# TOWN OF WESTPORT ANNUAL REPORTS

2014



# BOARD OF SELECTMEN & OTHER BOARDS OF OFFICERS

Including a Statement of the Receipts and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014

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#### **IN MEMORIAM**

# THIS TOWN REPORT IS DEDICATED TO THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WHO SERVED THE TOWN OF WESTPORT AND PASSED AWAY DURING THE YEAR 2014

#### **Robert Albanese**

Superintendent of Cemeteries Landing Commissioner

Paul D. Andrade Call Firefighter

Glenda K. Broadbent

Librarian

Lynn Carter
Finance Committee

Clayton Emery
Teacher School Department

**Luella I. Kirby**Payroll Clerk - School Department

Florence A. Lekom Secretary - School Department

Scott M. MacDonald Library Media Specialist School Department

**Edward A. Martins**Shellfish Advisory Commitee
Cable Advisory Commission

Joseph B. Souza, Jr.
Truck Driver - Highway Department

**Altina Vital**Cafeteria Manager - School Department

George Brenner
Master Plan Update Committee

Frederick A. Cambra Highway Surveyor

**Lillian Voyzie Costa**Teacher - School Department

Eliot C. "Smokey" Holden Zoning Board of Appeals Volunteer Firefighter

Ana M. Larrivee Secretary - School Department

**Beverly LePage** Secretary - School Department

**A. Joan Manchester** Teacher - School Department

Ernest C. Nunes
Police Officer

Norman H. St. Amour Precinct Worker

Joseph Wisniewski Library Trustee



#### **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

## TO THE FOLLOWING WHO HAVE SERVED AT LEAST TEN YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF WESTPORT

John R. Bevis

Assistant Harbormaster 7/1/93 - 6/30/14

Mario D. DaCunha

Police Officer Reserve Police Officer 4/6/90 - 8/16/14

**Clayton Harrison** 

Zoning Board of Appeals 7/1/67 - 6/30/14

**Antonio Medeiros** 

Laborer/Light Truck Driver – Highway Department 6/29/98 - 12/12/14

**Doris Silvia** 

Assistant Registrar Senior Clerk - Town Clerk's Office Senior Clerk - Accountant's Office Library Aide 8/3/87 - 1/1/14

Harold J. Sisson

Highway Surveyor Landfill Worker 1/28/93 - 4/8/14 Robert E. Carroll

Beach Committee 7/1/04 - 6/30/14

**George Foster** 

Town Treasurer 3/12/90 - 7/16/14

**Robert Labonte** 

Plumbing & Gas Inspector 7/2/90 - 6/30/14

**Ronald Potter** 

Agricultural Commission 7/1/03 - 6/30/14

Michael D. Silvia

Police Officer Reserve Police Officer 11/89 - 6/21/14

Eric J. Vanasse

Reserve Police Officer 7/1/99 - 6/30/14



#### **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

## TO THE FOLLOWING WHO HAVE SERVED AT LEAST TEN YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE WESTPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

#### James O'Hara

Social Studies Teacher - Westport Middle School 1984 - 2014

#### **Rose Sutcliffe**

Food Service Manager - Alice A. Macomber School 1984 - 2014



#### **A TRIBUTE**

#### TO THE FOLLOWING WHO HAVE DEDICATED AT LEAST FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF WESTPORT

#### **Bruce Belling**

Council on Aging 7/25/05 - 6/30/14

#### Ryan W. Carreiro

Reserve Police Officer 7/1/08 - 6/30/14

#### **Thomas Medeiros**

Principal Maintenance Specialist - Town Hall, Annex & Police Station 10/27/08 - 7/28/14

#### James B. Roberts

Police Officer 12/19/07 - 8/11/14

#### Carol A. Vidal

Westport Cultural Council 7/1/07 - 6/30/14

Margaret Vieira
Westport Citizens Betterment Committee 7/1/06 - 6/30/14



#### **A TRIBUTE**

# TO THE FOLLOWING WHO HAVE DEDICATED AT LEAST FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE WESTPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

#### **Elizabeth Lewis**

Director of Technology 9/18/06 – 8/26/13

#### Michael P. Sullivan

School Committee 4/16/09 – 4/8/14



#### **ABOUT WESTPORT**

**SETTLED:** 1670 - Incorporated July 2, 1787

225 years old in 2012

**COUNTY**: Bristol

**POPULATION**: 1950 - 4,987

1960 - 7,185 1970 - 9,313 1980 - 13,604 1990 - 13,241 2000 - 14,206 2010 - 15,516 2014 - 15,076

**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**: Fiscal Year 2014 \$ 7.70

Fiscal Year 2013 \$ 7.39 Fiscal Year 2012 \$ 7.05 Fiscal Year 2011 \$ 6.71 Fiscal Year 2010 \$ 6.27 Fiscal Year 2009 \$ 5.54 Fiscal Year 2008 \$ 5.56 Fiscal Year 2007 \$ 5.25 Fiscal Year 2006 \$ 5.33 Fiscal Year 2005 \$ 6.14 Fiscal Year 2004 \$ 8.07 Fiscal Year 2003 \$ 8.25 Fiscal Year 2002 \$ 10.20

**FORM OF GOVERNMENT:** Open Town Meeting - Annual Meeting 1st Tuesday in May

Board Of Selectmen/Town Administrator

**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**: 2nd Tuesday in April

**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 National Grid &

**NStar Electric Company** 

Natural gas service provided by New England Gas Company

Land line telephone service provided by Verizon

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** His Excellency, Charles Baker (D)

Office of the Governor, Room 280

Boston, MA 02133

Website: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/governor">www.mass.gov/governor</a>

SENATORS IN CONGRESS The Honorable Elizabeth Warren (D)

2 Russell Courtyard

Washington, D.C. 20510 or JFK Federal Building, Room 2400

15 New Sudbury Street Boston, MA 02203

Website: www.warren.senate.gov

The Honorable Edward J. Markey (D)

Russell Office Building, Rm.218 Washington, D.C. 20510 or 222 Millikin Boulevard, Suite 312

Fall River, MA 02721

Website: www.markey.senate.gov

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS The Honorable William Keating (D)

**9TH DISTRICT** 315 Cannon HOB

Washington, D.C. 20515 or 558 Pleasant Street, Suite 309 New Bedford, MA 02740

Website: www.keating.house.gov

**SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT** The Honorable Michael J. Rodriques (D)

**1ST BRISTOL DISTRICT**State House Room 167, Boston, MA 02133 or One Government Center, Fall River, MA 02720

Somerset Town Hall, 140 Wood Street

Somerset, MA 02726

E-mail: michael.rodrigues@masenate.gov

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT The Honorable Paul A. Schmid, III (D)

**8TH BRISTOL DISTRICT**State House, Room 473F, Boston, MA 02133 or One Government Center, Fall River, MA 02720

E-mail: paul.schmid@mahouse.gov

#### **BRISTOL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Maria F. Lopes Paul B. Kitchen John R. Mitchell

P.O. Box 208 Taunton, MA 02780 (508) 824-9681

Website: www.countyofbristol.net

### **ELECTED OFFICIALS - 2014**

SELECTMEN	TERM EXPIRES
Craig J. Dutra	2015
R. Michael Sullivan	2015
Richard M. Spirlet	2016
Steven J. Ouellette	2017
Antone C. Vieira Jr.	2017
Antone C. Viella Ji.	2017
TOWN CLERK	
Marlene M. Samson	2017
<u>MODERATOR</u>	
	2016
Steven W. Fors	2016
TREASURER	
George E. Foster (Retired 1/16/14	) 2017
COLLECTOR OF TAXES	
	0047
Carol A. Borden	2017
ASSESSORS	
Robert Grillo	2015
Stephen J. Medeiros	2016
John J. McDermott	2017
John J. McDermott	2017
<b>BOARD OF HEALTH</b>	
John J. Colletti	2015
Sean M. Leach	2016
Karl W. Santos (Appointed 5/28/13	3) 2017
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
Antonio Viveiros	2015
Sylvia C. Africano	2015
Michelle Duarte	2016
Melissa M. Pacheco	2016
Nancy Rioux	2017
REGIONAL SCHOOL COMI	MITTEE
Paul Jennings	2017
EISH COMMISSIONEDS	
FISH COMMISSIONERS	0045
Peter Kastner	2015
David Bates	2016
George Yeomans	2017
CONSTABLES	
William A. Pariseau	2017
Arthur G. Caesar	2017
Author O. Odesal	2011

LIBRARY TRUSTEES  Nancy M. Dawson Paul Cabral Robert J. Gormley Sharon F. Hanover Pauline B. Dooley James J. Walsh	2015 2015 2016 2016 2016 2017 2017
LANDING COMMISSIONER Carl Tripp Jefferson L. Bull Maxwell Turner Newton P. Millham,	2015 2015 2016 2017
HOUSING AUTHORITY Elizabeth A. Collins Veronica F. Beaulieu Denise Leonardo Ronald E. Costa Marjorie A. Holden (State Appointe	2015 2016 2017 2019 ed)
PLANNING BOARD  Elaine Ostroff David C. Cole James T. Whitin Wayne Sunderland (Resigned 1/1 Marc DeRego William D. Raus	2015 2016 2017 5/14) 2018 2018 2019
BOARD OF COMMISSIONE OF TRUST FUNDS Charles W. Nichols Sean Dooley Maxwell Turner	2015 2016 2017



#### **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK**

#### **VITAL STATISTICS**

BIRTHS	97
MARRIAGES	73
DEATHS	165
POPULATION	15,076
NUMBER OF VOTERS	11,595
BURIAL PERMITS ISSUED	47

#### **LICENSES ISSUED BY THE TOWN CLERK 2014**

Dog Licenses Individual Kennel Amount Paid to Treasurer	Amount 1249 12 \$14,172.00
Dog Violations/Late Fees	\$ 705.00
Beach Stickers Amount Paid to Treasurer	\$81,357.00
State Boat Ramp (Route 88) Amount Paid to Treasurer	\$ 8,190.00
Shellfish Permits Commercial Shellfish Commercial Student Dredging Permits Family Shellfish Senior Citizen Shellfish Non-Resident Shellfish 14-Day Shellfish Duplicate Licenses Amount Paid to Treasurer	43 0 0 371 203 41 8 2 \$20,115.00
Scallop Permits Commercial Scallop Family Scallop Senior Citizen Scallop Non-Resident Scallop Amount Paid to Treasurer	1 9 1 0 \$ 385.00
Miscellaneous Fees Amount Paid to Treasurer Marijuana Violations	\$20,983.50

Amount Paid to Treasurer	\$ 600.00
False Alarm Violations Amount Paid to Treasurer	\$ 0.00

Noise By-Law Violations

Amount Paid to Treasurer \$ 0.00

#### **Auctioneers Licenses 2014**

FEE \$40.00

(License Expires One Year from Date of Issue) ISSUED

#### **Gasoline Registration Renewals**

FEE \$20.00

(Due: On or before April 30th) ISSUED 12

#### Junk Collectors Licenses 2014

FEE \$30.00

(License Expires May 1, 2015

	ISSUED
Mid City Scrap Iron & Salvage	04/16/14
A & E Metals Recycling	05/02/14
Robert J. Desmarais	05/13/14
Excel Recycling LLC	07/03/14
William White	07/16/14

#### Raffle-Bazaar Permits 2014

FEE \$25.00

(License Expires One Year from Date of Issue)

	ISSUED
21 Friends Inc.	01/31/14
Bishop Stang High School	02/07/14
St. John the Baptist	07/23/14
Westport River Watershed Alliance, Inc.	07/29/14
Fall River Womens Union	08/07/14
The Friends of Greater Fall River Inc.	10/08/14
St Philomena School	11/10/14
Westport Music Boosters	11/17/14
Westport Federation of Teachers	12/05/14

#### Justice Of The Peace

Gerald Coutinho Constance Desilets 110C Pettey Lane 283 Tickle Road

Barbara Medeiros 6 Village Way

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen are pleased to submit this annual report for the year ending December 31, 2014.

The Board of Selectmen began many of its meetings in 2014 recognizing the various Town residents, businesses, and employees. These individuals and details of their recognition are in the approved 2014 Board Agenda minutes which can be found on the Town of Westport website under the Board of Selectmen section.

This report is a brief summary of the activities of the Board. Residents are encourage to visit the Board of Selectmen section of the Town website for much more detail review of activities, minutes, and policies.

The year began with Selectmen debating the recommendation of part-time Town Administrator Jack Healey, encouraging the Board to consider a ballot question at the either the Annual Election or a special election for an override of Proposition 2½. Mr. Healey and part-time Town Business Manager suggested that Westport was facing a growing structural deficit in its operating budgets.

In April, Antone C. Vieira Jr. and Steven Ouellette were re-elected to new three-year terms to the Board. The Board then re-elected Antone C. Vieira Jr. as chair. Mr. Richard Spirlet was re-elected as vice chair, and R. Michael Sullivan was re-elected as clerk in the Board's re-organization after the Annual Town Elections. The override was on the Annual Town Election ballot but failed to gain the support of the voters.

The growing structural deficit in our Town operational budgets continues to be a yearly challenge as our administrators predicted though. Policies of deferring maintenance costs or delaying equipment needs by using one-time funds to plug the gaps in normal operations continue to further expand the gap in funding to provide level operational services from year to year. In that regard, the Board wrestles with their adopted "Policy of not using any one-time funds" (i.e. free cash or overlay surplus) to support the operating budgets of Town departments. In addition, after implementing a Town-wide purchase order system a couple of years ago, then adopting a Debt Management Policy, and approving a Financial Policies and Procedures Manual, the Board still struggles with limited funding to support department operating budgets.

Some good news on the financial front came in November when free cash was certified at \$1.7 million.

The Board is now further attempting to set forward the broad framework for overall fiscal planning and management of Town resources. Our financial policies developed with the Finance Committee, are designed to help assure a sound financial condition, which may be defined as:

- Cash solvency the ability to pay bills
- Budgetary solvency the ability to annual balance the budget
- Long term solvency the ability to pay future costs
- Service level solvency the ability to provide needed and desired services

Overall, the Town has received a positive management letter from our auditors on compliance and/or implementation on Financial Policies, Fraud Policy, OPEB, Capital Projects, Capital Projects, Health Insurance mandates, and Ethics Compliance. Nevertheless, our Town needs to start budgeting for retiree benefit obligations which are now under funded by millions of dollars.

Business Manager Stephen Lombard, appointed in 2013 as a part time business manager, and Mr. Jack Healey (part time Town Administrator for two years) completed their contracts in mid-year. Both men served the Town in noteworthy capacities and brought day to day administrative support with years of local town government experience.

Mr. Timothy King began as the new Town Administrator in July and he too has many years of local town government management experience. Tim was selected on a 5-0 vote of the Board and has the charge to address both the financial operations and human resources challenges that develops with limited revenue sources. In December of 2014 the Board unanimously approved Mr. King's recommendation to re-

organize the financial services of the Accounting, Assessors, Tax Collector, and Treasurer departments by coordinating those functions with a financial director.

Numerous examples in the last few years pointed to a need for more coordination to improved timing and focus. Operational budget oversight and payroll accountability were also identified as areas that needed to be addressed.

Violations in federal labor payroll reporting (FLSA), and violations in Town payroll time card reporting by some employees led to disciplinary actions as appropriate. In addition, although the Town does not have a human resource department, day to day employee personnel supervision remains a challenge under present Town organizational structure.

The Board and Town Meeting voted to recommend the elected position of Town Treasurer be changed to an appointed position and voters will have a chance to vote on whether to support the change at our April 2015 Annual Election. Appointed Highway Surveyor Christopher Gonsalves has provided the direction to Highway Department since voters last year decide to make the Highway Surveyor position an appointed rather than elected position.

Chris took the lead along with Police, Fire, and the Highway Departments, to provide safe streets and address numerous related public safety concerns. Police Chief Keith Pelletier and Fire Chief Brian Legendre also deserve our gratitude for their commitment. Both Chiefs have their detail reports in this publication as well. As you can see by the detail in their reports, these departments provide 24/7 services to all Westport residents.

Beach Avenue, a Town accepted public road in the harbor off of Atlantic Avenue, was an agenda topic for many meetings in 2014. Selectmen and residents listened and debated various long term solutions to public accessibility to the road to the Knubble with access to the Westport River and the Atlantic Ocean. Calendar year 2014 ended with potential long term solutions still being debated but with public accessibility being provided on the hard pack graveled public road.

Our public water supply in the north end of Town for 158 Westport customers continues to provide some challenges this year. Last year the Town renegotiated its Public Drinking Water Contract with the City of Fall River, and during the same time, received a directive from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to install a filtration system for this drinking water. Although Town Meeting has authorized the funding for a Water Treatment facility, if needed, the Board is presently working with the state and the City of Fall River to explore other long term solutions.

In August of 2014 the Board presented citations to the Westport Little League Baseball State Champions of 1964 in commemoration of their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. It was also 50 years ago that the Town appointed their first full time fire chief, removed the Westport Point Bridge and the North Westport school to make way for progress, and that was the year our State Boat Ramp was opened.

Sometimes looking back can help us gain prospective in moving forward. Our town continues to look to the future as we continue to address our present challenges and opportunities.

It should also be noted that Mr. Ralph Souza was appointed as the Town's Building Inspector in 2014, after many years of Mr. Souza serving as the acting building inspector and the Town's Local Building Inspector. In addition, Christine Sylvia was appointed as the acting Town Treasurer pending action at our next Annual Town Election in 2015.

All the annual appointments made by the Board of Selectmen follow this report. These individuals provide countless hours in the service of our Town, and the Board wishes to thank them for their service. The Board also would like to acknowledge the many hours and commitment to service that many elected officials make to our town. The Board also wishes to recognize all Town employees and volunteers for their dedicated service to our Town.

A special thank you is in order, and well deserved, to the Board's Confidential Clerk, Diane Pelland, and the Secretary to the Board of Selectmen, Denise Bouchard.

Respectfully submitted,

Antone C. Vieira Jr., Chairman Richard M. Spirlet, Vice-Chairman Steven J. Ouellette Craig J. Dutra R. Michael Sullivan, Clerk BOARD OF SELECTMEN



#### **APPOINTMENTS 2014**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Term</u> Expires
Timothy J. King Denise Bouchard	Town Administrator	6/30/2017
Diane Pelland Keith A. Pelletier Brian R. Legendre Denise Bouchard Theresa M. Provencal Susan Branco Christine Quinn	Secretary to the Board of Selectmen Administrative Assistant/Confidential Clerk Police Chief Fire Chief Parking Clerk Town Accountant Library Director Council on Aging Director	5/31/2016
Keith J. Novo	Data Processing Coordinator	
Kopelman and Paige Brian R. Legendre Donna Lambert Samuel Teixeira Gerard LeBoeuf Gerard LeBoeuf Ronald E. Costa Tim St. Michel Gary Sherman Dennis H. Thibault Linda L. Correia John D. Enloe Ralph G. Souza Andrew Bobola	Town Counsel Emergency Management Director Animal Control Officer Animal Control Officer (Per Diem) Veterans Service Agent Graves Registration Officer Citizens for Citizens Representative Volunteer Parking Officer Wharfinger Sealer of Weights & Measures Water Certifying Officer Cross Connection Surveyor/Backflow Device Tester Building Commissioner Alternate Per Diem Building Commissioner	At Will 6/30/2015 6/30/2015 4/30/2015 6/30/2015 6/30/2015 6/30/2015 6/30/2015 6/04/2015 6/30/2015
William Plamondon Dane R. Winship Paul Burke	Assistant Wire Inspector Assistant Wire Inspector Alternate Per Diem Wire Inspector	6/30/2015 6/30/2015
Joseph Ferreira Joseph Ferreira Jason Camara	Assistant Plumbing Inspector (by Building Inspector) Assistant Gas Inspector (by Building Inspector) Interim Plumbing/Gas Inspector	6/30/2015 6/30/2015 6/30/2015

#### MISCELLANEOUS POSITIONS AND/OR OFFICIALS

#### Name Position

Timothy J. King

Chief Procurement Officer
Timothy J. King

Affirmative Action Officer

Timothy J. King

National Organization on Disability Representative
Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator

Joshua Brum Municipal Census Supervisor

Brian R. Legendre Municipal Coordinator of the "Right to Know" Law

Gary Sherman Waterways Oil Spill Coordinator
Christine Sylvia Custodian of Tax Title Properties

Paul Duhon E-911 Coordinator Steven J. Ouellette Railroad Commissioner

Steven J. Ouellette Westport River Watershed Council

Christine Sylvia Southeastern Massachusetts Health Group Representative Simothy J. King Southeastern Massachusetts Health Group Rep. Alternate

Steven J. Ouellette MBTA Growth Management Task Force

Timothy J. King Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act Coordinator

Richard M. Spirlet Bristol County Advisory Board Bernadette M. Oliver Wellness Coordinator SMHG

Richard M. Spirlet Selectmen's Representative to the Sick Leave Bank Committee Theresa Provencal Selectmen's Representative to the Sick Leave Bank Committee

Antone C. Vieira Jr.

Diman 5 Year Strategic Planning Committee
Timothy J. King

Municipal Liaison to the State Ethics Commission

#### **ADA TRANSITION PLAN COMMITTEE**

R. Michael Sullivan (BOS Representative)	6/30/2015
Craig J. Dutra (BOS Representative)	6/30/2015
Dr. Ann Dargon (School Representative)	6/30/2015
Michael Duarte (School Representative)	6/30/2015
Shana Shufelt (Fin Com Representative)	6/30/2015
Gary Carreiro (Fin Com Representative)	6/30/2015
Elaine Ostroff (Com Disability Representative)	6/30/2015
John Pelletier (Com Disability Representative)	6/30/2015
Michael Ouimet (Com Disability Representative)	6/30/2015

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

Gary Carreiro (Fin Com)	6/30/2017	Antone C. Vieira Jr. (BOS Rep)	6/30/2017
Paul Joncas (Con Com)	6/30/2017	David Cole (Planning Bd)	6/30/2016
Karl Santos (Agri Com)	6/30/2015	Dudley Millikin (Land Trust)	6/30/2016
Edward Ferreira (At Large)	6/30/2015	Jack Baughan (C.I.P.C.)	6/30/2017
Leone Farias (At Large)	6/30/2015		

#### BEACH COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERM)

Millicent Throop	6/30/2017	Jeffrey Bull	6/30/2016
Wilfred St. Michel	6/30/2015	Sean Leach	6/30/2017
Leone Farias	6/30/2015		

#### **BOARD OF APPEALS**

5 Year Terms - Regulars	1 Year Term - Associates
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 Gary P. Simmons
 6/30/2019
 Roger Menard
 6/30/2015

 Christopher J. Graham
 6/30/2018
 Larry Kidney
 6/30/2015

 Gerald Coutinho
 6/30/2017

Heather L. Salva 6/30/2015 Donna Lambert 6/30/2016

#### **BUZZARDS BAY ACTION COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)**

Craig J. Dutra 6/30/2015

R. Michael Sullivan (Alternate) 6/30/2015

#### **CABLE ADVISORY BOARD (1 YEAR TERM)**

Richard Spirlet	6/30/2015	Steven J. Ouellette	6/30/2015
David Cole	6/30/2015	Carolina Africano	6/30/2015
Donald Krudys	6/30/2015	John E. Miller	6/30/2015
John Rezendes	6/30/2015		

#### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

Richard M. Spirlet (Selectmen's Representative)	6/30/2015
John J. Baughan (Business Representative)	6/30/2015
Antonio Viveiros (School Committee Representative)	6/30/2015
Timothy J. King (Town Administrator)	6/30/2015
Christine Sylvia (Interim Town Treasurer)	6/30/2015
John McDermott (Assessor's Representative)	6/30/2015
Theresa Provencal (Town Accountant)	6/30/2015
John Miller (Finance Committee Representative)	6/30/2015
Muriel T. Kokoszka (Banking, Finance, etc. Representative)	6/30/2015
(Vacancy – Construction Representative)	

#### **COMMISSION ON DISABILITY (3 YEAR TERM)**

Elaine Ostroff (Elected or Appointed Official)	6/30/2016
John Pelletier	6/30/2016
Stanley Cornwall (Family Member Representative)	6/30/2017
Richard Squire	6/30/2017
Michael Ouimet	6/30/2015
Judith Beavan	6/30/2015
Rose Rego	6/30/2017

#### **COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

Warren Messier (Finance Committee Representative)	6/30/2015
Richard E. Lambert (Conservation Commission Representative)	6/30/2017
Elizabeth Collins (Housing Authority Representative)	6/30/2015
Janet Jones (Historical Commission Representative)	6/30/2015
Timothy Gillespie (Recreation Commission Representative)	6/30/2017
William Raus (Planning Board Representative)	6/30/2019
Ann Brum (At Large)	6/30/2015
James W. Coyne Jr. (At Large)	6/30/2015
Vacancy(At Large)	

#### **CONSTABLES (1 YEAR TERM)**

Herve W. Vandal Jr. 6/30/2016

#### **COUNCIL ON AGING (3 YEAR TERM)**

Marcia W. Liggin	6/30/2016	Judith D. Turner	6/30/2017
Muriel T. Kokoszka	6/30/2017	Catherine E. Davis	6/30/2016
Virginia V. Routhier	6/30/2017	Karin Bergeron	6/30/2016
William Gifford	6/30/2016	_	

R. Michael Sullivan (Selectmen's Representative – Ex Officio)

#### EDUCATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE (2 YEAR TERM)

#### **ENERGY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)**

Edward R. Goldberg	6/30/2015	R. Michael Sullivan (BOS Rep.)	6/30/2015
Walter Barnes	6/30/2015	Tony Connors	6/30/2015
Karl Daxland	6/30/2015	A. Max Kohlenberg	6/30/2015
John L. Ciccotelli	6/30/2015	Leo Brooks	6/30/2015
Vacancy			

#### (3) FENCE VIEWERS (3 YEAR TERM)

Donna Lambert 6/30/2015 2 Vacancies

#### HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

John Azevedo	6/30/2015	John W. Borden	6/30/2015
Edward B. Carey	6/30/2015	James Robeson	6/30/2015
Alexander Preston	6/30/2015		

#### **HARBORMASTER (3 YEAR TERM)**

Richard B. Earle 6/30/2015

#### **ASSISTANT HARBORMASTER (1 YEAR TERM)**

Jonathan Paull	6/30/2015	Gary A. Tripp	6/30/2015
James Perry	6/30/2015	Christopher Leonard	6/30/2015
Richard Hart (Volunteer)	6/30/2015	Greg Robb (Volunteer)	6/30/2015
Andrew Sousa	6/30/2015		

#### **HISTORICAL COMMISSION (3 YEAR TERM)**

<u>Regular</u>		<u>Alternates</u>	
Geraldine Millham	6/30/2016	James H. Collins, Jr.	6/30/2015
Stanley Cornwall	6/30/2017	Christine Vezetinski	6/30/2017
Janet Jones	6/30/2015	Vacancy	
David Paddock	6/30/2017		
Jane Loos	6/30/2015		
William Kendall	6/30/2015		
Paul Somerson	6/30/2017		

#### HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

Elaine Ostroff	6/30/2015	Craig J. Dutra	6/30/2015
Warren Messier	6/30/2015	Brian Corey Jr.	6/30/2015
Elizabeth A. Collins	6/30/2015	Nicholas Christ	6/30/2015
James P. Sabra	6/30/2015		

#### HOUSING REHAB ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(Grant Manager)Elizabeth A. Collins (Housing Authority Rep.)Ralph Souza (Building Inspector)Elaine Ostroff (Planning Board Rep.)(Council on Aging Rep.)(Conservation Comm. Rep.)James Walsh (Board of Health Rep.)R. Michael Sullivan (Board of Selectmen Rep.)

