roussel (SRO)
David M. Morrisette
Gary M. Foley (Sys-Spec/DARE)
Daniel R. Sullivan (Detective)
Christopher A. Dunn (SALT)
Ryan Nickelson
Kristen R. Barboza (DARE)

E-911 Dispatchers

Jennifer Scott
David M. Leite

William J. Falandys, Jr.
John W. Andrade III

Reserve Police Officers

Raymond J. Araujo (Deceased)
Kristine M. Carreiro
Fernando P. Pontes
Mark C. Rosinha
William J. Falandys, Jr.
Christopher Branco
Carl Mendoza
Eric J. Vanasse

Keith J. Novo
David E. Bellavance
Jeffrey M. Nogueira
Stephen Ouellette
David G. Cabral
Conrad J. LaFontaine
Thomas H. Lemieux
Jon M. Taylor

Bryan McCarthy
Brian D. Souza
David M. Leite
Barry Beaulieu
Scott P. Joseph
Paul M. Casado
Stephanie McMahon
Eugene J. Benevides

I would like to dedicate this year Annual Police Report to the memory of three police officers who gave so much to their department, the community and the citizens of Westport. Raymond J. Araujo died July 13, 2001 after serving the town of Westport for almost 20 years as a Reserve Police Officer. Trooper Donald J. Frederick died May 1, 2001 after serving on the Westport Police department for over 13 years. Joseph Arruda died March 20, 2001 after working 25 years on the police department. They are missed and may they rest in peace.

This is the fifth annual Police Department Town Report that I have submitted as Chief of Police for the Town of Westport. It does not seem possible that five years have passed since my appointment. During those years I have experienced some wonderful challenges and opportunities while working with extremely professional and dedicated police officers and dispatchers. Those police officers and dispatchers are responsible for raising the bar by which we measure public safety performance. They are accountable for meeting the public safety expectations in this community. The opportunity to meet the challenges was further made easier with the cooperation, support and guidance the department received from both the citizens of Westport and many elected boards and committees. Some accomplishments for the year are mentioned below.

The tremendous drug investigation that culminated this December is just one example of officer tenacity. After a lengthy undercover narcotics investigation involving four members of this department (Sergeant John Bell, and Detectives Michael Silvia, Scott Arrington and Daniel Sullivan) and months of time Westport was involved in the largest cocaine bust in Massachusetts history. Not only did we take over 260 kilos of cocaine off the market in southeastern Massachusetts the investigation was responsible for 310 kilos being taken off the streets of New York. Couple this case with the one in 1998 where Detectives John Bell and Thomas Plourde were responsible for seizing the largest MDMA (ecstasy) laboratory in the country proves that a communities size means nothing when it comes to narcotics problems.

Our new School Resource Officer has made the transition from patrol to working closely with the students, faculty and staff at all our schools. On a weekly basis I get words on praise and satisfaction on the tremendous job he is doing. The fourth Citizen Police academy was completed in November and those residents who participated raved about its content and the enthusiasm and professionalism of our police officers who participated. The Police Explorers Post, made up of young men and women ages 14 to 20, continues to work closely with the men and women of the police department. For the fourth year in a row a Westport High School student intern has been able to come into the department three days a week and learn about the law enforcement profession. 2001 also brought the implementation of the RUOK program, which is an automated computer program, which calls seniors and shut-ins to ascertain their well being on a daily basis. The program was paid for through the community policing grant and is successful because of the support and assistance of Maryellen Gomes from the Council on Aging and Officer Gary Foley. Within weeks of the program being available we had two occasions where the program provided necessary aid to senior citizens in trouble. On October 20th Sergeant Kovar, along with the police Explorers, conducted our 5th annual vehicle-etching program along with the Massachusetts State Police Governors Auto Theft unit. This program allows Massachusetts motor vehicle owners to save up to 15% on their automobile insurance each year.

Those officers of the department who are responsible for various programs have prepared the following reports:

School Resource Officer Report by Officer Michael Roussel

Commencing in March of 2001, I received a new assignment as the School Resource Officer for the school year. This assignment has allowed me to continue to organize and educate people in the various community awareness programs that I have been trained in. The programs show a bond between the School Department, Police Department, and the community with our common goal being to continue to provide a safe and healthy environment for the children to live and learn.

Some of the events that the School Resource Officer was involved in were as follows: School Bus Safety Program, traffic enforcement in school zones, seat belt awareness programs, several awareness programs in the classrooms. During this same period I have provided 22 classroom presentations, counseled 29 students for various reasons and attended numerous meetings and functions with students and staff.

Since March I have had numerous complaints filed with me requiring me to conduct follow up investigations. They are broken down as follows: 12 applications for complaints at Fall River District Court, 4 arrests, 12 drug and/or alcohol investigations, 25 residency investigations, 10 community investigations, 6 truancy investigations, 11 assault investigations, 8 assault & battery investigations, 6 larceny investigations, 18 school bus incidents, 4 threats and 9 harassment investigations. Further, I responded to 3 medical emergencies, 4 domestic violence investigations, 11 court cases and 7 crisis meetings.

Westport Police Explorer Post 305 by Officer Christopher M. Mello

Advisor

Police Officer Christopher M. Mello
Westport Police Department

Assistant Advisor

Police Officer Christopher Branco
Westport Police Department

Committee Members (overseeing body)

Executive Officer John R. Gifford
Westport Police Department

Police Officer Antonio J. Cestodio
Westport Police Department

Police Officer Dave Simcoe
Westport Police Department

Dispatcher Jennifer Scott
Westport Police Department

Det. Sergeant Maurice A. Poutre (Retired)
Westport Police Department

Lieutenant Edward H. Houde
Massachusetts Environmental Police

What is Exploring?

The Westport Police Explorer Post 305 is affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). The Westport Police Department, as a community-based policing program, sponsors the Post. The Explorer Program through the BSA is distinctively different from scouting. Exploring is a co-educational, young-adult program developed and supervised by the Westport Police Department. It provides an opportunity for young adults to explore the law enforcement field hands on.

As an Explorer, young adults have the opportunity to assist the Westport Police Department. Explorers can broaden their understanding and gain firsthand knowledge of the challenges and job skills that make up their community's policing service. In addition to gaining knowledge of police work, the participants have the opportunity to give themselves to the their community. Although Post 305 is law enforcement oriented, explorers are volunteers and do not serve as police employees, sworn or civilian. The Westport Police Department wants to maintain an effective Law Enforcement Explorer Post for our young adults by providing career training in law enforcement, social activities, community service and leadership training. The particulars to their training can and will differ depending on what the post elects to do.

Qualifications

- Must be between the ages of 14-20 and have completed the 8th grade
 - Have good moral character
 - Not have a police record
 - Complete a written application (parental/guardian consent if applies)
 - Complete and pass an oral interview
 - Be willing to volunteer your time to attend Explorer functions
 - Be willing to exemplify a professional image of the Westport Police Department
- Any male or female, young adult who meets these requirements may apply

Process of Becoming a Member of the Explorer Post 305

4. Written application is filled out (parental/guardian consent if applies)
5. Background investigation is completed
6. An interview is scheduled, with a one-page letter to be submitted at the interview explaining why you want to be an Explorer.

The Post will vote on the applicant with recommendations from the Post advisor. The members will also have the opportunity for advancement within the Post. The Post members will elect members seeking rank (such as sergeant, lieutenant, and captain) with final approval from the advisor.

In 2001, the Post consisted of 9 members ranging in age from 15 to 20. The leaders were Lieutenant Christina Cambra, Sergeant Matthew Holden and Sergeant Paul Ferland.

Classes and training provided to the Explorers included: Motor vehicle stops and patrol procedures, Handcuffing techniques, Domestic violence training, Officer safety and tactical training, Search and apprehension drills, Booking and fingerprinting procedures, Handgun safety, Tour of a Coast Guard Cutter and Constitutional and Criminal Law training. The Following are some of the events the Post was involved with:

Child Seat Safety Checkpoints
Public Safety Day
Memorial Day Parade
Harvest Festival

Dare Graduation
Vehicle Glass Etching
Memorial Stone Dedication

Police and Seniors Together (P.A.S.T.) Program by Sergeant Thomas R. Plourde

During the year of 2000, The Westport Police Department implemented a program specifically designed for senior citizens and their well being. The P.A.S.T. Program targets senior residents of the community with memory loss disorders, such as Alzheimer's disease who periodically wander from their homes.

The Westport Police Department maintains a computer database consisting of the names of seniors who may need this special care. The database includes information about the member's address, family members, and medical status including the physician's name. The database also has a recent picture of the member.

Once the information is entered in the computer, the member is given a bracelet to wear. The bracelet has the P.A.S.T. Program's member identification number inscribed on it. When police discover a person who has wandered from their home, the bracelet can assist police in identifying the person. During the year 2001, three more seniors were added to the database.

If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming a member of the P.A.S.T. Program, please call the Westport Police Department to register. A police officer will stop by your residence to register the new member.

Firearm Instructor Report by Sergeant Stephen Kovar

The Firearms Division of the Westport Police Department reports that it has continued its annual training of both full time and reserve officers at the New Bedford Firearms Range. Several new and challenging courses of fire have been introduced into the already full day of training.

The most popular and busiest of programs offered by the firearms division has been the Handgun Safety Course. This course is comprised of eight hours of thorough instruction on matters of handgun safety, ownership responsibility, and laws regarding both the liability of the handgun owner and storage of firearms. The classes were being offered by the department every other month but have gained intense popularity since the September 11, 2001 tragedy. Prior to 9/11 tragedy, eight students had enrolled in the course, but within a few weeks the attendance has skyrocketed to fifty-two students. To meet the demands, classes are now being offered on a monthly basis.

The firearm officers were invited to instruct two classes at the Westport Citizens Police Academy, P.A.C, during its Fall 2001 semester. The citizen students were introduced to laws governing the use of deadly force in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the policy and procedure of the Westport Police Department. The P.A.C students will be attending a range session where students will have the opportunity to fire some of the department's weapons under the supervision of the range officers.

Unfortunately, due to budget constraints affecting all departments in Westport, the annual night fire training course for all officers has been postponed.

Detective Bureau Report by Detective Sergeant John J. Bell

During 2001, the Detective Bureau was involved in 117 investigations throughout the Town. They included 60 larceny complaints, 30 breaking and entering complaints, 9 sexual assaults, executed 7 search warrants, arrested 38 people, 13 on drug charges, requested 26 arrest warrants and 6 people were summons

to court. As a result of investigations and search warrants, Detectives seized approximately 5 pounds of marijuana, 70 grams of cocaine, 37 grams of heroin, three vehicles and \$15,820. The Detective Bureau also recovered \$80,000.00 in stolen property, which was returned to the proper owners.

The Westport Detective Division also assisted in the investigation of the state's largest cocaine seizure. As a direct result of this investigation over 260 kilos of cocaine, approximately \$500,000.00 in cash and 10 vehicles were seized. There were also 21 subjects indicted and 12 search warrants executed.

The Detective Division assisted in an investigation involving an armed assault in a dwelling and aggravated rape. Detectives collected DNA evidence, which was used to convict the perpetrator. On July 13, 2001, after a lengthy trial he was sentenced to Massachusetts Correctional Facility at Cedar Junction in Walpole for 15 to 20 years with additional 10 years probation.

The Detective Bureau also conducted liquor and tobacco compliance checks to verify that town business adhere strictly to the law. They also searched for, and if located, arrested fugitives wanted in other jurisdictions, and assisted the uniform division as needed.

Detectives from the Detective Bureau were once again assigned to the South Coast Anti-Crime Task Force. The Task Force is made up of Detectives and Officers from Westport, Somerset, Swansea, Rehoboth, Fairhaven, Tiverton, and the Bristol County Sheriff's Department.

Police Academy for Citizens by Sergeant Thomas R. Plourde

During the Fall of 2001 the Westport Police Department conducted our fourth Civilian Police Academy and the feedback from the residents who participated has been overwhelming. Officer David Simcoe took the lead roll in coordinating the program and together we scheduled instructors from within the department. The intent of the academy is to enlighten the public as to what is required of their police officers and how police officers perform their duties.

This coming year the Westport Police Department will be hosting a Police Academy for Teens. This 12-week program is designed to introduce local teenagers to members of the police department. The objective of the teen academy is to give young adults an understanding of what it's like to be a police officer. The program can be used as a stepping stone for teens that may be interested in a career in law enforcement. As always our civilian academies are free of charge to Westport residents. For information on the Citizen's Academy or any other events, check your local access cable station for postings.

R.A.D. Program Report by Officer Johnny P. Couto

Rape Aggression Defense, or R.A.D for short, has entered its fourth year of training women to be more alert and prepared for dangerous encounters that plague today's society. The course is free of cost to women and helps them to be both more aware of dangerous situations and teaches them viable options to escape and survive them.

The R.A.D training is held two nights a week, approximately three hours per night, for three weeks at the spacious Senior Center on Reed Rd. The course is held at least twice a year by the department and taught by Officers Johnny P. Couto and Michael D. Silvia who are both certified instructors. The class size is usually 12-15 students, which is conducive to good instructor/student interaction.

The program recently acquired an added instructor with the hiring of Officer Maari J. Stainer. Officer Stainer brings to the program an added bonus of being certified to teach "R.A.D Kids", a program which helps children identify and avoid dangerous signs in a safe, controlled and fun teaching environment. R.A.D Kids should be making an appearance sometime in this New Year. With Officer Stainer now on board, class size will increase to accommodate the growing number of women who are interested in the class.

R.U.O.K. Program Report by Officer Gary M. Foley

The Westport Police Department begun an exciting program January 2001, that is designed to check on our Senior Citizens well being on a regular basis. The program is known as "Are You OK".

The program was set up with the assistance of the council on aging, and works like this. A senior citizen or anyone who lives alone may request, at no charge, to be placed on the "are you ok" list. By doing so a computer located at the dispatch center of the police department, will telephone the person every day at a pre determined time selected by the senior or shut-in. A recorded message will ask the person if her or she is ok and when the person answers, the computer politely hangs up and the call ends. In the event of a no answer or busy signal the system will automatically call the person 15 minutes later and again, if there is no answer or a busy signal the police dispatcher will dispatch the area cruiser to check on the well being of the subscriber.

By subscribing the police department will have on hand necessary information such as who has a key to the premises and who to contact in emergencies. This has proven to be of great assistance to police and fire personnel when they respond. When the police officers or firefighter arrives at the home he or she is able to properly check the residence, and render any services that prove to be necessary.

We are happy to report that to date we have had several responses that were true emergencies. Person who had taken ill, fallen down or were injured and unable to call for help were found by the responding personnel and provided the necessary aid. This is a free program and the calls can be tailored to meet your needs. If you are interested in subscribing please call the Westport Police Department or the Council on Aging.

Firearm Licensing Report by Sergeant Jeffrey Majewski

The below statistics reveal the total number of firearms licenses that were issued by the Town of Westport from January 2001 through December 31, 2001.

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|----------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| They are as follows: | 113 Class A Pistol Permits |
| | 17 FID Cards |
| | 5 Mace Only Permits |
| | 10 Permits were issued at no fee to the person |
| Total Permits | 135 |

Honor Guard 2001 Year End Report by Sergeant Thomas Plourde

During the year 2001, the Westport Police Department Honor Guard trained and prepared for many events. In early spring of 2002 we will begin training again for 2002 events. The members train on their own time with no cost to the Police Department.

In May, the Honor Guard participated in its fourth consecutive Aquidneck Island National Police Parade. This event draws crowds of about 70,000 spectators and over 3,800 participants from all over the United States and Canada.

On July 3, 2001, The Westport Police Department's Honor Guard was invited to McCoy Stadium. The Honor Guard presented colors during the opening ceremony at the Pawtucket Red Sox Baseball Game. This event is traditionally McCoy Stadium's biggest of the year and is followed by Fourth of July Fireworks display. Many members of the police department were present to support the Honor Guard and take in a great night of fun.

In addition to these events, the Honor Guard participated in the Westport Harvest Festival parade and attended funerals for fallen officers.

In light of the events on September 11th, 2001, The 2002 Aquidneck Island Police Parade will take place on May 5, 2002. This year's parade will hold a special meaning to honor those Brothers and Sisters killed in the terrorist attacks. The members of the Westport Police Department Honor Guard are looking forward to this event.

D.A.R.E. PROGRAM Report by Officer Gary M. Foley

The Westport Police D.A.R.E. program consist of instruction at all grade levels. As the program coordinator Officer Foley is responsibilities of writing the DARE grant application, overseeing all DARE officers and working as the liaison between the police department and the schools with regards to the program. Officer Antonio Cestodio and Officer Kristen Barboza share in the teaching responsibility with me by providing instruction in grades 1,3 and 5. I instruct in grades 7 and 9.

Due to overwhelming support by school officials and parents the program has enjoyed great success. In April of 2001 myself and Officers Cestodio and Barboza attended a three-day training seminar and learned many new skills in our goal to constantly improve the program. I attended a weeklong D.A.R.E. camp that was held August 2001 and was attended by several Westport students in an effort to continue to build strong bonds between the Police and the community. The Westport Police D.A.R.E. program will continue to strive to build positive community bonds with the students not only during the school years, but also for a lifetime.

Police Training Report Prepared by Sergeant Keith Pelletier

Due to budgetary constraints, the training division only sent officers to the following courses, in addition to the mandatory 40-hour in-service training;

Lt. Steven Kovar, Lt. Paul Holden, SRO Michael Roussel and Officer Johnny Couto attended a 40-hour Instructor Development Class 4 officers @40 hours = 160 hours. No cost to replace

SRO Michael Roussel - Specialized training in drug recognition 8 hrs. No cost to replace

SRO Michael Roussel- Child Safety/Seatbelt Instructor School 8 hrs. No cost to replace

Robert Thatcher, Kristen Barboza, Todd Oliver and Maari Stainer- NECP2 Community Policing Concepts 4 officers @ 24hrs = 96hrs. No cost to replace

Detective Scott Arrington- DEA Drug and Narcotics Training 80hrs. No cost to replace

30 Full-time Officers attended 40 hours of -Mandatory In-Service for a total of 1,200hrs. Only 152 of those hours were replaced.

Police K-9 Report by Officer Mario DaCunha

Cezar and myself were invited to conduct four demonstrations for the year. We conducted one at the Westport High School this past March during Law Enforcement Day. In May we held a demonstration at the Bicentennial Park during the Westport Police Department's Safety Day with the help of Bristol County Sheriff's Office. In October another demonstration was held at the Westport Harvest Festival along with the New Bedford Police Department K-9, Dartmouth Police Department K-9, and Massachusetts State Corrections Department K-9. In the later part of October Cezar and myself assisted the Dartmouth Police Department K-9 at a demonstration at Wal-Mart in North Dartmouth. All the demonstrations were given to help inform the community in the aspects of having K-9's on patrol.

Cezar has assisted in apprehending a suspect wanted for a Rape. Another suspect was arrested for a Breaking and Entering into a home. A subject wanted for a Larceny of a Motor Vehicle, a Domestic Assault and Battery Suspect, and another subject wanted for an Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon who was apprehended in a cellar holding a knife. He has assisted area departments in their arrests for wanted felons and also for locating missing people. He has also been used for attempting to locate a firearm used in the commission of a crime in the Fall River Freetown State Forest. These are only some of the examples that the Westport Police Department's K-9 unit has been used for this past year.

To enhance our K-9 program I would like to have Cezar trained for detecting narcotics, which would greatly benefit this community. It would be an important safety issue for the Police Officers of this Department when conducting searches and on traffic stops.