## LONG-TERM PLANNING TOWN BUILDING EVALUATION COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERM)

William Gifford 6/30/2017 Robert R. Rebello 6/30/2017 Edward Brum 6/30/2016

#### NARROWS REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

Richard M. Spirlet (BOS Rep.) 6/30/2015 James Whitin (Planning Bd Rep.) 6/30/2015 Steven J. Ouellette (WEDTF Rep.) 6/30/2015 William Raus (Planning Bd Rep.) 6/30/2015

3 Vacancies (At-Large)

#### PERSONNEL BOARD (3 YEAR TERM)

Patti Spiteri 6/30/2017 Eileen P. Beaulieu 6/30/2016
Thom Shaughnessy 6/30/2016 Amy Assad 6/30/2015

Shana Shufelt (Finance Committee Representative)

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief of Police Keith A. Pelletier

#### **Administrative Assistant**

Hillary Harris

#### **Lieutenants**

Paul E. Holden John J. Bell

#### <u>Sergeants</u>

Antonio J. Cestodio Christopher Dunn
John P. Couto Thomas Plourde
Christopher M. Mello Gary L. Cambra
Scott Arrington

#### Regular Police Officers

David Arruda Bryan C. McCarthy Barry F. Beaulieu Francois Napert III Scott N. Davis Ryan Nickelson Kyle J. Fernandes Todd Oliver Fernando A. Goncalves Robert Rebello Matthew P. Holden Robert J. Reed David M. Leite David Simcoe Jeffrey F. Majewski Tara E. Souza

#### E-911 Dispatchers

Jennifer J. Scott Sara Beth Carvalho Kylie E. Ouellette Amy-Lyn Smiddy

#### Reserve Police Officers

William G. Baraby Keith J, Novo Jeffrey S. Belyea Kylie E. Ouellette Richard J. Rodrigues Mario DaCunha Nathanael J. Jones Marshall A. Ronco Michael R. Roussel Michael Kelley Stephen D. Kovar Jr. Michael Silvia Jarrod M. Levesque Brian D. Souza Samuel E. Teixeira Jean Lopez

#### **PUBLIC WEIGHER (1 YEAR TERM)**

Jason Fonseca	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Kenneth Kehoe	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Margarida D'Aguiar	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Mark Gitlin	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Abe Melendez	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Everett Miranda	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Terry Schaf	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Brad St. Sauveur	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Chris Keissing	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Chris Dumas	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Joseph Hauser	at 548 State Road	6/30/2015
Scott Smith	at 37 Charlotte White Road	6/30/2015
Kimberly Feno	at 37 Charlotte White Road	6/30/2015
Carrie Allen	at 37 Charlotte White Road	6/30/2015
Eric Abate	at 449 American Legion Hwy.	6/30/2015
Paul Chaves	at 449 American Legion Hwy.	6/30/2015
Tom Frizzell	at 449 American Legion Hwy.	6/30/2015
James McConnell	at 449 American Legion Hwy.	6/30/2014

#### RECREATION COMMISSION (3 YEAR TERM)

George R. Cataldo	6/30/2013	Kylie Ouellette	6/30/2017
Timothy Gillespie	6/30/2017	Cecilia M. Carney	6/30/2017
3 Vacancies		·	

#### REGISTRARS OF VOTERS (3 YEAR TERM)

<u>Democrats</u>	<u>Republican</u>

 Marlene Samson
 4/1/2017
 Wilma Woodruff
 4/1/2015

 Barbara A. Lambert
 4/1/2015
 Arthur Caesar
 4/1/2017

#### SAFETY REGULATION BOARD (1 YEAR TERM)

(Art. 30 - Section 1, 1978)

Richard M. Spirlet, Selectmen's Representative 6/30/2015 Christopher Gonsalves, Highway Foreman 6/30/2015 Donna Lambert, Fence Viewer 6/30/2015

#### SHELLFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

George Smith	6/30/2015	John W. Borden, Jr.	6/30/2015
Richard E. Smith	6/30/2015	Ronald P. Savaria	6/30/2015t
Dora Atwater Millikin	6/30/2015		

#### SHELLFISH CONSTABLE (3 YEAR TERM)

Gary Sherman 6/30/2016

#### **DEPUTY SHELLFISH CONSTABLE (3 YEAR TERM)**

Scott J. Soares	6/30/2016	Timothy Field	6/30/2016	
Andrew Sherman	6/30/2016	Jeffrey Francoeur	6/30/2016	
Eric M. Hickey	6/30/2016	Paul Macomber	6/30/2016	
Daniel P. Sullivan	Honorary	Christopher Leonard	6/30/2017	
Robert Pierce (Special Deputy Shellfish Constable)				

#### SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD/CONSERVATION COMMISSION (3 YEAR TERM)

John Reynolds	6/30/2016	Thomas F. Martin	6/30/2015
Noelle J. Briand	6/30/2016	Richard Lambert	6/30/2017
David Aguiar	6/30/2017	Michael Duval	6/30/2015
Paul Joncas	6/30/2017		

#### SRPEDD & SRTA (1 YEAR TERM)

Steven J. Ouellette	SRPEDD - Selectmen's Representative
James Whitin	SRPEDD - Planning Board Representative
Antone C. Vieira Jr.	SRTA - Selectmen's Representative
R. Michael Sullivan	SRTA - Alternate Selectmen's Representative

James K. Hartnett Joint Transportation Planning Group
Andrew M. Souza (Alternate) Joint Transportation Planning Group

#### TAX INCENTIVE PROGRAM COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

Robert Grillo (Board of Assessors Representative)	6/30/2015
R. Michael Sullivan (Board of Selectmen Representative)	6/30/2015
Christine Sylvia (Interim Town Treasurer)	6/30/2015
Elaine Ostroff (Planning Board Representative)	6/30/2015
Mark Carney (Finance Committee Representative)	6/30/2015
Steven J. Ouellette (WEDTF Representative)	6/30/2015

#### **TOWN BEACH LIFEGUARDS**

#### Summer 2014

Evan Audette Head Lifeguard **Brad Morel** Lifeguard Joseph Matrisciano Lifeguard Max Trojano Lifequard Andrew Baptiste Lifeguard Althea Sylvia Lifeguard Connor Ragas Lifeguard Rachel E. Brown Lifeguard Cameron C. Schofield Lifeguard

#### WESTPORT AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND (2 YEAR TERM)

Brian R. Corey, Jr.	6/30/2015	Warren Messier	6/30/2015
Nicholas M. Christ	6/30/2016	Elizabeth A. Collins	6/30/2016
Craig J. Dutra	6/30/2016	Elaine Ostroff	6/30/2016
James P. Sabra	6/30/2016		

#### WESTPORT AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

	1 Year Term - Alternates	
6/30/2016	Donna Lambert	6/30/2015
6/30/2017	Hannah Wolbach	6/30/2015
6/30/2016	Michael S. Perry Jr.	6/30/2015
6/30/2015	•	
6/30/2015		
6/30/2017		
6/30/2015		
	6/30/2017 6/30/2016 6/30/2015 6/30/2015 6/30/2017	6/30/2016 Donna Lambert 6/30/2017 Hannah Wolbach 6/30/2016 Michael S. Perry Jr. 6/30/2015 6/30/2017

#### WESTPORT CITIZENS BETTERMENT COMMITTEE (1 YEAR TERM)

Shirley Desrosiers	6/30/2015	Charlene R. Wood	6/30/2015
Patricia Kershaw	6/30/2015	Leone Farias	6/30/2015
Phyllis Chrupcala	6/30/2015		

#### WESTPORT CULTURAL COUNCIL (2-3 YEAR TERMS)

Irene Buck	6/30/2015	Carolyn Duby	6/30/2016
Suzanne Thomlinson	6/30/2015	Judith A. Duval	6/30/2017

#### Ruddick C. Lawrence, Jr. 6/30/2017

#### WESTPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE (1 YEAR TERM)

Steven J. Ouellette (Board of Selectmen Representative)	6/30/2015
Timothy J. King (Ex Officio)	6/30/2015
James W. Coyne, Jr.	6/30/2015
Maurice E. May	6/30/2015
William D. Raus	6/30/2015
Marc DeRego (Planning Board Representative)	6/30/2015
John J. Baughan	6/30/2015
Suzanne M. Alden	6/30/2015

#### WESTPORT WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

One-Year Terms
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Thomas W. Schmitt (WRWA Representative)	6/30/2015
James Walsh (Board of Health Representative)	6/30/2015
Jay Tripp (Agricultural Commission Representative)	6/30/2015
Christopher Gonsalves (Highway Department)	6/30/2015

#### Three-Year Terms

Richard Barressi (Precinct A Representative)	6/30/2015
William J. Burns (Precinct B Representative)	6/30/2015
William M. Harkins (Precinct C Representative)	6/30/2016
Antone C. Vieira Jr. (Precinct D Representative)	6/30/2015
Maurice E. May (Precinct E Representative)	6/30/2015

#### **BONDS**

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

#### **ONE-DAY LIQUOR LICENSES**

Issued 16 (\$50.00 ea.)

#### TRAILER PERMITS

Issued 90 (\$60.00 ea.)

#### HIX BRIDGE PERMITS

Issued 403 (\$10.00 ea.)

#### **ENTERTAINMENT LICENSES**

Issued 11 (\$150.00 ea.)

#### **COMMON VICTUALLERS LICENSES**

Issued 59 (\$75.00 ea.)

#### **INNHOLDER'S LICENSES**

Issued 3 (\$50.00 ea.)

#### <u>AUTOMATIC AMUSEMENT LICENSES</u>

Issued 3 (\$20.00 per machine)

#### **TOTAL COLLECTED**

(Fees & Miscellaneous) \$83,153.02



#### **2014 MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES**

#### CLASS I (New)

JP Trailer Manufacturing 758 State Road

#### CLASS II (Used)

"A" Auto Sales	644 State Road
Advanced Motors Sales & Service	735 State Road
Amaral Bus/Truck Sales & Service	1090 State Road
AutoPlus Motorcars	729 State Road
Beaulieu's Garage	497 Sanford Road
Bernard Auto Sales, Inc.	280 State Road
Carvalho's Bargain Motors	935 State Road
Dan's Auto Sales	559 State Road
Distinctive Autobody, Refinishing & Sales, Ltd.	1121 State Road
F & R Auto Sales, Inc.	1052 State Road
Ferreira's Auto Body & Sales	85 Forge Road
Ferreira's Auto Sales & Marine Annex	1115 State Road
Ferrine's Sales & Service	914 State Road
Forge Auto Sales	6 Forge Court
Frank E. Brayton, Jr. Auto Sales & Service, Inc.	626 Adamsville Road
G & S Used Auto Sales	924 State Road
Glenwood Auto Sales	10 Glenwood Avenue
Greenwood Park Motors, Inc.	25 Arlington Avenue
G. Souza's Hillside Motors	1121 State Road
Hart Auto Sales	431A Main Road

Henry's Diesel Performance Plus, Inc.

High Tech Auto Sales & Service

Hometown Motors

Horseneck Auto Sales, Inc.

867 State Road

956 State Road

620 Sanford Road

683A American Legion Highway

J & L Pond View Auto Sales Corp.909 State RoadJ.B.S. Towing Services Corp.505 State RoadJohn Soares Village Garage, Inc.660 Main RoadJohn Soares Village Garage, Inc.660A Main Road

John Soares Village Garage, Inc. 660A Main Road
Katie's Auto & Truck Sales 449 American Legion Highway

Leclairs Auto Sales 702 State Road
Messier Motors, Inc. 972 State Road
Mid Town Motorsports 757 State Road
Mike's Auto 983 State Road
Norwest Auto Sales, Inc. 237 State Road

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Norwest Auto Sales, Inc.

Nu-Way Auto Sales

Pine Hill Auto Sales

Prestige Auto Mart Inc.

R & J Auto Sales

983 State Road

237 State Road

929 Pine Hill Road

1175 State Road

1016B State Road

R & R Auto Body & Sales 800A American Legion Highway

RJM Motors 718 State Road S & K Auto Sales 1016A State Road Showtime Auto Outlet 585 State Road State Road Auto Sales, Inc. 327 State Road State Road Auto Sales, Inc. Annex 851C State Road Tech Auto World, LLC 237B State Road

Thad's Auto Salvage, Inc.

237B State Road

Thad's Auto Salvage, Inc.

37 Charlotte White Road

The Shine Shop Auto Sales

3D Auto Sales Inc.

1Dion Avenue Auto Sales

8 Union Avenue

Union Avenue Auto Sales 8 Union Avenue
Westport Auto Center 1018 State Road
Westport Auto & RV Center 1058 State Road

#### CLASS III (Junk)

Lantic Salvage 58 Charlotte White Road
Mid-City Scrap Iron, Inc. 548 State Road
Robert J. Desmarais 560 Highland Avenue
Thad's Auto Salvage, Inc. 37 Charlotte White Road
Westport Auto Recycling 443 American Legion Highway

#### GARAGE & SERVICE STATION REPAIR LICENSES

Adamsville Garage 626 Adamsville Road
Advanced Motors Sales & Service 735 State Road
Amaral Bus/Truck Sales & Service 1090 State Road

Auto Tech 443 American Legion Highway

Barry's Mobile Automotive
Beaulieu's Garage
C & D Automotive Repair
Carvalho's Bargain Motors, Inc.
Distinctive Autohody & Refinishing & Sales Ltd.

443 American Legic
443 American Legic
445 American Legic
447 Sanford Road
497 Sanford Road
276A State Road
935 State Road

Distinctive Autobody & Refinishing & Sales, Ltd.

East Coast RV & Auto Repair

Ferreira's Auto Body & Sales

1121 State Road
131 Old Bedford Road
91 Forge Road

Five Star Collision Inc.

Four Square Garage

Genie Auto Repair

683A American Legion Highway
618 Sanford Road
800E American Legion Highway

Glenwood Auto Detailing 10 Glenwood Avenue

G. Souza's Hillside Motors, Inc. 800 B & D American Legion Highway

Hart Auto Body
Henry's Diesel Performance Plus Inc.
High Tech Auto Sales & Service
J.B.S. Towing Services
Joal's Auto Garage
Joe's Auto Repair

431 Main Road
867 State Road
956 State Road
505 State Road
500 Adamsville Road
468 American Legion Highway

John Soares Village Garage, Inc.

Lou's Custom Exhaust

Macomber's Garage

Magic Jeannie

Martin's Repair Shop

Mendes Auto Repair

Nu-Way Auto Repair

660 Main Road

727 State Road

1523 Drift Road

775 State Road

112 Sanford Road

130 Plymouth Boulevard

837A State Road

Nu-Way Auto Repair

Pine Hill Auto Repair, Inc.

R & J Auto Sales

837A State Road
929 Pine Hill Road
1016B State Road

R & R Auto Body & Sales 800A American Legion Highway

Roger's Automotive, Inc.

Rte. 6 Gas

State Road Auto Sales, Inc.

1121 State Road
162 State Road
327 State Road

Thad's Auto Salvage & Service 37 Charlotte White Road

The Shine Shop, Inc.

937 State Road
Westport Auto Center

Westport Auto Clinic
Westport Tire, Inc.

937 State Road
422 Sanford Road
718 State Road
Whaling City Transit, Inc.
92 Sanford Road
Wilfrid's Garage, Inc.
427 Main Road

#### STORAGE LICENSES

The Shine Shop, Inc.

937 State Road
State Road Auto Sales, Inc. Annex

851 State Road

#### **2014 LIQUOR LICENSES**

#### PACKAGE GOODS STORE - ALL ALCOHOLIC

Briere's, Inc.

Albert E. Lees, Inc. d/b/a Lees Supermarket

Naseeb Corp. d/b/a State Road Package Store
Westport Liquors and Redemption Center.

Samodi, Inc. d/b/a Westport Market

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

Westport Wine & Spirits Inc. 655 State Road

#### PACKAGE GOODS STORE – WINES AND MALT

Jay Maa Durga, Inc. d/b/a Harry's Country Store Inc.
Janet's Country Store & Deli, Inc.

Pine Hill Gas and Convenience, Inc.

646 American Legion Highway
526 Sanford Road
929 Pine Hill Road

#### **RESTAURANT - ALL ALCOHOLIC**

Badkitty Inc. d/b/a The Back Eddy
The Bayside Restaurant Inc.
Bittersweet Restaurant Inc.
P. & G. Bowling W., Inc. d/b/a Holiday Lanes
J & S Enterprises, Inc. db/a Kozy Nook Restaurant

1 Bridge Road
1253 Horseneck Road
438-440 Main Road
236 State Road
645 State Road

Joe's Café & Lounge, LLC d/b/a Joe's Café & Lounge
House of Chu, Inc. d/b/a Oriental Pearl
P.D. Foods, Inc. d/b/a Portas da Cidade
Hixbridge Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Ten Cousins' Brick Oven
Westport Club, Inc.
The Westporter Plantation & Cookery, Inc.
Lafrance Brothers, Inc. d/b/a White's Restaurant

549 American Legion Highway
576 State Road
235 State Road
977 Main Road
1031 Main Road
66 State Road

#### **RESTAURANT - WINES AND MALT**

Marguerite's Restaurant 778 Main Road

## RESTAURANT (COMMERCIAL CLUB) ALL ALCOHOLIC

Holy Ghost Club, Inc.

171 Sodom Road
W.A. & R. Ouellette Post # 8502
Acoaxet Club, Inc.

171 Sodom Road
843 State Road
152 Howland Road

#### SEASONAL MISCELLANEOUS

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

#### **POURING PERMITS**

Buzzards Bay Brewing, Inc.

218 Horseneck Road
Westport Rivers, Inc.

417 Hix Bridge Road



Jan. 15, 2014

Town of Westport Board of Selectman & Planning Board

Please be advised effective Jan. 15, 2014, I hereby resign from the Planning Board.

I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to the voters who wrote my name as a write-in candidate for 5 year term on the Planning Board in the 2013 Town Election.

Sincerely,

Wayne A. Sunderland

Friday, March 14, 2014

To: The Selectmen, Town Clerk, Employees and Residents of Westport,

It is with regret that I notify you of my decision to give you the three months notice required under my contract with the Town. Friday, June 13, 2014 will be my final day as Town Administrator in Westport. I am taking this action at this time in order to give the Selectmen the time to budget, advertise and hire a full-time Town Administrator between now and then. Steve Lombard and I will continue to work to fulfill our contracts and plan to accomplish all tasks we were assigned. I know Steve will want to comment further on his return from Florida next month.

I have done my very best to work with you all to move the Town in a positive direction, and I believe that, together, we have laid the foundation for improving the way the Town does business.

I hope to continue to have the warm relationship with many of you, that we have had for the past two and a half years. And, I will pray every day that Town Officials find a way to work together to resolve the Financial and Interpersonal issues that so often block progress in the Town.

God Bless You,

John F. Healey

March 15, 2014

To: Town of Westport
Board of Selectmen
Town Clerk
Town Employees

This letter will serve as notice to the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk, and Employees that I will not be renewing my contract, which will end on June 30, 2014, as Business Manger for the Town of Westport. Under the terms of my contract with the Board of Selectmen, I am required to give a ninety (90) day notice of my decision to leave the employment of the Town of Westport. This notice is to meet that requirement in the contract.

I will continue to keep on working to fulfill the goals and objectives of my contract until it ends on June 30, 2014. I am notifying you of my decision, at this time, to allow you time to advertise and hire a person to fill this position effective July 1, 2014.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board, all elected and appointed officials, department heads and employees for all their cooperation and help they have given me to meet the goals and objectives that were assigned me.

Stephen J. Lombard

# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF WESTPORT WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION APRIL 8, 2014

BRISTOL, SS.

1%?"

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

To the Constables of the Town of Westport: GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify ad 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 Tuesday, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April next, it being the second Tuesday of the month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon then and there to choose the following Offices, viz: Two Selectmen, One Town Clerk, One Treasurer, One Collector of Taxes, One Assessor, One Board of Health Member, One School Committee Member, One regional School Committee Member, One Fish Commissioner, Two Constables, Two Trustees of the Free Public Library, One Landing Commissioner and One Commissioner of Trust Funds, each for three year terms; One Housing Authority and One Planning Board member each for a five year term and One Planning Board member for a four year unexpired term and to vote on the following question:

# QUESTION 1. "Shall the Town of Westport be allowed to assess and additional \$500,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the Capital Stabilization Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014?" Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ QUESTION 2. "Shall the Town of Westport be allowed to assess an additional \$ 949,465.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the Operating Budgets for the Town (\$ 391,526.00) and the School Department (\$ 557,939.00) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014?" Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_\_ QUESTION 3. THIS IS A NON-BINDING "SENSE OF THE VOTERS" QUESTION "Shall the Town of Westport request the Board of Selectmen to place a warrant article on the Annual Town Meeting to reduce the Community Preservation Act Surcharge on real estate tax bills from 2% to

No \_\_\_\_\_

QUESTION 4.  THIS IS A NON-BINDING "SENSE OF THE VOTERS" QUESTION  "Shall the Town of Westport vote to have its elected Treasurer become an appointed Treasurer of the Town?"  Yes No
QUESTION 5. THIS IS A NON-BINDING "SENSE OF THE VOTERS" QUESTION "Shall the Town of Westport explore options to reduce the number of Town-owned buildings and explore consolidation of operations in the remaining buildings?" Yes No
QUESTION 6. THIS IS A NON-BINDING "SENSE OF THE VOTERS" QUESTION "Shall the Town of Westport support the building of a casino in a neighboring community within Southeastern Massachusetts?" Yes No
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.
And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant be 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 10th day of March in the year two thousand twelve.

Antone C. Vieira Jr., Chairman Richard M. Spirlet Steven J. Ouellette Craig J. Dutra R. Michael Sullivan WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson Town Clerk Westport, MA 02790 March 11, 2014

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2014, I posted 7 true attested copies of the foregoing 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
Lees Supermarket

Officer David Simcoe Westport Police Department



# ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION Westport, MA APRIL 8, 2014

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		<u>Sworn</u>
Steven J. Ouellette had one thousand nine hundred eighty-five Antone C. Vieira Jr. had one thousand seven hundred sixty-one Richard M. Tongue had one thousand six hundred twenty-three Blanks, one thousand eight hundred seventeen	1985 1761 1623 1817	4/8/14 4/9/14
Town Clerk - Three Years  Marlene M. Samson had two thousand seven hundred forty-nine Blanks, eight hundred forty-four	2749 844	4/10/14
Treasurer - Three Years  George E. Foster had two thousand five hundred twenty-three Blanks, one thousand seventy	2523 1070	4/9/14
Collector of Taxes - Three Years  Carol A. Borden had two thousand six hundred fifty-four Blanks, nine hundred thirty-nine	2654 939	4/9/14
Assessor - Three Years  John J. McDermott had two thousand four hundred ninety-three Blanks, one thousand one hundred	2493 1100	4/10/14
Board Of Health - Three Years  Karl W. Santos had two thousand four hundred forty-one Blanks, one thousand one hundred fifty-two	2441 1152	4/14/14
School Committee - Three Years  Michael P. Sullivan had nine hundred ninety-two	992	

Christopher Parker had one thousand twenty-five Nancy Rioux had one thousand one hundred seventy-five Blanks, four hundred one	1025 1175 401	4/8/14
Regional School Committee - Three Years  Paul R. Jennings had one thousand six hundred eighty-six John J. Baughan had one thousand eighty-one Blanks, eighty hundred twenty-six	1686 1081 826	4/9/14
Fish Commissioner - Three Years  George A. Yeomans had two thousand three hundred forty-four Blanks, one thousand two hundred forty-nine	2344 1249	4/10/14
Trustees Of Free Public Library - Three Years  Pauline B. Dooley had two thousand one hundred forty-one James J. Walsh Jr. had two thousand thirty-seven Blanks, three thousand eight	2141 2037 3008	4/10/14 4/9/14
Landing Commissioner - Three Years  Gerald Coutinho (write-in) had ninety-eight Newton Millham (write-in) had one hundred two John Taylor (write-in) had nineteen Blanks, three thousand three hundred seventy-four	98 102 19 3374	4/11/14
Housing Authority - Five Years  Ronald E. Costa had two thousand one hundred seventy-one Blanks, one thousand four hundred twenty-two	2171 1422	4/15/14
Planning Board - Five Years  William D. Raus had two thousand sixty-nine Pamela Costa (write-in) had nineteen Marc DeRego (write-in) had twenty-two Gerald Coutinho (write-in) had four Constance Gee (write-in) had eight Blanks, one thousand four hundred seventy-one	2069 19 22 4 8 1471	4/9/14
Planning Board - Three Year Unexpired Term  Pamela Costa (write-in) had seventy-three  Marc DeRego (write-in) had seventy-eight  Gerry Coutinho (write-in) had thirteen  Constance Gee (write-in) had sixteen  Blanks, three thousand four hundred thirteen	73 78 13 16 3413	4/10/14
Board Of Commissioners Of Trust Funds - Three Years  Maxwell F. Turner had two thousand one hundred seventy-three Blanks, one thousand four hundred twenty	2173 1420	4/9/14
Question 1 – Capital Stabilization Fund Yes, one thousand sixty-four	1064	

No, two thousand two hundred seven Blanks, three hundred twenty-two	2207 322
Question 2 – Fund Operating Budgets  Yes, one thousand one hundred ninety-four No, two thousand three hundred forty-three Blanks, fifty-six	1194 2343 56
Question 3 – Reduce C.P.A. Surcharge  Yes, one thousand six hundred fifty-eight No, one thousand seven hundred sixty-eight Blanks, one hundred sixty-seven	1658 1768 167
Question 4 – Change Treasurer from Elected to Appointed Yes, one thousand one hundred forty-five No, two thousand one hundred thirty-seven Blanks, three hundred eleven	1145 2137 311
Question 5 – Reduce Town-Owned Buildings Yes, two thousand five hundred sixty-one No, seven hundred fifty-two Blanks, two hundred eighty	2561 752 280
Question 6 – Support Casino  Yes, one thousand five hundred ninety-three No, one thousand eight hundred ten Blanks, one hundred ninety	1593 1810 190
A true record, Attest:	

Marlene M. Samson Town Clerk

# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF WESTPORT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MAY 3, 2014

#### BRISTOL, SS.

To either 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 3, 2014 at 9:00 a.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 9:05 a.m. by Moderator Steven W. Fors. Bernadette Oliver acted as timekeeper for the meeting in accordance with a by-law adopted under Article 45 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1963. All in attendance stood to salute the flag of our nation.

Motion and second to dispense with the reading of the warrant and the Constable's return of service. Voted: Unanimously.

Motion and second to authorize the Moderator to declare that a two-thirds vote has been achieved according to General Law, Chapter 39 §15. Voted: Unanimously.

Motion and second to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 9:25 a.m. until today at 12:30 p.m. Voted: Carried.

The Special Town Meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.

Motion and second to adjourn the Special Town Meeting until today at 12:45 p.m. Voted: Carried.

There were 262 registered voters and 7 visitors and press in attendance.

#### 5/3/14 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The Annual Town Meeting was reconvened at 12:34 p.m. by Moderator Steven W. Fors. All in attendance stood to salute the flag.

Motion and second to appoint Shana Shufelt as Deputy Moderator and she was duly sworn by the Town Clerk. Voted: Unanimously.

Charles Baron, Finance Committee Chairman, presented a report from the committee concerning the Town's Finances.

Motion and second to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 12:45 p.m. and to convene the Special Town Meeting.

# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF WESTPORT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT MAY 3, 2014

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 7, 2014 at 9:30 a.m., and than and there to act on the following articles, viz:

#### 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, 2013, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

FROM:	TO:	AMOUNT
Waterline Retained Earnings	Waterline Enterprise	\$23,120.00
Available Funds	Veterans Benefits	\$15,000.00
Available Funds	Snow & Ice	\$148,274.00
Available Funds	Data Processing	\$60,000.00
Highway Personal Services	Highway Expenses	\$20,000.00
Selectmen Personal Services	Selectmen Expenses	\$15,900.00
	·	BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Motion and second to amend Article 1 by reducing the Veterans Benefits to \$9,000.00 and Data Processing to \$30,000.00 and to change the source of funding from Available Funds to Free Cash. Voted: Unanimously.

Voted: Unanimously that the Town approve the line-item transfers as amended.

# Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 9A of Chapter 200A of the Massachusetts General Laws relating to an alternative procedure for disposing of abandoned funds held by the Town, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

TOWN TREASURER

Motion and second to accept 9A of Chapter 200A of the Massachusetts General Laws relating to an alternative procedure for disposing of abandoned funds held by the Town. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the following authorized unissued borrowing:

Article	Date	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
15	12/7/10	School Buildings Green Projects	\$498,335.00
		•	TOWN TREASURER

Motion and second to rescind the authorized unissued borrowing listed in Article 3 of the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$456,000.00 from either Free Cash or the Stabilization Fund for related medical expenses and administrative services related to the processing of bills for a public safety employee.

FIRE CHIEF/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Motion and second that the Town vote to transfer \$456,000.00 from Free Cash for the purpose of Article 4 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 5

would allow the Town to borrow money to fund certain payments of medical expenses incurred by public safety personnel resulting from injuries sustained in the line of duty; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to such bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill prior to enactment by the General Court, and provided further that the

Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition:

# AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTPORT TO BORROW FOR THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN MEDICAL EXPENSES

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. Not withstanding the provisions of sections 7 or 8 of chapter 44 of the General laws, or of any other general or special law to the contrary, the Town of Westport is hereby authorized to borrow up to \$500,000.00 in each of the 4 periods set forth below for payment of legally-obligated medical expenses incurred or to be incurred from March, 2014 through June, 2018 by certain public safety personnel resulting from injuries sustained in the line of duty: (1) March, 2014 through June, 2015; (2) July, 2015 through June, 2016; (3) July, 2016 through June, 2017; and (4) July, 2017 through June 2018, inclusive. The Town may issue bonds and notes for the amounts required to meet the Town's obligations as described herein, which shall be payable for a period not to exceed 20 years from the date of issuance. The Town may also issue temporary notes in anticipation of this borrowing under section 17 of chapter 44 of the General Laws. Bonds and notes may be issued under this act by the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, and the proceeds may be expended without further authorization or appropriation by the Town. Indebtedness incurred under this act shall not be included in determining the limit of indebtedness of the Town under section 10 of said chapter 44 but, except as provided in this act, shall otherwise be subject to said chapter 44.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

#### FIRE CHIEF/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Motion and second to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation in the form set forth in the warrant under Article 5; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical and editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill prior to enactment by the General Court, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve amendments which shall be within the public purposes of the petition. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to enact legislation, as set forth below, which would

- 1. authorize the Board of Selectmen to present to the voters of the Town a "Proposition  $2\frac{1}{2}$  like" question, allowing the amounts needed to pay for the legally-obligated medical expenses of certain public safety personnel resulting from injuries sustained in the line of duty to be raised outside of the limitation on total taxes imposed by Proposition  $2\frac{1}{2}$  either on an annual basis, similar to a multi-year "capital outlay" or to allow the Town to repay principal and interest on debt incurred for such purposes, a "debt exclusion",
- 2. create a special purpose fund into which amounts raised or borrowed for such purposes would be maintained, and from which payments may be made by the Board of Selectmen, subject to the checks and balances imposed on municipal spending under the provisions of G.L. c. 40, §56, for the purposes described herein without any further appropriation by Town Meeting; and
- 3. and further, that when no further legally-obligated medical expenses exist, such fund would close to the general fund to be appropriated by Town Meeting to reduce the tax levy; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to such bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill prior to enactment by the General Court, and provided

further that the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition, or take any other action relative thereto.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTPORT TO ASSESS AN ADDITIOANL AMOUNT OF REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES, IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNT PERMITTED BY LAW, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PAYMENT OF LEGALLY OBLIGATED MEDICAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY CERTAIN TOWN OF WESTPORT PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RESULTING FROM INJURIES SUSTAINED IN THE LINE OF DUTY

Be in enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 21C of Chapter 59 of the General laws, or any other general or special law, the Board of Selectmen may seek voter approval for the Town to assess an additional amount of real estate and personal property taxes, not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) in any given fiscal year through Fiscal Year 2019, in excess of the amount otherwise permitted by law, for the purpose of funding payment of legally obligated medical expenses incurred or to be incurred by certain Town of Westport public safety personnel resulting from injuries sustained in the line of duty, or for debt issued for that purpose.
- Section 2. Prior to October 1 of each year the Town shall notify the Director of Accounts in the Department of Revenue of the amount the Board of Assessors shall raise on the tax rate for that purpose.
- Section 3. Authorization to place a quesiton on the ballot as set forth in section 1 of this act shall remain in effect as long as there are outstanding legally obligated medical expenses incurred or to be incurred from March, 2014 through June, 2018 by certain Town of westport public safety personnel resulting from injuries sustained in the line of duty.
- Should the voters approve the assessment of additional funds as authorized under section 1, there shall be established on the books of the Town a special purpose fund, to be maintained by the Town Treasurer, into which such additional assessed amounts shall be deposited. Interest earned by the proceeds of said fund shall remain with said fund. Such additional amount assessed each year shall be considered an amount approved under paragraph (i½) or (k) of Section 21C of Chapter 59 of the General Laws for purposes of calculating the "total taxes assessed" in paragraph (a), or the maximum levy limit in paragraph (f), of Section 21C of Chapter 59 of the General Laws.
- Section 5. Money from said fund may be expended for payment of legally obligated medical expenses incurred by certain Town of Westport public safety personnel resulting from injuries sustained in the line of duty, or for debt issued for that purpose, and for no other purpose. The proceeds of such fund may be expended by the Board of Selectmen without further authorization or appropriation.
- Section 6. Said fund shall be maintained as long as there are outstanding legally obligated medical expenses incurred or to be incurred from March, 2014 through June, 2018 by certain Town of Westport public safety personnel resulting from injuries sustained in the line of duty and until the Board of selectmen of said town of Westport shall vote that no such medical expenses remain outstanding.
- Section 7. When said fund is closed the proceeds of said fund shall be appropriated by the Town as an available fund for the purpose of reducing the tax levy in accordance with instructions received from the Director of Accounts in the Department of Revenue.
- Section 8. Any question submitted to the voters pursuant to this act shall be worded as follows, and shall be followed by a fair and concise summary of the question, including the effect of a "yes" vote and a "no" vote, prepared by Town Counsel:

"Shall the Town of Westport, in accord with a Special Act approved by the General Court

in the year 2014, be allowed to assess an additional amount of real estate and personal property taxes, not to exceed \$500,000.00 in any fiscal year, for the purpose of funding payment of legally obligated medical expenses incurred by certain Town of Westport public safety personnel resulting from injuries sustained in the line of duty, or for debt issued for that purpose?"

YES	NO	?

Section 9. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FIRE CHIEF/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Motion and second to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation in the form set forth in the warrant under Article 6; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical and editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill prior to enactment by the General Court, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve amendments which shall be within the public purposes of the petition. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 and/or transfer from available funds to purchase an insurance policy to cover public safety personnel injured while on duty, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Motion and second that the Town vote to appropriate \$35,000.00 from Free Cash for the purpose of Article 7 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds and/or borrow the sum of \$50,000.00 to pay the costs associated with the continued monitoring of the PCB levels of the Westport Middle School, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Motion and second that the Town vote to appropriate \$50,000.00 from Free Cash for the purpose of Article 8 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to increase the Social Day Care Revolving Account from the current limit of \$80,000.00 to \$96,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2014, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

**COUNCIL ON AGING** 

Motion and second that the Town vote to increase the Social Day Care Revolving Account limits for FY2014 as printed in Article 9 of the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Laws **SECTION 5. COMPENSATION PLAN**, **SUB-SECTION B.3** by deleting the following which pertains only to union employees:

#### 3. Pay Rate

<u>K</u> = Contract: <u>A</u> - Town Hall Departments, Cemetery and Library Agreement; <u>B</u> - Highway Department Agreement; <u>C</u> - Police Department Agreement; <u>D</u> - Fire Department Agreement.

and renumbering the former **SUB-SECTION B.4.** as the following:

# 3. <u>Type</u>

a. <u>FT</u> = Full time

**b. PT** = Part time

**c. S** = Seasonal

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/PERSONNEL BOARD

Motion and second that the Town vote to amend the Personnel By-laws as printed in Article 10 of the warrant. Voted: Carried.

# Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Laws by deleting in its entirety **SECTION 5. COMPENSATION PLAN, SUB-SECTION E., SCHEDULE A.** and replacing it with the following, which has had all of the union positions removed:

#### **SECTION 5. COMPENSATION PLAN**

# E. SCHEDULE A

Department/Position	<u>Group</u>	<u>Hours</u>	Pay Basis	<u>Type</u>
BOARD OF APPEALS Principal Clerk	2	-20	Hourly	PT
BOARD OF ASSESSORS Assistant Assessor/Appraiser	1	R	Salary	FT
BOARD OF HEALTH Public Health-Nurse Recording Clerk	6 2	30 -20	Hourly Hourly	PT PT
BOARD OF SELECTMEN Town Administrator Secretary Confidential Clerk Data Processing Coordinator Grant Program Manager/Writer Grant Clerk Housing Rehab Specialist	1 2 2 1 2 2 2	R 40 40 R 40 -20 N	Salary Hourly Hourly Annual Hourly Hourly Hourly	FT FT FT PT PT PT
BUILDING Commissioner/Zoning Enforcement Officer Gas/Plumbing Inspector Assistant Gas/Plumbing Inspector Wire Inspector Assistant Wire Inspector	7c 7c 7c 7c 7c	40 R R R N	Salary Per Inspection Per Inspection Per Inspection Per Inspection	FT PT PT PT
CABLE ADVISORY Public Access Coordinator Public Access Coordinator Public Access Equipment Operator	2 2 2	35 -20 -20	Hourly Hourly Hourly	FT PT PT

CEMETERY Laborer	4	N	Hourly	S
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMIT Recording Clerk	<b>TEE</b> 2	-20	Hourly	PT
CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION/SOIL C	ONCEDVA:	TION DOADD	•	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION/SOIL Consistant Agent COUNCIL ON AGING	2	-20	Hourly	PT
Director	1	40	Salary	FT
Outreach Worker Social Day Care Director	2 2	-20 35	Hourly Hourly	PT FT
Assistant Social Day Care Director	2	-20	Hourly	PT
Elder Visitor	2	-20	Hourly	PT
Volunteer Coordinator	4	-20	Hourly	PT
Social Day Care Program Aide Van Driver	2 2	-20 -20	Hourly	PT PT
Transportation Clerk	2	-20 -20	Hourly Hourly	PT PT
FINANCE COMMITTEE			-	
Recording Clerk	2	-20	Hourly	PT
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FIRE DEPARTMENT Chief	1	R	Coloni	FT
Deputy Chief	1	R	Salary Salary	FT
Administrative Assistant	2	35	Hourly	FT
Dispatcher	7b	N	Hourly	PT
Call Firefighter	7b	N	Hourly	PT
Call Firefighter/EMT	7b	N	Hourly	PT
Call Firefighter/Paramedic	7b	N	Hourly	PT
HARBORMASTER				
Harbormaster	7c	R	Annual	PT
Assistant Harbormaster	7c	N	Hourly	PT
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT				
Temporary Laborer/Truck Driver	4	N	Hourly	S
HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE				
Recording Clerk	2	-20	Hourly	PT
LANDING COMMISSION				
Recording Clerk	2	-20	Hourly	PT
LIDDADV				
LIBRARY Director	1	R	Salary	FT
Library Aide		-20	Hourly	PT
Library Substitute	5 5 5	-20	Hourly	PT
After School Assistant	5	-20	Hourly	PT
PERSONNEL BOARD				
Recording Clerk	2	N	Hourly	PT
PLANNING BOARD				
Town Planner	1	R	Salary	FT
Assistant Town Planner	2	40	Salary	FT
Recording Clerk	2	-20	Hourly	PT

POLICE DEPARTMENT Chief Deputy Chief Administrative Assistant Reserve Officer E-911 Dispatcher Animal Control Officer Assistant Animal Control Officer	1 1 2 7a 2 7c 7c	R R 35 N -20 R N	Salary Salary Hourly Hourly Hourly Annual Hourly	FT FT FT PT PT PT
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS Registrar Clerk	2	N	Hourly	PT-S
SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES	7c	R	Salary	PT
SHELLFISH Constable/Wharfinger Deputy Constable	1 7c	R N	Salary Hourly	FT PT
TAX COLLECTOR Clerk	2	N	Hourly	PT-S
TOWN ACCOUNTANT Accountant	1	R	Salary	FT
TOWN BEACH Head Lifeguard Lifeguard Lifeguard	8 8 8	40 40 -20	Hourly Hourly Hourly	\$ \$ \$
VETERANS SERVICES Agent	1	R	Salary	FT

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/PERSONNEL BOARD

Motion and second that the Town vote to amend the Personnel By-laws, Section 5, Compensation Plan, as printed in Article 11 of the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

Motion and second to dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 12:58 p.m. and to reconvene the Annual Town Meeting.

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 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 14<sup>h</sup> day of April in the year two thousand and fourteen.

Antone C. Vieira Jr., Chairman Richard M. Spirlet, Vice Chairman Steven J. Ouellette Craig J. Dutra R. Michael Sullivan, Clerk

WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson

Town Clerk Westport, MA 02790 April 17, 2014

On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014, I posted 5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Briere's Inc. a.k.a. Country Liquor & Variety
Town Hall
Lees Supermarket

Sgt. Christopher Mello Westport Police Officer

# 5/3/14 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING CONTINUED

# 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

Motion and second to pass over Article 1. 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** 

Charlton Memorial Hospital	\$577.00
Westport Tire	\$204.82
Michael P. Sullivan	<u>\$ 34.19</u>
Total	\$816.01

Motion and second to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$816.01 for the purposes printed in the warrant under Article 2. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elected Town Officers for Fiscal Year 2015, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Moderator	\$	775.00
Selectmen - Chairman		6,264.00
Board Members (4)		24,637.00
Assessors - Board Members (3)		16,500.00
Board of Health - Members (3)		8,759.00
Tax Collector		59,960.00
Town Clerk		59,960.00
Treasurer	_	59,960.00

Total \$236,815.00

FINANCE COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Motion and second that the Town vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elected Town Officers as printed in the warrant under Article 3 with the following adjustments: Moderator - \$0.00; Selectman, Chairman - \$100.00 and Selectmen – Board Members (4) - \$400.00.

A hold was placed on the following offices: Moderator, Selectmen, Chairman and Selectmen, Board Members.

Motion and second that the Town vote to fix the salary and compensation of all remaining elected Town Officers without a hold, as printed in the warrant under Article 3. Voted: Unanimously.

Motion and second to set the Moderator salary at zero. Voted: the vote was in question, therefor, the Deputy Moderator appointed Jeffrey Fitton, Kevin Rioux, Michelle Duarte and Tracy Priestner to act as Tellers for the meeting and they were duly sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted: The motion to set the salary for the Moderator at zero was lost. Yes: 76 No: 103

Motion and second to set the salary for the Moderator at \$775.00 Voted: Carried.

Motion and second to set the salary of the Selectmen Chairman at \$6264.00. Voted: Carried.

#### Article 4

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, 2014 and appropriate the same to several departments and/or take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