2001 Fees, Fines And Reimbursements Received Prepared By Administrative Assistant Nancy Braga

During the year 2001, the Police Department turned over to the Town Treasurer, or were reimbursed, the following monies:

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| For Court Default/Subpoena/Witness Fees | \$ 176.00 |
| For Firearms Licenses/Permits Issued | 5,330.00 |
| For Photostatted Copies of Police Reports | 1,361.00 |
| For 5% Administrative Service Charge | 4,477.06 |
| For Fines and Restitution (Fall River and New Bedford District Courts/Bristol County Juvenile Court) | 16,363.00 |
| For Motor Vehicle Citations (Registry Motor Vehicles) | 98,260.50 |
| For Parking Violations | 27,675.00 |
| For by-law Violations (Alarm Response) | 75.00 |
| For Police Career Incentive (C.41, S.108L) | 54,601.00 |
| For Drug Forfeiture Account | <u>16,656.46</u> |

TOTAL MONIES \$ 224,975.02

Year End Cruiser Mileage and Inventory Report

| Unit Number | Year | Make | Model | Status | Start | Finish | Miles Traveled |
|-------------|------|-------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|----------------|
| | | | | | 1/1/01 | 12/31/01 | |
| 1 | 1998 | Ford | Explorer | Unmarked | 48095 | 66429 | 18334 |
| 2 | 1997 | Ford | Crown Vic | Unmarked | 30883 | 41278 | 10395 |
| 3 | 1997 | Ford | Explorer | Marked | 100828 | 120459 | 19631 |
| 4 | 1995 | Chev. | Caprice | Marked | 139860 | 142022 | 2162 |
| *5 | 1995 | Chev. | Caprice | Marked | 145489 | 151138 | 5649 |
| 6 | 1995 | Chev. | Caprice | Marked | 127094 | 155876 | 28782 |
| 7 | 1996 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 148637 | 160012 | 11375 |
| *8 | 1996 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 143059 | 163186 | 20127 |
| *9 | 1995 | Chev. | Caprice | Marked | 134126 | 141731 | 7605 |
| *10 | 1995 | Chev. | Caprice | Marked | 155187 | 155187 | 0 |
| **11 | 1997 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 133902 | 146853 | 12951 |
| 11 | 2001 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 20 | 24029 | 24009 |
| **12 | 1997 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 124379 | 124495 | 116 |

| | | | | | | | |
|--------|------|--------|------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|
| 12 | 2001 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 20 | 28743 | 28723 |
| 13 | 1997 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 127753 | 139241 | 11488 |
| ***14 | 1989 | Chev. | Blazer | Marked | 14568 | 15632 | 1,064 |
| SRO 15 | 1999 | Ford | Taurus | Marked | 35566 | 43371 | 7805 |
| 16 | 1999 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 81893 | 130561 | 48668 |
| 17 | 2001 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 49130 | 98531 | 49401 |
| K-9 | 1996 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 76192 | 92117 | 15925 |
| DARE | 1986 | Ford | T- Bird | Marked | 128901 | 132647 | 3746 |
| 19 | 2000 | Ford | Crown Vic | Marked | 2738 | 73030 | 70292 |
| MC 1 | 1980 | Harley | Motorcycle | Marked | 14331 | 14791 | 460 |
| MC 2 | 2000 | Harley | Motorcycle | Marked | 1231 | 5420 | 4189 |
| Det. 1 | 1995 | Chev. | Impala | Unmarked | 115012 | 131493 | 16481 |
| Det. 2 | 1997 | Ford | Taurus | Unmarked | 59099 | 73117 | 14018 |
| Det. 3 | 2000 | Ford | Taurus | Unmarked | 7151 | 21530 | 14379 |
| | | | | | | Total: | 449129 |

* Deadline used for parts only

** Traded for new cruisers

*** Specialty vehicles = #14 is an old blazer donated by an insurance company in 1997 to allow the department access to the beaches and off road. DARE is an old Thunderbird that was seized in a drug arrest and forfeited to the department by the court. Used solely by the DARE officer and the DARE program.

2001 Motor Vehicle Offenses Prepared by Officer Gary M. Foley

| <u>2001 Motor Vehicle Citations</u> | <u>Civil</u> | <u>Warnings</u> | <u>Arrests</u> | <u>Criminal Complaint</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Allow Improper Person To Operate | 7 | | | | 7 |
| Animal Offense | | 2 | | | 2 |
| Breakdown Lane Violation | 7 | 2 | | | 9 |
| Child Not Properly Restrained | 4 | 1 | | | 5 |
| Crosswalk Violation | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Drink Alcohol From Open Container | 6 | | 7 | | 13 |
| Drug Violation | | | 13 | 2 | 15 |
| Emergency Vehicle Obstruct | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Equipment Violation | 42 | 39 | 6 | 11 | 98 |
| Equipment Violation | 19 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 25 |
| Fail To Give Signal | 3 | 3 | 3 | | 9 |
| Fail To Slow Intersection | 11 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 19 |
| Fail To Stop For A Police Officer | | | | 10 | 10 |
| Fail To Stop Stop Sign/ Red Light | 77 | 37 | 6 | 5 | 125 |
| Fail To Wear Seatbelt | 77 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 87 |
| Failure To Keep Right | 2 | 2 | | | 4 |
| Failure To Yield Intersection | 6 | 14 | 1 | | 21 |
| Flared Commercial Vehicle | | 2 | | | 2 |
| Handicap Parking Misuse | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Junior Operator License Violation | 1 | | | 1 | 2 |
| Learners Permit Violation | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Leaving The Scene Of An Accident | | | | 18 | 3 |
| Lic/Reg Not In Possession | 54 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 74 |
| Lights Violation | | | 1 | | 1 |

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Marked Lanes | 52 | 33 | 20 | 9 | 114 |
| Moped Violation | | | | 1 | 1 |
| No Valid Inspection Sticker | 74 | 14 | 6 | 11 | 105 |
| Number Plate Violation | 12 | 1 | | 2 | 15 |
| Operating As To Endanger | | | 6 | 10 | 16 |
| Operating Under The Influence | | | | 47 | 47 |
| Operating With Suspended/Revoked License | | | 62 | 57 | 119 |
| Passing Violation | 7 | 2 | | 2 | 11 |
| Recreation Vehicle Fail To Stop For Po | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Recreation Vehicle Equipment Violation | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Recreation Vehicle Fail To Report Accident | 3 | | | | 3 |
| Recreation Vehicle Unsafe Operation | | | | 2 | 2 |
| Refusing To Produce Lic/Reg | | 1 | 15 | 8 | 24 |
| Speeding | 487 | 241 | 29 | 19 | 776 |
| Uncovered Load | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Uninsured Motor Vehicle | | | 8 | 20 | 28 |
| Unlicensed Operation | 2 | 6 | 12 | 22 | 36 |
| Unregistered Recreation Vehicle | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Unregistered Motor Vehicle | 39 | 10 | 10 | 13 | 72 |
| Unsafe Operation | 3 | 1 | | | 4 |
| Violation DPW Rules And Regs. | 8 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 19 |
| Window/Obstruction/Non Transparent | 2 | | | | 2 |
| TOTAL | 1016 | 437 | 215 | 291 | 1959 |

2001 Criminal Offense Statistics Prepared by Officer Gary M. Foley

| | <u>2001</u> | <u>OFFENSES</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|
| A&B Dangerous Weapon | | | 52 |
| A&B To Collect Money | | | 1 |
| Accessory After The Fact | | | 1 |
| Accessory After The Fact | | | 1 |
| Annoying Telephone Calls | | | 33 |
| Arrest On A Warrant | | | 56 |
| Assault And Battery | | | 33 |
| Attempt To Commit A Crime | | | 4 |
| Attempted B&E | | | 1 |
| B&E Motor Vehicle | | | 41 |
| Break & Entering | | | 86 |
| Conspiracy To Violate Drug Law | | | 12 |
| Counterfeiting | | | 5 |
| Criminal Harassment | | | 5 |
| Cruelty To Animals | | | 2 |
| Disorderly Conduct | | | 22 |
| Disturbing School Assembly | | | 7 |
| Domestic A&B | | | 99 |
| Driving Under The Influence | | | 47 |
| Dumping Hazardous Substance | | | 1 |
| False Report Of A Crime | | | 2 |
| Forgery | | | 3 |
| Identity Theft | | | 2 |

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|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Improper Use Of Credit Card | 5 |
| Indecent A&B | 13 |
| Interfering With A Police Officer | 1 |
| Intimidate Witness | 12 |
| Juvenile Runaway | 8 |
| Kidnapping | 1 |
| Larceny From A Boat | 2 |
| Larceny From A MV | 5 |
| Larceny Of Jet Ski | 1 |
| Larceny Over 250 | 138 |
| Larceny Under 250 | 111 |
| Littering | 3 |
| Minor In Possession Of Alcohol | 16 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 22 |
| Operating As To Endanger | 16 |
| Possess Hypodermic | 8 |
| Possession Of Burglaries Tools | 1 |
| Possession Of Class A | 4 |
| Possession Of Class B | 4 |
| Possession Of Class C | 1 |
| Possession Of Class D | 19 |
| Possession Of Class E | 8 |
| Possession Of Dangerous Weapon | 2 |
| Possession To Distribute | 28 |
| Purse Snatching | 1 |
| Rape | 2 |
| Receive Stolen Property Over | 10 |
| Receive Stolen Property Under | 5 |
| Resisting Arrest | 6 |
| Robbery | 2 |
| Shoplifting | 2 |
| Threats To Commit A Crime | 17 |
| Trespassing | 10 |
| Unauthorized Use Of MV | 7 |
| Utter False Instrument | 9 |
| Vandalism | 220 |
| Violation Of 209a | 26 |
| TOTAL | 1,230 |

ANNUAL REPORT OF WESTPORT AGRICULTURAL/OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION TRUST COUNCIL

During the past year the Trust Council has continued to pursue protection of open space on behalf of Westport citizens. The Council is continuing to invest funding provided by the \$1.5 million of borrowing power which was approved by the voters of Westport in 2001. Consideration of the Public Trust is paramount for Council members. Watchful and thrifty investment of funds which you entrusted to our care continues to be done in concert with partnering agreements between; the Westport Land Conservation Trust, The Trustees of Reservations, Westport Community Preservation Committee, and the Department of Agricultural Resources. Partnering has helped to achieve considerable results with minimal investment of

Town funding.

During the past year these partnerships have completed the protection of the Howard Tripp Farm on Hix Bridge Road and the Lee Tripp Farm on Horseneck Road, totaling approximately 217 acres. The total cost of these projects is approximately \$2.0 million, with about 15 percent paid by the Town and the balance paid by State funds and private contributions. Donations from the landowners further reduced the purchase price.

In addition to assisting the Trust Council in accomplishing the projects above, the Westport Land Conservation Trust and The Trustees of Reservations were able to conserve 7 other properties in Westport over the past year, protecting an additional 285 acres. These properties include:

- 125 acres of River Rock Farm, one of the largest farms on the East Branch of the Westport River, preserved through the bargain sale of an Agricultural Preservation Restriction to the Commonwealth.
- 64 acres of Maskasach Farm on Drift Road, the historic homestead of Clifford Ashley, maritime artist and author of *The Ashley Book of Knots*. Protected by a conservation restriction, donated by the Chardon and Ashley families.
- 31 acres of the former Southard property surrounding Cape Bial on the West Branch. The conservation restriction, donated by the Artemesia Realty Trust, safeguards river frontage and a variety of wildlife habitat.
- Along Angeline Brook, a conservation restriction on 10 acres of Little Tree Farm, donated by Selena Howard.
- A 20-acre woodlot on Old Harbor Road along Simon Brook, donated by the Brownell family of Little Compton.
- 4.5 acres along the West Branch off River Road in Westport Harbor. A conservation restriction on the property was donated by the Higgins and Bartlett families.
- A conservation restriction on approximately 30 acres of upland woods and wetlands off Mullin Hill Road donated by the Grantham family.

The Trust Council and its Partners are continuing to work together on three other parcels comprising about 230 acres. Completion of those projects is anticipated during the next two years.

Remaining Council funds, after present commitments are approximately \$500,000.

As chairman of the Trust Council, I wish to thank my co-workers; Karl Santos, George Foster, Jack Baughan, Suzan Pedreira, David Wallace, Charles Costa Vice- Chairman, Elizabeth Collins and Carlton Lees for their assistance and work on behalf of the Town.

Special thanks to; the Westport Land Conservation Trust, The Trustees of Reservations, Westport Finance Committee, and the Board of Selectmen, for their help and continuing support. And a special acknowledgment for the immeasurable help provided by Anthony Cucchi of the Westport Land Conservation Trust office.

Respectfully submitted
Claude A. Ledoux, Chairman.
Agricultural/Open Space Preservation
Trust Council

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF WESTPORT
DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

The following is my report for the Department of Weights and Measures for the ending December 31, 2003

| | |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Scales over 10,000lbs | 5 |
| 5,000-10,000lbs..... | 0 |
| 1,000-5,000lbs..... | 0 |
| 100-1,000lbs..... | 14 |
| 10-100lbs..... | 66 |
| 0-10lbs..... | 6 |
| Gas and Diesel Pumps sealed... | 84 |
| Apothecary Scales..... | 2 |
| Jeweler Scales..... | 2 |
| Vender redemption machines..... | 6 |
| Citation fines..... | 1 |

Total fees to the Town Treasurer \$2,276.50

Dennis K. Thibault
Sealer of Weights and Measures

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT

The following is the Shellfish Department's annual report for the year ending December 2003.

The Shellfish Hatchery that I mentioned in last year's report is currently up and running and has been donated to the Town for the Shellfish Department through the good graces of the Southeast Shellfish Association. It truly pleases me to see the generosity of such a monumental project by a non-governmental entity help to improve the shellfishery potential in our Town. The time and energy put into making the hatchery along with the fund raising for this building, by the association was a huge undertaking and should not go unrecognized for their efforts. Thank you for your contribution. We will utilize it to the best of our capabilities to enhance our shellfish resources for the Town. We are currently growing algae and feeding a number of adult quahogs that we will spawn to produce the seed that will be grown in the hatchery and upwellers next year. Deputy Diane Baraby was able to get ten types of algae from the hatchery at Mass. Maritime Academy and has had good success growing them. The algae is the food, and the different types of algae have different food values for the animals. We were able to get the hatchery procedure on cable TV through Claude Ledoux and also the quahog relay program. Many people have commented that they saw the show and had no idea of the procedure in either process. Thank you Claude for getting the program on the air. If you are interested in seeing the Shellfish Hatchery in the spring, call us at the Shellfish Office and we will set up a tour.

On April 27th the Bouchard 120 – Buzzards Bay Oil Spill occurred. This spill of roughly 100,000 gallons of #6 oil closed all of Westport and for that matter all of Buzzards Bay to shell fishing. The #6 oil is very thick and could have been worst than it really was had water temperatures been warmer. The amount of oil Westport had wash-up on our shores was minimal compared to some towns. We were very fortunate regarding the scenario of the spill. It occurred off Westport and the wind, tide and barge were all going the same direction, away from us. The Captain of the barge anchored about ten miles further up in the bay. Had it happened with a different wind or tide and if the barge anchored where it hit the rock, Westport would have been swimming in black goo. I don't think any of our beaches or any of our shellfish beds would be open yet. As you know they are open to shell fishing and were the first in the bay to reopen on May 22nd. As the Town Oil Spill Coordinator I have put in a claim for the Town and we are waiting for the claim check. I also have met with (NOAA) National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration people and ENTREX, the oil spill people, to see if additional money could come to the Town for days lost to noncommercial shell fishermen during the oil spill closure. These moneys would probably also go into the general fund and also relayed some Bay Scallops in from Edgartown this fall. The Division of Marine Fisheries called me one morning and asked if the Town would like to pickup 50 racks of clams that didn't quite pass the clean clam standard at the Depuration Plant in Newburyport. I agreed come from the responsible party (the oil company). The Town may get something for your lost time.

Shellfish programs included transplant of two hundred bushel of oysters from North of Hixbridge to Gunning Island in the East branch this past spring. Seven hundred seventy bushel of quahogs from the Taunton River in Somerset to three locations. Judy Island in the West branch, along with Half Moon Flat and off David Road in the East branch. These area were closed to shell fishing until the animals depurate and hopefully spawned. The Division of Marine Fisheries than tested them and the areas were opened to direct harvest. We and Deputy Tom Mello and I drove up and brought the animals back. We planted them in the Lett in the East Branch where hopefully they will throw a-spawn. Twelve thousand dollars from the Shellfish Gift Fund was spent on seed quahogs. The 18-millimeter size quahogs came in two shipments of 200,000 each. Deputy Robert Pierce and I planted them in the East Branch this year as opposed to the 400,000 planted last year in the West Branch. The S.S.A. also donated 50,000 Scallop seed purchased from Taylor Scallop Farm in Fairhaven. They were planted in areas where scallops have been historically found. The Aquatic Science teacher from Durfee High School, Jack Skammels, donated the 33,000 seed that the Westport Fisherman's Association purchased for his classroom project. The kids were growing the algae and feeding their quahogs all during the school year and monitoring the growth of the animals. His class came for a tour of the hatchery and also were helping with the cleaning of the Town's upwellers. The Division of Law Enforcement called us to pick up 73 bushel of Surf Clams that were illegally harvested in Westport during the oil spill. I agreed and Deputy Mike Andrade and I along with Highway Department staff brought them back to the tonging area off Horseneck Beach. This donation came as a result of the clam boat being observed in the closed area and my calling the EPO's and DMF.

This years fund raisers for the Shellfish Gift Fund were the Clamboil at LePage's Seafood Restaurant, the Harvest Festival and the Lee's Market receipt program. The Clamboil was held on March 31. This special clam dinner by Eric LePage and staff with our rawbar, along with 60 gifts and three major prizes, the Balloon ride for Two from Balloon Adventure of New Bedford, Dinner for Two at the Venus De Milo and the Essex Steam Train and Riverboat ride netted us \$5,000 into the Shellfish Seed Gift Fund. The three major prizewinners were drawn in a Selectmen's meeting. Everyone always has a great time and we can't wait for this coming years event. The Harvest Festival is the two-day event where we steam clams and have corn on the cob along with the rawbar. It was held at the High School grounds. The gift fund made \$450 as a result of our efforts. The Lee's Market receipt program is working well for us. Anyone who shops at Lee's can send us the register receipts and we turn them back to the market in the Shellfish Seed Programs name where we receive 1% of their total for the fund. Shellfish Advisory Chairman Jim Coughlan adds the totals and we put the check in the fund. To date this year Jim has counted over \$1400 for this worthwhile endeavor. People also made cash donations to the gift fund and we thank you all. On a sad note last March, Tripp's Boat Yard had a fire and several boats were lost along with long time shell fishermen Jack Normandin. In Liu of flowers donations were sent to our Shellfish Gift Fund and about \$1,500 came in, in Jack's memory. This past summer also saw a drowning at Horseneck Beach and my staff and I kept a watch over the river for her recovery. She was found out off the beach and brought in by the Harbormaster crew.

We put Shellfish Dive Regulations into effect this year and also changed some of the existing shellfish regulations through the Board of Selectmen and the Shellfish Advisory Committee. These changes

are better and safer for all concerned. The East Branch Seasonal area became part of the Conditional .20 area and some of the area above this portion of the river reopened to shell fishing on a seasonal basis. The new area had been closed since the late seventies. A definite plus for the Town. I want to thank the Smith family and especially Alex Smith for the work done, that allowed this shellfish area opening to happen. The Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) was insistent that certain things were to be done before the area could be opened. Greg Sawyer biologist for DMF and I completed another Sanitary Survey in the river. These surveys have to be preformed in order to keep shellfish areas open. We also continued the mandatory water-sampling schedule. Thanks Greg for your continued support with regard to these issues.

It seemed to me that I attended more meetings this year than in the past. I did attend daily Coast Guard meetings and special oil spill meetings because of the spill. I did attend regular Shellfish Advisory meetings and Harbor Advisory meetings along with Board of Selectmen meetings when shellfish issues came up. I also attended department head meetings when they were scheduled. Jack Skammels put me on the advisory board for Bristol Community College Aquaculture and I also attended the Massachusetts Shellfish Officers Association (MSOA) board and regular meetings as the President again this year. The MSOA also selected me as the Shellfish Officer of the Year this past March. We had a ceremony in the Selectmen's Office with a plaque dedication, and where Officers from all over the State attended along with former Westport Shellfish Constables Ab Palmer and Dave Roach. I was honored and will cherish this recognition by my peers forever. The MSOA also put in a bill to the Legislature for State certification for our training program. Representative Michael Rodriques sponsored our State House Rawbar in the Great Room at the State House again. Everyone always has a good time at this function, which helps to ensure further support of our legislative initiatives.

I took classes at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy on shellfish hatchery techniques and algae growing. They were very interesting and informative. I also went to Durfee High School as a speaker for career day so the kids would have an idea of my profession. The NESSA or New England Shellfish Sanitation Association held a regional conference in Gloucester and asked if I would speak about Westport's projects and types of shellfish closures we have, and I did. The Department participated in the WRWA (Westport River Watershed Alliance) River Day at the Head of Westport again this year. We set up our display to show some of the projects the department has ongoing in our river. Scott Soares of the U.S. Department of Food and Agriculture, asked if I would participate in a local TV documentary. It was telling about products that are grown locally, and a good opportunity to show the new hatchery off and tell about how we grow quahogs. Scott is the States Aquaculture Specialist. Combined with regular patrolling of the town waters, it has been a very full year in the Shellfish Department.

In closing I would like to take this opportunity to offer my thanks and appreciation to all the other departments within Town who's cooperation and assistance have made many of our programs possible. A special thanks to all of my Deputies for their diligence again this year. Also thanks to the Shellfish Advisory Committee under Chairman Jim Coughlan. They worked very hard on the new regulations to assure both the Town and the individuals who use the resources were safely and fairly considered. Thanks go to the Police, Fire and Highway Departments for all the extra work with us this year. An extra special Thank You to Kitty Benoit the Town Accountant, you will be missed in your retirement.

Remember always call the Shellfish Hotline at 508-636-1104 before you go shell fishing. It's there to help.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Sherman
Shellfish Constable

The following is the Shellfish Departments Catch Report and Statistics of Revenue for the year 2003.