#### FISCAL YEAR 2015 FINANCE COMMITTEE PROPOSED BUDGET

									Γ	otal FY15			
		FY14		FY14		Total FY14	Π	FY15		FY15	]	FinComm	% of Total
	İ	Salary		Expense	Ī	Budget	Ī	Salary	Ī	Expense	Re	commended	Budget
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	A	ppropriation	Αŗ	propriation		by Dept	Α	Appropriation	Α	ppropriation		by Dept	
Moderator	\$	775.00	\$	58.00	\$	833.00	\$	775.00		\$ 58.00	\$	833.00	0.00%
Selectmen	\$	248,468.00	\$	19,325.00	\$	267,793.00	\$	227,568.00	\$	19,325.00	\$	246,893.00	0.75%
Finance Committee	\$	2,100.00	\$	1,655.00	\$	3,755.00	\$	2,100.00	\$	1,205.00	\$	3,305.00	0.01%
Reserve Fund	\$		\$	50,000.00	\$	50,000.00	\$		\$	24,868.00	\$	24,868.00	0.08%
Town Accountant	\$	98,378.00	\$	41,110.00	\$	139,488.00	\$	98,986.00	\$	42,424.00	\$	141,410.00	0.43%
Assessors	\$	148,318.00	\$	15,285.00	\$	163,603.00	\$	148,324.00	\$	15,500.00	\$	163,824.00	0.50%
Treasurer	\$	136,312.00	\$	23,822.00	\$	160,134.00	\$	136,410.00	\$	22,897.00	\$	159,307.00	0.49%
Collector	\$	130,609.00	\$	44,917.00	\$	175,526.00	\$	130,609.00	\$	45,050.00	\$	175,659.00	0.54%
Legal	T		\$	100,000.00	\$	100,000.00	\$		\$	90,000.00	\$	90,000.00	0.27%
Personnel Board	\$	445.00	\$	290.00	\$	735.00	\$			\$ 290.00	\$	290.00	0.00%
Data Processing	\$	28,427.00	\$	47,200.00	\$	75,627.00	\$	28,425.00	\$	37,200.00	\$	66,625.00	0.20%
Town Clerk	\$	99,166.00	\$	2,460.00	\$	101,626.00	\$	99,630.00	\$	2,460.00	\$	102,090.00	0.31%
Registrar of Voters	\$	56,459.00	\$	17,329.00	\$	73,788.00	\$	42,447.00	\$	26,855.00	\$	69,302.00	0.21%
Conservation	\$	59,023.00	\$	4,755.00	\$	63,778.00	\$	59,023.00	\$	4,755.00	\$	63,778.00	0.19%
Planning Board	\$	116,352.00	\$	11,490.00	\$	127,842.00	\$	111,802.00	\$	11,490.00	\$	123,292.00	0.38%
Appeals Board	\$	4,728.00	\$	1,325.00	\$	6,053.00	\$	4,823.00	\$	1,325.00	\$	6,148.00	0.02%
Town Hall/Annex	\$	39,785.00	\$	75,150.00	\$	114,935.00	\$	40,493.00	\$	79,150.00	\$	119,643.00	0.36%
Property Insurance	\$		\$	220,000.00	\$	220,000.00	\$		\$	205,000.00	\$	205,000.00	0.63%
Town Reports	\$		\$	250.00	\$	250.00	\$			\$ 200.00	\$	200.00	0.00%
Town Farm	\$		\$	1,316.00	\$	1,316.00	\$		\$	1,316.00	\$	1,316.00	0.00%
	\$	1,169,345.00	\$	677,737.00	\$	1,847,082.00	\$	1,131,415.00	\$	631,368.00	\$	1,762,783.00	5.38%
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PUBLIC SAFETY		1										
Police Department	\$ 2,815,038.37	\$	317,831.00	\$	3,132,869.37	\$	2,596,130.00	\$	311,628.00	\$	2,907,758.00	8.87%
Fire Department	\$ 1,564,630.00			_	1,777,361.00				212,731.00		1,882,010.00	5.74%
Building Department	\$ 102,870.00		9,435.00			\$	102,729.00		9,435.00	\$		0.34%
Sealer of Weights & Measures	\$ 1,939.00		600.00				1,939.00		\$ 600.00	\$		0.01%
Animal Control	\$ 32,319.00	\$	9,825.00	\$	42,144.00	\$	32,866.00	\$	16,093.00	\$	48,959.00	0.15%
Shellfish	\$ 72,133.00		16,218.00			_	74,377.00		16,218.00	\$	90,595.00	0.28%
Parking Tickets	\$	\$	4,600.00		4,600.00		* /-	\$	4,600.00	\$	4,600.00	0.01%
	\$ 4,588,929.37	<u> </u>	•	_	5,160,169.37	_	4 477 320 00	_	571,305.00		5,048,625.00	15.40%
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Westport Community Schools	\$ 11,876,839.00	\$	3 998 946 00	\$	15 875 785 00	\$	12 025 785 00	\$	3,998,113.00	\$ 1	16,013,898.00	48.85%
Regional School Assessments	\$ 11,070,039.00			_	1,382,785.00		12,023,703.00	_	1,553,989.00		1,553,989.00	4.74%
	\$ 11,876,839.00			_	17,258,570.00		12 025 795 00					53.59%
	\$ 11,076,039.00	P	5,361,731.00	₹	17,256,570.00	Ą	12,025,765.00	₽	5,542,102.00	Φ .	17,567,007.00	55.59 %
PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES												
Highway Dept	\$ 532,701.00		239,000.00				532,701.00		239,000.00		771,701.00	2.35%
Snow & Ice (Storm Account)	\$ 40,000.00	<u> </u>	30,000.00		-		40,000.00	\$	30,000.00		70,000.00	0.21%
Street Lights	\$	\$	22,000.00					\$	18,000.00		18,000.00	0.05%
Transfer Station	\$ 131,433.00		128,595.00	\$	*		122,484.00		111,000.00		233,484.00	0.71%
Cemetery Department	\$ 137,117.00	\$	11,475.00	\$	148,592.00	\$	137,937.00	\$	11,475.00	\$	149,412.00	0.46%
Veteran's Graves	\$ 960.00	\$	2,030.00	\$	2,990.00	\$	960.00	\$	2,030.00	\$	2,990.00	0.01%
	\$ 842,211.00	\$	433,100.00	\$	1,275,311.00	\$	834,082.00	\$	411,505.00	\$	1,245,587.00	3.80%
HUMAN SERVICES				Г								
Board of Health	\$ 244,842.00	\$	14,728.00	\$	259,570.00	\$	219,875.00	\$	14,728.00	\$	234,603.00	0.72%
Commission on Disabilites	\$	\$	300.00					\$	300.00	\$	300.00	0.00%
Council on Aging	\$ 133,046.00	\$	54,859.00	\$	187,905.00	\$	114,351.00	\$	30,225.00	\$	144,576.00	0.44%
Veterans Services	\$ 35,190.00	\$	256,649.00	\$	291,839.00	\$	35,190.00	\$	255,588.00	\$	290,778.00	0.89%
	\$ 413,078.00	\$	326,536.00	\$	739,614.00	\$	369,416.00	\$	300,841.00	\$	670,257.00	2.04%
CULTURE & RECREATION	,	Ť	<u> </u>	Ė	·	Ė	,	Ė	,			
Library	\$ 193,212.00	\$	25,275.00	\$	218,487.00	\$	193,688.00	\$	27,551.00	\$	221,239.00	0.67%
Town Beach	\$	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		0.00%
Historical Commission	\$	\$	725.00	\$	725.00	\$			\$ 725.00	\$	725.00	0.00%
	\$ 193,212.00	\$	26,000.00	\$	219,212.00	\$	193,688.00	\$	28,276.00	\$	221,964.00	0.68%
DEBT SERVICES												
Principal Payments	\$	\$	610,000.00	\$	610,000.00			\$	615,000.00	\$	615,000.00	1.88%
Interest Payments on Long Term	\$	\$	287,328.00	\$	287,328.00			\$	278,152.00	\$	278,152.00	0.85%
Debt	Interest Payments on Short Term Debt	\$	40,000.00	\$	40,000.00			\$	32,000.00	\$	32,000.00	0.10%
		\$	937,328.00	\$	937,328.00	\$		\$	925,152.00	\$	925,152.00	2.82%
ASSESSMENTS				Г				Г				
SRPEDD	\$	\$	2,700.00	\$	2,700.00	\$		\$	2,700.00	\$	2,700.00	0.01%
	\$	\$	2,700.00	\$	2,700.00	\$		\$	2,700.00	\$	2,700.00	0.01%
PENSION & INSURANCE				Г				Г				
Pension Assessment	\$	\$	1,858,783.00	\$	1,858,783.00			\$	1,933,971.00	\$	1,933,971.00	5.90%
Health & Life Insurance	\$				3,375,197.00	_			3,401,000.00		3,401,000.00	10.38%
	\$	\$	5,233,980.00	\$	5,233,980.00	\$		\$	5,334,971.00	\$	5,334,971.00	16.28%
	\$ 19,083,614.37	\$13	3,590,352.00	\$ :	32,673,966.37	\$ <i>'</i>	19,030,931.00	\$1	3,748,220.00	\$ 3	32,779,151.00	100.00%
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Total FY'15 Budget \$32,673,966.37

TOTAL FY'14 GENERAL OPERATING FUND BUDGET - \$32,779,151.00 DOLLAR DIFFERENCE INCREASE OVER FY'14 - \$105,184.63 (0.32%)

\$32,769,150.50 \$ 10,000.00 Raise & Appropriate (Taxation)
Perpetual Care Interest Accountability
Surplus/Deficit

Motion and second that the amounts of money set forth in the printed report of the Finance Committee be appropriated for the several purposes therein itemized, each item being considered a separate appropriation and that the same be expended only for such purposes and that these appropriations be funded as follows:

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\$32,769,150.00 from Taxation

\$ 10,000.00 from Perpetual Care Interest Account

For a total of \$32,779,150.00

A hold was placed on the following line items: #114 Moderator; #163 Registrar of Voters and #300 Westport Community Schools.

Motion and second to amend the salary of the Moderator from zero to \$775.00 for a total budget of \$833.00.

Voted: As amended with \$775.00 from Free Cash. Carried.

Motion and second to amend the salary of the Registrars from \$42,447.00 to \$53,388.00 an increase of \$10,946.00 from Free Cash. Voted: The motion was defeated.

Motion and second to appropriate the original total for the Registrar of Voters of \$69,302.00. Voted: Carried.

Motion and second to increase the school dept line item by raising and appropriating the additional sum of \$815,415, to be added to the FY2015 Westport Community Schools Budget as set forth in the printed report of the Finance Committee, for a total FY2015 Westport Community Schools budget of \$16,829,043 provided, however, that the appropriation of this additional sum shall be expressly contingent upon approval by the voters of the Town of a Proposition 2 ½, so-called, override question pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 59, §21C(g). Voted: Carried.

Motion and second to approve the remaining budget line items. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article 5

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, 2014 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, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 5 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article 6

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** 

Motion and second that the Town dopt the provisions of Article 6 as printed in the warrant with \$1.00 transferred from Free Cash. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$770.00 to contract for environmental services directly related to Buzzards Bay, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 7 as printed in the warrant with \$770.00 transferred from Free Cash. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 8

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E~1/2, to establish and reauthorize revolving funds for certain Town departments and officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 for the purposes defined from which costs not to exceed the amounts listed for these same services may be expended without further appropriation, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

Revolving Fund	Authority To Spend	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	Maximum Expenditure
Council on Aging - Programs	Council on Aging & Board of Selectmen	Receipts from health care promotion, recreational and social programs for seniors	Health care promotion, recreational and social programs for seniors	\$50,000.00
Council on Aging- Social Day Care	Council on Aging & Board of Selectmen	Receipts from the Social Day Care Program	Social Day Care Program	\$150,000.00
Council on Aging  – Other Income Generating Activities	Council on Aging & Board of Selectmen	Receipts from income generating activities other than those from health care promotion, recreational and social programs for seniors, the Social Day Care Program and transportation for seniors	Building operating and maintenance expenses, excluding salaries and wages of all full and part time employees employed at the Senior Center	\$20,000.00
Council on Aging - Transportation	Council on Aging & Board of Selectmen	Receipts from transportation for seniors	Transportation for seniors	\$65,000.00
Fire Department - Ambulance	Fire Department	Receipts from Ambulance fees	Purchase of an ambulance, ambulance equipment and/or any incurred ambulance related expense, not to include salaries	\$110,000.00
Fire Department - Haz Mat	Fire Department	Receipts from Haz-Mat fees	Purchase of Haz-Mat equipment and/or any incurred Haz-Mat related expense, not to include salaries	\$50,000.00
Electrical,	Electrical,	Receipts from fees	Fees for inspections	\$85,000.00

Plumbing and Gas Inspectors	Plumbing and Gas Departments	and fines paid for electrical, plumbing and gas permits	performed and mileage, schooling, supplies, clerical wages, equipment and other miscellaneous expenses; any fund balance in excess of \$40,000.00 at the end of the fiscal year will be transferred into the General Fund.	
Board of Selectmen	Board of Selectmen	Receipts from the yearly "Additional Cable License Fee"	Cable services, equipment and/or supplies	\$100,000.00
Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals	Planning Board	Receipts from subdivision and comprehensive permit filing fees	Maintaining the Assessor's parcel GIS database	\$20,000.00
Planning Board	Planning Board	Site Plan Approval & Low Impact Development fees collected for the purpose of technical review and construction inspection	Technical review & construction inspection	\$25,000.00
Police Department	Police Department and Board of Selectmen	Receipts from Police Cruiser fees associated with private details	Purchase of cruisers, associated equipment and/or any incurred police cruiser related expense, not to include salaries	\$50,000.00
Animal Control Department	Animal Control Department	Fees collected for animal control	Costs related to care and custody of animals and other related expenses	\$10,000.00
Board of Health	Board of Health	Receipts from vaccine purchases and administration reimbursements	Vaccine purchases	\$10,000.00
Conservation Commission	Conservation Commission	Wetland delineation and review related fees	Wetland delineation and review	\$40,000.00
School Department	School Committee	Receipts generated by the Special Education Department through tuition or service contracts generated by the school's specialists and administration	Special Education Program needs	\$20,000.00

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 8 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$136,396.00 to operate the Harbor Enterprise, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Salaries	\$ 51,975.00
Expenses	\$ 71,921.00
Capital Outlay	\$ 12,500.00
Total	\$136,396.00

and that \$136,396.00 be raised as follows:

User Charges \$136,396.00

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/HARBORMASTER/WHARFINGER

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 9 as printed in the warrant.

Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$267,863.00 to operate the Waterline Enterprise, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Salaries	\$ 11,540.00
Capital Outlay	\$ 5,000.00
Expenses	\$251,323.00
Total	\$267,863.00

and that \$267,863.00 be raised as follows:

User Charges \$267,863.00

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 10 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$59,250.00 to operate the Town Beaches Enterprise, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Salaries	\$ 34,000.00
Expenses	\$ 25,250.00
Total	\$ 59.250.00

and that \$55,250.00 be raised as follows:

User Charges \$59,250.00

BEACH COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 11 as printed in the warrant.

Motion and second to amend Article 11 to transfer \$59,250. from User Charges. Voted: Unanimously. (the amount of \$55,250 as listed above is incorrect, the total of \$59,250 for salaries & expenses is correct)

# Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$15,000.00 for the purpose of updating the Town's Post Retirement Benefit Analysis, which was last completed as of July 1, 2012 and is a Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 45 reporting requirement, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Motion and second to transfer the sum of \$9,500 from Free Cash. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$15,000.00 from receipts reserve for the purpose of post closure costs and environmental monitoring expenses at the Landfill Site, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF HEALTH** 

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 13 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of \$10,000.00 for follow-up environmental maintenance work at the Westport Town Hall as required by the Department of Environmental Protection, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Motion and second that the Town appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$9,000 for the purpose of Article 14 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article 15

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$42,000.00 from the Perpetual Care Interest account for the purchase of a dump truck with plow and associated equipment for the Cemetery Department, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 15 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Carried.

# Article 16

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 \$7,000.00 for the purchase of a new boat for the Shellfish Constable, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

SHELLFISH CONSTABLE

Motion and second that the Town transfer from the Municipal Waterways Fund the sum of \$7,000 for the purpose of Article 16 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Carried.

# Article 17

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, including Transfer Station Receipts Received for Appropriation, the sum of \$11,000.00 for the purpose of building a retaining wall at the Landfill and Transfer Station, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Motion and second that the Town transfer the sum of \$11,000 from Transfer Station Receipts Received for appropriation for the purpose of Article 17 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article18

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$500,000.00 for the cost of various capital expenditures in accordance with the Town's Fiscal Year 2015 Capital Improvement Planning Program, to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, and/or to take any other action relative thereto.

			Funding
<u>Department</u>	Requests	Cost	Source(s)
Police	2 Cruisers	\$ 76,000.00	Avail. Funds
Fire	Pickup Truck	\$ 37,000.00	Avail. Funds
Animal Control	New Van	\$ 25,000.00	Avail. Funds
Highway	Truck w/ Plow	\$ 78,000.00	Avail. Funds
Highway	Waste Oil Furnace	\$ 14,000.00	Avail. Funds
School	High School Well	\$ 75,000.00	Avail. Funds
School	Macomber Parking Lot	\$110,000.00	Avail. Funds
School	Elementary School Roof Repairs	\$ 60,000.00	Avail. Funds
School	Elementary & Middle Schools		
	Student Desks & Chairs	<b>\$ 25,000.00</b>	Avail. Funds
	TOTAL	\$500,000.00	
	CAPITAL	IMPROVEMENT PLA	NNING COMMITTEE

Motion and second to pass over Article 18. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 19

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the FY15 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 the Fiscal Year 2015; and further to reserve for future appropriation a sum of money for open space; a sum of money for historic resources; and a sum of money for community housing; and further to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund a sum or sums of money for Community Preservation projects or purposes, all as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

PURPOSE	AMOUNT	FUND SOURCE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION Town Hall Annex Gymnasium Rehabilitation and Accessibility	\$ 69,000.00	FY15 CPA Estimated Fund Revenues
Rehabilitation of the Sanford Road School #18: Roof	\$ 31,554.00	Historic Preservation Reserves
Rehabilitation of the Sanford Road School #18: Tight Tank	\$ 16,000.00	Historic Preservation Reserves
Historic Preservation of the Head Garage Exterior	\$ 22,044.81 \$139,455.19	Historic Preservation Reserves FY15 CPA Estimated Fund Reserves
OPEN SPACE Barrett Farm Agricultural Preservation Restriction	\$150,000.00	Open Space Reserves
Nisby Property Conservation Restriction	\$ 66,000.00 \$ 34,000.00	FY15 CPA Estimated Fund Revenues* Open Space Reserves
Open Space Reserves 10% distribution required	\$ 66,000.00	FY15 CPA Estimated Fund Revenues
RECREATION Beach Avenue Accessibility WUYS Athletic Fields COMMUNITY HOUSING	\$ 90,000.00 \$ 70,000.00	CPA Undesignated Fund Reserves CPA Undesignated Fund Reserves

Community Housing Reserves	\$ 66,000.00	FY15 CPA Estimated Fund Revenues
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	\$ 21,000.00	FY15 CPA Estimated Fund Revenues
BUDGETED RESERVES	\$160,000,00	FY15 CPA Estimated Fund Revenues

Motion and second that the Town vote to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation Fund's annual revenues and available funds the amounts recommended for the purposes defined in the written recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation.

A hold was placed on the following lines: "Open Space Reserves" and "Budgeted Reserves".

Motion and second to appropriate all lines without a hold. Voted: Unanimously.

Motion and second to appropriate \$66,000 for Open Space Reserves. Voted: Defeated.

Motion and second to amend Budgeted Reserves to \$226,000. Voted: Unanimously.

Motion and second to appropriate \$226,000 for Budgeted Reserves. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article 20.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$7,500.00 to provide for economic planning and coordination services and/or take any other action relative thereto.

WESTPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE

Motion and second to pass over Article 20. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 21

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to G.L. c.41, §1B to make the elected position of Treasurer an appointed position, such appointment to be made by the Board of Selectmen for a term not to exceed three years; provided, however that before such change may take effect, it must be approved by the voters of the Town at the 2015 Annual Town Election, and provided further that the incumbent elected Treasurer shall continue in said office until the expiration of his elected term or sooner vacating of office; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Motion and second that the town adopt the provisions of Article 21 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Carried.

#### Article 22

To see if the Town will vote to reaffirm the vote taken under Article 9 of the November 13, 2012 Special Town Meeting, which read "To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$500,000.00 for the purpose of financing the following water pollution facility projects: repair, replacement and/or upgrade of septic systems, pursuant to agreements with Board of Health and residential property owners, including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust or otherwise," or to take any other action relative thereto.

WESTPORT WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Motion and second that the Town vote to affirm\* the action taken by a 2/3 vote under Article 9 of the November 13, 2012 Special Town Meeting, which provided as follows:

To approve Article 9 as printed in the warrant; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$500,000.00 and issue bonds or notes

therefor under G.L. c. 111, §127B½ and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; that project and financing costs, including without limitation all costs as defined in G.L. c.29C, §1, shall be repaid by the property owners, in accordance with agreements between the Board of Health and residential property owner, but such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen Is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to said Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the projects or for the financing thereof; and that the Board of Selectmen, or other appropriate local board or official is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the projects and to take any other action necessary to carry out the projects. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 23

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into one or more renewable energy power purchase and/or net metering credit purchase agreements, including agreements for power and net metering credits generated by a solar photovoltaic facility, each for a term of up to thirty years, and on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems to be in the best interests of the Town, and to take all actions necessary to implement and administer such agreements, or take any action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/ENERGY COMMITTEE

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 23 as printed in the warrant.

Voted: Carried

#### Article 24

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws and Regulations by inserting the following new By-Law "ARTICLE LXII, COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAW CHAPTER 268A":

#### **ARTICLE LXII**

# COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAW CHAPTER 268A AND RELATED MATTERS

6201.

Elected and appointed officers, officials and employees of the Town of Westport, whether or not compensated, and whether serving in a part-time, full-time or volunteer capacity, shall comply with the provisions of M.G.L. c.268A, and in that regard shall demonstrate, in their general conduct and in the performance of their duties and responsibilities, the highest ethical standards; recognize that they hold their offices or positions for the benefit of the public, and while acting in their official capacity, faithfully discharge the duties of their offices or positions in the public interest, regardless of personal considerations. Such persons shall not use their offices or positions to secure or grant special considerations, treatment, advantage, privilege or exemption to themselves or to any person or group beyond that which is available to every person. Further, elected and appointed officers, officials and employees of the Town of Westport shall not represent anyone other than themselves in matters in which the Town has a direct and substantial interest unless they comply with the provisions of M.G.L. c. 268A, §17 and, prior to undertaking such representation, file with the Town Clerk written notice thereof on a form prepared by the Town for such purposes. Such notices shall be maintained in a separate file, and shall be public record subject to mandatory disclosure upon requested.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 24 as printed in the warrant.

Voted: Carried.

Approved by Attorney General – July 10, 2014.

#### Article 25

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-laws and Regulations by revising "ARTICLE II, PROCEDURE AT TOWN MEETING, Section 0201." by deleting the strike through text and inserting the bold underlined text as follows:

0201.

The procedure at Town Meetings shall be governed by the rules of practice contained in "Town Meeting Time" the most recent edition of "Town Meeting Time, A Handbook of Parliamentary Law" published by the Massachusetts Moderators Association, except as modified by these By-Laws.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

TOWN MODERATOR

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 25 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

Approved by Attorney General – July 10, 2014.

#### Article 26

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-laws and Regulations by revising "ARTICLE II, PROCEDURE AT TOWN MEETING, Section 0202." by deleting the strike through text and inserting the bold underlined text as follows:

0202.

When a question is under debate, no motion shall be entertained except to fix a time to which an adjournment may be made; or motions to lay on the table, for the previous question, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely or to fix the method of voting; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are herein named.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

TOWN MODERATOR

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 26 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

Approved by Attorney General – July 10, 2014.

#### Article 27

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws and Regulations by inserting the following new By-Law "ARTICLE LXI, DOOR TO DOOR SOLICITORS":

#### **ARTICLE LXI**

# **DOOR TO DOOR SOLICITORS**

#### 6101. DEFINITIONS; APPLICABILITY

- As used in this section, the terms "solicit" and "canvass" shall mean and include any one or more of the following activities conducted at residences without the previous consent of the owner:
  - 1. Seeking to obtain the purchase, or orders for the purchase, of goods, wares, merchandise, foodstuffs, or services of any kind, character, or description whatsoever for any consideration whatsoever; or
  - **2.** Seeking to obtain subscriptions to books, magazines, periodicals, newspapers, and every other type or kind of publication.

- B. The provisions of this section shall not apply to officers or employees of the Town, county, state, or federal government, or any subdivision thereof when on official business, or to neighborhood youth and students who solicit for the shoveling of snow or cutting of lawns or similar services to residents, nor shall it be construed to prevent route salespersons or other persons having established customers to whom they make periodic deliveries from calling upon such customers.
- **C.** If any solicitor or canvasser is under the age of 18 years and is selling goods or periodicals for a commercial purpose, the provisions of M.G.L. c. 101, § 34, shall apply.
- **D.** The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person soliciting solely for religious, charitable, political or other non-commercial purposes.

#### 6102. REGISTRATION REQUIRED

It shall be unlawful for any person to solicit or canvass or engage in or conduct business as a canvasser or solicitor without first having obtained a certificate of registration from the Chief of Police as provided in this section.

# 6103. APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

- **A.** Application for a certificate of registration shall be made upon a form provided by the Police Department along with a nonrefundable application fee of \$25.
- B. An authorized representative of the sponsoring organization shall apply to the Chief of Police or his/her designee either in person or by mail. All statements made on the application or in connection therewith shall be made under the pains and penalties of perjury. The applicant shall provide all information requested on the application, including:
  - **1.** Name, address and telephone number of the sponsoring organization, along with a listing of all officers and directors;
  - **2.** State and/or federal tax identification number of the sponsoring organization;
  - 3. Name, residential and business address, length of residence at such residential address, telephone number, social security number,\* (\*this information is provided on a voluntary basis, and is used to verify whether an applicant meets the criteria for issuance of a certificate under subsection (D) below) and date of birth of each representative of the sponsoring organization who will be soliciting or canvassing in the Town,
  - **4.** Description sufficient for identification of the subject matter of the soliciting or canvassing in which the organization will engage;
  - **5.** Period of time for which the certificate is applied (every certificate shall expire one year from date of issue);
  - **6.** The date of the most recent previous application for a certificate under this section:
  - 7. Any previous revocation of a certificate of registration issued to the organization or to any officer, director, or representative of the organization by any city or town and the reasons therefore;

- **8.** Any convictions for a felony, either state or federal, within five years of the application, by the sponsoring organization, any of its officers or directors, or any representative who will be soliciting or canvassing in the Town;
- **9.** Names of the three communities where the organization has solicited or canvassed most recently;
- **10.** Proposed dates, hours, and method of operation in the Town;
- **11.** Signature of authorized representative of the sponsoring organization.
- **C.** A photograph of each representative of the sponsoring organization who will be soliciting or canvassing in the Town shall be attached to the application.
- D. No certificate of registration shall be issued to any person or to any organization having an officer or director who was convicted of commission of a felony, either state or federal, within five years of the date of the application, nor to any organization or person whose certificate of registration has previously been revoked as provided below.
- **E.** Fully completed applications for certificates shall be acted upon within five business days of receipt. The Chief of Police shall cause to be kept accurate records of every application received together with all other information and data pertinent thereto and of all certificates of registration issued under this section and of all denials.
- **F.** Upon approval of an application, each solicitor or canvasser shall be issued a certificate of registration to carry upon his/her person at all times while soliciting or canvassing in the Town and to display the certificate whenever asked by any police officer or any person solicited.

# 6104. REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATE

- A. Any certificate of registration issued hereunder may be revoked by the Chief of Police for good cause, including violation of any of the provisions of this By-Law or a false statement in the application. Immediately upon such revocation, the Chief of Police shall give written notice to the holder of the certificate in person or by certified mail addressed to his/her residence address set forth in the application.
- **B.** Immediately upon the giving of such notice, the certificate of registration shall become null and void. In any event, every certificate of registration shall state its expiration date, which shall be one year from date of issue.

#### 6105. DECEPTIVE PRACTICES

No solicitor or canvasser may use any plan, scheme, or ruse to misrepresent the true status or mission of any person conducting the solicitation or canvas in order to gain admission to the home, office, or other establishment of any person in the Town.

#### 6106. DUTIES OF SOLICITORS AND CANVASSERS

A. It shall be the duty of every solicitor and canvasser going onto any premises in the Town to first examine whether there is a notice posted stating that no solicitors are welcome. If such notice is present, then the solicitor or canvasser shall immediately and peacefully depart from the premises.

**B.** Any solicitor or canvasser who has gained entrance to any residence, whether invited or not, shall immediately and peacefully depart from the premises when requested to do so by the occupant.

# 6107. LAWFUL HOURS TO SOLICIT OR CANVASS

All canvassing or soliciting under this section shall be confined to the hours between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.

#### 6108. PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS

Violations of any provision of this By-Law may be enforced by any means available in law and in equity, including under Section 3702 of these By-Laws and Regulations and Section 21D of Chapter 40 of the General Laws and shall be punishable by a fine of \$150.00 for the first violation and \$300.00 for the second or any subsequent violations, with each day a violation exists being treated as a separate violation.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/POLICE CHIEF

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 27 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Carried.

Approved by Attorney General – July 10, 2014.

# Article 28

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws and Regulations by inserting the following new By-Law "ARTICLE LXII, WESTPORT SEX OFFENDER AND RESTRICTION ZONE":

#### **ARTICLE LXII**

#### WESTPORT SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCY AND RESTRICTION ZONE

#### 6201. PREAMBLE, FINDINGS, INTENT

- A. It is the intent of this by-law to serve and protect the Town's compelling interest to promote, protect, and improve the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Town by creating areas around locations where children, the elderly, and the mentally impaired regularly congregate in concentrated numbers wherein certain registered sex offenders are prohibited from loitering and establishing temporary or permanent residence.
- **B.** After careful consideration, the Town finds that this by-law is the most narrowly-tailored means of limiting, to the fullest extent possible, the opportunity for registered sex offenders to approach or otherwise come in contact with children, the elderly, and the mentally impaired in places where children and the elderly would naturally congregate, and that the protection of the health and safety of our children, the elderly, and the mentally impaired is a compelling governmental interest.
- C. By the enactment of this or any other by-law, the Town understands that it cannot remove the threat posed to or guarantee the safety of children, the elderly, and the mentally impaired, or assure the public that registered sex offenders will comply with the mandates of this law. This By-Law is intended to create a regulatory scheme in order to protect children, the elderly, and the mentally impaired to the extent possible under the circumstances. Nothing contained herein shall constitute a specific assurance of safety or assistance.

D. The Town finds that registered sex offenders pose a clear threat to the children, the elderly, and the mentally impaired residing in or visiting in Westport. Because registered sex offenders are more likely than any other type of offenders to re-offend for another sexual offense, the Town desires to impose safety precautions in furtherance of the goal of protecting the children, the elderly, and the mentally impaired in the Town of Westport. The purpose of this by-law is to reduce the potential risk of harm to the children, the elderly, and the mentally impaired of the community by restricting the ability of registered sexual offenders to be in contact with those persons in locations that are primarily designed for use by or are primarily used by children, the elderly, and/or the mentally impaired, namely, the grounds of a public or private school for children, a pre-school, a day care facility, parks or other public recreational facilities, facilities for the elderly, facilities for the mentally impaired, or public libraries.

# 6202. **DEFINITIONS**

- A. Child or Children Shall mean persons under eighteen (18) years of age.
- B. <u>Day Care Center</u> Shall mean an establishment, whether public or private, which provides care for children and is registered with and licensed pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by the Department of Early Education and Care.
- **C.** <u>Elder or Elderly</u> Shall mean persons over fifty-five (55) years of age.
- D. <u>Establishing a Residence</u> Shall mean to set up or bring into being a dwelling place or an abode where a person sleeps, which may include more than one location and may be mobile or transitory, including by means of purchasing real property or entering into a lease or rental agreement for real property (including a renewal or extension of a prior agreement whether through written execution or automatic renewal).
- **E.** Facility for the Elderly Shall mean a building or buildings on the same lot which provides group residence for persons over fifty-five (55) years of age or serves as a center for such persons to gather.
- **F.** Facility for the Mentally Impaired Shall mean any facility which provides group residence for the mentally impaired or serves as a center for the mentally impaired to gather.
- G. <u>Loiter</u> Shall mean remaining in or around the location in question for a more than fifteen (15) minutes.
- H. Park or Recreational Facility Shall mean public land or facilities designated for active or passive recreational or athletic use by the Town of Westport, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or other governmental subdivision, and located within the Town of Westport, including parks, beaches, playgrounds, and athletic fields and facilities.
- Permanent Residence Shall mean a place where a person lives, abides, lodges, or resides for five (5) or more consecutive days or fourteen (14) or more days in the aggregate during any calendar year.
- **J.** Public Library Shall mean a building, structure or other enclosure in which a library is located for use by the general public.
- **K.** <u>School</u> Shall mean any public or private educational facility that provides educational services to children in grades pre-kindergarten through twelve (12).

- L... Sex Offender Shall mean a person who resides, works, or attends an institution of higher learning in the commonwealth and who has been convicted of a sex offense, or who has been adjudicated as a youthful offender or as a delinquent juvenile by reason of a sex offense, or a person released from incarceration or parole or probation supervision or custody with the Department of Youth Services for such a conviction or adjudication, or a person who has been adjudicated a sexually dangerous person under M.G.L. chapter 123A, section 14, as in force at the time of adjudication, or a person released from civil commitment pursuant to Section 9 of said Chapter 124A, whichever last occurs, on or after August 1, 1981.
- M. <u>Sex Offender Registry</u> Shall mean the collected information and data that is received by the Sex Offender Registry Board pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 6, Sections 178C to 178Q, inclusive, as such information and data is modified or amended by the Sex Offender Registry Board or a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to said Sections 178C to 178Q, inclusive.
- N. <u>Temporary Residence</u> Shall mean a place where a person lives, abides, lodges or resides for a period of less than five (5) consecutive days or less than fourteen (14) days in the aggregate during any calendar year, which is not the person's permanent address or place where the person routinely lives, abides, lodges or resides and which is not the person's permanent address.

# 6203. SEXUAL OFFENDER RESIDENCE PROHIBITS, PENALTIES, EXCEPTIONS

- A. It is unlawful for any sex offender who is classified as a level 2 or 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board to establish a permanent residence or temporary residence within five hundred (500) feet of any school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library if, after notice, and opportunity for a hearing before the Police Chief, or the Chief's designee, it is determined that the sex offender poses a risk to the public and therefore, that residency should be limited in accordance with this section and subsection (C). The Police Chief shall promulgate regulations to implement this section, including the time in which the Chief or the Chief's designee he shall issue a determination under this paragraph.
- **B.** For purposes of determining the minimum distance separation, the distance shall be measured by following a straight line from the outer property line of the permanent residence to the nearest outer property line of a school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library.
- C. Notice to Move: Any sex offender who is classified as a level 2 or 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board and who establishes a permanent residence or temporary residence within five hundred (500) feet of any school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library in violation of the prohibition set forth in subsection (A) of Section 6203 shall within thirty (30) days of receipt of written notice of the sex offender's noncompliance with this chapter, move from said location to a new location, but said location may not be within five hundred (500) feet of any school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library. It shall constitute a separate violation for each day beyond the thirty (30) days that the sex offender continues to reside within five hundred (500) feet of any school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library. Furthermore, it shall be a separate violation each day that a sex offender shall move from one location in the Town of Westport to another that is within five hundred (500) feet

of any school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library.

- D. Penalties: Violation of Section 6203, or of any regulations adopted hereunder, may be enforced through any lawful means in law or in equity by the Westport Police Department or any police officer of the Town of Westport, including, but not limited to, enforcement by non-criminal disposition pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21D. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation. The penalties shall be as follows:
  - **1.** First Offense: Notification to offender that he/she has thirty (30) days to move.
  - 2. Subsequent Offense: Non-criminal penalty or fine of \$300.00 and notification to the offender's landlord, parole officer, and/or probation officer and the Commonwealth's Sex Offender Registry Board that the person has violated a municipal by-law.
- **E. Exceptions**: A person residing within five hundred (500) feet of any school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library does not commit a violation of this section if any of the following apply:
  - 1. The person established the permanent residence and reported and registered the residence prior to the effective date of this By-Law;
  - 2. The person was a minor when he/she committed the offense and was not convicted as an adult:
  - **3.** The person is a minor;
  - 4. The school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library within 500 feet of the personal permanent residence was established after the person established the permanent residence and reported and registered the residence pursuant to the Sex Offender Registry Law;
  - **5.** The person is required to serve a sentence at a jail, prison, juvenile facility, or other correctional institution or facility;
  - 6. The person is admitted to and/or subject to an order of commitment at a public or private facility for the care and treatment of mentally ill persons pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 123; or,
  - 7. The person is mentally ill person subject to guardianship or a mentally retarded person subject to guardianship residing with his or her guardian or residing within a licensed group residence.

#### 6204. SEX OFFENDER RESTRICTION ZONE. EXCEPTIONS. PENALTIES

#### A. Prohibitions

1. A sex offender who is classified as a level 2 or 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board is prohibited from entering upon the premises of any school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library, unless expressly authorized in advance and in writing by the person or entity having control of said premises.

2. A sex offender who is classified as a level 2 or 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board is prohibited, after having received notice from the Westport Police Department that he/she is loitering within five hundred (500) feet of a school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library, from continuing to so loiter or from returning thereto. For purposes of determining the minimum distance separation under this section, the distance shall be measured by following a straight line from the sex offender in question to the outer property line of the school, day care center, park or recreational facility, facility for the elderly, facility for the mentally impaired, or public library.

# B. <u>Exceptions</u>

- 1. The prohibitions in Section 6204.A. above shall not be construed or enforced so as to prohibit a sex offender from exercising his or her right to vote in any federal, state or municipal election, or from attending any religious service.
- 2. The prohibitions in Sections 6204.A. above do not apply to a sex offender's place of residence when such residence is excepted under Section 6203.E. above.

# C. <u>Penalties</u>

Any violation of this Section 6204, or of any regulations adopted hereunder, may be enforced through any lawful means in law or in equity by the Westport Police Department or any police officer of the Town of Westport including, but not limited to, enforcement by non-criminal disposition pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21D. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation. The penalties shall be as follows:

- **1.** First Offense: a non-criminal penalty or fine of \$150.00;
- 2. Subsequent Offense: Non-criminal penalty or fine of \$300.00 and notification to the offender's landlord, parole officer and/or probation officer and the Commonwealth's Sex Offender Registry Board that the person has violated a Town By-Law.

# 6205. GENERAL EXEMPTION

The provisions of this By-Law, Article LXII, shall not apply to sex offenders incarcerated in any facility owned, maintained, and/or operated by the Town of Westport.

#### 6206. LIST/MAP OF AREAS COVERED

A written list describing the prohibited areas defined in this By-Law, as well as a map depicting the residency restriction areas and safety zones shall be created and maintained by the Westport Highway Department and Westport Police Department, to be updated from time-to-time as necessary. The list, map, and copies of this By-Law will be available to the public at the Westport Town Clerk's Office and Westport Police Department.

#### 6207. SEVERABILITY

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or other part of this By-Law shall for any reason be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, or otherwise invalidated, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this By-Law, and it shall be construed to have been the legislative intent to enact this By-Law without such unconstitutional or invalid parts therein.

#### 6208. EFFECTIVE DATE

This By-Law shall become effective immediately upon approval by Town Meeting and after all the requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 32 have been met.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 28 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 29

To see if the Town will vote to amend various sections of the Town of Westport Zoning By-Laws pertaining to Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers, with each amendment labeled as a separate "Item", as follows:

#### Item 1.

To amend **Section 1.1, Definitions**, of the Westport Zoning By-laws by adding the following definition, in appropriate alphabetical order.

**Medical Marijuana Treatment Center** - shall mean a "not-for-profit entity, as defined by Massachusetts law only, registered by the Department of Public Health, that acquires, cultivates, possesses, processes (including development of related products such as food, tinctures, aerosols, oils or ointments), transfers, transports, sells, distributes, dispenses, or administers marijuana, products containing marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials to qualifying patients or their personal caregivers."

#### Item 2.

By deleting ARTICLE 25, TEMPORARY MORATORIUM OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTERS in its entirety and replacing it with a new ARTICLE 25, MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTERS as follows:

#### **ARTICLE 25**

#### **MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTERS**

# 25.1 Purpose

The purpose and intent of this Article is to regulate the siting of Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers, by minimizing the adverse impacts on adjacent properties, residential neighborhoods, schools and other places where children congregate, and other land uses potentially incompatible with said Centers.

# 25.2 **Authority**

Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers, other than agricultural operations meeting exemption standards under M.G.L. Chapter 40A Section 3, may be allowed by Special Permit from the Westport Planning Board provided the Planning Board finds that:

 The Facility is designed to minimize any adverse visual or economic impacts on abutters and other parties in interest, as defined in M.G.L. Chapter 40A, Section 11.

- 2. The Facility is designed to maximize security measures including but not limited to lighting, fencing, visibility and gates. Alarms and video shall connect to the Police Station for security.
- 3. The Facility demonstrates that it will meet all the permitting requirements of all applicable agencies within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and will be in compliance with all applicable state laws and regulations; and
- **4.** The applicant has satisfied all of the conditions and requirements of this Section.

# 25.3 Requirements

- 1. Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers shall only be located in the Science and Technology Overlay District and the Business District with the exception of that portion of the Business District bounded to the south following an east-west line 50' parallel to and south of Kaila's Way; to the east by Route 88; to the north by the northern boundary of the Business District; and to the west by a line 1,000' from the westerly line of Main Road, currently the boundary of the Business District.
- **2.** All Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers shall be contained within a permanent building or structure.
- 3. No other use shall be permitted on a lot containing a Medical MarijuanaTreatment Center.
- **4.** Buildings and parking areas shall be clearly visible from the street.
- Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers shall meet the following dimensional requirements and any additional requirements listed in the district in which it is located.

Minimum Front Yard 50'
Minimum Side Yard 25'
Minimum Rear Yard 25'
Maximum Gross Floor Area 10,000 s.f.

- 6. The hours of operation of a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center shall be set by the Special Permit Granting Authority, but in no event shall said facilities be open between the hours of 8:00 PM and 8:00 AM. All visits shall be by appointment only.
- **7.** Site Plan Approval under Article 15 is required for all Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers.
- 8. Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers that can demonstrate that they comply with the agricultural exemption under M.G.L. Chapter 40A, Section 3 must still apply for Site Plan Approval under Article 15.

#### 25.4 Waiver Of Compliance

The Planning Board acting as the Special Permit Granting Authority, under this Section may waive strict compliance with the dimensional requirements, provided the Board finds that the waivers are in the public interest and not inconsistent with the purpose and intent of this Section.

# 25.5 Term Limit

A special permit granted under this Section shall have a term limited to the duration of the applicant's ownership of the premises as a Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers. A special permit may be transferred only with the approval of the Planning Board in the form of an amendment to the special permit.

# 25.6 Lapse

A special permit shall lapse if not exercised within two years of issuance.

#### Item 3.

To amend the **TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS** by adding to the Table of Use Regulations the permitted use, as described in Article 25 for Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers and the associated "Note (1)", all as shown below:

#### **TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS**

X = Prohibited unless allowed in Underlying District

Y = Allowed By Right SPBA = Special Permit Board of Appeals
N = Prohibited SPPB = Special Permit Planning Board

SPA-PB = Site Plan Approval Planning Board

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(1) Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers shall only be located in the Science and Technology Overlay District and the Business District with the exception of that portion of the Business District bounded to the south following an east-west line 50' parallel to and south of Kaila's Way; to the east by Route 88; to the north by the northern boundary of the Business District; and to the west by a line 1,000' from the westerly line of Main Road, currently the boundary of the Business District.

#### Item 4.

To amend the Table of Contents by adding the new Article 25 Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PLANNING BOARD

Motion and second to adopt the provisions of Article 29 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

Approved by Attorney General – July 10, 2014.

#### Article 30

To see if the Town will amend various portions of the Towns Zoning By-Laws, with each amendment listed as a separate "Item", as follows:

#### Item 1.

To amend **Section 1.1, Definitions**, of the Westport Zoning By-laws by deleting the definitions of "Recreation", "Way", "Roadway or Street" and "Roadway or Street Categories" and inserting, in appropriate alphabetical order the following:

Private or Unaccepted Way - A street, which has not been accepted as a public way.

**Recreation Active** - The refreshment of body and mind through forms of play, amusement, or relaxation, such as boating, or organized sports.

**Recreation Passive** - The refreshment of body and mind through forms of play, amusement, or relaxation, such as enjoying the natural beauty of the shoreline, hiking, field trails or nature study.

<u>Way</u> – A public way or a way which the clerk certifies is maintained and used as a public way, or a way shown on a plan theretofore approved and endorsed in accordance with the subdivision control law, or a way in existence when the subdivision control became effective, having in the opinion of the Planning Board, sufficient width, suitable grades, and adequate construction to provide for the needs of vehicular traffic in relation to the proposed use of the land abutting thereon or served thereby and for the installation of municipal services to serve such land and the buildings erected or to be erected thereon.

#### Item 2.

By deleting Article 4, Section 4.0.1 D. Subparagraph 5, and reserving the section for future use as follows:

# 5. Reserved

#### Item 3.

By amending the reference in **ARTICLE 7, INTENSITY REGULATIONS, Section 7.5**, by changing the reference from "7.0.1" to "7.0", so that section will read as follows:

7.5 The current provisions of Section 7.0 Intensity Regulations pertaining to frontage and/or area requirements shall not apply to a lot for single family residential use which at the effective date of this bylaw amendment was not held in common ownership with any adjoining land and had less than the current requirement, but at least 20,000 square feet of area and 100 feet of frontage. This bylaw shall apply only to such land as is currently recorded in the Registry of Deeds.

# Item 4.

By deleting the text of **ARTICLE 17**, **Section 17.3.9 Tower Uses** and inserting in place thereof the following new text:

# 17.3.9 Tower Uses

Unless approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals in accordance with Article 9, towers permitted for Wind Energy Facilities shall not be used for any purpose inconsistent with the definition of a Wind Energy Facility.

# Item 5.

\By amending the **TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS** by removing the "\*" in all locations and the associated note, and by inserting in proper alphabetical order the following uses, as well as the notes, all as shown below:

#### **TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS**

X = Prohibited unless allowed in Underlying District

Y = Allowed By Right SPBA = Special Permit Board of Appeals
N = Prohibited SPPB = Special Permit Planning Board
SPA-PB = Site Plan Approval Planning Board

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#### **Table of Uses Regulations Notes:**

In the event of conflicts between the narrative text in the sections of this Bylaw and the Table of Use Regulations, the text of the sections shall control.

It is the intent and purpose of the Table of Use Regulations to conform with M.G.L. Chapter 40A, § 3 Exemptions from Zoning Regulations, and to the extent that any provisions of this table are in conflict with the exemptions of said Chapter 40A, the provisions of Chapter 40A shall supersede and control the subject matter thereof.

#### Item 6.

By amending ARTICLE 21, DRIVEWAYS AND COMMON DRIVEWAYS, Section 21.6.1, Waiver of Compliance by inserting "grade", which text is underlined below for informational purposes, so that Section 212.6 will read as follows:

# 21.6.1 <u>Waiver of Compliance</u>

The Planning Board, under this section, may waive strict compliance with dimensional requirements (for grade, length and width) of this section, where such action is in the public interest and not inconsistent with the purpose and intent of the Zoning Act or this section.

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PLANNING BOARD

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 30 as printed in the warrant with the following modification: Delete the entire definition of "Way" as presented above. Voted: Unanimously.

Approved by Attorney General – July 10, 2014.

#### Article 31

To see if the Town will vote to amend various sections of the Town of Westport Zoning By-Laws pertaining to Flexible Frontage and Reduced Density as follows:

By deleting the provisions of Article 23, Sections 23.1, Purpose and Intent, 23.2, Methods of Application, 23.4 Frontage Reduction Ratios in Proportion to Dwelling Density Reduction, in their entirety and inserting in place thereof the following new Sections 23.1, Purpose and Intent, 23.2, Methods of Application, 23.4 Frontage Reduction Ratios in Proportion to Dwelling Density Reduction as follows:

#### **ARTICLE 23**

#### FLEXIBLE FRONTAGE FOR REDUCED DENSITY

#### 23.1 Purpose And Intent

The purpose and intent of this Article is to encourage reduction in potential residential development density, reduce future vehicular trips, road congestion, demand for public services and the number of curb cuts onto Town roadways; preserve the natural and cultural resources visible along these roadways; facilitate the movement of wildlife; protect traditional access to "backland" open space; and improve the design and site planning of smaller residential neighborhoods. To achieve this, the Planning Board may issue a special permit to allow a reduction in the otherwise applicable frontage requirements on a public way, a way approved by the Planning Board under the

subdivision control law or a private way that the Planning Board votes to determine has been in existence since prior to the effective date of the Subdivision Control Law in the Town of Westport and has adequate, width, grade and construction within the meaning of G.L. c. 41, §81L for the proposed development, for one or more of the lots proposed, in exchange for a corresponding reduction in development density and reliance upon common driveways, if applicable.

#### 23.2 <u>Methods of Application</u>

In order to obtain a special permit under this by-law provision, an applicant shall file a yield plan showing the basic number of lots that could be created under a traditional subdivision meeting the requirements of the Town's Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land and all other applicable regulations.

# 23.4 Frontage Reduction Ratios In Proportion To Dwelling Density Reduction

A special permit may be issued so that the required lot frontage is decreased as a function of average density decrease (average lot size and upland increase) in equal proportions, to a minimum of fifty (50) feet of frontage. By way of example, the required lot frontage for any lot shown on the plan being proposed to benefit from this Article may be decreased only by the proportionate increase in lot area and upland area for said lot(s). The standard lot frontage is 150 feet for a minimum 60,000 square foot lot containing a minimum of 30,000 square feet of contiguous upland ceteris paribus. To achieve a lot frontage reduction to 75 feet, the lot density of the benefited lots shall be halved by increasing their average lot size to at least 120,000 square feet and their average contiguous upland to at least 60,000 square feet. To achieve the minimum lot frontage of fifty (50) feet under this Article, the lot size shown on the plan shall be at least 180,000 square feet and the contiguous upland area at least 90,000 square feet. These examples are illustrated in the table below:

Residential Lot Size (SF)	Minimum Upland (SF)	Frontage (Feet)
60,000 Std. Min.	30,000	150
120,000	60,000	75
180,000	90,000	50

At no point shall the new lot lines create a width narrower than 50 feet, the width shall also be equal to or greater than the required frontage from the street line to the proposed dwelling. The width shall be measured in accordance with Section 7.6.1.1.2. If the Board determines that reducing the width improves the overall design of the project, the board may waive the width requirement.

The lots so benefiting from reduced frontage under this Article shall be indicated on the endorsed plan and the plan shall be recorded with the special permit decision which shall contain conditions that the lots shown on the plan shall not be further subdivided and that the clearing and building locations shall not be changed from what is shown on the plan without a modification of the special permit. The following notes shall also be placed on the plan:

 "Lots shown on this plan benefiting from reduced frontage under Zoning By-law Article 23 shall not be further subdivided and no modification of the clearing restrictions and building locations shall occur without a corresponding modification of the special permit and recorded plan."

and;

2. "No lot clearing shall begin and no building permit shall be issued for lots shown on this plan benefiting from reduced frontage under Zoning By-law Article 23 until the Special Permit has been duly approved, executed and recorded and evidence of the recording has been filed with the Inspector of Buildings."

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PLANNING BOARD

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 31 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

Approved by Attorney General – July 10, 2014.

#### Article 32

To see if the Town will vote to request that the State place a question on the 2014 State Election Ballot for an up or down vote on whether to repeal the casino law that was passed in 2011, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 32 as printed in the warrant.

Voted: Carried.

#### Article 33

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law by adding under Schedule A Commission on Disability, the following:

Position	Group	Hours	Pay Basis	Type
Recording Clerk	2	-20	Hourly	PΤ

and/or take any other action relative thereto.

PERSONNEL BOARD/COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

Motion and second to pass over Article 33. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 34

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout, as a public way, of Estrela Lane, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain land or rights in land within said way as so laid out, for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Westport, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 34 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

#### Article 35

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout, as a public way, of Romano Village Drive, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain land or rights in land within said way as so laid out, for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Westport, and/or take any other action relative thereto

BY PETITION

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 35 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 36

To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout, as a public way, of Paul Drive, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase or

eminent domain land or rights in land within said way as so laid out, for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Westport, and/or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

Motion and second that the Town adopt the provisions of Article 36 as printed in the warrant. Voted: Unanimously.

# Article 37

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.

FINANCE COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Motion and second to pass over Article 37. Voted: Unanimously.

Motion and second to adjourn and dissolve the Annual Town Meeting at 3:36 p.m.

Voted: Unanimously.

There were 224 registered voters and 18 visitors and press 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 14th day of April in the year two thousand and fourteen.

Antone C. Vieira Jr., Chairman Richard M. Spirlet, Vice Chairman Steven J. Ouellette Craig J. Dutra R. Michael Sullivan, Clerk BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson Town Clerk Westport, MA 02790 April 17, 2014

On this 23rd day of April 2014, I re-posted 5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Briere's Inc. a.k.a. Country Liquor & Variety
Town Hall
Lees Supermarket

Sergeant Christopher Mello



# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH 2014 STATE PRIMARY WARRANT

BRISTOL, SS.

To the Constables of the Town of Westport: GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in the Special State Election 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 **TUESDAY, THE NINTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014,** from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Primaries for the candidates of political parties for the following offices:

SENATOR IN CONGRESS	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
GOVERNOR	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
ATTORNEY GENERAL	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
SECRETARY OF STATE	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
AUDITOR	
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	
COUNCILLOR	1ST DISTRICT
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT	1ST BRISTOL DISTRICT
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT	8TH BRISTOL DISTRICT
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	BRISTOL DISTRICT
REGISTER OF PROBATE	BRISTOL COUNTY
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	BRISTOL COUNTY
COUNTY TREASURER	BRISTOL COUNTY

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 11th day of August, 2014.