Licenses And Permits

| TYPE | NUMBER ISSUED | FEES COLLECTED |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Commercial Scallop | 3 | \$ 300.00 |
| Commercial Shellfish | 72 | 7,200.00 |

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|---------------------|
| Special Commercial Shellfish | 3 | 90.00 |
| Duplicate | 5 | 25.00 |
| Family Scallop | 14 | 280.00 |
| Family Shellfish | 463 | 11,575.00 |
| Non-resident Shellfish | 50 | 5,000.00 |
| Non-resident Scallop | 0 | 0.00 |
| 14 Day Shellfish | 20 | 1,000.00 |
| Senior Citizen Shellfish | 128 | 1,280.00 |
| Senior Citizen Scallop | 1 | 0.00 |
| Dredging | 0 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 759 | \$ 26,750.00 |

Estimated Commercial Shellfish Catch

| SPECIES | HARVEST IN BUSHELS | VALUE |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Oysters | 693 | \$ 34,650.00 |
| Mussels (Blue & Ribbed) | 12 | 480.00 |
| Quahogs (Chowders) | 563 | 10,556.25 |
| (Littlenecks & Cherrystones) | 1311 | 98,325.00 |
| Scallops | 22 | 2,341.50 |
| Soft-shelled Clams | 40.5 | 3,645.00 |
| Surf Clams | 942 | 16,956.00 |
| TOTAL | 3583.5 | \$ 166,953.75 |

Estimated Recreational Shellfish Catch

| SPECIES | HARVEST IN BUSHELS | VALUE |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Oysters | 8 | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Mussels (Blue & Ribbed) | 4 | 600.00 |
| Quahogs (Chowders) | 171 | 38,475.00 |
| (Littlenecks & Cherrystones) | 296 | 99,900.00 |
| Scallops | 29 | 3,654.00 |
| Soft-shelled Clams | 43.5 | 8,352.00 |
| Surf Clams | 5 | 125.00 |
| TOTAL | 556.5 | \$ 153,106.00 |

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|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Shellfish Gift Account Donations | 13,985.00 |
| Shellfish Equipment Account Donations | 1,707.71 |
| Grant Project And Lease Site | 100.00 |

GRAND TOTAL **\$ 362,602.46**

I want to thank the Highway, Police and Fire Departments for their help over the past year. Also I want to thank the Shellfish Advisory Committee members who have helped with everything from planting shellfish seed to working the fund raisers with myself and shellfish staff. Special thanks to all of my Deputies Diane Baraby, Tom Mello, Mike Andrade, Henry Vaillancourt and Robert Pierce for a job well-done.

Remember always use the Shellfish Hotline number at 508-636-1104 before you go shellfishing. It is there to help you. Happy Shellfishing!

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Sherman
Shellfish Constable

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SRPEDD)

The Town of Westport is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. SRPEDD (pronounced sir-ped) is the regional agency serving twenty-seven cities and Towns in southeastern Massachusetts dealing with common issues facing our region, such as economic development, growth and land development, transportation, environment and general planning for the future. SRPEDD is governed by a Commission of local Mayors, Selectmen, Planning board members and at large members. We are funded by federal and state grants and local assessments. For 2003, the Town of Westport paid \$2,290.98 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 16.15 cents per capita.

Local citizens serving at SRPEDD included the following:

SRPEDD Commission:

Joint Transportation Planning Group:

Pre Disaster Mitigation Planning Team:

Russell T. Hart, Wayne A. Sunderland

Russell T. Hart, Mary Ellen Gomes

Michael McCarthy

Some of SRPEDD's more significant accomplishments during 2003 were:

Completion and approval of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds. The TIP established priorities for \$24.55 million in federal and state regional targeted dollars for highway projects, and \$65 million in transit dollars for SRTA and GATRA over the next 3 years.

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Southeastern Massachusetts, a regional economic development strategy, was completed and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, making the region eligible for federal economic development grants from EDA.

A Pre Disaster Mitigation Plan for the region was begun in 2003. Funded by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), the regional plan, in conjunction with local PDM plans, will outline steps to prepare for natural disasters and qualify participating communities for FEMA funding for this purpose.

The Taunton River Wild and Scenic Study is underway for both the upper and lower stretches of the river. SRPEDD has been funded by the National Park Service to prepare a management plan for this beautiful resource and is working with study committees representing area communities.

Plymouth Carver Aquifer Advisory Committee – With help from a grant from the Island Foundation and in cooperation with The Nature Conservancy, SRPEDD has activated this committee representing seven town within the aquifer to examine ways to ensure its long term protection.

The 100 Most Dangerous Intersections in Southeastern Massachusetts was compiled by SRPEDD utilizing accident data directly from each communities police department. The data covers the three-year period of 1999 through 2001. All intersections are ranked according to the total number of accidents (during the study period), the severity of those accidents, and the traffic volume using each intersection. The report is used to identify locations that exceed the regional average accident rate that are in need of further examination, ultimately leading to improvements.

SRPEDD conducted or participated in nine safety studies at intersections on the Top 100 Most Dangerous Intersections list.

SRPEDD's web site contains data and information about every city and Town in the region, and can be reached at <http://www.srpedd.org>. The Fact Book On-line was expanded this year to incorporate data from the 2000 U.S. Census. It is also available in CD-ROM format.

Southeastern Mass: Vision 2020, a 52-community initiative to fight sprawl in southeastern Massachusetts, continued its work to control sprawl in the region. In 2003, Vision 2020 conducted a Smart Growth Audit of the region's cities and towns.

Small Watersheds Analysis – Buzzards Bay Communities – The Massachusetts Highway Department has previously funded the GRRIP (Geographic Roadway Runoff Inventory) Program. GRIPP has identified the environmentally sensitive areas of a town that are most vulnerable to roadway runoff within larger watersheds. SRPEDD further analyzed the smaller watersheds through the GIS watershed tools, a computer model that uses percent of impervious cover to recommend certain watershed management actions.

SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic counting program (including speed surveys and vehicle classification counts) and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 80 counts at various locations this past year.

- An extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. Every year new computerized "data layers" are added to the system.
- SRPEDD continues to provide planning and support to the two regional transit authorities, SRTA and GATRA, on various efforts including: consumer advisory committees, route evaluations, planning, monitoring services and federal reporting.
- SRPEDD continued its affiliation with the South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation, which makes loans to small businesses for expansion. SEED is one of the Small Business Administration top lenders in New England.
- SRPEDD operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.

In addition, municipal assistance was provided to Westport in the following areas:

SRPEDD prepared a safety study, the entire length of Route 6 in Westport to the intersection of Route 6 @ Reed Road in Dartmouth.

SRPEDD prepared an Economic Target Area (ETA) application.

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

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending June 30, 2003. Our records are available for review.

Respectfully submitted,
Katherine A. Benoit

2003 TOWN OF WESTPORT BALANCE SHEET

Assets

| | | |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| Cash | 1,980,997.30 | |
| Petty Cash | | 150.00 |
| Personal property 97 | 168.26 | |
| Personal property 99 | 83.13 | |
| Personal property 2000 | 287.43 | |
| Personal property 2001 | 1,422.11 | |
| Personal property 2002 | 2,571.35 | |
| Personal property 2003 | 4,384.24 | |
| Personal property 2004 | 109,939.62 | |
| Real Estate 2003 | 311,784.56 | |
| Real Estate 2004 | 7,123,581.52 | |
| Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY99 | | 296.66 |
| Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY2000 | | 109,357.84 |
| Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY2001 | | 37,767.17 |
| Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY2002 | | 63,716.18 |
| Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY2003 | | 52,677.59 |
| Tax Title Liens Rec | 149,572.08 | |
| Def. Property Taxes Rec | 31,078.24 | |
| Taxes in Litigation | 1,622.32 | |
| Motor Vehicle 91 | 18.75 | |
| Motor Vehicle 92 | 27.50 | |
| Motor Vehicle 93 | 75.01 | |
| Motor Vehicle 94 | 670.00 | |
| Motor Vehicle 95 | 760.08 | |
| Motor Vehicle 96 | 2,238.03 | |
| Motor Vehicle 97 | 2,004.47 | |
| Motor Vehicle 98 | 2,781.08 | |
| Motor Vehicle 99 | 10,210.59 | |
| Motor Vehicle 2000 | 8,861.78 | |
| Motor Vehicle 2001 | 12,065.45 | |
| Motor Vehicle 2002 | 23,578.44 | |
| Motor Vehicle 2003 | 153,736.95 | |
| Boat Excise 99 | 25.89 | |
| Boat Excise 2000 | 224.12 | |
| Boat Excise 2001 | 491.00 | |
| Boat Excise 2002 | 1,243.40 | |
| Boat Excise 2003 | 10,472.08 | |
| Farm Animal | 1,152.33 | |
| Ambulance Rec | 297,505.74 | |
| Veterans Rec | 57,693.00 | |
| Due from Commonwealth | 202,733.00 | |
| Tax Foreclosure Rec | 5,685.24 | |

Liabilities And Fund Equity

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Warrants Payable | 560,156.66 |
| Tailings and Unclaimed Items | 10,002.76 |
| Deferred Real Estate Tax | 7,171,550.64 |

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|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Deferred Personal Property Tax | | 118,856.14 |
| Deferred Taxes(41A) | | 31,078.24 |
| Deferred Tax Liens | | 149,572.08 |
| Deferred Tax Foreclosures | | 5,685.24 |
| Deferred Taxes in Litigation | | 1,622.32 |
| Deferred Motor Vehicle Excise | | 217,028.13 |
| Deferred Boat Excise | | 12,456.49 |
| Deferred Farm Animal Excise | | 1,152.33 |
| Deferred Departmental | | 355,198.74 |
| Fund Balance Reserved- | | 941,874.96 |
| Encumbrances | | |
| Fund Balance Reserved-Cont Approp | | 289,009.14 |
| Fund Balance Reserved- Expenditures | | 0.00 |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | | 429,792.39 |
| Appropriation Deficits | 47,255.61 | |
| Fund Totals | 10,559,001.70 | 10,559,001.70 |

School Lunch

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Cash | 46,404.09 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 2,873.32 |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | | 43,530.77 |
| Fund Totals | 46,404.09 | 46,404.09 |

Highway Funds

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Cash | | 52,540.07 |
| Due from Commonwealth | 52,540.07 | |
| Fund Totals | 52,540.07 | 52,540.07 |

School Grants

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash | 81,095.59 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 5,190.75 |
| FY02 Title One | | 1,839.83 |
| FY02 HSTW/ curr Dev | | 201.35 |
| FY02 Drug Free Schools | | 1,327.00 |
| FY03 Drug Free Schools | | 7,745.00 |
| FY03 Sped Entitlement | 27,195.77 | |
| FY03 HSTW/Curr Dev | | 2,333.27 |
| FY03 Sped Early Childhood | | 984.02 |
| FY03 Title One | | 12,697.67 |
| FY 03 Title @ Enh Ed Teach | | 1,454.78 |
| FY03 Sped Prof development | | 6,214.27 |
| FY02 Math/Science Teach Trng | | 332.26 |
| FY02 Sped Entitlement | | 511.57 |
| FY02 Class Size Reductions | | 676.19 |
| FY03 Title @ Teacher Quality | | 24,066.25 |
| FY 03 Title V | | 472.30 |
| FY03 Community Partnership | | 2,313.73 |
| FY03 F.D. Kindergarten | | 15,674.29 |
| FY03 Academic Support | | 6,870.21 |
| FY03 Sped (50/50) | | 17,318.47 |
| Peer to Peer | | 68.15 |
| Fund Totals | 108,291.36 | 108,291.36 |

Town Grants

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash | 186,184.02 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 4,161.44 |
| COA/Serta Van Award | | 6,734.68 |
| Caregiver Support/Network | | 7,275.00 |
| CDBG Rehab FY02 | | 3,803.89 |
| "Cops" MDT/Equip | | 13,026.95 |
| "Cops" In School | 8,444.01 | |
| Clean Vessel Act | | 1,837.06 |
| Coal/Formula | | 109.69 |
| Library /Incentive | | 68,251.84 |
| Ma cultural Council | | 3,852.64 |
| Library Municipal Equalization | | 35,932.42 |
| Library-Nonresident Circulation | | 686.10 |
| Police Dare | | 201.25 |
| State Extended Election Hours | | 0.00 |
| FY02 Traffic & Alcohol Police | 75.18 | |
| Community Police | | 12,647.25 |
| Police Bulletproof Vests | | 747.00 |
| Rep Herring Run @ Adamsville Rd | | 385.70 |
| Recycling/Compost Bins | | 933.65 |
| Watch Your Car/Police | | 397.48 |
| Click It or Ticket It | 1,045.59 | |
| S.A.F.E/Fire Dept | | 793.68 |
| Caregiver Support/Farnsworth | | 1,162.35 |
| CDBG/ Comm Devel | | 28,015.81 |
| Gifford Rd Stormwater Project | | 2,800.00 |
| Buzzard Bay/Gifford Road | | 1,992.92 |
| Fund Totals | 195,748.80 | 195,748.80 |

Reserved For Appropriations

| | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash | 207,695.08 | |
| Municipal Waterway Improvement | | 63,543.68 |
| Sale of Cemetery Lots | | 67,755.00 |
| Landfill Closure | | 76,396.40 |
| Fund Totals | 207,695.08 | 207,695.08 |

School Revolving

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash | 128,736.24 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 8,322.98 |
| School Day Care | | 19,449.47 |
| School Choice Tuition | | 51,463.96 |
| Lost supplies/Materials | | 3,789.95 |
| Student Athletic Activities | | 16,300.64 |
| Use of School Property | | 7.85 |
| Adult/Continuing Education | | 4,891.29 |
| School Scholarship | | 2,300.00 |
| e-Rate Telephone | | 12,544.23 |
| Transportation/Reimbursement | | 9,665.87 |
| Fund Totals | 128,736.24 | 128,736.24 |

Town Revolving

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash | 583,925.90 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 1,266.14 |
| MA Cultural Council | | 2,002.69 |
| BOH/ Beach Testing | | 3,575.91 |
| Wetland Filing Fees | | 37,070.18 |
| Nurse/COA Health Care | | 4,062.87 |
| COA/ Clinic Gift | | 12,167.05 |
| COA/ Mini Van Gift | | 14.03 |
| Library Gift | | 2,967.20 |
| Ambulance Revolving | | 199,397.53 |
| Shellfish/Equipment Gift | | 993.17 |
| Fire Works Gifts | | 6,141.22 |
| GIS Mapping Revo | | 1,700.00 |
| Shellfish Progration Gift | | 15,391.00 |
| Police Explorer Post 305 | | 641.00 |
| Police Gift Account | | 7,884.29 |
| Fire Dept Gift Account | | 10,527.58 |
| Town Wharf Improvements | | 2,654.08 |
| Westport Agricultural Gift | | 537.16 |
| Cable TV Revolving | | 213,688.49 |
| Sr Center Building Revolving | | 2,564.30 |
| Senior Day Care Revolving | | 47,333.37 |
| Recreation/Comm Ctr Rev | | 6,363.30 |
| Highway Insurance Reimbursement | | 2,650.00 |
| Selectmen Insurance Reimbursement | | |
| Fire/Ins Reimbursments | | 0.00 |
| Police Insurance Reimbursement | | 2,268.59 |
| Cemetery Ins Reimbursement | | 64.75 |

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| Fund Totals | 583,925.90 | 583,925.90 |
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Betterments

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Septic: | | |
| Cash | 77,427.10 | |
| Levy Year 98 | 21,166.65 | |
| Levy Year 2003 | 10,000.00 | |
| Septic System Repair | | 58,371.19 |
| Interest added to Septic | 1,227.16 | |
| Septic System Rep Interest Collected | | 11,144.49 |
| Interest on checking account | | 7,911.42 |
| Septic Assessment deferred Rev | | 31,166.65 |
| Septic Interest Assessment deferred | | 1,227.16 |

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|-------------|------------|------------|
| Fund Totals | 109,820.91 | 109,820.91 |
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Community Preservation

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash | 276,558.72 | |
| Levy Year 2003 | 9,055.31 | |
| Levy Year 2004 | 144,000.61 | |
| Tax Liens Rec | 828.39 | |
| Deferred CPA Real Estate Tax | | 153,055.92 |
| Deferred CPA Tax Liens | | 828.39 |
| CPC/Open space | | 100,000.00 |

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|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| CPC /Community Housing | | 65,000.00 |
| CPC/Historic Preservation | | 65,000.00 |
| CPC/General Administration | | 14,000.00 |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | | 32,558.72 |
| Fund Totals | 430,443.03 | 430,443.03 |
| <u>School Capital Project</u> | | |
| Cash | 1,316,140.80 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 855.00 |
| Retained Percentage Payable | | 70,024.95 |
| Reserved for Encumbrances | | 1,245,260.85 |
| Fund Totals | 1,316,140.80 | 1,316,140.80 |
| <u>Landfill Capping Project</u> | | |
| Cash | 45,164.51 | |
| Fund Balance | | 45,164.51 |
| Fund Totals | 45,164.51 | 45,164.51 |
| <u>Agricultural Open Space</u> | | |
| Cash | 4,956.20 | |
| Premium on Bond Sales | | 310.00 |
| Bonds Authorized | 1,500,000.00 | |
| Authorized & Issued | | 400,000.00 |
| Authorized Unissued | | 1,100,000.00 |
| Undesignated fund Balance | | 4,646.20 |
| Fund Totals | 1,504,956.20 | 1,504,956.20 |
| <u>Water Enterprise</u> | | |
| Cash | 41,255.37 | |
| User Charges | 3,520.06 | |
| Service Charges Receivable | 460.00 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 72.00 |
| Deferred User Charges | | 3,520.06 |
| Deferred Service Charges | | 460.00 |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | 0.00 | 17,847.54 |
| Fund Balance Reserved/Service charges | | 23,335.83 |
| Fund Totals | 45,235.43 | 45,235.43 |
| <u>Harbor Enterprise</u> | | |
| Cash | 124,048.88 | |
| Wharfage Rec | 2,987.06 | |
| Mooring Receivable | 350.00 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 2,050.23 |
| Deferred Revenue-Wharfage | | 2,987.06 |
| Deferred Revenue-Moorings | | 350.00 |
| Fund Balance | | 359.58 |

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|-----------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Reserved/Encumbrance | | |
| Fund Balance Reserve/ Capital Wharfinger | | 34,000.00 |
| Fund Balance Reserve/ Capital Harbormaster | | 26,838.19 |
| Fund Balance Reserved/Dredging | | 18,647.50 |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | | 42,153.38 |
| Fund Totals | 127,385.94 | 127,385.94 |

Non-Expendable Trust

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Restricted Savings | 777,301.21 | |
| Reserved Fund Balances: | | |
| Salisbury Memorial | | 52,966.53 |
| W.B. Hicks Library | | 500.00 |
| I. Weeks Library | | 1,000.00 |
| Perpetual Care | | 433,403.66 |
| Library Trusts | | 14,041.00 |
| Nancy Fenn Music Scholarship | | 33,305.00 |
| Ron Desrosiers Mem Trust | | 19,585.02 |
| Mary Brown Library | | 5,000.00 |
| Pelletier Public Library | | 2,500.00 |
| H. Hoyt Library | | 10,000.00 |
| Tripp Library | | 200,000.00 |
| Tripp High School Library | | 5,000.00 |
| Fund Totals | 777,301.21 | 777,301.21 |

Expendable Trust

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash | 794,874.05 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 0.00 |
| Law Enforcement | | 39,288.65 |
| School Improvement | | 9,068.61 |
| Grimshaw/Gudewicz Scholarship | | 7,003.29 |
| Grimshaw/Gudewicz Scholarship II | | 4,369.25 |
| Salisbury Memorial | | 1,421.58 |
| Ambulance | | 26,596.55 |
| Wm B Hicks Library Trust | | 17.60 |
| I. Weeks Library | | 91.71 |
| Town Farm | | 17,230.32 |
| Landing Commissioners | | 26,563.02 |
| Bicentennial Playground | | 324.57 |
| Conservation | | 11,854.41 |
| Veterans Memorial | | 1,268.37 |
| Perpetual Care | | 390,560.08 |
| High School Library Trust | | 182.77 |
| Open Space | | 189.15 |
| Westport Betterment/Fuel | | 3,155.51 |
| Nancy Fenn Music Scholarship | | 2,091.10 |
| I.b. Bolwman Library Trust | | 10,269.83 |
| Library Trust | | 725.01 |
| R. Desrosiers Memorial | | 7,233.69 |
| Perp Care | | 22,920.00 |
| Mary Brown Library | | 4,064.40 |
| Westport Betterment/Community Ctr | | 1,436.40 |

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|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Pelletier/Public Library | | 292.70 |
| Westport Betterment | | 6,024.67 |
| Westport Historical | | 5,462.11 |
| Helen Ellis Arts Lottery | | 18,794.33 |
| H. Hoyt Library Trust | | 3,985.73 |
| Tripp Senior | | 29,132.84 |
| Tripp Library | | 67,321.19 |
| Tripp H.S. Library | | 5,390.24 |
| Planning Board Review Fees | | 60,689.38 |
| Appeals Brd/Comp Permits | | 9,854.99 |
| Fund Totals | 794,874.05 | 794,874.05 |
| Other Trust | | |
| Cash | 2,123,290.77 | |
| Stabilization Fund | | 993,109.81 |
| Retirement Fund | | 1,130,180.96 |
| Fund Totals | 2,123,290.77 | 2,123,290.77 |
| <u>Agency</u> | | |
| Cash | 1,101,264.88 | |
| Warrants Payable | | 50,102.38 |
| Sped/Medicaid | | 5,898.82 |
| Police X-Detail | | 5,134.64 |
| School X-Detail | | 554.37 |
| Insurance-retirees | | 11,027.89 |
| Insurance-ppo | | 1,894.50 |
| Insurance-pilgrim | | 56,894.62 |
| Insurance-voluntary life | | 582.98 |
| Insurance-life ins | | 173.77 |
| Firearm Licesnes | | 1,225.00 |
| Constrable Fees | | 1,349.00 |
| Sales Tax | | 202.39 |
| Meal Tax | | 97.07 |
| Sporting Licenses | 262.50 | 0.00 |
| Performance Bonds/Passbooks | | 934,224.85 |
| H.S Student Activity | | 26,769.37 |
| M.S. Student Activity | | 4,698.35 |
| Elem. Student Activity | | 10.95 |
| Mac. Student Activity | | 584.66 |
| Miscellaneous Payables | | 101.77 |
| TOTAL FUNDS | 1,101,527.38 | 1,101,527.38 |
| <u>Outstanding Debt</u> | 4,700,000.00 | |
| School Construction Bond | | 3,000,000.00 |
| Agricultural Open Space | | 1,100,000.00 |
| Landfill | | 600,000.00 |
| | 4,700,000.00 | 4,700,000.00 |

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR 2003

| ACCOUNTANT | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| <u>SALARIES</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 64,957.00 | 64,832.56 | | 124.44 |
| Expenses | 41,605.00 | 15,569.11 | 26,000.00 | 35.89 |
| Encumbered | 16.90 | 16.90 | | |
| <u>APPEALS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 4,734.00 | 4,732.62 | | 1.38 |
| Expenses | 2,225.00 | 908.98 | 1,316.02 | 0.00 |
| Encumbered | 240.99 | 240.99 | | 0.00 |
| <u>ASSESSORS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 120,856.00 | 118,132.16 | | 2,723.84 |
| Expenses | 3,402.00 | 2,101.05 | | 1,300.95 |
| 99 Revaluation Program | 12,928.42 | 12,928.42 | | 0.00 |
| 2000 Revaluation Program | 37,000.00 | 7,950.42 | 29,049.58 | 0.00 |
| 2001 Update Revaluation | 40,000.00 | | 40,000.00 | 0.00 |
| 2001 Appellate Hearings | 1,961.89 | | 1,961.89 | 0.00 |
| <u>BOARD OF HEALTH</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 173,606.00 | 171,174.72 | | 2,431.28 |
| Expenses | 15,917.00 | 15,783.90 | 83.24 | 49.86 |
| Prior Year Encumbered | 1,026.31 | 1,013.17 | | 13.14 |
| <u>BUILDING INSPECTORS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 82,918.00 | 80,236.51 | | 2,681.49 |
| Expenses | 4,649.00 | 4,343.12 | | 305.88 |
| Encumbered | | | | |
| <u>CEMETERY</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 97,114.00 | 81,668.47 | | 15,445.53 |
| Expenses | 9,315.00 | 9,296.05 | | 18.95 |
| 2000 Maintain Cemeteries | 1,149.49 | 864.00 | 285.49 | 0.00 |
| 2000 Cemetery | 2,550.00 | | 2,550.00 | 0.00 |
| Water System | | | | |
| 2001 Cemetery Maintenance | 5,944.92 | 4,875.00 | 1,062.92 | 7.00 |
| <u>CIVIL DEFENSE</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 2,564.00 | 2,564.00 | | 0.00 |
| Expenses | 1,626.00 | 993.30 | | 632.70 |
| Encumbered | | | | 0.00 |
| <u>COLLECTOR</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 96,327.00 | 96,319.38 | | 7.62 |
| Expenses | 17,858.00 | 17,449.58 | 237.32 | 171.10 |
| Encumbered | 307.50 | 305.50 | | 2.00 |
| <u>CONSERVATION</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 66,024.00 | 65,864.94 | | 159.06 |
| Expenses | 3,033.00 | 2,954.38 | 78.62 | -0.00 |
| Encumbered | | | | 0.00 |
| 97 Agricultural APR | 12,000.00 | | | 12,000.00 |
| 98 Administration of NOI | 187.50 | | 187.50 | 0.00 |
| Encumbered | 203.78 | 108.00 | | 95.78 |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| <u>COUNCIL ON AGING</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 97,260.00 | 97,257.54 | | 2.46 |
| Expenses | 13,700.00 | 13,692.92 | | 7.08 |
| <u>DATA PROCESSING</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 8,513.00 | 3,760.42 | | 4,752.58 |
| Expenses | 32,996.00 | 32,977.40 | | 18.60 |
| 98 Computer Upgrade | 28,488.93 | 8,381.28 | 20,107.65 | 0.00 |
| <u>DOG OFFICER</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 23,814.00 | 23,810.87 | | 3.13 |
| Expenses | 6,151.00 | 5,064.31 | 100.00 | 986.69 |
| <u>ELECTION & REGISTRATION</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 41,182.00 | 36,445.10 | | 4,736.90 |
| Expenses | 20,255.00 | 17,436.50 | 23.80 | 2,794.70 |
| <u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</u> | | | | |
| Health Insurance | 1,325,000.00 | 1,299,776.39 | | 25,223.61 |
| Life Insurance | 6,500.00 | 4,627.23 | | 1,872.77 |
| FICA/Medicare | 120,000.00 | 144,648.00 | | -24,648.00 |
| Unemployment | 50,000.00 | 57,139.42 | | -7,139.42 |
| Workers Compensation | 80,500.00 | 71,616.00 | | 8,884.00 |
| <u>FINANCE COMMITTEE</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 1,355.00 | 932.25 | | 422.75 |
| Expenses | 2,129.00 | 1,967.04 | | 161.96 |
| Reserve Fund Transfers | 125,000.00 | 124,400.00 | | 600.00 |
| <u>FIRE DEPARTMENT</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 1,209,956.00 | 1,192,059.23 | 2,437.47 | 15,459.30 |
| Expenses | 93,870.00 | 88,682.67 | 2,506.05 | 2,681.28 |
| Encumbered | 4,550.38 | 4,550.38 | | 0.00 |
| Fy02 Fire Facility Plan/Study | 5,000.00 | | 5,000.00 | 0.00 |
| <u>GAS INSPECTORS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 5,256.00 | 3,996.00 | | 1,260.00 |
| Expenses | 919.00 | 813.42 | | 105.58 |
| <u>HIGHWAY</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 527,305.00 | 520,561.44 | 483.84 | 6,259.72 |
| Expenses | 107,135.00 | 87,828.09 | 2,714.20 | 16,592.71 |
| 2002 Road Reconstruction | 116,307.41 | 78,188.92 | 23,118.49 | 15,000.00 |
| 2003 Road Construction | 100,000.00 | | 80,000.00 | 20,000.00 |
| Encumbered | | | | |
| <u>HIGHWAY/SNOW & ICE</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 36,964.00 | 36,964.00 | | 0.00 |
| Expenses | 29,028.00 | 76,283.61 | | -47,255.61 |
| <u>HISTORICAL COMMISSION</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 556.00 | 381.79 | 99.28 | 74.93 |
| <u>LANDFILL</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 74,064.00 | 73,874.13 | | 189.87 |
| Expenses | 197,207.00 | 195,756.51 | 50.00 | 1,400.49 |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| Encumbrances | 2,956.92 | 2,936.38 | | 20.54 |
| FY01 Landfill Closures | 113.21 | 113.21 | | 0.00 |
| FY01 STM Landfill Closures | 19,500.00 | 18,083.40 | 1,416.60 | -0.00 |
| FY03 Landfill Closures | 30,000.00 | | 30,000.00 | 0.00 |
| 96 Waste Recycling Ctr | 5,777.58 | 2,592.96 | 3,184.62 | 0.00 |
| <u>LANDING COMMISSION</u> | | | | |
| FY03 Head Landing Cleanup | 20,000.00 | 16,396.59 | 3,603.41 | 0.00 |
| <u>LEGAL</u> | | | | |
| Legal Expense | 103,819.00 | 94,152.98 | 9,600.00 | 66.02 |
| FY03 Prior Yr Bills | 31,250.00 | 31,250.00 | | |
| Encumbered | 341.97 | 254.47 | | 87.50 |
| <u>LIBRARY</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 148,302.00 | 148,302.00 | | 0.00 |
| Expenses | 27,189.00 | 25,189.00 | | -3,000.00 |
| FY03 Library roof Repair | 5,000.00 | | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| | | | | 0.00 |
| <u>MODERATOR</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 672.00 | 672.00 | | 0.00 |
| Expenses | 117.00 | 83.24 | | 33.76 |
| <u>NURSING</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 26,436.00 | 25,790.87 | | 609.97 |
| Expenses | 4,548.00 | 4,292.64 | 35.16 | 255.36 |
| <u>PARKING TICKETS</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 3,387.00 | 2,746.50 | | 640.50 |
| Encumbered | 80.54 | 80.54 | | 0.00 |
| <u>PERSONNEL BOARD</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 484.00 | 342.39 | | 141.61 |
| Expenses | 97.00 | | | 97.00 |
| <u>PLANNING BOARD</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 65,358.00 | 65,301.21 | | 56.79 |
| Expenses | 3,079.00 | 2,850.89 | 226.83 | 1.28 |
| Encumbrances | 1,851.55 | 1,851.55 | | 0.00 |
| 2001 Master Plan | 6,679.60 | 2,775.00 | 3,904.60 | 0.00 |
| <u>PLUMBING INSPECTOR</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 7,184.00 | 5,448.00 | | 1,736.00 |
| Expenses | 1,210.00 | 1,189.63 | | 20.37 |
| 98 Prior Year Bill | | | | 0.00 |
| <u>POLICE DEPARTMENT</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 1,864,905.00 | 1,861,387.06 | | 3,517.94 |
| Expenses | 195,215.00 | 189,626.09 | 500.00 | 5,088.91 |
| FY01 Communications/MDT | 2,747.45 | 2,683.70 | | 63.75 |
| FY02 Marked Cruisers | 4,130.27 | 4,130.27 | | 0.00 |
| FY03 Police Cruisers | 59,200.00 | 57,950.55 | | 1,249.45 |
| Encumbered | 55,651.36 | 55,514.05 | | 137.31 |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|----------|
| <u>PROPERTY INSURANCE</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 200,343.00 | 198,708.00 | | 1,635.00 |
| Encumbered | 3,200.00 | 3,200.00 | | 0.00 |
| <u>RECREATION/COMMUNITY CENTER</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 19,871.00 | 13,401.70 | | 6,469.30 |
| Expenses | 12,981.00 | 10,719.12 | 2,022.84 | 239.04 |
| 99 Comm Ctr/Paint/Insul | | | | |
| <u>REGIONAL SCHOOLS</u> | | | | |
| Diman | 323,773.00 | 323,773.00 | | 0.00 |
| Bristol Aggie | 13,195.00 | 13,194.22 | | 0.78 |
| <u>RETIREMENT</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 818,219.00 | 818,219.00 | | 0.00 |
| <u>SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</u> | | | | |
| Gen Ed Salaries | 7,448,403.33 | 7,053,078.89 | 390,440.39 | 4,884.05 |
| Gen Ed Expenses | 1,364,221.13 | 1,115,570.50 | 248,650.63 | -0.00 |
| Gen Ed Salaries Enc | 294,553.11 | 294,553.11 | | 0.00 |
| Gen Ed Encumbered | 391,738.95 | 391,463.68 | | 275.27 |
| Gen Ed Trans Salaries | 23,868.43 | 14,942.40 | 8,926.03 | 0.00 |
| Gen Ed Trans Expenses | 826,507.65 | 826,507.65 | | 0.00 |
| Gen Ed Trans Encumbered | | | | 0.00 |
| Spec Ed Salaries | 1,732,483.62 | 1,636,052.68 | 96,430.94 | 0.00 |
| Spec Ed Expenses | 606,084.92 | 469,147.33 | 136,937.59 | 0.00 |
| Sped Ed Salaries Enc | 77,115.42 | 77,115.20 | | 0.22 |
| Sped Ed Expenses | 80,514.94 | 80,514.94 | | 0.00 |
| Encumbered | | | | |
| Sped Ed Trans Expenses | 298,225.92 | 295,673.53 | 804.44 | 1,747.95 |
| FY03 Freezer/Refrigerator | 44,500.00 | 44,500.00 | | |
| <u>SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 1,563.00 | 1,563.00 | | 0.00 |
| Expenses | 324.00 | 264.50 | | 59.50 |
| <u>SELECTMEN</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 159,137.00 | 156,072.85 | | 3,064.15 |
| Expenses | 91,642.00 | 87,701.67 | 3,940.00 | 0.33 |
| Fy02 STM Land | 2,497.65 | | | 2,497.65 |
| Taking Hixbridge | | | | |
| Fy03 Prior Year Bills | 1,604.45 | 1,604.45 | | |
| <u>SHELLFISH</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 60,601.00 | 60,597.55 | | 3.45 |
| Expenses | 17,549.00 | 13,297.85 | | 4,251.15 |
| Encumbered | 12,571.64 | 12,571.50 | | 0.14 |
| <u>STREET LIGHTING</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 19,352.00 | 16,802.08 | | 2,549.92 |
| Encumbered | | | | 0.00 |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| <u>TOWN BEACH</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 17,072.00 | 16,149.32 | | 922.68 |
| Expenses | 1,500.00 | 1,385.14 | | 114.86 |
| Encumbered | 115.00 | 115.00 | | |
| <u>TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 484.00 | 88.14 | | 395.86 |
| Expenses | 97.00 | | | 97.00 |
| <u>TOWN CLERK</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 65,928.00 | 65,923.89 | | 4.11 |
| Expenses | 1,325.00 | 1,239.49 | | 85.51 |
| <u>TOWN FARM</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 2,903.00 | 2,476.30 | 426.70 | -0.00 |
| Encumbered | 1,733.20 | 1,733.20 | | 0.00 |
| <u>TOWN HALL</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 55,345.00 | 46,938.66 | | 8,406.34 |
| Expenses | 48,566.00 | 46,372.43 | 2,193.57 | -0.00 |
| FY03 TH Annex Broiler/AC | 125,000.00 | 91,859.65 | 33,140.35 | 0.00 |
| FY03 TH Annex Shingling | 22,800.00 | 22,800.00 | | 0.00 |
| Encumbered | 2,478.73 | 2,478.40 | | 0.33 |
| <u>TOWN REPORTS</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 3,241.00 | 3,240.25 | | 0.75 |
| <u>TREASURER</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 102,305.00 | 102,099.71 | | 205.29 |
| Expenses | 29,725.00 | 28,966.76 | 10.00 | 748.24 |
| Bank Service Charge | 800.00 | 100.00 | | 700.00 |
| Encumbered | | | | 0.00 |
| <u>UNCLASSIFIED</u> | | | | |
| Encumbered | 1,325.21 | 1,325.21 | | 0.00 |
| <u>WIRE INSPECTORS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 16,007.00 | 15,800.00 | | 207.00 |
| Expenses | 2,917.00 | 2,916.91 | | 0.09 |
| Encumbered | 297.81 | 221.50 | | 76.31 |
| <u>VETERANS GRAVES</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 820.00 | 820.00 | | 0.00 |
| Expenses | 2,011.00 | 1,899.83 | | 111.17 |
| <u>VETERANS SERVICES</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | 30,048.00 | 30,048.00 | | 0.00 |
| Expenses | 4,037.00 | 3,831.94 | | 205.06 |
| Veteran Benefits | 62,327.00 | 46,158.78 | 5,000.00 | 11,168.22 |
| Veteran Services | 4,500.00 | 4,155.33 | | 344.67 |
| Encumbered | 2,000.00 | 156.16 | | 1,843.84 |
| <u>LONG TERM DEBT</u> | | | | |
| School Bond | 300,000.00 | 300,000.00 | | 0.00 |
| Landfill Bond | 200,000.00 | 200,000.00 | | 0.00 |
| Agr. Open Space | 50,000.00 | 50,000.00 | | 0.00 |

| | AVAILABLE | EXPENDED | ENCUMBERED | RETURNED |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|------------|
| <u>LONG TERM INTEREST</u> | | | | |
| School Bond | 137,375.00 | 137,375.00 | | 0.00 |
| Landfill Bond | 30,200.00 | 30,200.00 | | 0.00 |
| Agr. Open Space | 4,750.00 | 2,500.00 | | 2,250.00 |
| <u>SHORT TERM DEBT</u> | | | | |
| Expenses | 17,500.00 | | | 17,500.00 |
| <u>OTHER GOVERNMENT</u> | | | | |
| Reed Road Cleanup | 750.00 | 750.00 | | |
| | | | | 0.00 |
| FY02 Mosquito control | 1.00 | | | 1.00 |
| 2002 Enviromental Services | | | | 0.00 |
| 98 Th Annex Water System | 429.04 | | 429.04 | 0.00 |
| FY03 Mosquito control | 1.00 | | | 1.00 |
| FY03 Enviromental Service | 1,540.00 | 1,540.00 | | |
| <u>STATE ASSESSMENTS</u> | | | | |
| Charter Tuition Assessment | | 46,383.00 | | |
| School Choice Assessment | | | | |
| Special Ed Ch71b | | 21,527.00 | | |
| Mosquito Control Project | | 55,640.00 | | |
| Air Pollution Control | | 3,979.00 | | |
| MV Excise Tax Bills | | | | |
| Trans Auth Gatra | | 15,734.00 | | |
| RMV/Non-Renewal | | 9,380.00 | | |
| Surcharge | | | | |
| SPREDD | 2,291.00 | 2,290.98 | | 0.02 |
| <u>COUNTY ASSESSMENT</u> | | | | |
| County Tax | | 227,705.94 | | |
| | | | | |
| | 24,411,678.02 | 23,388,202.58 | 1,226,277.10 | 177,547.28 |

STATEMENT OF REVENUE

| <u>Taxes & Local Receipts</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Plus/Minus</u> | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|------|
| Real Estate Taxes | 14,320,954.00 | 14,022,352.00 | -298,602.00 | 98% |
| Personal Property | 218,874.00 | 209,163.00 | -9,711.00 | 96% |
| Tax Foreclosurer | | 18,744.87 | 18,744.87 | |
| Deferred Taxes | | 620.92 | 620.92 | |
| Roll Back | | 2,627.89 | 2,627.89 | |
| Tax Liens Redeemed | | 36,866.26 | 36,866.26 | |
| Litigated Taxes | | 240.00 | 240.00 | |
| Motor Vehicle Taxes | 1,485,000.00 | 1,674,171.00 | 189,171.00 | 113% |
| Boat Excise Taxes | 23,600.00 | 22,319.00 | -1,281.00 | 95% |

| <u>Taxes &</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Plus/Minus</u> | |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|------|
| <u>Local Receipts</u> | | | | |
| Farm Animal & Machine | 4,600.00 | 3,658.40 | -941.60 | 80% |
| Forest Excise | 188.00 | 188.00 | 0.00 | 100% |
| Rentals | 22,200.00 | 20,375.00 | -1,825.00 | 92% |
| Telephone Commission | | 1.22 | 1.22 | |
| Public Hearings | 600.00 | 660.00 | 60.00 | 110% |
| Liquor License | 15,000.00 | 20,355.00 | 5,355.00 | 136% |
| Miscellaneous Licenses | 600.00 | 425.00 | -175.00 | 71% |
| Hix Bridge Permits | | 805.00 | 805.00 | |
| Cable Commission | 2,400.00 | 2,298.00 | -102.00 | 96% |
| Entertainment | 800.00 | 925.00 | 125.00 | 116% |
| Auctioneers | 100.00 | 150.00 | 50.00 | 150% |
| Auto Repair | 5,700.00 | 5,435.00 | -265.00 | 95% |
| Common Victualler | 1,000.00 | 1,700.00 | 700.00 | 170% |
| Auto Licenses | 6,800.00 | 7,570.00 | 770.00 | 111% |
| State & Sunday | 100.00 | 150.00 | 50.00 | 150% |
| Licenses | | | | |
| Trailer Permits | 3,000.00 | 6,120.00 | 3,120.00 | 204% |
| Yard Sales & Flea | 200.00 | 233.64 | 33.64 | 117% |
| Assessors Fees | | 601.55 | 601.55 | |
| Tax Title Release | 300.00 | 150.00 | -150.00 | 50% |
| & Postage | | | | |
| Interest on Investments | 500.00 | 664.84 | 164.84 | 133% |
| Treasurer Misc Fees | 96,000.00 | 94,433.71 | -1,566.29 | 98% |
| Interest on Taxes | 34,800.00 | 45,375.30 | 10,575.30 | 130% |
| Interest on Excise | 6,600.00 | 7,938.88 | 1,338.88 | 120% |
| Demands on Taxes | 2,700.00 | 3,240.00 | 540.00 | 120% |
| Demands on Excise | 17,000.00 | 21,537.00 | 4,537.00 | 127% |
| Interest on Liens | 9,900.00 | 12,970.65 | 3,070.65 | 131% |
| Payment in Lieu | 7,200.00 | 5,676.00 | -1,524.00 | 79% |
| of Taxes | | | | |
| Municipal Liens Fees | 24,500.00 | 35,025.00 | 10,525.00 | 143% |
| Registry Release Fees | 7,300.00 | 7,580.00 | 280.00 | 104% |
| Tax Collector Misc Fees | 800.00 | 1,656.31 | 856.31 | 207% |
| Interest on Deposits | 4,000.00 | 3,796.89 | -203.11 | 95% |
| Data Processing Fees | 100.00 | 157.08 | 57.08 | 157% |
| Town Clerk Misc Fees | 2,200.00 | 1,970.96 | -229.04 | 90% |
| Zoning By-Laws | 800.00 | 1,160.00 | 360.00 | 145% |
| Town Clerk Charges | 12,200.00 | 10,969.90 | -1,230.10 | 90% |
| Raffle, Junk, Peddler, | 700.00 | 615.00 | -85.00 | 88% |
| Hawkers | | | | |
| Voter List | 300.00 | 548.50 | 248.50 | 183% |
| Conservation Misc Fees | 100.00 | 116.50 | 16.50 | 117% |
| Conservation Filing | 3,000.00 | 2,855.00 | -145.00 | 95% |
| Fees | | | | |
| Conservation Soil | 1,000.00 | 7,140.00 | 6,140.00 | 714% |
| Permits | | | | |
| Planning Board Fees | 16,800.00 | 10,237.50 | -6,562.50 | 61% |
| Appeals Board | 16,600.00 | 1,800.00 | -14,800.00 | 11% |
| Misc Fees | | | | |
| Appeal Board Filings | | 8,290.00 | 8,290.00 | |
| Sale of Town Property | | 51,193.03 | 51,193.03 | |
| Misc General | 4,500.00 | 1,911.25 | | 42% |
| Government Fees | | | | |
| Police Misc | 7,200.00 | 655.46 | | 9% |
| Police Reports | 1,400.00 | 1,439.00 | | 103% |