Antone C. Vieira, Jr.
Richard Sprilet
Steven J. Ouellette
Craig T. Dutra
R. Michael Sullivan
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson Town Clerk Westport, MA 02790 August 12, 2014

On this 12th day of August, 2014, I posted5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Briere's Inc. a.k.a. Country Liquor & Variety
Town Hall
Lees Supermarket

OfficerFrank Napert Westport Police Officer



# STATE PRIMARY SEPTEMBER 9, 2014

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:

### DEMOCRATIC

### Senator In Congress

Edward J. Markey had eight hundred eighty-nine Blanks, two hundred ninety-four	889 294
Governor  Donald M. Berwick had one hundred seventy-six Martha Coakley had five hundred twenty-one Steven Grossman had four hundred forty-seven Blanks, thirty-nine	176 521 447 39
Lieutenant Governor  Leland Cheung had two hundred thirteen Stephen J. Kerrigan had four hundred sixty-seven Michael E. Lake had two hundred thirty-six Blanks, two hundred sixty-seven	213 467 236 267
Attorney General  Maura Healey had seven hundred sixty-six Warren E. Tolman had three hundred fifteen Blanks, one hundred two	766 315 102
Secretary of State  William Francis Galvin had eight hundred twenty-four Blanks, three hundred fifty-nine	824 359
Treasurer Thomas P. Conroy had three hundred nine Barry R. Fiengold had two hundred six Deborah B. Goldberg had four hundred ninety-one Blanks, one hundred seventy-seven	309 206 491 177
Auditor Suzanne M. Bump had seven hundred fifty-eight Blanks, four hundred twenty-five	758 425
Representative in Congress  William Richard Keating had eight hundred sixteen Blanks, three hundred sixty-seven	816 367
Councillor Oliver P. Cipollini, Jr. had one hundred eighty-six Joseph C. Ferreira had four hundred twenty Alexander Kalife had sixty-five Walter D. Moniz had three hundred forty-four Blanks, one hundred sixty-eight	186 420 65 344 168
Senator in General Court  Michael J. Rodrigues had nine hundred forty-four Blanks, two hundred thirty-nine	944 239

Representative in General Court  Paul A. Schmid, III had nine hundred forty-four Blanks, two hundred thirty-nine	`94 <sup>2</sup> 239
District Attorney  C. Samuel Sutter had nine hundred twelve Blanks, two hundred seventy-one	912 271
Register of Probate  Gina L. DeRosi had seven hundred eighty-eight Blanks, three hundred ninety-five	788 395
County Treasurer Christopher T. Saunders had seven hundred sixty-eight Blanks, four hundred fifteen	768 415
County Commissioner  Daniel P. Dermody had two hundred sixty-four John Thomas Saunders had six hundred fifty-six Blanks, two hundred sixty-three	264 656 263
REPUBLICAN	
Senator In Congress  Brian J. Herr had three hundred twenty-nine Blanks, one hundred twelve	329 112
Governor Charles D. Baker had two hundred twenty-two Mark R. Fisher had two hundred two Blanks, seventeen	222 202 17
<u>Lieutenant Governor</u> Karyn E. Polito had three hundred nineteen Blanks, one hundred twenty-two	319 122
Attorney General  John B. Miller had three hundred nineteen Blanks, one hundred twenty-two	319 122
Secretary of State  David D'Arcangelo had three hundred fourteen Blanks, one hundred twenty-seven  Treasurer	314 127
Michael James Heffernan had three hundred twelve Blanks, one hundred twenty-nine	312 129

Auditor Patricia S. Saint Aubin had three hundred eight Blanks, one hundred thirty-three		308 133
Representative in Congress  Mark C. Alliegro had one hundred eighty-four John C. Chapman had sixty-eight Vincent A. Cogliano, Jr. had forty-five Daniel L. Shores had one hundred five Blanks, thirty-nine		184 68 45 105 39
Councillor Blanks, four hundred forty-one		441
Senator in General Court  Derek A. Maksy had two hundred ninety-seven Blanks, one hundred forty-four		297 144
Representative in General Court  Blanks, four hundred forty-one		441
District Attorney Blanks, four hundred forty-one		441
Register of Probate Blanks, four hundred forty-one		441
County Treasurer Blanks, four hundred forty-one		441
County Commissioner Blanks, four hundred forty-one		441
	A true record, Attest:	
	Marlene M. Samson Town Clerk	



# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH 2014 STATE ELECTION

BRISTOL, SS.

To the Constables of the Town of Westport: GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in the Special State Election 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 TUESDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2014, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Election for the candidates for the following offices:

SENATOR IN CONGRESS	
GOVERNOR.AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
ATTORNEY GENERAL	
SECRETARY OF STATE	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
TREASURER	
AUDITOR	
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	
COUNCILLOR	1ST DISTRICT
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT	
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT	
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	BRISTOL DISTRICT
REGISTER OF PROBATE	
COUNTY TREASURER	BRISTOL COUNTY
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	BRISTOL COUNTY

### **QUESTION 1: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 6, 2014?

### **SUMMARY**

This proposed law would eliminate the requirement that the state's gasoline tax, which was 24 cents per gallon as of September 2013, (1) be adjusted every year by the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index over the preceding year, but (2) not be adjusted below 21.5 cents per gallon.

**A YES VOTE** would eliminate the requirement that the state's gas tax be adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws regarding the gas tax.

#### **QUESTION 2: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 6, 2014?

#### **SUMMARY**

This proposed law would expand the state's beverage container deposit law, also known as the Bottle Bill, to require deposits on containers for all non-alcoholic non-carbonated drinks in liquid form intended for human consumption, except beverages primarily derived from dairy products, infant formula, and FDA approved medicines. The proposed law would not cover containers made of paper-based biodegradable material and aseptic multi-material packages such as juice boxes or pouches.

The proposed law would require the state Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) to adjust the container deposit amount every five years to reflect (to the nearest whole cent) changes in the consumer price index, but the value could not be set below five cents.

The proposed law would increase the minimum handling fee that beverage distributors must pay dealers for each properly returned empty beverage container, which was 2½ cents as of September 2013, to 3½ cents. It would also increase the minimum handling fee that bottlers must pay distributors and dealers for each properly returned empty reusable beverage container, which was 1 cent as of September 2013, to 3½ cents. The Secretary of EEA would review the fee amounts every five years and make appropriate adjustments to reflect changes in the consumer price index as well as changes in the costs incurred by redemption centers. The proposed law defines a redemption center as any business whose primary purpose is the redemption of beverage containers and that is not ancillary to any other business.

The proposed law would direct the Secretary of EEA to issue regulations allowing small dealers to seek exemptions from accepting empty deposit containers. The proposed law would define small dealer as any person or business, including the operator of a vending machine, who sells beverages in beverage containers to consumers, with a contiguous retail space of 3,000 square feet or less, excluding office and stock room space; and fewer than four locations under the same ownership in the Commonwealth. The proposed law would require that the regulations consider at least the health, safety, and convenience of the public, including the distribution of dealers and redemption centers by population or by distance or both

The proposed law would set up a state Clean Environment Fund to receive certain unclaimed container deposits. The Fund would be used, subject to appropriation by the state Legislature, to support programs such as the proper management of solid waste, water resource protection, parkland, urban forestry, air quality and climate protection.

The proposed law would allow a dealer, distributor, redemption center or bottler to refuse to accept any beverage container that is not marked as being refundable in Massachusetts.

The proposed law would take effect on April 22, 2015.

**A YES VOTE** would expand the state's beverage container deposit law to require deposits on containers for all non-alcoholic, non-carbonated drinks with certain exceptions, increase the associated handling fees, and make other changes to the law.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws regarding beverage container deposits.

### **QUESTION 3: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 6, 2014?

#### **SUMMARY**

This proposed law would (1) prohibit the Massachusetts Gaming Commission from issuing any license for a casino or other gaming establishment with table games and slot machines, or any license for a gaming establishment with slot machines; (2) prohibit any such casino or slots gaming under any such licenses that the Commission might have issued before the proposed law took effect; and (3) prohibit wagering on the simulcasting of live greyhound races.

The proposed law would change the definition of "illegal gaming" under Massachusetts law to include wagering on the simulcasting of live greyhound races, as well as table games and slot machines at Commission-licensed casinos, and slot machines at other Commission-licensed gaming establishments. This would make those types of gaming subject to existing state laws providing criminal penalties for, or otherwise regulating or prohibiting, activities involving illegal gaming.

The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

**A YES VOTE** would prohibit casinos, any gaming establishment with slot machines, and wagering on simulcast greyhound races.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the current laws regarding gaming.

### **QUESTION 4: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 6, 2014?

#### **SUMMARY**

This proposed law would entitle employees in Massachusetts to earn and use sick time according to certain conditions.

Employees who work for employers having eleven or more employees could earn and use up to 40 hours of paid sick time per calendar year, while employees working for smaller employers could earn and use up to 40 hours of unpaid sick time per calendar year.

An employee could use earned sick time if required to miss work in order (1) to care for a physical or mental illness, injury or medical condition affecting the employee or the employee's child, spouse, parent, or parent of a spouse; (2) to attend routine medical appointments of the employee or the employee's child, spouse, parent, or parent of a spouse; or (3) to address the effects of domestic violence on the employee or the employee's dependent child. Employees would earn one hour of sick time for every 30 hours worked, and would begin accruing those hours on the date of hire or on July 1, 2015, whichever is later. Employees could begin to use earned sick time on the 90th day after hire.

The proposed law would cover both private and public employers, except that employees of a particular city or town would be covered only if, as required by the state constitution, the proposed law were made applicable by local or state legislative vote or by appropriation of sufficient funds to pay for the benefit. Earned paid sick time would be compensated at the same hourly rate paid to the employee when the sick time is used.

Employees could carry over up to 40 hours of unused sick time to the next calendar year, but could not use more than 40 hours in a calendar year. Employers would not have to pay employees for unused sick time at the end of their employment. If an employee missed work for a reason eligible for earned sick time, but agreed with the employer to work the same number of hours or shifts in the same or next pay period, the employee would not have to use earned sick time for the missed time, and the employer would not have to pay for that missed time. Employers would be prohibited from requiring such an employee to work additional hours to make up for missed time, or to find a replacement employee.

Employers could require certification of the need for sick time if an employee used sick time for more

than 24 consecutively scheduled work hours. Employers could not delay the taking of or payment for earned sick time because they have not received the certification. Employees would have to make a good faith effort to notify the employer in advance if the need for earned sick time is foreseeable.

Employers would be prohibited from interfering with or retaliating based on an employee's exercise of earned sick time rights, and from retaliating based on an employee's support of another employee's exercise of such rights.

The proposed law would not override employers' obligations under any contract or benefit plan with more generous provisions than those in the proposed law. Employers that have their own policies providing as much paid time off, usable for the same purposes and under the same conditions, as the proposed law would not be required to provide additional paid sick time.

The Attorney General would enforce the proposed law, using the same enforcement procedures applicable to other state wage laws, and employees could file suits in court to enforce their earned sick time rights. The Attorney General would have to prepare a multilingual notice regarding the right to earned sick time, and employers would be required to post the notice in a conspicuous location and to provide a copy to employees. The state Executive Office of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Attorney General, would develop a multilingual outreach program to inform the public of the availability of earned sick time.

The proposed law would take effect on July 1, 2015, and states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A YES VOTE would entitle employees in Massachusetts to earn and use sick time according to certain conditions.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws regarding earned sick time.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 6th day of October, 2014.

Antone C. Vieira, Jr.
Richard M. Spirlet
Steven J. Ouellette
Craig T.Dutra
R. Michael Sullivan
WESTPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Marlene Samson Town Clerk Westport, MA 02790 October 14, 2014

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 2014, I posted 5 true attested copies of the forgoing warrant in the following named places:

Briggs Road Fire Station
State Road Package Store
Briere's Inc. a.k.a. Country Liquor & Variety
Town Hall
Lees Supermarket

# STATE ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2014

Senator In Congress  Brian J. Herr had three hundred twenty-nine Blanks, one hundred twelve	329 112
Governor Charles D. Baker had two hundred twenty-two Mark R. Fisher had two hundred two Blanks, seventeen	222 202 17
Lieutenant Governor  Karyn E. Polito had three hundred nineteen Blanks, one hundred twenty-two	319 122
Attorney General  Maura Healey had two thousand nine hundred sixty-nine John B. Miller had two thousand two hundred thirty-eight Blanks, two hundred ninety-seven	2969 2238 297
Secretary of State  William Francis Galvin had three thousand eighty-four David D"Arangelo had one thousand nine hundred ten Daniel L. Factor had two hundred two Blanks, three hundred eight	3084 1910 202 308
Treasurer  Deborah B. Goldberg had two thousand six hundred eighty-three Michael James Heffernan had two thousand two hundred forty-six lan T. Jackson had one hundred ninety Blanks, three hundred eighty-five	2683 2246 190 385
Auditor Suzanne M. Bump had two thousand five hundred ninety-nine Patricia S. Saint Aubin had two thousand two hundred fourteen MK Merelice had two hundred eight Blanks, four hundred eighty-three	2599 2214 208 483
Representative in Congress  William Richard Keating had three thousand three  John C. Chapman had two thousand two hundred twenty-eight  Blanks, two hundred seventy-three	3003 2228 273

Councillor  Joseph C. Ferreira had three thousand four hundred eighty Blanks, two thousand twenty-four	3480 2024
Senator in General Court  Michael J. Rodrigues had three thousand seven hundred fifty-three Derek A. Maksy had one thousand four hundred eighty-eight Blanks, two hundred sixty-three	3753 1488 263
Representative in General Court  Paul A. Schmid III had three thousand nine hundred eighty-four Blanks, one thousand five hundred twenty	3984 1520
District Attorney  C. Samuel Sutter had three thousand nine hundred twenty-seven Blanks, one thousand five hundred seventy-seven	3927 1577
Register of Probate  Gina L. DeRossi had three thousand five hundred sixty-six  Blanks, one thousand nine hundred thirty-eight	3566 1938
County Treasurer Christopher T. Saunders had three thousand five hundred fifty Blanks, one thousand nine hundred fifty-four	3550 1954
County Commissioner  John Thomas Saunders had three thousand four hundred sixty-seven Blanks, two thousand thirty-seven	3467 2037
Question 1 – State Gas Tax  Yes, two thousand eight hundred sixty-two No, two thousand three hundred seventy Blanks, two hundred seventy-two	2862 2370 272
Question 2 – State Bverage Container Law Yes, one thousand four hundred sixty-five No, three thousand eight hundred eighty-nine Blanks, one hundred fifty	1465 3889 15
Question 3 – Prohibit Mass Casino/Gaming Establishments Yes, two thousand one hundred eight-nine No, three thousand one hundred sixty-seven Blanks, two hundred eight	2189 3167 208
Question 4 – Earn Sick Time  Yes, two thousand eight hundred thirty-one No, two thousand four hundred fifty-two Blanks, two hundred twenty-one	2831 2452 221

### Question 5 - "Clinics"

Yes, three thousand two hundred seventy-five No, one thousand four hundred seventy Blanks, seven hundred fifty-nine

3275 1470 759

A true record, Attest:

Marlene M. Samson Town Clerk

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BEACH COMMITTEE

The Beach Committee respectfully submits its report for the year ending December 31, 2014. The organization of the Board is as follows:

Tim St. Michel Chair
Sean Leach Vice Chair
Jeff Bull Member
Leone Farias Member
Millicent Throop Member

Many improvements have been made in 2013 and 2014:

- 1. Security light installed at Cherry & Webb Beach;
- 2. 2 porta-jons located at Cherry & Webb Beach;
- 3. Security camera installed at Cherry & Webb Beach;
- 4. 2 new benches installed on the path to Cherry & Webb Beach;
- 5. Used 4-wheel drive truck purchased for lifeguards use;
- 6. New signage installed at Cherry & Webb and Knubble Beaches;
- 7. New bathing suits and sweatshirts were purchased for the lifeguards;
- 8. Private mosquito spraying for the Cherry & Webb Beach parking lot & path.

We in Westport are very fortunate to have the Atlantic Ocean as our neighbor. We are also blessed with an outstanding lifeguard staff. The Beach Committee has regular monthly meetings each and every month of the year.

Thank you to all the folks who purchased a Beach Pass and a special thank you to the Town Clerk office staff for issuing the Beach Passes.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim St. Michel, Chair

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board of Appeals respectfully submits its report for the year ending December 31, 2014. The organization of the Board is as follows:

### Regular Members – Five-year Terms

Christopher J. Graham – Chairman

Gerald Coutinho – Vice Chairman

Heather L. Salva – Clerk

Donna L. Lambert

Gary Simmons

Term expires: 06-30-2018

Term expires: 06-30-2015

Term expires: 06-30-2015

Term expires: 06-30-2016

Term expires: 06-30-2019

### **Associate Members**

Larry Kidney Term expires: 06-30-2015 Roger Menard Term expires: 06-30-2015

### **Principal Clerk**

Diane Pelland

The Board of Appeals received and held public hearings on nine applications for the 2014 calendar year. Of the nine applications, three were Findings, four were Variances and two were Administrative Appeals. The Board allowed two "Withdrawals without Prejudice", three were "Denied" and four were "Granted".

The Board of Appeals wishes to note the retirement of Clayton Harrison. Mr. Harrison served on the Board of Appeals for the past 48 years, ending his service to the Board of Appeals on June 30, 2014, having been the Chairman of the Board of Appeals for the last 16 years. Best Wishes to Clayton in all his future endeavors and best wishes to the new Chairman Christopher Graham.

The Board also welcomed a new member, Roger Menard.

The Board would like to thank Diane Pelland for her invaluable service to the board and dedication in the performance of her duties as Principal Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Clayton M. Harrison and Christopher J. Graham Board of Appeals Chairmen

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors respectfully submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 2014 with organization as follows:

Mr. Stephen J. Medeiros, Chairman

Mr. John J. McDermott

Mr. Robert Grillo

Mr. Ellis Withington, Assistant Assessor/Appraiser

Ms. Sharon M. Potter, Office Manager Mrs. Katherine DeNadal, Senior Clerk Mrs. Nadine Castro, Senior Clerk

Tax Rate Summary for Fiscal 2015:

Fiscal 2015 Tax Rate \$7.93 per m.

I. Tax Levy Calculation

A. Total amount to be raised \$36,206,696.64
B. Total Estimated Receipts & Available funds \$12,879,223.01
C. Tax Levy \$23,327,473.63

D. Distribution of Tax Rate & Levies:

Class	В	С	D	E	F
	Levy Percentage	IC above times each % in Col. B	Valuation by Class	Tax Rate	Levy by Class
Res	92.5244%	21,583,605.01	2,721,766,503	7.93	21,583,608.37
Comm		1,297,940.63	163,674,307	7.93	1,297,937.25
Industi	rial 0.2734%	63,777.31	8,042,000	7.93	63,773.06
Sub To			2,893,482,810		22,945,318.68
Persor	nal 1.6382%	382,150.67	48,191,040	7.93	382,154.95
Total	100.0000%		2,941,673,850		23,327,473.63
II.	Amount to be Rais	ed			
	A. Appropriat				\$35,156,970.01
		ounts to be raised:	-1-		0.00
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New Growth certified (Real & Personal Property) 237,426.00

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

Property Class	# of Parcels	Valuation as of 1/1/2014
101-Single Family	5781	\$2,174,178,800.00
102-Condominium	166	\$ 46,217,300.00
Misc-Res 103,109	148	\$ 91,292,800.00
104-Two Family	396	\$ 130,167,200.00
105-Three Family	15	\$ 5,621,500.00
111-125 4-8 Units	29	\$ 15,900,600.00
130-132&106 Vacant Land	1378	\$ 145,764,600.00
300-393 Commercial	264	\$ 137,447,800.00
400-452 Industrial	18	\$ 8,042,000.00

Ch 61 Forest Land	28	•	39,780.00
Ch 61A Agricultural	251		1,477,485.00
Ch 61B Recreational	34		4,608,286.00
012-048 Mixed Use	46		132,724,659.00
Total Real Estate	8554		,893,482,810.00
Personal Property Public Utilities Total Personal Property	1023	\$	13,876,360.00
	11	\$	34,314,810.00
	1034	\$	48,191,040.00
Tax Exempt Property	2846	\$	203,159,400.00
Number of Transfers of Property in 2014	576		

### Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 2014

Number of Vehicles Assessed \$25. per m. 21,898
Excise Assessed \$25. per m. 21,898
Valuation of Automobiles \$1,264,498.01
\$103,089,750.00

### Farm Animal Excise Tax

Number of Farms 15
Excise assessed \$5. per m. \$ 2,689.25
Valuation of Animals & Machinery \$535,350.00

### **Boat Excise Tax**

Number of Boats963Excise assessed \$10. per m.\$ 44,061.00Valuation of Boats\$4,406,100.00

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

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen J. Medeiros, Chairman



# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health respectively submits the following report for the year ending 2014.

### The Board of Health Organized as Follows

Dr. John J. Colletti Sean M. Leach Chairman Vice-Chairman Karl W. Santos Member

### Board of Health Department Staff & Appointees

James J. Walsh Senior Health Agent/State Animal Inspector

Kathleen Burns, R.N. Part-Time Public health Nurse

John R. Swartz Full-Time Health Agent/Animal Inspector

Raymond Belanger Part-Time Health Agent

Nancy J. Paquet Principal Clerk
Patricia Kershaw Senior Clerk
Lucy Tabit Recording Clerk
Raymond Larner Landfill Worker

Wayne Parisee Landfill Worker/Animal Inspector

Anthony Amaral Landfill Worker
Dr. Dennis Callen Medical Advisor

Marlene Samson Burial Agent/Special Board of Health Agent

### LICENSED FUNERAL DIRECTORS

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

### Certificates, Licenses, Permits, & Applications Issued

Bakery Permits: 4 Above-Ground Pool Permits: 9
Bottled Water Permits: 4 In-Ground Pool Permits: 11
Catering Permits: 10 Semi-Public Pool Permits: 2

Food Service Establishment Permits: 44
Food Service Establishments Ltd: 1
Frozen Dessert Permits: 2
Frozen Dessert Permits: 2
Mobile Food Permit: 1
Food Service Establishment Permits: 2
Frozen Dessert Permits: 4
Frozen Dessert

Retail Food Permits: 29 Perc Applications-Repairs: 72
Seasonal Food Permits: 9 Extra Perc Holes: 24
Seasonal Retail Permits: 5 Water Table: 2

Temporary Food Permits: 55

Septic Application NC: 66

Temporary Retail Permit: 0

Septic Application Upgrade: 8

Temporary Seasonal Permits: 0

Septic Application Repairs: 75

Septic NC Permits: 46

Tobacco Permits: 16 Septic NC Permits Issued: 64
Tanning Salon Permits: 1 Septic Upgrade Permits Issued: 8
Body Art Establishments: 1 Septic Repair Permits Issued: 72 (27 w/Variances)

Body Art Practitioners: 7 Septic Minor Repair Permits issued: 13

Pody Art Approprias 0

Body Art Apprentice: 0 Septic Plan Revisions: 3 Funeral Director Certificates: 3 New Well Permits: 52

Garbage Removal Permits: 6

Sewage Removal Permits: 15

Installer's Permits: 33

Camp/Motels Permits: 4

Replacement Well Permits: 10

Late Renewal Penalties: 17

Tobacco Sales Violations: 8

Smoking Violations: 1

Port-a-Jon Permits: 9
Shell Permit: 1
Smoking Violations: 0
Other Violations: 0

Copies: \$309.69

Postage Recaptured: \$41.50

Total Board of Health fees collected: \$103,602.05

### **Animal Bite Reports**

Dog bites to humans: 11 Cat bites to humans: 1

### **Transfer Station Collections**

466 tons of recyclables, which include cardboard, scrap metal, tin, magazine/junk mail, newspaper and all plastics and clothing. Revenues totaling \$27,336.35 were received from the various recycling vendors during the year 2014. An additional \$4,155.20 was received for TV/monitors and tires. Recycling expenses cost the Town \$6,139.00 for the special handling of TV/monitors, glass and tires.

<u>855</u> tons of Municipal Solid Waste/C&D were transferred to New Bedford Waste Services during 2014, which cost the Town <u>\$57,969.00</u>; however, with the fees from punch card sales and bulky items, the Town received in revenue <u>\$142,890.00</u>. Additional revenue of <u>\$42,325.00</u> was collected through stickers and temporary pass sales.

# Other Board Of Health Responsibilities Provided Under The Guidance Of The Town Nurse, Kathleen Burns, Rn.

Health promotion, illness prevention, and health protection are the core functions of the Public Health Nurse. A focus on health and wellness, rather than illness, is the basis of all PHN work. Chronic diseases, which include cardiovascular disease, cancer and diabetes are among the most common and preventable health problems.