| <u>Taxes &</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Plus/Minus</u> |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| <u>Local Receipts</u> | | | |
| Police Administrative Fees | 5,100.00 | 13,929.68 | 273% |
| Fire Arm & ID Cards | 2,800.00 | 5,810.00 | 208% |
| Non-Criminal Fines | 300.00 | 7.00 | 2% |
| Court Fines | 11,800.00 | 6,210.00 | 53% |
| Registra Fines | 82,500.00 | 87,295.00 | 106% |
| Parking Fines | 26,400.00 | 22,432.00 | 85% |
| Fire Dept Charges | 4,100.00 | 5,101.00 | 124% |
| Ambulance Charges | 400,000.00 | 308,897.92 | 77% |
| Building Permits | 62,000.00 | 81,266.00 | 131% |
| Gas Permits | 6,300.00 | 6,704.00 | 106% |
| Plumbing Permits | 14,800.00 | 17,920.00 | 121% |
| Sealer of Weight & Measure Permits | 1,800.00 | 2,127.00 | 118% |
| Electrical Permits | 27,000.00 | 24,985.00 | 93% |
| Dog Officer Charges | | 235.00 | |
| Dog Licenses | 11,400.00 | 11,326.00 | 99% |
| Shellfish Licenses | 23,000.00 | 21,921.00 | 95% |
| School Misc Revenue | 100.00 | 196.41 | 196% |
| Scrap Iron/Tin | 1,300.00 | 2,016.29 | 155% |
| Tires | 100.00 | 163.05 | 163% |
| Paper/Magazine | 800.00 | 2,637.40 | 330% |
| Cardboard | | 2,306.45 | |
| Glass | 800.00 | 550.80 | 69% |
| Plastics | 900.00 | 1,346.74 | 150% |
| Televisions | | 1,519.80 | |
| State Recycling | | 3,136.92 | |
| Bulk Trash Permits | 7,300.00 | 5,769.47 | 79% |
| Punch Cards | 111,000.00 | 141,558.65 | 128% |
| Landfill Day Passes | 100.00 | 156.00 | 156% |
| Landfill Stickers | 1,600.00 | 1,755.10 | 110% |
| Cemetery Interment Fees | 37,000.00 | 37,750.00 | 102% |
| Cemetery Foundation Fees | 6,400.00 | 5,898.12 | 92% |
| Cemetery | 3,600.00 | 2,575.00 | 72% |
| Saturday/Sunday Fees | | | |
| Board of Health Permits | 68,400.00 | 69,669.71 | 102% |
| Board of Health | 300.00 | 382.34 | 127% |
| Misc Fees | | | |
| Food Handlers Permits | 500.00 | 1,035.00 | 207% |
| Nursing Dept Charges | 1,000.00 | 921.00 | 92% |
| Library Charges | 3,600.00 | 3,753.47 | 104% |
| Beach Stickers | 20,100.00 | 33,360.00 | 166% |
| Historical Charges | 100.00 | 250.00 | 250% |
| TOTAL LOCAL RECEIPTS | 17,334,516.00 | 17,334,733.83 | 18,737.80 100% |

| <u>State Aid</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Plus/Minus</u> |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Hotel/Motel Taxes | 133,612.00 | 111,591.00 | 84% |
| Abatements to Veterans | | | |

| <u>State Aid</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Plus/Minus</u> | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|------|
| Abatements to Spouse/Blind | to 19,869.00 | 35,097.00 | | 177% |
| Abatements to Blind | | | | |
| Abatements to Elderly | 58,127.00 | 121,083.00 | | 208% |
| School Aid Chapter 70 | 3,601,648.00 | 3,601,648.00 | 0.00 | 100% |
| School Transportation Chapter 71 | 164,095.00 | 202,733.00 | 38,638.00 | 124% |
| Tuition State Wards | | | 0.00 | |
| Police Career Incentive Chapter 41 | 74,327.00 | 69,192.00 | -5,135.00 | 93% |
| Veterans Benefits | 41,114.00 | 42,499.59 | 1,385.59 | 103% |
| Lottery, Beano, & Charity Games | 1,199,650.00 | 1,199,650.00 | 0.00 | 100% |
| Highway Fund | | | | |
| State Owned Land | 77,531.00 | 77,531.00 | 0.00 | 100% |
| Medical Reimbursement | 70,000.00 | 138,112.18 | 68,112.18 | 197% |
| Civil Defense | | 7,346.15 | 7,346.15 | |
| State Reimbursement | | 558.17 | 558.17 | |
| | | | 0.00 | |
| TOTAL STATE AID | 5,439,973.00 | 5,607,041.09 | 167,068.09 | 103% |
| | 22,774,489.00 | 22,941,774.92 | 185,805.89 | 101% |

HARBOR ENTERPRISE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES
BUDGET VS ACTUAL

| | <u>Available</u> | <u>Expended</u> | <u>To Fund Balance</u> |
|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| <u>State Boat Ramp</u> | | | |
| Salaries | 12,053.00 | 12,048.62 | 4.38 |
| Expenses | 1,647.00 | 1,558.55 | 88.45 |
| Capital | | | 0.00 |
| Indirect Costs | 2,021.42 | 2,427.62 | -406.20 |
| TOTAL | 15,721.42 | 16,034.79 | -313.37 |
| <u>Harbormaster</u> | | | |
| Salaries | 24,065.00 | 24,054.70 | 10.30 |
| Expenses | 11,681.00 | 11,104.07 | 576.93 |
| Capital | 5,000.00 | | 5,000.00 |
| Indirect Costs | 22,758.04 | 22,402.16 | 355.88 |
| TOTAL | 63,504.04 | 57,560.93 | 5,943.11 |
| <u>Wharfinger</u> | | | |
| Salaries | 4,200.00 | 4,200.00 | 0.00 |
| Expenses | 6,830.00 | 5,782.40 | 1,047.60 |
| Capital | 3,000.00 | | 3,000.00 |
| Repay Debt | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 | |
| Indirect Costs | 2,397.02 | 2,376.44 | 20.58 |
| TOTAL | 31,427.02 | 27,358.84 | 4,068.18 |
| TOTALS | 110,652.48 | 100,954.56 | 9,697.92 |

| | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|--------|
| <u>State Ramp</u> | 16,038 | 17,179 | 1,141 |
| <u>Harbormaster</u> | | | |
| Moorings | 1,722 | 1,750 | 28 |
| Dredge surcharge | | 18,648 | 18,648 |
| Dock and Slip Fees | 46,763 | 48,081 | 1,318 |
| Mooring Rentals | 0 | 350 | 350 |
| <u>Wharfinger</u> | | | |
| Wharfage | 26,312 | 24,624 | -1,688 |
| Interest | | 245 | 245 |
| Service Charges | 2,580 | 452 | -2,128 |
| | | | 0 |
| <u>Waterway</u> | 16,000 | 16,000 | 0 |
| <u>Revenue</u> | | | |
| | 109,415 | 127,329 | 17,914 |

| | <u>Available</u> | <u>Expended</u> | <u>To Fund Balance</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| <u>Water Enterprise</u> | | | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Misc Expenses | 3,600.00 | 937.30 | 2,662.70 |
| Water Purchases | 45,000.00 | 29,168.25 | 15,831.75 |
| | 48,600.00 | 30,105.55 | 18,494.45 |

| | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|
| Water Usage | 48,600.00 | 42,602.03 | 5,997.97 |
| Service Charges | 0.00 | 5,880.00 | 5,880.00 |
| Meters | 0.00 | 771.73 | 771.73 |
| Interest | 0.00 | 368.43 | 368.43 |
| | 48,600.00 | 49,622.19 | 13,018.13 |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN BEACH

The Westport Town Beaches were patrolled by four full-time lifeguards and one part-time lifeguard in 2003. Lifeguards are certified in Lifesaving, First Aid and CPR. They are responsible for patrolling Cherry & Webb Beach from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., seven days a week. Other duties include cleaning both beaches, parking lots and the dunes.

The Fire and Highway Departments provided and maintained a four wheel drive vehicle in case of emergency and for clean up. Two police radios allow us to communicate with the Police and Fire Departments and the Harbormaster. The Beach Department provided two port-o-johns. They are located in

the Cherry & Webb Beach south parking lot and the East Beach parking lot. A dumpster is also provided at the end of Cherry & Webb Lane for beach trash. Thanks to the Selectmen and staff, Highway, Police and Fire Departments and the Harbormaster for their cooperation

Respectfully submitted,
Gustin Cariglia
Head Lifeguard

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN FARM

2003 was a smooth year for the Town Farm. The two units in the farmhouse continue to be fully rented and a local farmer rented and a local farmer rents and maintains the surrounding land. All rents go into the Town's general fund. The majority of this year's budget went to starting an extensive exterior painting project, which was started in the spring and finally finished in the fall. The exterior trim on all of the buildings was scraped, sanded and painted.

While the farm generates \$17,325.00 in rents for Town, its entire annual budget of \$2,816.00 is spent on maintenance and repairs. It is a self-sufficient project that provides housing, open space with ongoing agricultural use, and preserves a very unique 18th century farmstead.

Respectfully submitted,
Geraldine Millham

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby submit my annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003.

Carol A. Borden, Tax Collector
Susan A. Amann, Assistant Tax Collector
Lucy Tabit, Principal Clerk
Debra M. Moore, Seasonal Clerk

Outstanding balances as of June 30, 2003:

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Fiscal 2003 Real Estate: | Committed | 14,312,439.87 |
| | Receipts | 13,871,727.66 |
| | Abatements & exemptions | 155,263.36 |
| | Refunds | 71,703.53 |
| | Subsequent Tax Title | <u>45,367.82</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 311,784.56 |

Voters of Westport adopted the Community Preservation Act (CPA) at the town election on April 5, 2001, effective Fiscal Year 2003. The CPA levies a 2% surcharge on real estate tax bills for the three-fold purpose of historic preservation, affordable housing, and open space preservation. Under the CPA, the town

also receives funds from the state for the same purpose. Collections for Fiscal 2003 were as follows:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Community Preservation Act: | Committed | 286,250.42 |
| | Receipts | 275,613.82 |
| | Abatements & exemptions | 1,111.42 |
| | Refunds | 385.92 |
| | Subsequent Tax Title | <u>855.79</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 9,055.31 |
| Fiscal 2002 Real Estate | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 241,150.65 |
| | Receipts | 224,244.09 |
| | Abatements & exemptions | 881.76 |
| | Refunds | 1,594.34 |
| | Tax Title | <u>17,619.14</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | -0- |
| Fiscal 2003 Personal Property | Committed | 218,903.94 |
| | Receipts | 215,391.95 |
| | Abatements | 410.69 |
| | Adjustments | 28.46 |
| | Refunds | <u>1,311.40</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 4,384.24 |
| Fiscal 2002 Personal Property | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 5,072.36 |
| | Receipts | 2,521.34 |
| | Abatements | 8,695.52 |
| | Refunds | <u>8,715.85</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 2,571.35 |
| Fiscal 2001 Personal Property | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 2,063.95 |
| | Receipts | 519.44 |
| | Abatements | <u>122.40</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 1,422.11 |
| Fiscal 2000 Personal Property: | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 1,027.18 |
| | Receipts | <u>739.75</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 287.43 |
| Fiscal 1999 Personal Property: | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 100.67 |
| | Receipts | <u>17.54</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 83.13 |
| Fiscal 1998 Personal Property: | June 30, 2002 Bal. | -0- |
| Fiscal 1997 Personal Property | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 168.26 |
| | Receipts | <u>-0-</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 168.26 |
| Fiscal 2003 Boat Excise | Committed | 56,757.00 |
| | Receipts | 42,382.29 |
| | Abatements | 4,060.63 |
| | Refunds | <u>158.00</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 10,472.08 |
| Fiscal 2002 Boat Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 3,982.32 |
| | Receipts | 2,306.42 |

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Fiscal 2000 Boat Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 224.12 |
| | Receipts | <u>-0-</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 224.12 |
| Fiscal 1999 Boat Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 25.89 |
| | Receipts | <u>-0-</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 25.89 |
| 2003 Motor Vehicle Excise | Committed | 1,398,816.17 |
| | Receipts | 1,182,848.07 |
| | Abatements | 67,832.85 |
| | Refunds | <u>5,601.70</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 153,736.95 |
| 2002 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 139,284.72 |
| | Add'l Committed | 370,254.99 |
| | Receipts | 465,458.99 |
| | Abatements | 31,592.62 |
| | Refunds | <u>11,090.34</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 23,578.44 |
| 2001 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 20,740.04 |
| | Add'l Committed | 29,565.25 |
| | Receipts | 37,514.12 |
| | Abatements | 1,556.43 |
| | Refunds | <u>830.71</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 12,065.45 |
| 2000 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 12,728.74 |
| | Receipts | 3,830.71 |
| | Abatements | <u>36.25</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 8,861.78 |
| 1999 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 11,068.59 |
| | Receipts | <u>858.00</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 10,210.59 |
| 1998 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 3,074.90 |
| | Receipts | <u>293.82</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 2,781.08 |
| 1997 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 2,217.86 |
| | Add'l Committed | 10.34 |
| | Receipts | <u>228.73</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 1,999.47 |
| 1996 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 2,297.76 |
| | Receipts | <u>59.73</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 2,238.03 |
| 1995 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 954.87 |
| | Add'l Committed | 36.25 |
| | Receipts | <u>231.04</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 760.08 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 1994 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 858.69 |
| | Add'l Committed | 5.00 |
| | Receipts | <u>193.69</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 670.00 |
| 1993 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 75.01 |
| | Receipts | <u>-0-</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 75.01 |
| 1992 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 27.50 |
| | Add'l Committed | 29.38 |
| | Receipts | <u>29.38</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 27.50 |
| 1991 Motor Vehicle Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 18.75 |
| | Add'l Committed | 56.25 |
| | Receipts | <u>56.25</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 18.75 |
| 2002 Farm Animal Excise | Committed | 4,418.23 |
| | Receipts | 3,484.48 |
| | Abatements | <u>380.00</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 553.75 |
| 2001 Farm Animal Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 257.50 |
| | Receipts | <u>173.92</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 83.58 |
| Fiscal 2000 Farm Animal Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 257.50 |
| | Receipts | <u>-0-</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 257.50 |
| Fiscal 1999 Farm Animal Excise | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 257.50 |
| | Receipts | <u>-0-</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 | 257.50 |
| Litigated Taxes | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 3,079.46 |
| | Add'l Accts. | 887.04 |
| | Receipts | <u>2,344.18</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 1,622.32 |
| 2002 Wharfage | Total Committed | 24,892.80 |
| | Receipts | <u>23,932.80</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 960.00 |
| 2001 Wharfage | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 480.00 |
| | Receipts | <u>-0-</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 480.00 |
| 2000 Wharfage | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 960.00 |
| | Receipts | <u>-0-</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 960.00 |

| | | |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1999 Wharfage | June 30, 2002 Bal. | 760.00 |
| | Receipts | <u>-0-</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | 760.00 |
| 2002 Moorings | Committed | 2,100.00 |
| | Receipts | <u>2,100.00</u> |
| | June 30, 2003 Bal. | -0- |

Three small court claims, active from previous years, were settled, bringing in \$2,211.54 in revenue.

Twenty-one parcels were advertised for non-payment of Fiscal 2002 Real Estate taxes. Seven were paid in full and fourteen were turned over to the Treasurer to be set up as Tax Title Accounts.

A total of \$6,059.60 was collected for the School Improvement Fund.

\$2,628.19 was collected in Roll-back taxes and \$620.92 in withdrawal tax.

Mortgage interest rates dropped causing a surge in sales and remortgages. As a result, 1,399 Municipal Lien Certificates were prepared at a cost of \$25 each for a total of \$34,975. A municipal lien certificate lists the status of taxes for a three year period and is usually requested from attorneys for closings.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol A. Borden
Tax Collector

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

I hereby submit my annual report as Treasurer June 30, 2003.

| | |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Cash balance June 30, 2002 | \$11,407,291.35 |
| Receipts July 1, 2002-June 30, 2003 | 28,399,480.23 |
| Total | <u>\$39,806,771.58</u> |
| Expenditures-Warrant July 1, 2002-June 30, 2003 | <u>(29,962,140.94)</u> |
| Balance June 30, 2003 | \$ 9,844,630.64 |
| Total Cash June 30, 2003 | \$ 9,844,630.64 |

You are hereby advised the following interest was earned for the Town of Westport through the cash management system and regular investments by the Town Treasurer of cash for the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003.

| | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Interest earned on Certificates of Deposit-Stabilization Fund | \$ 23,737.63 |
| Income earned on Certificates of Deposit-Pension Reserve Fund: Special Fund for Retirement Purposes M.G.L. Chapter 40 Sec. 5D | 16,432.29 |

Interest earned on Certificates
of Deposit, Money Market and
Savings-Revenue .

94,433.71

Total Income earned July 2002 through June 2003 .

134,603.63

Respectfully submitted,
George E. Foster
Treasurer

TOWN OF WESTPORT DEBTS ACCOUNT
June 30, 2003

Amount to be provided for the retirement of general long-term debt \$3,865,000

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| School Remodeling | 3,000,000 |
| Agriculture/Open Space Preservation | 265,000 |
| Landfill Closure | 600,000 |

\$3,865,000 \$3,865,000

SCHEDULE OF DEBT & INTEREST OUTSTANDING
June 30, 2003

| <u>Date of Issue</u> | <u>Purpose</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Due Date</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Principal</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| #1 02/15/02 | School Remod | 3.8657% | 10/15/03 | 55,650.00 | |
| | | | 04/15/04 | 55,650.00 | 300,000 |
| | | | 10/15/04 | 51,525.00 | |
| | | | 04/15/05 | 51,525.00 | 300,000 |
| | | | 10/15/05 | 47,025.00 | |
| | | | 04/15/06 | 47,025.00 | 300,000 |
| | | | 10/15/06 | 41,925.00 | |
| | | | 04/15/07 | 41,925.00 | 300,000 |
| | | | 10/15/07 | 36,675.00 | |
| | | | 04/15/08 | 36,675.00 | 300,000 |
| | | | 10/15/08 | 30,975.00 | |
| | | | 04/15/09 | 30,975.00 | 300,000 |
| | | | 10/15/09 | 24,975.00 | |
| | | | 04/25/10 | 24,975.00 | 300,000 |
| | | | 10/15/10 | 18,975.00 | |
| | | | 04/15/11 | 18,975.00 | 300,000 |
| | | | 10/15/11 | 12,825.00 | |
| | | | 04/15/12 | 12,825.00 | 300,000 |
| | | | 10/15/12 | 6,525.00 | |
| | | | 04/15/13 | 6,525.00 | 300,000 |
| Total School | | | | \$654,150.00 | \$3,000,000 |
| #2 02/26/03 | Agricultural/Open Space Preservation Trust | 1.44% | 12/19/03 | \$ 584.00 | \$ 50,000 |
| #3 12/24/02 | Agricultural/Open Space Preservation Trust | 1.50% | 12/19/03 | 3,181.00 | 215,000 |
| Total Land Trust | | | | \$ 3,765.00 | \$ 265,000 |

| | | | | | |
|----------------|------------------|-------|----------|----------------|---------|
| #4 01/15/99 | Landfill Closure | 3.81% | 07/15/03 | 11,450.00 | |
| | | | 01/15/04 | 11,450.00 | 200,000 |
| | | | 07/15/04 | 7,700.00 | |
| | | | 01/15/05 | 7,700.00 | 200,000 |
| | | | 07/15/05 | 3,900.00 | |
| | | | 01/15/06 | 3,900.00 | 200,000 |
| Total Landfill | | | | \$ 46,100.00\$ | 600,000 |

TOWN OF WESTPORT BALANCE SHEET
TRUST & INVESTED ACCOUNTS
June 30, 2003

Cash & Securities in Custody of Treasurer \$3,703,632.27

Fund Balances

Non-expendable:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Mary Brown Library | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund | 19,585.02 |
| Nancy Ring Fenn Music Scholarship | 33,305.00 |
| Hicks Library | 500.00 |
| Harry Hoyt Library | 10,000.00 |

Library Trusts:

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| R & R Tripp | 1,500.00 |
| Arline Gifford | 3,850.00 |
| Rhoda Sheehan | 1,000.00 |
| Alice Dennett Tripp | 3,931.00 |
| Lockwood Towne | 2,600.00 |
| Isabelle Bowen | 1,360.00 |
| Edythe M. Pelletier Library | 2,500.00 |
| Salisbury Scholarship | 52,966.53 |
| Hazel Tripp High School Library | 5,000.00 |
| Hazel Tripp Public Library | 200,000.00 |
| Imogene Weeks Library | 1,000.00 |

Cemeteries:

| | |
|------------------|-------------|
| Point Cemetery | \$ 8,232.00 |
| Hicks Lot | 2,000.00 |
| Private Cemetery | 6,907.00 |
| Peleg Peckham | 6,430.00 |
| Irene Poole | 2,190.00 |
| Linden Grove | 16,715.00 |
| Beech Grove | 337,777.00 |
| Maple Grove | 76,222.66 |

Total Non-expendable \$800,571.21

Expendable

| | |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Agriculture/Open Space Preservation Trust | \$ 4,556.20 |
| Ambulance | 26,596.55 |
| Appeals Board | 13,497.55 |
| Bicentennial Playground | 324.57 |
| Bowman Library Trust | 10,269.83 |
| Mary Brown Library | 4,064.40 |
| Community Center | 1,436.40 |
| Conservation Trust | 11,854.41 |

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Conservation Open Space | 189.15 |
| Desrosiers Trust | 7,233.69 |
| Helen Ellis Trust (Arts Lottery) | 18,794.33 |
| Fenn Music Scholarship | 2,091.10 |
| Grinshaw-Gudewicz Trust | 7,003.29 |
| Grimshaw-Gudewicz II | 4,369.25 |
| Hicks Library | 17.60 |
| Historical Commission | 5,462.11 |
| Hoyt Library | 3,985.73 |
| Landing Commission | 26,563.02 |
| Law Enforcement | 39,288.65 |
| Library Trusts | 525.01 |
| Pelletier Public Library | 292.70 |
| Perpetual Care | 390,410.08 |
| Planning Board Engineering | 60,689.38 |
| Retirement/Pension Trust Fund | 1,130,180.96 |
| Salisbury Trust | 1,421.56 |
| School Improvement Fund | 9,036.11 |
| Stabilization Fund | 993,109.81 |
| Town Farm | 17,230.32 |
| Hazel Tripp High School Library | 5,573.01 |
| Hazel Tripp Public Library | 67,321.19 |
| Hazel Tripp Senior Center | 29,132.84 |
| Veterans Memorial | 1,268.37 |
| Imogene Weeks Library | 91.71 |
| Westport Citizens' Betterment-Fuel Assistance | 3,155.51 |
| Westport Citizens' Betterment | 6,024.67 |

Total Expendable

\$2,903,061.06

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VETERANS' AGENT

I herewith submit my report for 2003 as Director/Agent of Veterans Services.

| | |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Cases on hand December 31, 2003 | 14 |
| Cases on hand December 31, 2002 | 14 |
| Cases opened during 2003, State & Federal | 38 |
| Cases not approved in 2003, State & Federal | 6 |
| Cases closed during 2003, State & Federal | 4 |
| Cases pending end of 2003, State & Federal | 11 |
| Veterans requiring help with obtaining medications | |
| And health services from the D.V.A. 2003 | 103 |
| Veterans requiring additional help with | |
| Applications being lost or waiting to be adjudicated | 17 |
| Veterans Hospitalized in 2003 | 133 |
| Veterans/Dependents requiring services in 2003 | 1,934 |
| Veterans Population in Westport in 2003 | 1,191 |

The amount of monies received by Veterans and/or Dependents from compensation, Pensions, Education, Voc Rehab, Insurance's and Indemnities resulting from claims filed through Veterans' Services and the Department of Veterans Affairs equal \$1,166,298.00. The amount of monies received as reimbursement from the Office of the Commission of Veterans' Services and Benefits expended by the Town of Westport for the year 2002 equal \$41,280.31.

Numerous services are provided by the Veterans' Department from assisting veterans with forms to more complex cases of representing them or their families at D.V.A. hearings, medical appeals and helping them to upgrade their disability rates. The federal case load includes dealings with federal agencies that require action at no cost to the town. At the State level this office handles all types of problems that include financial, medical and in general any type problem that the Veteran might have and is unable to cope with at different times in their life. Considerable time is spent on the road conducting investigations, visiting shut-ins, and in all taking care of needed business that cannot be done in the office. With the rapid growth of our senior veteran's population our local community is being faced with greater needs concerning medical and financial requirements. Our elder Veterans are being directed to The Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans' Medical Clinics and hospitals for treatment due to cancellation of private medical coverage. This office provides help with the application needed to process these benefits. This year we have processed 133 veteran VA applications requesting medical and medication services at the New Bedford and Providence Clinics. We also have processed applications with the help of the Veterans' outreach center Fall River, to our Veterans who requested the Brockton Medical Center as their Primary care facility. All this requires time and patience due to the fact that the VA is giving priority to the elder veterans. Their claims and applications are now being processed first due to their mortality rate of over 1500 per day. I suggest that Veterans not enrolled in the VA program to do so due to the cost of medications and medical coverage.

I wish to thank those Veterans that were kind enough to provide transportation and time to those Veterans who needed help going to doctors and hospital appointments throughout the year. Also to the C.O.A. who assist our veterans by taking them to the VA Medical facilities and return. Also to the Veterans Organizations who provide the flowers, baskets, cards and visits to our sick and disabled when they are in need.

Respectfully submitted,
 Ronald E. Costa,
 Veterans' Agent Director of Veterans' Services

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VETERANS' GRAVE REGISTRATION OFFICER

I herewith submit my report for 2003 as Veterans' Graves Registration Officer.

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|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Upkeep Outlying Private Cemeteries | \$ 820.00 |
| Large Flags, U.S. & POW/MIA | |
| Graves Flags/Grave Flag Holders | \$ 1,409.00 |
| Transportation, Graves Officer | \$ 287.00 |
| Supplies, Office/Groundskeeping, | |
| Bugler Services& Flowers | \$ 315.00 |

The Veterans' Graves Department provides numerous services assisting veterans, widows and dependents in need. Monuments are provided for veteran's graves and final arrangements are made including burial in National Cemeteries. We in Westport are fortunate enough to have our own burial plots free of charge to our Veterans and their spouse. No reservations are made but Veterans should first have their separation papers on file at the town Veterans' Office and should make arrangements with their Funeral Director notifying him of their wishes to be buried at the Town Veterans' Burial Plot. You must be a resident at time of death, have been born and entered the services from Westport at time of entry. All this information is recorded on your separation papers and that is why it is important to have them recorded at the Westport Veterans' Office.

On behalf of the Veterans' Graves and Memorial Department, I would like to thank our four Veterans' organizations the VFW, V.V.A., D.A.V., and the American Legion and Auxiliaries. Without their support,

many of my services would not be possible, thank the Westport V.V.A. Chapter #207 for being present and providing the Honor Guard and Firing Squad at all our ceremonies and burials and thank the Scouts in Westport for helping decorate the graves on Memorial Day and for their decorations at Christmas time at the Memorials throughout the town.

This year we mourn many of our old veterans who passed on to eternal rest. I do not name them so I don't offend anyone for forgetting one. They all were the backbone of our organizations giving all, asking little. We salute you all and remember you always.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald E. Costa
Veterans' Graves Registration and Memorial Officer

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS

I herewith submit my report as Service Officer for the Veterans' Organizations located in the Town of Westport for the year 2003.

Through the combined efforts of our three organizations located at the Legion Hall, A.L. Post #145, D.A.V. Chapter #118 and V.V.A. Chapter #207 the following improvements were made: Things have been going well in Westport. Most all planned improvements have been made even though we had a few of the workers hospitalized. Many of our members were sick throughout the year and it was hard to keep things rolling. Tony, Norm, Art, Pete, and Maitland kept things going. They have a good newsletter out to our members and are getting the news out concerning Veterans Issues. The fundraisers have been successful and the hall has been remodeled. The cable crew has moved in and some improvements and adjustments have been made to the upstairs part of the building. The stage has been modified and our first veterans show has been aired with Claude as our moderator. We hope we all made a good appearance and advertised our existence to the community. A storage building was donated and renovated by Joe/Jock and George with the help of Pete. Without this crew and Mr. Lima we wouldn't know what to do. Chef Hebert supervises our Meals and all above named are the KP's. We do get help from Art in the kitchen and his right hand Erick. Hope I didn't forget anyone!

Officers and members of VFW Post # 8502 continue with their support to children activities. They support a little league baseball team as well as put on activities at Christmas. This year as well as years before children were given bikes by the Fishing Club. This added to the event as well as Santa being there. They have a scholarship program and promote other school and children activities that help educate our children so they will realize that freedom does have a price that has been paid in full by our Veterans'. The parking lot has been fully paved and is now fully enclosed helping with the security of the building and membership cards are required to enter and are used at the door. We were present at the Harvest Festival to bad the rains came. Willie and company presented the colors on opening day at the little league field.

The DAV Chapter #118 donated scholarships to our children and a large flag to the middle school as part of our Americanism program. This unit is not as active as the others due to the age and the disabilities of the veterans. Its membership is getting smaller but we are still active. We have family meetings monthly and our women pick a place to socialize. It works if your retired.

Our V.V.A. Chapter #207 continues to support the Community with its Honor Guard. The total Veteran Burials that they have participated in now number 650. With their Fathers Day and Sweetheart fund raising breakfasts they earned and contributed six scholarships this past year to local children. They tried to help all at the Wall but broke even. Their last event was at the Westport Grange #181 where they presented the Colors. The event saluted the men and women now serving or who served in the armed service from Westport, in recognition of outstanding service to the community and mankind. We wish to thank all that have remembered our Veterans throughout the year. To the Auxiliaries for their fine work, to the community for their support at all times and to all the children from the Middle School that donated to the cans for the

needy at Thanksgiving and Christmas time. We the Veterans of Westport thank you all.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ronald E. Costa, Commander
D A V. Chapter #118

Daniel Burns, President
Gerald J. Sanchez
*Passed away in while in office as President
Chapter #207

Paul Hebert Commander
VFW Post #8502
William Costa, Commander A.L. Post # 145

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WHARFINGER

The following is the Wharfinger's annual report for the year ending 2003.

Wharf fee for the 31 boats that berth at the docking facility at Town Dock is \$24.00 per foot. Revenue generated is \$ 24,652.80 and is maintained as part of the enterprise account. Out of the account the department is paying back the money used for the dock restoration project that was borrowed at a Town Meeting. We are currently paying \$15,000 per year until all is paid. We are moving forward with the dredge project and hope dredging will take place this year. I wish to thank the Highway Department, the Police Department and the Fire Department for their help this year when called on.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Sherman



Former Shellfish Constables David Roach & Albert Palmer & Shellfish Constable Gary Sherman

Annual Report
of the
Westport Community Schools
All Schools & Departments
2002-2003

Westport School Committee

| <u>Member</u> | <u>Residence</u> | <u>Term Expires</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Ann Boxler, Chair | 1 Fox Lane | 2006 |
| Paul Menzies, Vice Chair | 7 Forsythia Lane | 2004 |
| Julia Bernert | 50 Cross Road | 2005 |
| Anne M. Brown | 1470 Main Road | 2004 |
| Sally Huntington | 275 Division Road | 2006 |

Regular School Committee meetings are usually held on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month and are open to the public. The School Administration Offices are open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout the school year and 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. during school vacations.

Admission into school involves consideration of both chronological age and readiness to approach the challenge of a school program. The School Committee has established the following chronological minimum age requirements for entry into school:

- Children who will be three years of age on or before September 1 of the school year during which they wish to enroll will be eligible to enter the pre-school program;
- Children who will be five years of age on or before September 1 of the school year during which they wish to enroll will be eligible to enter kindergarten in September;
- Children who will be six years of age before January 1 of the school year will be considered for entry into grade one in September.

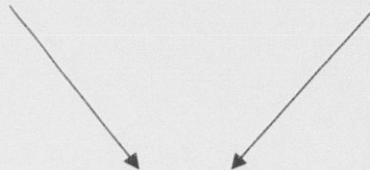
Transfer students from private and/or public kindergarten programs who have completed less than three months in a kindergarten setting will be required to follow the same entrance criteria.

**2002-2003 School Attending Children
(as of January 2003)**

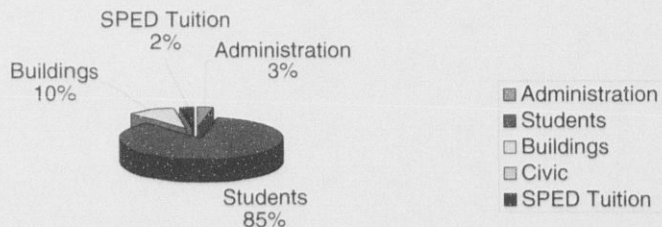
| Grade | Westport Community Schools | Westport Students in: Charter, Other Public Bristol, Diman | Westport Tuition Placements | Private or Parochial Schools | Total |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Pre-K | 113 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 129 |
| K | 141 | 2 | 0 | 31 | 174 |
| Macomber | 254 | 2 | 0 | 47 | 303 |
| Grade 1 | 148 | 2 | 1 | 33 | 184 |
| Grade 2 | 148 | 3 | 0 | 31 | 182 |
| Grade 3 | 167 | 3 | 1 | 34 | 205 |
| Grade 4 | 148 | 3 | 0 | 29 | 180 |
| Elementary | 611 | 11 | 2 | 127 | 751 |
| Grade 5 | 169 | 4 | 1 | 31 | 205 |
| Grade 6 | 146 | 2 | 0 | 30 | 178 |
| Grade 7 | 177 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 203 |
| Grade 8 | 159 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 187 |
| Middle | 651 | 7 | 2 | 113 | 773 |
| Grade 9 | 143 | 29 | 1 | 37 | 210 |
| Grade 10 | 141 | 30 | 2 | 29 | 202 |
| Grade 11 | 107 | 23 | 3 | 34 | 167 |
| Grade 12 | 89 | 22 | 3 | 33 | 147 |
| High | 480 | 104 | 9 | 133 | 726 |
| Totals | 1996 | 124 | 13 | 420 | 2553 |

FISCAL 2003 ACTUAL EXPENDITURES

| | FY 03 Expended |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <u>Expenses by School Committee</u> | |
| 1000 Administration | 383,779 |
| 2000 Instructional | 8,930,132 |
| 3000 Student Services | 1,504,896 |
| 4000 Buildings | 1,169,930 |
| 5000 Interest | 0 |
| 6000 Civic Activities | 34,983 |
| 7000 Acquisition/Improvement Equip. | 0 |
| 9000 Special Needs Tuition | <u>269,443</u> |
| Total School Committee Appropriation | \$12,293,163 |



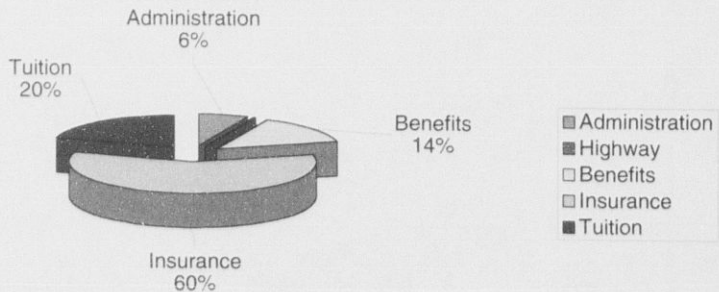
School Committee Spending



Expenses by Town Hall

| | |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1000 Administration | 121,349 |
| 4000 Highway Department | 2,998 |
| 5100 Employer Retirement Contributions | 270,012 |
| 5200 Insurance | 1,101,875 |
| 7300 Equipment | 44,500 |
| 8000 Debt Service | 437,375 |
| 9100 Tuition – School Choice | 0 |
| 9120 Tuition Charter Schools | 46,396 |
| 9500 Regional Schools | 336,937 |
| Total Expenses by Town Hall | \$2,361,442 |
| Total Town/School Expenses | \$14,454,605 |

Town Expenses in Support of Schools



FEDERAL & STATE REVENUES
2002-2003 School Year

| Federal Grants | Revenue Awarded |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| SPED 94-142 Evaluation & Therapy | \$274,961 |
| SPED Prof. Development & Training | \$21,403 |
| SPED Early Childhood | \$17,586 |
| Title V | \$7,748 |
| Title II – Teacher Quality | \$62,165 |
| Title II – Enh. Ed. Tech. | \$4,101 |
| Title I | \$142,600 |
| Curriculum Development – High Schools That Work | \$5,000 |
| Drug Free | <u>\$7,745</u> |
| Total Federal Grants | \$543,309 |
| State Grants | Revenue Awarded |
| Academic Support Services - SY | \$49,000 |
| Academic Support Summer Program | \$0 |
| Community Partnership | \$22,200 |
| Full Day Kindergarten | <u>\$79,200</u> |
| Total State Grants | \$150,400 |
| Total Federal & State Grants | \$693,709 |

REVOLVING ACCOUNT BALANCES
AS OF DECEMBER 1, 2003

| | |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| School Day Care Revolving | \$21,568 |
| Use of School Property Revolving | \$6,430 |
| Reimbursement Lost Supplies/ Materials Revolving | \$2,854 |
| Student Athletic & Activities Revolving | \$6,742 |
| Adult & Continuing Ed./Community School Revolving | \$4,560 |
| Insurance Claims Revolving | \$180.00 |
| School Choice Revolving | \$25,152 |
| Scholarship Revolving | \$3,300 |
| Telephone E-Rate Revolving | \$11,169 |
| Transportation Reimbursement Revolving | <u>\$38,389</u> |
| TOTAL REVOLVING ACCOUNTS | \$120,344 |

**Alice A. Macomber Primary School
Paula Sullivan, Principal**

General Statement

To understand the challenges associated with implementing the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks at the primary level, we must understand the unique characteristics of early childhood education. At this level the curriculum must be designed for children to be actively involved in the learning process, recognizing that young children learn through play, active manipulation of the environment, concrete experiences, and communicating with peers and adults. At the Macomber Primary School, staff facilitates this process by providing an environment that offers many interesting materials that can be manipulated in numerous ways, by asking supportive leading questions, and by enthusiastically reinforcing children's problem-solving attempts in order to promote advanced critical thinking.

School Programs

The Early Childhood Center at Macomber School is an inclusive program serving a preschool and kindergarten population. Classrooms are filled with active children who take pride in their own abilities to find out more about how their world works. Our school programs currently hold National Association for Young Children (NAEYC) accreditation status. The Macomber School has a total of 15 classrooms. Seven classrooms in the east wing are utilized to serve preschool, Head Start, therapists, and the media center/library. Rooms in the south wing of the school include six kindergarten classrooms, an integrated arts classroom, and one Early Education Developmental Program (EEDP) special needs classroom, which is a mixed age/grade classroom.

The preschool programs have the capacity to serve 135 students ages 3 to 5 years in nine sessions. Parents may enroll their children for two, three, or five half-day sessions a week. A sliding fee scale for the preschool was initiated this year as part of our Early Childhood grant initiative. Children identified with special needs are entitled to attend the preschool program free of charge, and programs are developed to meet the individual needs of each child. The school budget and Community Partnerships for Children Grant #391 plus tuition fees support the preschool program.

The full-day kindergarten program was implemented in September 2000. This year the kindergarten program had 116 students enrolled, with an average class size of 23 students. The school budget and Department of Education Grant # 701 dually support expenses for full-day kindergarten. Daily lessons and school-wide activities for both programs are developed to meet the criteria and benchmarks set forth by the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks standards and support the NAEYC guidelines. The content of the curriculum reflects a balance of all areas of learning offered in and integrated manner and reflects the holistic nature of how young children learn and develop.

Parents and Community

Connections with local partners provide our community schools with a rich and continuous source of service and support. The Macomber instructional team attempts to promote partnerships and increase parent participation in many ways. They include: Encouraging parents to volunteer time at school; supporting an active PTO; and

participating as an active member of the school council. Our outreach efforts continue to explore the expansion of our partnerships with community-based organizations that currently include the Westport High School's internship program, the Fall River Head Start and Early Intervention Programs, Lees Supermarket, Costa's Farm, and the Westport Police and Fire Departments.

Outreach efforts this year included a series of workshops, weekend and evening events, and programs that encourage the participation of extended family members and friends. Efforts in this area have intensified throughout the years and will continue to be a goal in the future. All staff members have been instrumental in building a school climate that is inviting to parents and community members.

Curriculum and Instruction

The goal of the Early Childhood team has been to develop instructional and non-instructional activities that support the goals and objectives of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Comprehensive Health, Science and Technology/Engineering, History and Social Science, Arts, and Foreign Languages. Curriculum development also insures that lessons reflect the guidelines of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The objective for daily instruction is to develop experiences that offer a child-centered learning environment that is both age-appropriate and individually appropriate. As part of our efforts to provide a high quality program for our children and families, we continue to develop and/or enhance opportunities for children to become active learners. The installation of a wireless network was completed, and additional technology equipment, including hardware and software, was purchased this year, giving our students access to computers and software which will help them to develop the competencies they will need in the future. Additional classroom furniture, manipulatives, books, and classroom supplies also were purchased through grant funds during the FY 2002-2003 school year. Staff participated in building level professional development opportunities to broaden and strengthen curriculum.

Success Indicators

Success indicators at the Macomber Primary School are taken from a variety of sources: Parent survey results; staff feedback and evaluation results; enrollment figures; and the attendance, promotion/retention figures.

Total enrollment figures for FY 2002-2003 indicate that 216 students were enrolled in preschool and kindergarten; 18% of students were identified as having special needs. Records indicate a 93% student attendance rate and a 99% promotion rate. There were 0 suspensions for FY 02-03.

The effects from full-day kindergarten also will be tracked by third- and fourth-grade MCAS scores. Indications are that the program has been very successful to date. Programs are available to all Westport residents who meet entrance requirements.