Additional responsibilities: clerical duties, vaccine management, referrals, sharps disposal, and participate in community health meetings. The nurse's continuing educational courses include Immunization Updates, Vaccine Storage and Handling, Complementary and Adjuvant Cancer Therapies, Ebola: What Clinicians Need to Know & Conference Calls, 2 MAVEN Webinars, Vaccine Reimbursement Webinar.

### Services Provided Under The Town Nurse

<u>Blood Pressure (BP) Clinics</u>: Walk-in basis-includes education on medication, nutrition, and healthy life styles. Pulse readings, weights and lung auscultation as warranted. 274 BP readings.

Communicable Disease Case Investigations and Reports: Information exchange through the Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiological Network (MAVEN). The 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. At risk contacts are also identified in order to prevent further transmission of the disease. Approximately 50 Reports Completed. Disease reports included Lyme, Babesiosis, Ehrlichiosis, Hepatitis C, Streptococcus Pneumonia, Viral Meningitis, Chicken Pox, Influenza, Latent Tuberculosis and Enteric diseases.

<u>Immunizations</u>: Through the MDPH Vaccine Enrollment Program, we are able to offer state-supplied vaccines for children, adolescents and high-risk adults who meet eligibility requirements. Vaccination provides partial or complete protection against the consequences of infection. Vaccine administered in 2014: Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis vaccine <u>7</u>, Varicella <u>2</u>. The MDPH has implemented more eligibility requirements for all vaccines.

<u>Flu Clinics</u>: <u>340</u> flu vaccines were given to Westport residents by scheduled appointments and walk-ins. <u>200</u> doses were purchased with revenue from the revolving account and <u>140</u> doses were state supplied. The BOH participates in the Medicare Part B Reimbursement and HMO Reimbursement Program.

<u>Emergency Preparedness</u>: Vaccine administered in 2014: Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis vaccine 7, Varicella 2. 1) Call-Down Drills. 2) HHAN Alerts. 3) Attend the quarterly Medical Reserve Corp meetings

as a member of the Board of Directors. The Senior Health Agent attends the monthly Bristol County Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coalition meetings.

<u>Additional Services</u>: Mantoux Tests <u>28</u>, B12 Injections <u>99</u>, physician prescribed injections <u>9</u>, Medication Box refills <u>38</u>, dressing changes, home BP monitor checks and teaching, filing insulin syringes for home bound clients, weigh-ins for 16 week weight loss challenge for Town employees.

Home Visits: 77.

WIC Satellite Program: Held monthly.

<u>Durable Medical Equipment</u>: Accepts donations of medical equipment to loan to residents in need.

Revenue: \$9,607.41 was received and deposited to the revolving vaccine account. This account is designated to aid in private purchase of vaccines and any other expenses associated with the administration of vaccines. Reimbursements for the administration of the 2014-2015 Flu vaccines have not been received as of 12/31/14. The delay in revenue funds are due to the Board of Health contracting outside the department to process all vaccine administration claims.

Special thanks to my co-workers and my faithful volunteers for their support.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Burns R.N.

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

In order to continue to protect the public health and environment, the Board of Health will:

- Continue to enforce all state laws and health codes;
- Continue to monitor all food service and retail food establishments for food safety;
- Disseminate all health care information provided by the Mass. Department of Public Health;
- Enforce and administer all pertinent Mass. Department of Env. Protection regulations; and
- Administer all existing BOH regulations and update and revise them as necessary.

Our Town Nurse, Kathy Burns, continues to provide excellent health services to those in need. Her dedication in planning and implementation for the possibility of a pandemic situation or other catastrophic situations and implementing response protocols will greatly improve the Town's ability to handle any overall emergency. Assisted by Senior Agent James Walsh, Principal Clerk Nancy Paquet and with the aide of Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director, Brian Legendre and Police Chief Keith Pelletier their work has expanded to an ongoing project to recruit volunteers as part of their membership in the Greater Fall River Medical Reserve Corp.

The Board of Health continues to implement its Septic System Pump-Out Program and well water testing program. The credit for its successful operation is due to the dedicated office staff at the BOH office.

The Board of Health also continued its implementation of the Community Septic Management Loan Program with the expertise of Nelia Williams of the Building Department and Nicole Botelho of the Accounting Department.

The Board of Health and Agents actively served on other committees such as the Bristol County Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coalition, the Estuary Committee, the Water Resources Management Committee and the Westport Community Schools Health Advisory Committee.

In regular business, the Board and their Agents continued their work reviewing septic plans for repairs and new construction, approving new and replacement well locations and holding hearings for variances and other issues as needed and responding to complaints and emergency calls in a timely manner.

The Board continues to improve the Transfer Station operation with intent to increase its revenue stream so as to reduce the need for financial support from the General Fund. The Transfer Station Staff, Raymond Larner, Wayne Parisee and Anthony Amaral continue to make improvements to the facility as well as providing service to the public and working with other Town departments.

I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank the Board of Health Staff, Town Nurse, and the Transfer Station workers. The Board is proud of the way they have interacted with other departments and our Town's people. They continue to serve the Town well through their hard work and dedication.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Colletti, Chairman

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT FOR WESTPORT, MA

Bristol County Mosquito Control Commissioners Arthur F. Tobin, Chairman

Christine A. Fagan Robert F. Davis

Gregory D. Dorrance Joseph Barile

This year marks the 55th anniversary of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project and its services to the cities and Town of Bristol County. The project was established in 1959 in response to numerous cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis. Over the years, our project has greatly reduced exposure to this arbovirus and to the newly introduced West Nile Virus.

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

During the 2014-mosquito season, over 21,760 mosquitoes were testedwere tested for the mosquito borne viruses EEE and WNV. There were 15 isolations of EEE with no human cases in the County. We had eight mosquito isolates of WNV in the County with no reported human cases. There were no equine cases for EEE or WNV, however there was one case of a deer that tested positive for EEE in Freetown, MA.

Our project continues its efforts year round. Our goal is to reduce mosquito breeding areas through water management and source reduction. We clean and maintain drainage ditches, culverts, and streams. Where feasible, we conduct open marsh management projects in conjunction with the Army Corps of Engineers.

During the time period January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project:

- Sprayed over 21,363 acres
- Treated 62.4 acres with B.t.i. and 14 acres with Altosid in 32 locations for mosquito
- Received 569 requests for spraying
- Treated 2,760 catch basins

Throughout the year, we strive to educate the public concerning mosquito borne diseases and simple ways people can protect themselves and help prevent breeding on their own property. We have many types of outreach programs including; speaking at public health events, visiting local schools and senior centers, and creating informational posters for distribution. Our project also has a website

www.bristolcountymosquitocontrol.com to better communicate with and relate important information to our cities and towns.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer E. Dacey, Superintendent

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

I hereby submit my report as Inspector of Buildings for the year ending December 31, 2014.

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1	Single Family Dwellings - Affordable	\$ 300,000.00
36	Single Family Dwellings	\$ 12,205,485.00
6	Single –Condo unit	\$ 724,340.00
67	Occupancy permits	N/V
3	Accessory Apartments	\$ 135,000.00
95	Alterations and Additions	\$ 3,166,635.00
26	Garages	\$ 1,580,318.00
53	Renovations and Repairs	\$ 2,657,103.00
61	Replacement Windows	\$ 384,598.00
35	Decks, Porches and Gazebos	\$ 430,570.00
10	Greenhouses and Sunrooms	\$ 405,055.00
15	Barns, Sheds and Workshops	\$ 382,721.00
12	Above-ground Pools	\$ 53,378.00
10	In-ground Pools	\$ 259,800.00
9	Tents	\$ 54,182.00
20	Demolitions	\$ 266,500.00
38	Commercial	\$ 692,011.00
12	Municipal, State, Churches, Non-Profit	\$ 231,810.00
8	Wind Turbine/Generators, Cell Towers, Antennas	\$ 135,300.00
112	Roof	\$ 885,026.00
21	Shingles and Siding	\$ 265,560.00
110	Solar Panel	\$ 3,035,386.00
60	Wood stoves, Fireplaces, Chimneys, Pellet Stoves	\$ 266,230.00
40	Certification Inspections	N/V
6	Signs	\$ 29,145.00
1	Fire	\$ 5,500.00
48	HVAC	\$ 1,119,107.00
1	Trench	\$ 10,000.00
2	Fence – Pergola	\$ 12,400.00
11	Site Visit, Re-Inspections, Consultations	N/V

Fees to Treasurer \$ 199,700.00 Total Building Permits issued - 783 (Including Building Permits, Requested Inspections, Certification Inspections, Re-Inspections, 58 Yard sale permits etc.) Miles Traveled – 7,738

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph Souza Building Commissioner



# 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, 2014.

Roughs	172
Finals	230
First Stage	11
Re-Inspections	6
Ranges	7
Generators	23
Space Heaters	1
Close Permit	2
Cooktops	2
Boilers	8
Furnaces	5
Gas Logs - Chimneys	9
Building Dept - BOS	2
Direct Heaters	4
Pool Heaters	2
Dryers	1
Tests	12
Water Heaters	9
Consultations	3
Water Services	0
Unit Heaters	16
Fire Department	2
CEU	12
No Permits	1
Ventless Heaters	0
Demolitions	0
Make Up Air Heaters	8

Total Inspections Made	548
Total Permits Issued	349
Fees to Treasurer	\$23,040.00
Miles Traveled	3,367

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Ferreira, 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, 2014.

Rough Inspections	172
Final Inspections	244
Consultations	5
Water Services	0
Re-Inspections	12
Septic Tie Ins	17
Water Heaters	38
No Permits	2
Municipal Requests	5
Water Piping	7
Dishwashers	1
CEU	2
Utility Sinks/Kitchen Sinks	3
Permit Close Out	5
Tub/Shower Valves	1
Boilers	1
Demolitions	4
Additional Inspections	0
Backflow Preventers	13
Stop Work Order	0
Plan Review	0
Grease Interceptor	1
Temporary Mobile	4
Underground Line	2

Total Inspections Made	539
Total Permits Issued	321
Fees to the Treasurer	\$31,292.00
Miles Traveled	3,374

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Ferreira, Plumbing Inspector

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTORS

We hereby submit our report as Wire Inspectors for the year ending December 31, 2014.

Single Family Dwellings, Overhead	7
Single Family Dwellings, Underground	48
Duplex	2
Alterations And Additions	36
New Service Overhead	28
New Service Underground	7
Rewire, Repair, Remodel	45
Barn/Sheds	10

Garage	15
Commercial	65
Alarms – Security/Smoke/Low Voltage	46
Temporary Service	12
Upgrade Service	4
Relocate/Repair/Replace Service	9
Meter Sockets	11
Panel Replacement	10
Septic Pumps	19
Hot Tubs	2
Boilers/Furnaces	20
Pool In-Ground	8
Pool Above-Ground	4
Generators	78
Municipal/State/Federal/Church	19
G.F.I. Lights	15
Air Conditioning	2
Re-Inspections	29
East Beach Inspections	92
Road Layout	6
Fire	1
Solar Panels	104
Dishwashers	1
Demolitions	1
Pole	

Miles traveled by Inspectors11,443Fees paid to the Treasurer\$77,320.00Total Permits issued704

Respectfully submitted,

William Plamondon Dane Winship Assistant Inspectors of Wires



## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit the report for the Cemetery Department for the year 2014.

### Reimbursements to the Town of Westport

 45 Interments
 \$ 24,500.00

 44 Cremations
 10,000.00

 59 Foundations
 5,520.75

45	Grass & Device	2,500.00
16	Saturday & Sunday Fees	4,550.00
	Sale of Lots	9,500.00
	Perpetual Care	32,400.00
	Total	\$ 88.970.75

The Cemetery Department is responsible for 36 cemeteries under perpetual care. Normal maintenance was carried out on all cemeteries with perpetual care and 6 not under perpetual care were also cleaned.

Respectfully submitted,

Westell G. Norman Jr.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

The Commission on Disability hereby submits its report for the year ending December 31, 2014.

### **Background**

The Commission on Disability was established at the 2009 Annual Town Meeting. There were two related Warrant Articles. One article established the Commission and a second article authorized the allocation of fines for violations of handicapped parking to the Commission. Westport became one of over 140 Commissions throughout the state that have been established under MGL Chapter 40: Section 8J. All of the Commissions work with guidance from the Massachusetts Office on Disability.

Planning for the Westport Commission began in 2008, by a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen. This included the preparation of the bylaws and gathering input from the community on the issues faced by people with disabilities. The committee also began educating the community on the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act as they apply to businesses and to Town and state government.

### **Vision**

Westport Without Barriers is the logo and the vision to promote the mission and priorities of the Commission.

### Mission Statement

To make Westport a better place to live by being a resource to the Town that will bring about the full and equal participation for people of all abilities in all aspects of life in Westport.

### **Priorities**

- Encourage public awareness of disability issues.
- Identify concerns of Westport citizens with disabilities.
- Work in cooperation with the Town departments and agencies, to bring about maximum participation of citizens with disabilities.

- Work with businesses, agencies, and organizations to improve accessibility for citizens with disabilities.
- Provide information, referral, guidance and advice to individuals, businesses, organizations and public agencies in all matters pertaining to disability.
- Assisting Town departments in complying with the American with Disabilities Act.
- Work with other local groups organized for similar purposes.
- Advocate for the rights of Westport citizens with disabilities.

### 2014 Highlights

### 1. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self Evaluation and Transition Plan Update

The Commission on Disability's (COD) main activity in 2014 continued the work begun in 2013 to address the lack of access to the Town Beaches in Westport for people with disabilities. This lack of beach access was highlighted in the 2011 ADA Self Evaluation and Transition Plan.

The COD worked with the Beach Committee to address the lack of beach access for people with disabilities primarily at two areas along Beach Avenue in Westport Harbor. These two areas include: 1) the Town Beach on Town property; and 2) the Westport Land Conservation Trust (WLCT) property on the ocean side of Beach Avenue adjacent to the Knubble. The WLCT property is the easiest place for people with mobility limitations to get onto the sand as the beach is almost level with the road. With the use of the lightweight portable access mats funded by the Community Preservation Committee, people who use walkers or wheelchairs, or canes can access the sandy beach safely and with relative ease.

The COD requested \$90,000 funding from the Community Preservation Committee for the design and construction of an environmentally sensitive dune crossing at the Town Beach. The funding included the purchase of the access mats that were tested at the end of the 2014 beach season. It will also produce educational signage. The funding was approved at the 2014 Annual Town Meeting; the actual survey, design and construction work on the dune crossing will take place in 2015.

COD also reached out to the MA Department of Conservation and Recreation to identify engineers with barrier beach expertise who could design an environmentally appropriate and ADA accessible dune crossing from the Beach Avenue layout to the Town-owned beach. A Request for Proposals was sent to the pre-qualified firms in early 2014. A review committee reviewed the response and recommended contracting with CLE Engineering. In addition, the Commission collaborated with the WLCT and the Conservation Committee to get approval from the Department of Environmental Protection and the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act for the use of the "Access Mats."

The Town Hall Annex accessibility problems at the front entrance that had been partly addressed in 2013 were fully completed with funding from the Community Preservation Committee. This included painting on the ramp as well as the handrails for the rebuilt ramp. The Bristol County Sheriff's Office provided the labor with their inmate work crew. Plans had been prepared by volunteer contractor Tim Gillespie who met frequently with the crew. Tools were provided by Stanley Cornwall, Commission Vice Chair, and Mr. Gillespie.

### 2. Promotion and Outreach to the Community

The Commission continues to maintain a webpage on the Town website, managed by volunteer John Branco. The website includes resources that include "invisible disabilities," including Multiple Chemical Sensitivities; links to accessible recreation and resources on accessible design. There are useful forms and links to national and regional newsletters. Minutes of past meetings are also posted.

### Membership

The Commission is comprised of seven members who have been appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The terms are staggered, 1 to 3 years. Commissioners and the years that their terms end are:

Elaine Ostroff, Chairperson (2016)
Stanley Cornwall, Vice Chairperson (2017
Michael Ouimet, Secretary/Treasurer (2015)
Rose Rego (2017)
Judith Beavan (2015 – completing Selena Howard's term)
John Pelletier (2016)
Richard Squire (2017)

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Ostroff, Chairperson

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

### Members

Warren Messier - Chair, William Raus- Vice Chair, Elizabeth Collins, Jim Coyne, Dick Lambert, Anne Brum, Timothy Gillespie, Janet Jones and Joan Wood.

The provisions of the Community Preservation Act (MGL.44B) were passed at the 2001 Annual Town Meeting. In adopting the provisions of the Act, taxpayers approved a two percent surcharge on real estate taxes, starting in February 2003, to fund this program. In addition, each year the State, from a special trust set up for this purpose, allocates funds to all the Community Preservation Act (CPA) communities. In the first several years, the State matched 100% but in the last four years of economic downturn the match had been dropping but this year it has doubled to 52% of matching state funds. An amendment to CPA passed in 2012 in which an expanded use for Recreation CPA funding was enacted as well as other needed amendments. (See General Laws Chapter 44B (2010 Official Edition) as amended by St. 2012, c. 139, §§ 69-83.) In addition, \$25 million was allocated for "extra" state match funding. CPA funds are restricted use only for open space, historic preservation, affordable housing and recreation. A minimum of 10% of the total available funds each year must be devoted to each of the categories of open space, affordable housing, and historic preservation. The balance of the funding may be expended in any of the categories listed. If funds are not expended in one year they are carried over to the next years as reserves. Five percent is allowed for administrative expenses.

A Community Preservation Committee (CPC) was established in April 2002, after voters had approved this action by an annual election ballot question. CPC consists of nine (9) voting members pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44B, Section 5. The Committee, appointed by the Selectmen, at the end of 2014 include three members-at-large (Anne Brum, Jim Coyne and Joan Wood) and representatives of the Town's Conservation Commission (Richard Lambert), Historical Commission (Janet Jones), Planning Board (William Raus), Recreation Commission (Timothy Gillespie), Housing Authority (Elizabeth Collins), and Finance Committee (Warren Messier). Ms. Wood resigned in December, 2014. Our thanks go to all the volunteers serving on the CPC.

At any time after fiscal year FY08 the Town can revoke the Act by following the same procedure that was followed in adopting the Act. That is by a vote of Town Meeting followed by an Annual Town Election ballot question. Otherwise, the Community Preservation Act remains in place.

CPC works closely with Town committees and boards as well as with the Agricultural Open Space Trust

Fund Council, Trustees of Reservations, the Westport Land Conservation Trust, and other non-profits to develop projects which will meet CPA requirements and which will contribute to the Town. Each project is carefully reviewed and costs closely examined. CPC requires that all projects serve a public purpose and that quarterly reporting back to the CPC is done. All projects must be submitted to and reviewed by the CPC by the December meeting. A public hearing is held in January for all the projects which the CPC will consider for recommendation to the Town Meeting. The CPC submits a warrant article to Town Meeting for voters' consideration. All the recommended projects were approved at the 2014 Annual Town Meeting unanimously. They were:

### **Historic Preservation**

Town Hall Annex Gymnasium Rehabilitation and Accessibilty, \$69,000.00 - An historic preservation rehabilitation project of a Town-owned building overseen by the Recreation Commission to restore and rehabilitate the floors, walls, ceiling and stage of the existing gymnasium and do lead abatement in the stage area.

Rehabilitation of the Sanford Road School #18: Roof, \$31,554.00 - This historical preservation project consists of putting on a new roof on the Town-owned building.

Rehabilitation of the Sanford Road School #18: Tight Tank, \$16,000.00 - This historical preservation project is to replace current failed septic system with a tight tank for this Town-owned building.

<u>Historic Preservation of the Head Garage Exterior, \$161,500.00</u> - This project is the historic restoration of the exterior of this historic building which is on the Town Landing with the building owned by the Westport River Watershed Alliance.

### Open Space

<u>Barrett Farm Agricultural Preservation restriction (APR) \$150,000.00</u> - This 19-acre property, abuts more than 1,200 acres of protected farm and conservation land including River Rock Farm, Hilltop Farm, the Let conservation area and Allen's Pond Wildlife Sanctuary. The Town purchases the agricultural preservation restriction which it will hold in perpetuity to protect this farmland.

Nisby Property Conservation Restriction, \$100,000.00 - This 81-acre parcel is located at the northernmost point of the Town perimeter abutting Dartmouth and 600 feet away from the Fall River line. It contains the headwaters of Bread and Cheese Brook, an important tributary of the Westport River. The Town purchases the conservation restriction which it will hold in perpetuity.

### Recreation

<u>Beach Avenue Accessibility</u>, \$90,000.00 - his project provides handicapped accessibility to the Townowned beach off Beach Avenue in Westport Harbor.

<u>WUYS Athletic Fields</u>, \$70,000.00 - The Westport United Youth Soccer group completes the last of the remaining soccer fields and the concession area for use for youth soccer on this Town-owned land on Sanford Road.

### Administrative Expenses

<u>\$21,000.00</u> - The CPA allows a maximum 5% of annual CPA Revenues for Administrative and operating expenses. The CPA has in recent years set aside \$21,000 but in every year it has returned a significant portion back to the CPA fund.

State Matching Funds received to date are listed below.

October 2003	\$285,139.00
October 2004	\$296.150.00
October 2005	\$310,535.00
October 2006	\$324,421.00
October 2007	\$339,198.00
October 2008	\$242,421.00
October 2009	\$126,347.00
October 2010	\$103,501.00
October 2011	\$104,918.00
October 2012	\$110,399.00
October 2013	\$221,426.00
October 2014	\$138,000.00

Total: \$2,603,054.00 (60% of local surcharge funding)

Detailed information about meetings, application procedures, criteria and other source material is available on the Town of Westport Website – Community Preservation Committee. For further information about CPA throughout the state as well as in Westport, go to http://www.communitypreservation.org/.

Respectfully submitted,

Warren M. Messier, Chair

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION/SOIL BOARD

The Conservation Commission/Soil Conservation Board hereby submits its annual report for the calendar year ending December 31, 2014.

### Overview

The Conservation Commission is a seven-member volunteer board, appointed by the Board of Selectmen to oversee and protect Westport's extensive inland and coastal wetlands, riverfront and certain other natural resources. Our primary responsibility is to review wetland delineations and permit applications for activity in or near wetland and riverfront areas under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (WPA) and the Rivers Protection Act, as well as ensuring compliance. The Commission issues decisions and permits after a public hearing and presentations by the applicant.

The Conservation Commission employs professional support to review application filings including septic and building permit requests. The Commission staff works closely with the Board of Health and Building Inspector in these reviews. The Commission is responsible for updating the Town's Open Space Plan every five years and for overseeing town-held conservation restrictions, which preserve valuable natural areas. The Commission also serves as the Soil Conservation Board for the Town and reviews permit applications for storage, transfer and removal of certain soils and minerals as set forth in Westport's Soil By-Law.

### Personnel Updates

The Conservation Commission employs one outstanding Wetlands professional, Christopher Capone. Christopher is the Commission's full-time Conservation Agent. The Conservation Commission is also well supported by the administrative work of Leone Farias, Principal Clerk. Mrs. Farias handles the day-

to-day operations of our office and with our agent, assists the public and applicants in moving through the sometimes intricate process of compliance with the requirements of the Conservation Commission.

Conservation Commission members at the close of 2014 were: Paul Joncas (Chairman), David Aguiar (Vice Chairman), and members Noelle Briand, John Reynolds, Richard Lambert, Thomas Martin and Michael Duval.

### Commission Activity & Highlights

The Commission continues to meet bi-weekly (alternate Tuesday evenings). We have continued with a regular review of our compliance worksheet, and have resolved numerous outstanding compliance issues. We have created an electronic filing system to organize new information in a way that should make information stored in our files more readily accessible for our review process. Policies and procedures continue to be refined and reviewed as appropriate. The Commission has instituted a Dock Policy which we have not had for years. This allows us greater control over the docks that are built in Westport. The Commission has done a complete review of fees and made the appropriate changes to make the fees more in line with our actual costs and not based on past fees.

The totals for various filings under the state Wetlands Protection Act in 2014 were: 235 Permit Reviews, 56 Notices of Intent, 1 NOI Extension, 7 Abbreviated Notices of Resource Area Determination, 17 Requests for Determination of Applicability, 10 Certificates of Compliance, 2 Amended Order of Conditions, and 12 Soil Permits. TOTAL 340

### Coordination with Town Boards

Conservation Commission members also represent the Commission on the Community Preservation Committee and the Agricultural Preservation Trust Council.

### Budget and Wetland Funds

The Conservation Commission is funded partly from taxation and partly from a fund called the Wetlands Fund. A portion of every Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation (ANRAD) and Notice of Intent (NOI) is deposited in the Wetlands Fund. The Conservation uses these funds to carry out the work of the Conservation Commission and to supplement shortfalls in our funds appropriated at Town Meeting. Due to both the ongoing budgetary restraints experienced by all Town departments and a marked slow down in the number of applications coming to the Commission in recent months, we expect to more greatly rely on our Wetlands Fund for our day to day operation.

On behalf of the Conservation Commission and the citizens of the Town of Westport, I thank both the staff and Commissioners for their dedication and willingness to devote many hours to serving the Town of Westport.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Joncas, Chairman

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging respectfully submits this report for the year ending December 31, 2014.