Extra Curricular Programs

Lees' monthly events, PTO sponsored events, and various weekend/evening special events were offered throughout the year.

Facilities

Through a program of regular and thorough maintenance, the Macomber School is in excellent condition. Renovations and improvements were made to both the inside and outside of the building. Some special donations of time and materials for ongoing projects allowed us to maximize available dollars for the day-to-day operation of the school.

Closing Statement

Although each of the four schools is different, we share a number of program features that support Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks objectives. We have worked at developing clear benchmarks that indicate where we are on the road to success for each and every student. At the Macomber School, goals for the FY 2002-2003 school year were for staff to provide, expand, and/or enhance a warm and nurturing first school experience for our children and families. The staff at the Macomber School is looking forward to providing even more high-quality early childhood programs that will meet a wide range of student and family needs. Curriculum activities will continue to be soundly based in the Massachusetts State Frameworks and NAEYC standards. Staff will continue to strive to develop curriculum and lessons based on the following nine key areas that align with the National Board Teacher Certification standards:

- Understanding young children
- Equity, fairness, and diversity
- Assessment
- Promoting child development and learning
- Knowledge of integrated curriculum
- Multiple teaching strategies for meaningful learning
- Family and community partnerships
- Professional practice

Making our vision a reality requires commitment through partnerships among all stakeholders. Now is the time to join forces and advocate for policies and financial investments that will lead to excellence in early childhood education programs that are available and accessible to all children and families.

Westport Elementary School
Alec Ciminello, Principal

General Statement

Westport Elementary School has always put student success and academic achievement at the forefront and cornerstone of each change and initiative. Again this year, we have assessed our ITBS (Iowa Test of Basic Skills) and MCAS (Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System) results and used them to assess curriculum needs and student achievement. From these results, the elementary school has mapped out an action plan for improved student success on a class-by-class basis. As a school, we remain committed to the belief that all children can achieve success.

Student Achievement

I. ITBS TEST RESULTS

The ITBS (Iowa Test of Basic Skills) was given to each student in grades 1-4 in September 2003. The results were as follows:

| | Total Reading Scores given as grade level average | Total Mathematics Scores given as grade level average |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Grade 1 | 1.3 | 1.4 |
| Grade 2 | 2.6 | 2.2 |
| Grade 3 | 3.6 | 3.3 |
| Grade 4 | 4.9 | 4.6 |

II. MCAS TEST RESULTS

The **Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System** was given to students in grades 3 and 4. The school assessed scores from the 02-03 school year. Grade 3 completed a Reading test, while grade 4 completed batteries in English Language Arts and Mathematics. The tests completed this fall will help the school assess growth during the next school year.

| Subject | Proficient & Advanced | Difference From 01-02 | Needs Improvement | Difference From 01-02 | Warning | Difference From 01-02 |
|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Grade 3 Reading | 62% | +5% | 34% | -8% | 4% | +3% |
| Grade 4 ELA | 77% | +40% | 18% | +29% | 5% | +10% |
| Grade 4 Mathematics | 51% | +23% | 43% | +6% | 6% | +18% |

As the previous chart indicates, our grade 3 scores again showed improvement. We will continue with our reading initiatives, including the Reading Intervention Program, to address the 34% in the needs improvement categories. Our grade 4 scores showed significant improvement in each category. We will continue all the efforts and techniques, which were responsible for this improvement. With such high state standards, we will continue to modify our teaching styles so that students are better able to use their critical thinking skills and not rely on mere rote or memorization. Westport Elementary School has increased expectations in student writing through professional development efforts and teacher directed curriculum modification. The Westport Elementary School remains committed to providing the most up-to-date techniques and training that will prepare our students for success.

Finally, it is important to understand that any standardized testing instrument is not the sole measure of student performance. It should be tied to a sound district and school assessment program that recognizes strengths and weaknesses in our local curriculum and provides ways to improve.

Curriculum

Curriculum is at the forefront of all school improvement. We have spent many hours examining and adjusting our teaching curriculum to more effectively deliver the Massachusetts Frameworks. We continued to utilize our basal texts in all major subject areas. They included the following:

- Language Arts: **Macmillan/McGraw Hill**
- Mathematics: **McGraw Hill/ Mathland and Scott Foresman**
- Science: **McGraw Hill**
- Social Studies: **McGraw Hill**

Closing

Westport Elementary School will continue to strive for excellence in the coming years. Many of the initiatives we have begun and will begin in the years to come, will prove to increase student performance on standardized tests and classroom performance.

Westport Middle School
James Gibney, Principal

General Statement

We were fortunate once again to have an outstanding academic year at Westport Middle School. Our students participated in several worthwhile academic activities, including the Massasoit League Spelling Bee and the Southeastern Massachusetts Geography Fair held at Bridgewater State College in the Fall. We also conducted our 2nd Annual Field Day, which was proclaimed a huge success by both staff and students. We saw a significant increase in both our MCAS scores at all grade levels and individual student achievement scores on the IOWA test.

Enrollment

As of June 1, 2003, the enrollment at the Westport Middle School was approximately 652 students. Our average class size ranged from 25-29 students (class size is an issue that our school council will continue to address during the 2003-2004 school year). The enrollment by grade level was as follows: Grade 5, 158; Grade 6, 169; Grade 7, 155; and Grade 8, 170.

Staffing

The staff of the Westport Middle School included the following: one (1) principal, one (1) assistant principal, two (2) guidance counselors, two and one half (2.5) office staff, forty-two (42) classroom teachers (includes regular education and special education teachers), (4) paraprofessionals, and one (1) campus supervisor.

Curriculum

Our staff worked long and hard on developing completely new curriculums in the following academic areas: Daily Writing and Grammar; Mathematics; Reading; Science; and Social Studies. These curriculums have been published and will be implemented at all grade levels during the 2003-2004 school year. This has been an undertaking that has lasted three years and will greatly benefit each and every student attending Westport Middle School. It will also be an effective reference and resource guide for all teachers as they match this new curriculum with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks.

We continue to offer our students relevant and informative assemblies on an ongoing basis in the following areas: Theatre Arts; anti-tobacco issues; health programs; bullying programs; substance abuse; anger management; storytelling; poetry, etc.

After School and Other Student Activities

Students were able to participate in an exciting after school program during the 2002-2003 school year. The following after school activities were offered during the school year:

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Art Club | Homework Club |
| Baseball | Field Hockey |
| Boys' and Girls' Basketball | Soccer |
| Choral Club | Softball |
| Collectors' Club | Student Council |
| Drama Club | Volleyball |
| National Junior Honor Society | Yearbook |
| Science Club | |

In addition to the after school activities, we have continued the house competition among the students of the green, purple, and red houses. The culmination of this competition was an extensive student activities day including a movie, dance, and pizza party that was provided to the green house students in June. These activities were made possible through the School Climate Committee that was established by a group of staff members who volunteered to develop and implement activities to promote school spirit and social opportunities for our students. We also implemented our 2nd Annual Field Day, which has quickly become the most popular one-day program for the entire student body.

Parents and Community

We are fortunate here at Westport Middle School to have an outstanding parent group called the Westport Middle School Association. During the past school year, they assisted us in raising funds to provide social and cultural activities above and beyond the normal curriculum to ensure that our students received every educational opportunity available to them. They also volunteered in classrooms, the media center, and other areas of the school. The Westport Middle School Association also sponsored assemblies related to educational issues. Our thanks and congratulations to our entire parent group for a job well done. This group also formed an athletics sub-committee and raised a significant amount of financial resources to continue our athletics program.

The Westport Middle School Association, in conjunction with members from the community, sponsored the 3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast. More than 300 people attended this function, which brought the entire community together.

Finally, we commend and thank the 13 members of the School Improvement Council, who spent many hours developing a comprehensive School Improvement Plan that has been accepted by the School Committee. The components of this plan continued to be implemented during the 2003-2004 school year. Our most significant accomplishment was the successful completion and publishing of our curriculum guides.

Physical Plant Facility

The Westport Community Schools provides each of its school facilities with an outstanding custodial/maintenance program. An ongoing program to ensure that our students and staff have a safe and clean learning environment continues to be of great pride to our school system. Every custodial and maintenance need that was recognized during the school year has been addressed. No doubt the Westport Middle School is one of the cleanest and best maintained middle schools in Southeastern Massachusetts. We hope to address the paving of our parking lots and new lighting for the auditorium during the 2003-2004 school year.

Closing Statement

The entire Westport Community can take pride in the educational program offered to its youth at Westport Middle School. The achievement that these students exhibit continues to be positive and heading in the right direction. There are still academic areas that need improvement. With the assistance of parents, community, and particularly students, the staff of the Westport Middle School has committed itself to establish excellence in education and a truly outstanding educational program for the citizens of Westport. By working together we can meet this goal during the next school year.

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| <p>Westport High School Alan Weintraub, Dean</p> |
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Opening Statement

The 2002-2003 school year was successful for students and faculty at Westport High School. We continued to have a large percentage of our graduating seniors attend institutes of higher education. Our successes on the athletic fields and with student activities such as music, drama, and journalism brought us many honors and accomplishments. We completed the comprehensive self-study during the second of our two year NEASC reaccreditation process culminating in the NEASC reaccreditation team visit in April.

School Program

The student enrollment was 486. This consisted of 102 Seniors, 114 Juniors, 127 Sophomores and 143 Freshmen. Class size ranged from 7 to 35. Our staff consisted of 39 classroom teachers, 1 Media Center Director, 4 teaching assistants, 1 para-professional, 1 adjustment counselor, 3 clerks, 1 executive secretary, 3 Assistant Deans, and the Dean.

Success Indicators

Eighty-seven percent of the graduating class of 2003 went on to higher education. Fifty-one percent of our graduates will attend four-year colleges. Thirty-six percent will attend two-year colleges. Dr. Rhonda Sousa, Westport High School Class of 1983, Director of Internal Medicine at the University of Dallas Medical Center, gave the commencement address at graduation on June 8, 2003. This year's graduates received \$42,025 in scholarships at our Awards Night on June 2, 2003 from such diverse sources as community organizations, local businesses, and local citizens.

The Commission on Public Secondary Schools, at its September 21-22, 2003, meeting, reviewed the evaluation report from the recent visit to Westport High School and continued the school's accreditation in the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

The Commission commended the school on the following:

- The administrative and faculty efforts over the last ten years to reflect on current practice and create a vision for the school through a variety of initiatives;
- The implementation of policies that provide a safe, cooperative learning environment;
- The integration of technology into all learning areas;
- The creation of the freshman team that facilitates interdisciplinary connections and eases the transition to high school;
- The use by the faculty of a wide variety of assessment strategies;
- The wide variety of methods for informing students and parents about student performance;
- The dean's "open door" policy, inviting feedback from the entire school community;
- The initiative for the faculty in working together to enhance the learning atmosphere in support of the mission;
- The large number of off-campus dual enrollment programs available to students;
- The large number of business partnerships supporting student internships, job shadowing and community services;
- The long-range plans for capital outlay projects, technology acquisition and future growth;
- The development of academies to provide avenues for students to focus on specialty interests;
- The implementation of block scheduling to provide longer periods of instruction;

- The commitment of school personnel to be creative and innovative in light of funding shortfalls.

Extra Programs

ATHLETICS

It should be noted from the onset that the 2002-2003 athletic program would not have been possible had it not been for the unselfish effort, tireless energy, and undaunted dedication that was spearheaded by the Westport Athletic Booster Club. Through numerous fundraising events the Booster Club collected over \$70,000 in order to save our sports. Thanks to the generosity of countless individuals, our athletes participated in 12 varsity sports, five junior varsity sports, and one freshman program throughout the year. Our athletes extended their appreciation by excelling on the courts and fields. They represented Westport High School and our community with dignity and good sportsmanship. In addition, nine out of our 12 varsity teams earned a state tournament berth. This is noteworthy!

Despite getting off to a late start, our fall sports teams did a remarkable job. The Athletic Department sponsored our Second Annual Sports Awareness Night with former "Wildcat" athlete and coach, Peter DeFusco, as our guest speaker. The boy's soccer team highlighted the season, by compiling a record of 14-0-4 and was declared the "Undefeated Mayflower League Boys Soccer Champions". Our Volleyball team returned to the state tournament after a one year hiatus. Our Field Hockey team continued to show improvement in the competitive Eastern Athletic Conference. The fall season culminated with our Sports Awards Night held in November.

During the winter season, both the girls' and the boys' basketball teams qualified for the state tournament. The girls' team competed in the South Sectional finals for the third time in four years. Our boys' basketball team also earned a tournament berth as well as some of our Winter Track athletes. Our Track athletes continue to improve their personal best. This year's Cheerleading squad had few participants but, nonetheless, they performed many classy routines, offering much support and enthusiasm at our home games. Our winter season ended with our annual Basketball Alumni game, sponsored by the Athletic Booster Club, and with our Winter Sports Awards Night held in March. One other highlight of the winter season was "Allen Levrault Night" which was held on February 11th to honor former Wildcat superstar and professional baseball player by retiring his # 21 baseball jersey. "Number 21" was officially retired in front of many hometown fans. We are very proud of his accomplishments and wish him continued success!!!

During the spring season, all four teams (Baseball, Boys' Tennis, Girls' Tennis, and Softball) qualified for the state tournament. The Softball team continued its brilliant tradition of excellence and became the Mayflower League Co-Champions. The Lady Wildcats were defeated in the South Sectional Finals after a hard-fought game. The Spring Season concluded with our Sports Awards Night held in June. At this ceremony, we presented the following awards: MIAA Sportsmanship Awards, the Joanne Charest and the Christopher Carglia Memorial Sportsmanship Awards, the John T. Hickey Scholar-Athlete Awards, and the Best -All-Around Athlete Awards. To the surprise of the audience, long-time coach Joan Carpenter announced her retirement from coaching.

As one can see, our athletic programs had a very successful year. The phrase "Thank You" just doesn't seem appropriate to express our sincere appreciation to the Westport Athletic Booster Club for making this year possible—indeed your efforts did "Save the Children." THANKS AGAIN TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED OUR ATHLETES!!!

Student Activities

During the 2002-2003 school year, the number of club offerings was limited due to financial constraints, but this did not diminish the enthusiasm of our students nor our advisors. This is praiseworthy!

Throughout the year, Student Council continued to sponsor many traditional events such as the fall, winter, and spring pep rallies, the Homecoming Dance, "Halloween's Haunted Hallway", the Snowball Dance, "Yankee Doodle Circus", and the Senior-Junior Prom held at the Newport Regatta. The senior class introduced another game board—"Westport Trivia" --that continues to be a family favorite. Class fundraisers included fleece blankets, beach towels, candy, cookie dough, and carnations, to name a few.

Our Music Department again brought home many trophies as they competed in the NESBA and USSBA competitions. Sincere thanks are also in order for the unselfish and tireless dedication from our Music Department Staff and the Music Boosters' Association. Without the continued support from our Music Boosters, our musicians would not have been able to attend the competitions and bring home numerous awards and recognitions.

Our school newspaper, "The Villager", continues to amass individual, state, and regional awards. Again this year, they garnered high ratings from Quill and Scroll, NESPA, ASPA, and CSPA, to name a few. The weekly circulation has continued to increase. Future plans are to institute biweekly circulation and to deliver the newspaper via email. We look forward to these additions.

In March of 2003, Westport High School hosted a dozen Japanese students from Futenma High School as part of our International Exchange program. Key Club continued its tradition of providing food baskets to needy Westport families during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter holidays.

The WHS Chapter of the National Honor Society held its Induction Ceremony in December, inducting 27 members. Throughout the year, members offered free tutoring to students, conducted food drives, blood drives, and helped at the MS Walk-a-Thon as part of their community service requirement.

The Yearbook Staff continues to have a small but very dedicated group of students who publish a quality memoir for our seniors. The Bowling Club is enjoyed by many students and staff members who participate between each sport season.

Despite financial concerns, our students and advisors enjoyed a great year. Thanks to all who helped make this year memorable!!!

Parents and Community

We continue to try to raise the level of parent involvement and awareness in Westport High School. The parent newsletter, cable announcements, parent informational nights, and awards nights are all programs that were continued this year. All parents are encouraged to get involved with their child's education by participating in as many of our programs as possible.

The International Exchange Club hosted its twenty-third exchange with its sister school in Japan and is preparing to send a group of Westport High School students to Japan this summer. This spring Westport High School will be hosting the twenty-fourth exchange with Futenma Senior High School. Westport High School currently holds the distinction of leading all of New England with the longest continuous exchange with a Japanese High School.

Westport High School's Key Club distributed Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets to the elderly and needy in Westport. Student and staff efforts also supported the Eastern Paralyzed Veterans Association, Covenant House, The Schwartz Rehabilitation Center in New Bedford, and St. Labre Indian School in Ashland, Montana.

Closing Statement

Our year-long self-study for the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges resulted with a NEASC Visiting Committee, comprised of educators throughout the New England region, voting to issue Westport High School official accreditation. It should be noted that there were several recommendations that were considered vital to the healthy growth of our educational community. These recommendations must be addressed if we are to continue to be a fully accredited high school. The town's fiscal support of these recommendations is of vital importance if we are to maintain academic excellence in the Town of Westport.

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| <p>Special Education Nancy Costa, Director</p> |
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The Special Education Department within the Town of Westport continues to remain in compliance with the Department of Education's Quality Assurance protocol. Our Special Education department is successful in its plan to ensure that appropriate programs are in place to meet the needs of eligible students.

The Spring 2003 special education enrollment of 311 includes 300 students attending Westport schools and 11 students in out of district placements. Westport Community Schools' special education enrollment equals 15.5% of the total student enrollment. The percentage rate is below the Massachusetts state rate of 16.4%.

Moving into FY 2004, the Special Education Department will continue to provide services to our students in the least restrictive environment. We accept the challenge of adopting high performance standards for all our children.

Information Services
Susan Amato, Coordinator

General Statement

The Westport Community Schools continue to support educational initiatives that use technology to align the curriculum to the Massachusetts State Curriculum Frameworks and the Instructional Technology Standards, to develop quality, technology-enhanced lesson plans, to facilitate student learning, and to train teachers to integrate technology in the curriculum.

School Programs and Facilities

Access to technology is an important step in sustaining meaningful implementation of administrative and curricular goals. Currently, the infrastructure is in place to provide high speed network connectivity to every classroom and administrative office within the school district. We also make use of wireless technology in our schools to expand the capabilities of our network. The successful application for Universal Service E-rate discounts helps to provide funding to maintain our network services.

The purchase of up to date student workstations is a priority and, through the use of grant and budgeted funding, has remained a consistent goal within the technology plan. Each classroom has at least one multi-media computer that is connected to a mounted large screen monitor. The installation of these presentation units provides a valuable resource for technology-enhanced instruction.

Each school in the district has a multi-media lab available for student use, and the middle school and the high school now have access to mobile labs, which have made a tremendous impact on the use of technology as a learning tool.

In the recent technology update submitted to the state, the student to computer ratio for the Westport School district for category A/B computers was 5.32, and the ratio of students per any type computer was 4.38.

The media centers at the high school and middle school are each staffed with a media director who works with the staff to provide guidance and resources for technology integration. This staffing helps guarantee adequate technical service for all users and to meet state guidelines for the ratio of technology support to number of users.

In addition, computer labs at the elementary and the middle schools are staffed by an instructional technology teacher, which provides an invaluable learning opportunity for

directed and focused instruction that will improve students' technology proficiencies within the context of curriculum related activities and projects.

Curriculum and Instruction

Staff development is an integral part of a successful technology integration program. The Westport Community Schools have adopted a mentor model, The Technology Learning Team Facilitator program, to promote the best practice use of technology within the curriculum.

To facilitate the process of technology integration, these technology mentors and the education technology coordinator provide monthly help sessions, release time sessions and in-school mentoring help. The focus of these sessions combines the use of technology within a standards-based classroom with the improvement of teacher technology competencies. During the summer of 2003, technology professional development was also expanded to provide teachers with the opportunity to be involved in a Technology Summer Institute which hosted workshops on a variety of topics. Specific technology topics and curriculum content areas are derived from staff surveys and analysis of student testing data.

The Westport Community school district is also making progress toward the use of technology as a teacher and administrative tool. The move to an automated grading system is complete in grades 1-12. Teachers manage grades on the computer and submit them electronically. The success of this initiative is the result of extensive professional development for both teachers and administrators and saves countless hours of clerical time. It also enables instant feedback on academic progress to teachers, students and parents.

Summary Statement

The growth of technology continues to impact education tremendously each year. Technology can provide schools with powerful ways to influence and enhance student learning. As a school district we are committed to providing our students with learning strategies for success and technology is one of those strategies.

Transportation
Marc Furtado, Coordinator

Student transportation operated on two tiers, utilizing a total of 19 busses to manage 38 routes. The number of busses and routes were increased to accommodate the geography of the Town of Westport and its development on the North end, while also meeting state requirements for the time a student is allowed to spend on a school bus per trip. Middle and High School students were delivered to their respective schools on the earlier tier, while Elementary and Kindergarten students were delivered on the second, later tier. Laidlaw Transit, Inc. provided the transportation services in the

second year of a three-year contract. The cost of a 71-passenger bus per day was \$241.42. Enos Bus Company of Westport, MA was the primary provider of Special Education transportation services and was in the final year of a three-year contract. Approximately 40 students were transported daily to both in-house and outside placements.

Transportation Financial Report

| | <u>Budgeted</u> | <u>Expenditures</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Salaries | \$ 2,702 | \$ 23,868 |
| Regular Transportation | \$828,219 | \$826,508 |
| Special Needs Transportation | \$317,681 | \$296,478 |
| TOTAL | \$1,148,602 | \$1,146,854 |

Food Services Marc Furtado, Coordinator

The Westport Community Schools' food services program is self-supporting. It offers healthy, appealing, and nutritionally balanced meals consistent with the Recommended Daily Allowances and the Guidelines for Americans under the National School Lunch Program, emphasizing reductions in fat, sodium, and cholesterol. A full lunch for our students, including 8 oz. of milk, cost \$1.50 at the Elementary and Macomber Schools and \$1.60 at the Middle and High Schools. The Food Service staff at each school received monthly training on safety and sanitation procedures, as well as training on germs and food related illnesses. Average daily student participation in the Westport Community Schools' lunch program remains well above the state average.

Food Services Financial Report 02/03

Beginning Balance **\$23,294**

Revenues

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|-----------------------|-----------|
| State Reimbursement | \$9,782 |
| Federal Reimbursement | \$108,287 |
| Sales | \$394,073 |
| Subtotal Revenues: | \$512,142 |

Expenditures

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Salaries | \$250,012 |
| Food | \$199,486 |
| Maintenance & Repairs | \$14,515 |
| Supplies, Taxes & Misc | \$27,795 |
| Subtotal Expenditures | \$491,808 |

Ending Balance **\$43,628**

School District Personnel 2002-2003

District Administration and Programs

| | |
|------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Superintendent of Schools/Business Manager | Dr. Linda L. Galton |
| Director of Special Education | Nancy Costa |
| Education Technology & Media Services Director | Susan Amato* |
| Student Services Coordinator | Marc Furtado |
| Head of Maintenance & Facilities | Michael Duarte |
| Supervisor of Facilities | Kimberly Ouellette |
| Network Systems Engineer | Jonathan Plourde |
| Computer Systems Technician | Patricia Perry |
| Academic Support Services | John DeFusco |
| Executive Assistant for Human Resources | Janet Amaral |
| Executive Assistant for Business Services | Melissa Sousa |
| Business Services Assistants | Sheila Kenyon |
| | Luella Kirby |
| Superintendent's Secretary | Madaline Lesieur |
| Clerical Staff | Carol Chace |
| | Lucy Hassey |
| Maintenance & Facilities Assistant | Bradley Freitas |
| Maintenance Helper & Groundskeeper | Peter Sarza |
| Courier/Custodian | Ernest Caroselli |
| District Custodian | John Richard |
| School Committee Secretary | Carol Chace |
| School Physician | Dennis R. Callen |

* Last year of employment

Special Needs Programs

Speech Services (1-4)
Speech Services (5-8)
Reading Intervention

Integrated Preschool Paraprofessional
Language Intervention Preschool
Language Intervention Preschool Paraprofessional
Early Elementary Developmental Teacher
Early Elementary Developmental T.A.
Elementary Developmental Teacher
Elementary Developmental Teaching Assistant
Occupational Therapist

Kathleen Duffy
Carol Stewart
Christine Ash
Stephen Gomes
Diane Silvia
Linda Isaksen
Claudette Alberto
Renee Rego
Theresa Lawrence
Gerald Rivard
Joan Wood
Renee Jones

Westport High School

High School Dean
Assistant Dean/Student Guidance
Assistant Dean/Student Management
Assistant Dean/Athletics & Student Activities
English Teachers

Mathematics Teachers

Social Studies Teachers

Science Teachers

World Languages Teachers

Visual & Performing Arts Teachers

Adjustment Counselor
Physical Education/Health Teacher

Music Teacher

Alan Weintraub
Anthony Melli
Robert Wood
Gail Silvia
Stephen Cook
Jason Rickles
Patricia Kehoe
Douglas D'Atri
Harry Proudfoot
Thomas Clark
Irene Barros
Rosemarie Choquette
Glenn Lincoln
Debra August
Dianne Rezendes
Matthew Girard
Gus Cariglia
Michael Roy
Timothy Cahalan
Katherine Silva
Jane Dybowski
Scott Atkinson
Dale Hennessey
Mary Ann McQuillan*
John Moniz
Moiria Greenson
Caroline Pavao
Edneuza Farias
David Allen
Cal Ellinwood
Michael Davis

Joan Riley
Celia daLuz
Dennis Hursey
Scott Frost

* Last year of employment

Business Teachers

Unified Media Specialist
Special Needs

Prevocational Teacher

Campus Supervisors

School Nurse
Administrative Executive Secretary
Student Services Clerk
Student Management Clerk
Clerk/Receptionist
Teaching Assistant

Paraprofessional
Food Service Staff

Custodial Staff

Westport Middle School

Principal
Assistant Principal
Mathematics Teachers, Grades 7-8

Social Studies Teachers, Grades 7-8

Science Teachers, Grades 7-8

Reading Teachers, Grades 7-8

Grade 5-6 Teachers

Bonny Gifford
Chet Millett
Kevin Clark
Bridget Buckless
Joan Blake
Paula Smith
Shannon McGuire
Christopher Warren
Joel Sullivan

Carol Beaupre

Tracy Cusick
Deborah Dziedzic
Melissa Amann
Patricia Amaral
Doris Michaud
Joanne Pacheco
Leslie Vasconcellos
Kimberly Perry
Carol Sunderland
Nancy Little
Karen Ferreira
Maria Raposo
Gail Menard
Terry Pires

Richard Hamel
James Pacheco
Michael Caeton
Maral Souza

James Gibney
George Ferro, Jr.
Ann Marie Dostou
Martha Delpape
Andre Provost
Michael Borges
James O'Hara
Amy Simpson
Peter Holt
Elizabeth Dickinsen
Jonathan Bernier
Carol Michael
Nancy Tripp
Debra Janik
Frances Gilchrist
Emery Gomes*
Nicole Pereira
David Sullivan

* Last year of employment

World Language Teacher/Spanish
Physical Education Teacher

Music Teacher

Art Teacher
Special Needs Resource Staff

Language Based Classroom
Guidance/Psychologists

Health Teacher
School Nurse
Certified Nurse's Assistant
Library Media Specialist
Teaching Assistant
Paraprofessional

Administrative Executive Secretary
Clerk/Receptionist
Student Services Clerk

Campus Supervisor
Food Service Staff

Custodial Staff

Westport Elementary School

Principal
Assistant to the Principal

Christine Carlile
Muriel Croft
Lauren Driscoll
Pamela Peckham-Chace
John Sullivan
Bruce Vincelette
Susan Pavao
Mark Robichaud
Pamela Kelly
Michael Giannopolo
Holly Hayes
Melissa Lambert
Jeanne Rivard
Anne Clarke
Cheryl Rose
Judy Gilbert
Krystla Fay
William Bernier
Nicole Thayer
Stacey Oliveira
Sherry Michael
Marie Fallows
Constance Strauss
Jill Dumont
Sharlene Tavares
Janice Brightman
Heather Davis
Elaine Marshall
Robin Blais
Jeanne Gizzi
Jennifer Aguiar

Elena Borges
Mary Trepanier
Vicky Darcy

Allison Vieira
Anne Tansey
Christine DeMello
Karen Arruda
Linda Souza

Richard Bates
Richard Mello
Robert Cateon
Robert Samson

Alec Ciminello
Nancy Durfee

* Last year of employment

Grade 1 & 2 Teachers

Grade 1 & 2 Resource Teachers
Grade 3 & 4 Teachers

Grade 3 & 4 Resource Teachers

Science Teacher
Music Teacher
Art Teacher
Physical Education Teacher
Library Media (Long Term Sub)
Teaching Assistant

Paraprofessional

Guidance Counselor

School Nurse

Administrative Executive Secretary
Clerk/Receptionist
Student Services Clerk

Diane Finucci*
Jennifer Beskid
Sandra Hague
Maureen Pride
Jennifer Baldwin
Linda Eastwood
Constance Larkin
Sally Harrington*
Liz O'Hara
Brenda Peixe
Joanne Morris
Marjorie Rowe
Shelly D'Elia
Kathleen Thibault
Catherine Ibbotson*
Linda Brown*
Joan Travers
Patricia Deane
Christine Staskiewicz
Cynthia Thomas
Sandra Boudakian*
Mary France
Paul Tetrault
Elizabeth Boucher
Lynne Turner
Pamela Greene
Sarah Madsen
Catherine Shockro
Helene Auger*
Linda Desmarais
Carol Duby
Nancy Mercier
Jillian D'Elia
Christina Santolucito
Denio Serpa
Lynn Abendroth
Sandra Caya
Donna Bedard
Jeanine Deveau
Amy Arruda
MaryAnn Vincelette
Lisa Lebreux
Evelyn Davies
Elizabeth Bacchiocchi
John Mitchell
Cynthia Azevedo

Linda Maiocco
Paula Brown
Liseta Carvalho

* Last year of employment

Food Service Staff

Elizabeth Carvalho
Joyce Araujo*
Janice Carvalho
June DeAndrade
Lucia Ferreira

Custodial Staff

Dennis Auclair
Normand Thibodeau
Lori Bercier

Alice A. Macomber Primary School

Principal

Kindergarten Teachers

Paula Sullivan
Madeleine Gonsalves*
Michelle Thomas
Ingeborg DeFusco
Melissa Maltais
Nancy Raczka*
Melissa Parker
Jane Dufault
Donna Edwards
Renee Rego
Linda Isaksen
Cheryl Estrella
Annette Degagne
Jennifer Medeiros
Michelle Rapoza
Suzanne Lemar
Lucy Cordeiro
Nadine Fournier
Valerie Plant
Diane Silvia
Claudette Alberto
Brenda Stone
Cynthia Harrison

Kindergarten Integrated Arts Specialist
Integrated Pre-school Teacher
Early Elementary Development
Language Intervention Pre-school Specialist
Teaching Assistant
Paraprofessional

School Psychologist
School Nurse

Administrative Executive Secretary
Student Services Clerk/Receptionist
Food Service Manager
Food Service Staff
Custodial Staff

Judith Oliveira
Natalia Silva
Rose Sutcliffe
Janice Roy
Ray Cambra
Mark Thibodeau

* Last year of employment



Westport High School
Graduation Exercises
Class of 2003



| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Class Valedictorian | Ashley K. Lariviere |
| Class Salutatorian | Kristen L. Spooner |
| Class President | Michael S. Lynch, Jr. |
| Certification of Class | Alan Weintraub, Dean |

Mehgan Crystal Anttil *
Melissa Ann Araujo
Kerri Elizabeth Belval
Kimberly Benevides
David Matthew Bird *
Christine Marie Borges *
Rachel Boudreau *
Jessica Lynne Bourgeois
Jeffrey Thomas Boyer
Katherine Cowles Brenckle *
Joshua Gregory Brien *
Emily Rae Brinkmeyer *
Sarah Lynn Buckley
Heather Marie Capeto
Clayton R. Chandanais
Kelly Lyn Chandler *
Adam Brian Conner
Andrea Cordeiro
Jillian Marie Costa
Cailyn Elyse Couto
Cortney Layne Croteau
Caitlin McKenzie Davies *
Keegan Patrick Davies
Kenneth DeMello
Joseph E. Denny, Jr.
Nathan G. Dore *
Desiree Dufresne
Joyce Estacio
Justin David Farias *
Kyle J. Fernandes*
Abigail Elizabeth Ferreira *

Catherine Anne Foley
Crystal Dawn Fratus
Peter J. Frazer
Cassandra A. Gagne
Jenny Eve Gallego
Ashley Elizabeth Gesner *
Kayla Sitara Gillespie *
Marieke Rebekah Goldman *
Ariele Nicole Grandmaison
Ryan P. Grant *
Kate Diane Hartnett *
Marion Adelaide Hobart *
Kiel E. Huard
Christopher Michael Kehoe
Sarah A. Kut *
Ashley Kang Lariviere *
James Anthony Laurendeau
Holly Lynne Lavoie
Joshua Adam Leach
Kevin Thomas Lynch
Michael Shawn Lynch, Jr.
Kyle Matthew MacDonald *
Holly Lynn Majewski
Kristen Ann Margarida *
Wendy Anne Marion
Rebecca Lee Martins *
Steven John McDonough
Christina Rose Medeiros
Monique Medeiros
Taryn Marie Mello *
Melissa Ann Michaels

Hope Alida Millham
Paula Fayme Morrissette
Ellyn H. Nilsen
Cody Nowell
Edward Francis Oliveira III
Jennifer Oliveira
Jaime Lee Orrell *
Ashley Orzeck
Veronica Ouellette *
Christina Pavao
Stephanie Pedro
Ashley Lyn Pelletier
John R. Pereira
Nicole Ann Perry
Ian Paul Ponte
Elisabeth Ramunno *
Jessica L. Rapoza
Jessica L. Rosa *
Naomi Jean Rosinha
Sarah Rose Rubino *
Adam M. Silvia *
Tara Elizabeth Souza
Kristen Louise Spooner *
Caleb Peter Keith Steen
Yuki Sunagawa
Russell John Teasdale
Melanie Mercedes Teixeira *
Michael Eugene Teixeira
Erin Marie Tetreault
Joseph Maurice Thibault
Roswell Chace Underwood

* National Honor Society Members

Academic Awards

President's Award for Academic Excellence

Emily R. Brinkmeyer,
Ashley Lariviere

President's Award for Academic Achievement

Mehgan Anctil, David Bird,
Christine Borges, Rachel
Boudreau, Kelly Chandler,
Cortney Croteau, Kenneth
DeMello, Justin Farias, Ashley
Gesner, Marieke Goldman,
Ryan Grant, Marion
Hobart, Sarah Kut, James
Laurendeau, Kyle MacDonald,
Kristen Margarida, Wendy
Marion, Rebecca Martins,
Taryn Mello, Melissa Michaels,
Ellyn Nilsen, Veronica
Ouellette, Elisabeth Ramunno,
Adam Silvia, Kristen Spooner,
Erin Tetreault

Good Citizenship Award

Mehgan Anctil, Rachel
Boudreau, Emily R. Brinkmeyer,
Caitlin Davies, Joyce Estacio,
Justin Farias, Abigail Ferreira,
Marieke Goldman, Kate Hartnett,
Marion Hobart, Sarah Kut,
Ashley Lariviere, Kyle
MacDonald, Kristen Margarida,
Rebecca Martins, Taryn Mello,
Melissa Michaels, Veronica
Ouellette, Elisabeth Ramunno,
Jessica Rosa, Adam Silvia,
Joseph Thibault, Roswell
Underwood

Massachusetts Secondary School
Student Achievement Award

Mehgan Anctil

Academy Awards

Academy of Mathematics & Sciences

Mathematics
Science
Health/Physical Education

Ashley Lariviere
Ashley Gesner
Ryan Grant

Academy of Liberal Arts

Journalism

English

French

Portuguese

Spanish

Social Studies

Independent Study (AP European History)

Rebecca Martins

Michael Teixeira

Emily R. Brinkmeyer

Katherine Brenckle

Stephanie Pedro

Ashley Lariviere

Kristen Margarida

Adam Silvia

Academy of Visual & Performing Arts

Fine Arts

Music

Photography

Video Broadcasting

Drama

Multimedia

Ceramics

Ashley Gesner

Jamie Orrell, Stephanie Pedro

Marion Hobart

Ian Ponte

Michael Lynch

Kristen Margarida

Kristen Margarida

Academy of Business & Technologies

Business Technologies

Computer Science Award

Joyce Estacio

Edward Oliveir

Scholarships

| | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Lt. Richard Parker Memorial Scholarship | (\$250 each) | Katherine Brenckle Marieke Goldman |
| Blue Heron Classic Scholarship | (\$150 each) | Nathan Dore, Catherine Foley, Kristen Margarida, Adam Silvia |
| Kenneth Michael Candeias Memorial | (\$200 each) | Mehgan Anctil Michael Teixeira |
| Police Officers of Westport Alliance | (\$500 each) | Catherine Foley, Tara Souza |
| Bricklayers and Allied Craftsmen Local #3 | (\$5000) | Taryn Mello |
| Nancy Ring Fenn Music Scholarship | (\$500 each) | Kevin Lynch, Michael Lynch, Kathleen Doran |
| L'Association Francophone De Fall River Scholarship | (\$150) | Katherine Brenckle |
| Lion's Club of Westport | (\$2000) | Mehgan Anctil |
| Potter Funeral Service Scholarship | (\$500) | Edward Oliveira |
| Dianne B. Snyder Memorial Fund | (\$1000) | Kate Hartnett |

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| St. Anne's Credit Union Scholarship | (\$1000) | Ashley Lariviere |
| Betsy Taber Scholarship Fund | (\$537.50each) | Emily Brinkmeyer, Kelly Chandler, Ashley Gesner, Marieke Goldman, Marion Hobart, Ashley Lariviere, Veronica Ouellette, Kristen Spooner |
| Town Employees Local #254 | (\$200) (\$75) (\$200) | Sarah Kut John Pereira Kristen Spooner |
| Sam Walton Community Scholarship | (\$1000) | Mehgan Anctil |
| Westport Art Group | (\$500 each) | Marion Hobart, Cody Nowell |
| Westport Call Firefighter's Association | (\$200 each) | David Bird, Abigail Ferreira, Holly Majewski, Erin Tetreault |
| Westport Fair Scholarship | (\$400 each) | Mehgan Anctil, Kate Hartnett, Sarah Kut, Melissa Michaels, Michael Teixeira |
| Head of Westport Fire Association Scholarship | (\$400 each) | Mehgan Anctil Rachel Boudreau |
| Westport Federation of Teachers | (\$300) | Christine Borges |
| Westport Fisherman's Association | (\$500) | Rebecca Martins |
| Westport Junior Miss Scholarship | (\$750) (\$200) (\$2550) | Kayla Gillespie Marion Hobart Taryn Mello |
| Westport Music Boosters Association | | Christine Borges, Ryan Grant, Kevin Lynch, Michael Lynch, Kristen Margarida, Jamie Orrell, Stephanie Pedro |
| Westport Permanent Firefighter's Association | (\$500 each) | Catherine Foley, Sarah Kut, Adam Silva |
| Westport Portuguese American Civic League | (\$800 each) | Kristen Margarida, Rebecca Martins, Melissa Michaels, Michael Teixeira |

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| Westport Woman's Club Scholarship | (\$300 each) | David Bird, Kate Hartnett, Michael Lynch, Edward Oliveira, Naomi Rosinha, Kristen Spooner |
| Westport Woman's Club in Memory of Thelma Wood | (\$300) | Melissa Michaels |
| Westport Woman's Club in Memory of Kay Wood and Avis Thibault | (\$300) | Abigail Ferreira |
| Grimshaw-Gudewicz Scholarship | (\$1000 each) | David Bird, Kyle Fernandes, Ryan Grant, Sarah Kut, Michael Teixeira, Erin Tetreault |
| New England Tech Book Award | | Jeffrey Boyer |
| Clyde T. & Yvonne Salisbury Memorial Scholarship | (\$100 each) | Caitlin Davies, Joyce Estacio Kayla Gillespie, Elisabeth Ramunno |
| Westport High School Foundation | (\$200) | Steven McDonough |
| Mid City Steel Scholarship | (\$1,000) | Emily Brinkmeyer |

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MUNICIPAL DIRECTORY

TOWN OFFICES

| | |
|--------------------------------------------|----------|
| Town Clerk | 636-1000 |
| Appeals Board | 636-1004 |
| Assessors, Board of | 636-1012 |
| Building Department (Wire, Gas & Plumbing) | 636-1035 |
| Cemetery Department | 636-1025 |
| Conservation Commission/Soil Board | 636-1019 |
| Grant Office | 636-1041 |
| Health, Board of | 636-1015 |

(Transfer Station & Recycling Center: Open - 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Closed - Tuesday, Wednesdays, Fridays & Holidays

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|---------------------|----------|
| Highway Department | 636-1020 |
| Planning Board | 636-1037 |
| Registrar of Voters | 636-1001 |
| Selectmen, Board of | 636-1003 |
| Tax Collector | 636-1010 |
| Town Administrator | 636-1150 |
| Town Accountant | 636-1040 |
| Town Treasurer | 636-1007 |

PUBLIC SAFETY (BUSINESS NUMBERS)

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Dog Officer | 636-1115 |
| Emergency Management | 636-5884 |
| Fire Department - Central Village | 636-1110 |
| Fire Department - Briggs Road | 672-0721 |
| Harbormaster | 636-1105 |
| Police Department | 636-1122 or 636-1123 |
| Detective Room | 636-1124 |
| Shellfish Warden/Wharfinger | 636-1105 |
| State Police (Dartmouth) | 993-8373 |

HUMAN SERVICES

| | |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Citizens for Citizens | 672-2221 |
| Community Nurse | 636-1030 |
| Community Center/Recreation Commission | 636-1038 |
| Council on Aging/Senior Center | 636-1026 |
| Housing Authority | 675-2039 |
| Public Library | 636-1100 |
| Senior Social Day Care Program | 636-1027 |
| Veteran's Office | 636-1028 |

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Administration Building | 636-1140 |
| Alice A. Macomber School | 678-8671 |
| Superintendent of Schools | 636-1137 |
| Westport Elementary School | 636-1075 |
| Westport High School | 636-1050 |
| Westport Middle School | 636-1090 |

EMERGENCY ONLY

| | |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------|
| Ambulance, Fire, Police | 911 |
| Massachusetts Poison Information Center | 1-800-682-9211 |