Council Members	<u>Appointed</u>	Term Expires
Marcia Liggin	July 1, 2013	June 30, 2016
Karin Bergeron	July 1, 2013	June 30, 2016
Catherine Davis	July 1, 2013	June 30, 2016
Virginia Routhier	July 1, 2008	June 30, 2017
William Gifford	November 1, 2010	June 30, 2016
Judith Turner	July 1, 2014	June 30, 2017
Muriel kokoszka	August 1, 2014	June 30, 2017

### Council on Aging Staffing

Including the Director, there are three full-time employees and seventeen part-time employees. Over 100 volunteers are actively involved in the operation of the Council on Aging.

### Town Funded

Director Vacant position as of 12/15/14
Principal Clerk Eileen McCarthy Mendonca
Maintenance Specialist John Medeiros (20 hours per week)

<u>Transportation Program – Partial Town/Partial Grant Funded</u>
Van Drivers Carol Borges

Richard Gomez Robert Braga Alfred Verville Paul Jaillet Kimberley Bouley

Dispatcher Kimberley Bouley
Outreach Department Andrea Lemos
Phyllis Sandman

Julie Shanahan Susan Sharpe

Senior Social Day Program - Self Funded/Partial Grant Funded

Program Director Constance McQuoid

Assistant Program Director Cathy Lynch
Program Aides Jeanne Borges

Robin Azevedo Martha Fontaine Celina Fialho

Nutrition Program Meal

Volunteer Coordinator

Site Manager Coral Sadeck

The Mission of the Westport Council on Aging is to identify and meet the needs of Westport's elder population and to inform elders and the community of available services. The Westport Council on Aging is responsible for planning, coordination and providing comprehensive services for Westport residents age 60 and over. We work with other Town agencies and community service providers to enhance the quality of life for our elders. The Westport Senior Center is a Town gathering place dedicated to enriching the aging experience for Westport seniors. We provide a rich, diverse environment with a wide range of opportunities, programs and services in the area of health, learning, art, socialization, nutrition and recreation. Our goal is to help seniors maintain their independence and to continue to be active members of their community. We believe wholeheartedly in enhancing growth, dignity and a sense of belonging while encouraging individual contributions and the sharing of life experiences.

The Council on Aging Board of Directors works toward the goal of serving elders who are poor, frail and/or homebound. It works toward this goal by working with Bristol Elder Services, Inc., the Aging Service Access Point (ASAP), the Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA) and the Massachusetts Council on Aging (MCOA). The Council on Aging works with Westport's Town Departments, local businesses and many others. The Council on Aging expands beyond the borders of our own community to Diman Regional Vocational School, the Sheriff's Department, Bristol Community College, the

University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth, the local transit authority, legislators, and to other regional and statewide boards and organizations that advocate for seniors.

There are four basic areas of operation at the Senior Center:

- a. Senior Center Programs provide a cross-section of opportunities to enable seniors to age well and "in place". Physical fitness programs including yoga, aerobics, osteoporosis prevention, Tai Chi and stretch and tone were accessed 6,398 times; instructional/ informational programs which include poetry writing, water color painting, knitting and quilting were accessed 1,951 times; social/recreational activities such as hiking, pool and bingo were accessed 4,561 times.
- b. The Supportive Day Program is a supervised program for frail elders. The median age of the clients is 85. At the present time there are 52 clients enrolled in the program. Daily attendance averages14 people a day. The Social Day program was accessed 3,640 times in 2014. We continue to see an increase in the growing elder population and the increase in the need for this service which helps to keep elders in their community and out of institutions. The majority of the Social Day clients are Westport residents. The program is self-supporting through the \$30.00 a day charge per each client (transportation charges are extra).

For every person in the Supportive Day program, we are serving at least one additional person, the caregiver. Our trained staff provides six hours of supervised activities to each client, allowing the caregiver respite time to regenerate or to hold down a job.

- c. Outreach Program the Outreach Program helps identify problems, needs and solutions; provides information and referrals and assists with long term care planning. Our Outreach Workers meet with elders and family members as needed in the home or at the Senior Center. The Outreach Workers see over 436 individuals a year. They do Home Consults, Office and Phone Consultations as well as in Nursing Homes. Together they provided 2,583 units of service including but not limited to, assistance with obtaining fuel assistance and food stamp applications, loaning durable medical equipment, help with medical insurance applications including Medicaid, information and referrals to state and local resources.
- d. Transportation Program Our four buses and two vans provided 7,110 rides this year to medical appointments, food shopping, pharmacies and bringing clients into the Senior Center for Social Day Program.

The Council on Aging Board, the staff and the volunteers are doing an exceptional job providing services to the elders of Westport. The over sixty population continues to grow. According to the census there are 4,198 seniors in Town. The demand for services will increase proportionally; especially the need for transportation and outreach services. There will also be an increase in demand for affordable senior housing as the population ages.

The Westport Council on Aging is an active department and the Senior Center is a well-used building. The building has been maintained by funds from the Friends of Westport the Council on Aging and the Community Preservation Committee. The south side of the Senior Center was re-shingled with funding from the CPC and labor provided by a Diman Regional Vocational School Instructor and his students. They also repaired and painted the back steps and repaired the outside railings. They did an amazing job and we are grateful for the work they did for us.

Socialization is an important part of maintaining a healthy mind and body. Opportunities such as the monthly Soup and Sandwich, Veterans Breakfast held on November 4th and the Annual Picnic on August 13th provided social interactions. The whole family was invited to join us for "An Evening Under the Tent" on August 12th with the Cajun band "Magnolia". There were activities for the children, a car show for car enthusiasts and jambalaya, all available during the toe-tapping music.

Volunteers are critical to the functioning of the Council on Aging. Our Volunteer Program has over 100 volunteers providing a wide variety of services. Volunteers visit shut-ins, help in the kitchen, keep the

gardens beautiful, help with data entry and write our Newsletter. Volunteers from AARP help seniors with filing their taxes and our S.H.I.N.E Counselor (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Elders), Richard Kelly assists seniors navigate the increasingly complex healthcare system throughout the year. We are extremely grateful for their service.

"My Senior Center", a gift from the Friends of the Westport Council on Aging, was installed last year. This data system operates with a key-swipe automatically compiling data and more efficiently recording information. This system continues to provide accurate data for report writing.

The Food Pantry program, previously housed at the Senior Center and run by volunteers grew rapidly since its inception in 2009. Each month more than 70 Westport households received food from this pantry. Volunteers purchased food, sorted food, stocked shelves, filled bags, picked up fresh bread and manned the Food Pantry from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Thursdays. Any Westport resident, age 18 or older, in need of food is eligible to use the food pantry. The increase in numbers of people using the Westport Food Pantry was consistent with reports from food pantries across the region. A COA Board committee was formed in January to address finding another home for the Food Pantry due to space constraints at the Center. On May 1, 2014 the Food Pantry was moved to the Lighthouse Church on American Legion Highway. It would continue to run under the management of Heather Wilson.

Volunteers visit shut-ins, help in the kitchen, keep the gardens beautiful, answer the phone, help with data entry and write our Newsletter. Our Social Day Care Program continues to grow but the best part is the enthusiasm and genuine fun that characterizes each day's activities. The staff and volunteers work hard at making life as enjoyable as possible. Where else can you go and find a group of 80 and 90 year olds laughing, singing and dancing.

The staff, volunteers, and the COA Board and Friends of Westport Council on Aging work very hard to encourage healthy aging, not just longer life for the people in our community. Each year, the financial crunch increases as the over 60 population in Westport grows and we are asked to provide more services with fewer resources and less staff. With help from the Town, grantors, and private donations from individuals, the Council on Aging has met that challenge in 2014, and we plan to explore all avenues to continue to offer more services, programs, and activities to our seniors in the future.

The additional and final piece of this report is the very important role that the Friends of the Westport Council on Aging have historically had and continue to have in supporting the COA. The financial and supportive contributions of the FWCOA are too numerous to mention here, but their gifts have ranged from basic maintenance items to scholarships for Supportive Day Program clients. This year we were most fortunate to receive a 2014 Honda Odyssey through their generosity. In addition, we received a 2014 Ford Econoline Elkhart through a MASSDOT grant and the FWCOA. Both vehicles became part of our transportation fleet and replaced aging vehicles. On behalf of the Westport Council on Aging we want to publicly express our gratitude and thanks.

It is the policy of the Westport Council on Aging to offer classes and programs first to Westport residents 60 years old and older, then to younger people, if room exists, unless restricted by grant-funding guidelines.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia W. Liggin Council on Aging Chairma



# 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, 2014.

The Board of Selectmen reappointed members Shirley Desrosiers, Patricia Kershaw, Leone Farias, Phyllis Chrupcala and Charlene R. Wood to the committee. We wish to thank Margaret Silvia Vieira for serving on the committee whereas she chose not to be reappointed this year. All terms expire June 30, 2015.

The committee awarded the following grants for the year 2014:

Westport Police Department (Lt. John Bell): The **\$500.00** grant will be utilized toward the purchase of lawn speed signs to be located in various areas throughout the town as requested by any resident wishing to put one on their lawn. The ultimate purpose is to aid in slowing down traffic in highly congested areas and in areas where speed continues to be a problem.

The Westport Highway Department (Andrew Sousa): A **\$1,000** grant was awarded to assist in the department's efforts to replace street signs that have been defaced, torn down or stolen and/or not legible. The newer signs are larger and more reflective than the ones currently in use.

Donna Lambert, Westport Animal Control Officer, was awarded a **\$1,000** grant to continue her efforts to reduce the number of feral and community cats through the Trap-Neuter-Return Program that she has successfully instituted in the past.

Unfortunately, we only received three applications this year and want to encourage other departments and organizations to apply next year.

Thanks to all the applicants for taking the time and effort to apply for the grants.

The Trustees of the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund and the Westport Citizens Betterment Fund encourage contributions to either of these funds. When you contribute to the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund, you are contributing to your community as well. Any person or organization wishing to contribute may do so through the Board of Selectmen's office or by calling Charlene Wood at 508-636-2075. Your donations would help put resources back into the community.

The balance in the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund as of 12/31/14 was \$24,739.60, of which \$19,875.02 is non expendable. The Westport Citizens Betterment Fund has a balance of \$5,363.47.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Desrosiers, Chair

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ENERGY COMMITTEE

The following is a report of the Energy Committee for the year ending December 31, 2014.

The purpose of the Energy Committee is to investigate and propose ways to reduce the cost of energy for the town, by promoting the use of renewable energy sources. A project to support a 700,000 kwh solar farm on the capped Landfill was cancelled due to NStar delays and regulatory changes at the state level. However, two power purchase agreements with Borrego Solar are now producing solar energy credits that will save the town about \$100,000 per year on municipal electricity bills. These 20-year contracts will ensure energy savings well into the future.

The town was awarded a grant from the state amounting to \$7,500 toward an electric vehicle and \$15,000 toward the purchase and installation of a charging station. The vehicle will be used by town personnel, reducing the cost of mileage reimbursements, which will save money while demonstrating the town's commitment to renewable energy. The car and charging station should be in operation by Spring of 2015. Our agenda for 2015 includes obtaining a lease on the Landfill site by a solar developer, and replacing streetlight bulbs with energy efficient LEDs.

At the end of 2014, the members of the Committee members were:

Walter Barnes
Leo Brooks
John Ciccotelli
Tony Connors, Chair
Karl Daxland
Ed Goldberg
Max Kohlenberg
R. Michael Sullivan, Selectmen's Representative
(one vacancy)

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Connors, Chair Westport Energy Committee

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The following is a report of the Finance Committee for the year ending December 31, 2014.

The committee continues its effort to increase transparency and improve communication among all budget actors, i.e., Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, School Committee, School Superintendent, Finance Committee, and Town Meeting. Under the chairmanship of Shana Shufelt, the Budget Advisory Group serves as a forum in which each of these groups can carry on regular dialogue regarding the serious budget issues that continue to face the Town. In order to improve communication with the taxpayers through Town Meeting, it prepared for the 2014 Annual Town Meeting a written report regarding the financial situation of the Town.

The three-year terms of W. Hugh Morton, Shana Shufelt, and Tracy Priestner ended on June 30, 2014, and the Moderator reappointed them to the committee. Upon reorganization, the committee reelected Buzzy Baron chair and Shana Shufelt vice-chair.

<u>Members</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
W. Hugh Morton	June 30, 2017
Shana Shufelt, Vice Chair	June 30, 2017
Tracy Priestner	June 30, 2017
Robert N. McCarthy	June 30, 2016

Gary Carreiro	June 30, 2016
Mark Carney	June 30, 2016
John E. Miller	June 30, 2015
Warren M. Messier	June 30, 2015
Charles "Buzzy" Baron, Chair	June 30, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Charles "Buzzy" Baron, Chairman

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit my report as Fire Chief for the year ending December 31, 2014.

The mission of the Westport Fire Department is to protect life, property and the environment from fire, medical emergencies, hazardous materials, natural disaster and terrorist related incidents. We will do this through emergency mitigation, code enforcement, public education and training.

Fire Chief
Brian R. Legendre
Deputy FireChief
Allen N. Manley, Jr.

### **Administrative Assistant**

Theresa A. Vaillancourt

### **Captains**

Bruce Martin Jr. Michael P. Silvia

### Lieutenants

Brian A. Beaulieu Daniel F. Ledoux Daniel Baldwin

### Firefighter/EMT's

Raymond E. Benoit Brian D. Souza Keith Nickelson Glenn R. Nunes Dennis Pelland Matthew Cowell Glenn Mackillop Darren Nunes Paul Duhon Mark Brisk Steve Lopes **Anthony Ward** Andrew Raymond Andrew Ferrarini Robert Porawski Jr. Sean Connolly

### Call Firefighters

Ronald Vien
Chad Vaillancourt
Chris Caswell
Robert Manchester
Philip Gonsalves
Michael Tetreault
Kenneth Reilly
Todd Mackay
Robert Porawski III
Justin Raulino
Matthew T. Farias
Weston Thurston II

James Cawley (military leave) Adam Dietzman (military Leave)

### **Emergency Management Director** Brian R. Legendre

### <u>Deputy Emrgency Management Director</u> Brian A. Beaulieu

### Emergency Management - Special Services Roger Maynard Bryan Moniz

Kendal Nickelson

### Fire Prevention Officer Daniel Ledoux

### Fire Investigator William G. Baraby (Lieutenant)

### Medical Director Hank Crowley Jr., MD

### **EMS** Coordinator Glenn R. Nunes

### Hazardous Material Technicians

Brian R. Legendre Bruce Martin, Jr. Glenn Nunes Mark Brisk

### Child Passenger Safety Technicians

Brian D. Souza Brian A. Beaulieu Keith Nickelson

### **Grant Writer** Allen N. Manley, Jr.

### Computer Coordinator Michael P. Silvia

### E-911 Coordinator Paul Duhon

### **Training Division**

Allen N. Manley, Jr. Bruce Martin Jr. Keith Nickelson Glenn Nunes Anthony Ward Daniel Baldwin

### Fire & Explosion Investigation Division

Allen N. Manley Jr. William G. Baraby Mark Brisk

# Fire & Life Safety Education Division

Kenneth Reilly Brian A. Beaulieu

The Westport Fire Department is a combination department that currently consists of twenty one (21) fulltime firefighter/paramedics and fourteen (14) call-firefighters. A full-time firefighter/paramedic works a minimum of forty two (42) hours per week and provides BOTH fire and EMS protection. There are a minimum of four (4) firefighter/paramedics on duty at all times, two in each station. The on duty personnel are supplemented by off duty full-time firefighters and the call firefighters. Staffing is a

constant issue within the department due to the uncertainty and inconsistency with off duty firefighter and call firefighter responses. There is no guarantee that the on duty firefighters will get any help or sufficient help at emergency scenes to operate in a safe and effective manner. Westport is the fourth largest Community in the Commonwealth (land area) and has no public water supply to speak of resulting in firefighters having to find and secure their own water supply, a task that requires additional manpower and equipment.

I would like to recognize Firefighter/Paramedic Steven Lopes who was critically injured at a fire on March 6, 2014. FF. Lopes while working on a roof slipped on ice and fell 2½ stories to the frozen ground. FF. Robert Manchester made an attempt to rescue FF. Lopes as he also slipped but was unable to hold on resulting in FF. Manchester also sliding down the roof. FF. Manchester was able to grab a bedroom dormer to stop his fall and was removed through a second floor window. Firefighter/Paramedics on scene quickly attended to and treated FF. Lopes. He was transported to the Trauma Center at Rhode Island Hospital. FF. Lopes has had a long recovery from his injuries and has made tremendous progress. I would like to thank department personnel, Town officials, Town residents, and surrounding area fire departments for the outpouring of support that was shown to FF. Lopes and his family during this trying time.

The Department is striving to meet current NFPA standards for required equipment certification, training, and staffing. We are attempting to do as many things as possible "in house" to reduce cost and still meet the standards to improve safety and reduce liability to the Town.

The Department has been battling with fleet maintenance for several years with vehicle repairs to just keep them operational. A long term capital plan has once again been submitted to the Capital Committee outlining the need and cost to replace not only fire apparatus but other essential firefighting equipment. The Fire Department has been very successful receiving grant funding to replace and upgrade equipment but unfortunately these funds have been severely reduced and grants cannot and should not be expected to be the only source for equipment funding. A new pumper truck was delivered in mid February 2014 and is a much needed addition to our fleet.

The Town of Westport continues to have some of the most dedicated firefighters in the area constantly striving to improve the Department and its role in the community. Westport Firefighters donate their time for most Department training and Fire Department sponsored events.

The following are reports from the Division Coordinators on the yearly activities of their assigned Division within the Westport Fire Department:

### Emergency Management Report - by EMA Director Brian R. Legendre

In 2007 Emergency Management was placed under the direction of the Fire Chief. Since that time Westport EMA has followed the direction of FEMA and MEMA to restructure and rebuild the emergency management capabilities in the Town. As a result, Westport has been eligible to apply for and receive several State and Federal grants to support our mission. Westport EMA has received \$9,735.00 in grant funding in 2014. Westport EMA will continue to look at new ways to serve the community. If any resident would like to be trained to be a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) volunteer please contact Deputy EMA Director Brian Beaulieu at 774-264-5166.

### <u>Training Division Report – by Allen N. Manley, Jr.</u>

During 2014, Department members received over 1500 hours of training in a variety of disciplines from basic firefighting operations to advanced and highly specialized training. Many of these training hours are uncompensated time that individual members dedicate to improving their knowledge and skills in order to better serve this community.

Shortly, 2 new members will begin 6 months of training at the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Call/Volunteer Firefighter Training Program in Fall River. This class is a comprehensive training blending traditional classroom lecture with on-line training and practical skills sessions that challenge the new member mentally and physically. This training requires a serious commitment of time and energy that

these new members make in order to become call firefighters. I would like to thank them for their dedication to the department and their families for supporting their goal.

Once a month members of the Training Team organize and conduct a department wide drill to incorporate new tools and technology or to sharpen basic firefighting skills. I would like to thank all those members of the training team who work hard to make these sessions successful and fun for the participants.

The Department is still in need of several training props in order to advance our day-to-day training evolutions. A proposal has been sent to the Capital Improvement Planning Committee to build a training tower that would allow the members to deploy ladders, practice search and rescue operations and hose and fire extinguishment evolutions. This training tower would also affect the departments ISO rating thereby helping to reduce the premiums paid by taxpayers while improving our members skills.

We continue to work towards making training as realistic and relevant as possible. Our goal is a well trained and disciplined firefighting force that will be able to meet the mission of the Department and keep our members and those we serve safe. I would like to thank all the members who have given their time and talent to bring the best possible training to the Westport Fire Department.

# Fire Prevention (Code Compliance) Report – by Lieutenant Daniel Ledoux

This year the Massachusetts Division of Fire Services again updated and changed fire codes. As of January 1st, 2015, Massachusetts adopted a new model code in an attempt to create more uniformity and transparency throughout the Commonwealth. This will place an increase in training requirements to fire prevention authorities throughout the Commonwealth. As for Westport Fire Prevention, I have continued to keep up with the new changes. Town residence will see minor changes with day-to-day inspections. However, the changes force increased awareness and diligence on the part of the individual fire inspector. The new change merges some aspects regarding the review/ inspection process among building officials and fire inspectors. The reason Westport residents will see minor changes are due to the fact of an already existing cooperation between fire and building officials in Westport. Steps are already in place to ensure uniformity as best as possible to process.

#### Inspections for Year 2014

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	<u>Total</u>
Chapter 26F	21	7	17	14	28	19	36	19	20	20	18	19	238
Chapter 21E	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	2	6
Assembly Permits	0	0	7	1	3	2	0	0	1	0	3	2	19
Black Powder	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	5
Blasting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Garages	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	11	23	46
Oil Burners CMR 4	1	5	1	5	0	3	1	3	5	3	15	2	44
Upgrade Fuel Line Inspection	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	12
Training Coverage	4	7	5	5	4	4	4	5	5	4	5	3	55
Propane	13	3	17	11	4	7	18	3	6	11	5	10	108
Waste Oil Burners	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waste Oil	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	8

Storage													
Tank Removal	1	1	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	5	3	0	15
Vent less Heaters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Restaurants/S chools/ Commercial Inspections	0	1	0	1	3	5	4	4	12	18	9	6	63
Permit to Install System	1	0	1	1	0	1	6	5	1	6	4	0	26
Order of Notice	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	4
Tank Truck Inspection	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	6	2	1	0	20
Plans Review	14	13	12	14	8	19	33	21	22	36	21	22	235
Key Box Install	1	1	1	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	8
Fuel Storage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	3
Complaints/Ticke ts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	3	3	1	13
Prevention Meetings	2	2	4	2	1	0	2	2	4	5	2	1	27

# <u>Hazardous Materials Response Division Report – by Captain Bruce Martin, Jr.</u>

The Hazardous Materials response division has continued its training throughout the year. Training has helped us to keep up to date on new techniques for mitigation and possible new hazards that can harm the Team and the community. All of the Westport Firefighters have been trained to the Hazardous Materials Operations level. The operations level training is conducted every year to keep all firefighters proficient in hazardous materials awareness and mitigation.

In 2011, under the direction of the Chief, I was appointed to the District One State Hazardous Materials Team, which operates under the State Fire Marshal through the Department of Fire Services. As a member of this team over this past year I attended 120 Hours of training. Training encompassed advanced metering and detection technologies and mitigation techniques and skill sets. During the course of the year I responded to six hazardous material incidents throughout my district.

Our Response division within the Westport Fire Department will continue its training in awareness for potentially new hazards, and keep the public educated and informed on hazardous materials both commercially and around the home.

# <u>Computer Coordinators Report – by Captain Michael Silvia</u>

This past year we looked into replacing the laptops on our rescues. After some research we felt it was best that we keep our laptops and replace the operating systems. By choosing this option we were able to update the computers while keeping the cost to a minimum.

This coming year, we will look at ways to streamline the way we use our computer system to make the Department more efficient.

As always, the Department encourages everyone to visit our web site at **westportfire.org** for information about the Department and for fire and EMS safety tips. You can also follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

# Fire and Life Safety Education Division Report – by Lieutenant Brian A. Beaulieu

The public education committee is, and has been committed to Public Fire and Life Safety. Over the years we have been involved with students of the Westport Community Schools as well as the Westport residents in general.

Numerous times through the year we meet with students and teachers from the Macomber School the Elementary School, and the Middle School. In these classrooms the students are taught practices about basic fire safety, such as exit drills in the home (E.D.I.T.H.), Stay Low and Go, Get Out and Stay Out, Crawl Low Under Smoke, going to Your Family Meeting Place, and 911 as an EMERGENCY number only, as well as fire prevention tips such as testing your smoke detector monthly and changing the batteries twice a year (change your clock- change your battery) and general home safety.

Older grades of students have received lessons regarding general safety, holiday safety, and the dangers of smoking. Students have also been involved in the state wide competition of the "Arson Watch" Poster contest where county winners are chosen, and their artwork will appear in calendars that are distributed throughout the state. Students from the Westport Middle School have had artwork in the calendars since 2010. Congratulations to the students, and sincere thanks to the Middle School Art Department for continued support of the program.

Members of the Westport Fire Department are Child Passenger Safety Seat certified, and are available to install or check the installation of a child seat. Please call first to see when one of us is on duty.

We enjoy "chat" sessions with numerous groups in our community where we can discuss general fire safety. Group tours of the fire stations are welcome year round with some advanced scheduling.

We continue to update our knowledge and techniques at opportunities such as the annual Fire and Life Safety Education Conference, and we are active members of the Mass Public Fire and Life Safety Task Force, Mass. Students Awareness of Fire Education, and the Western Mass Fire & Safety Education Association, all of which are tasked with education of the general public, students, and fire educators.

The Public Education Division looks forward to future programs designed to encompass all of the residents of Westport. We are available to speak to groups if requested. Together we can make Westport a safer place for all of us.

Thank You to all of our supporters, within the school system, local government, local businesses, area fire departments, and all of the members of the Westport Fire Department.

# EMS Coordinators Report – by Firefighter/Paramedic Glenn Nunes

The Westport Fire Department EMS Division continues to provide an advanced level of care to our residents. High priority medical emergencies such as Stroke and Cardiovascular disease are always a concern of ours, and providing the public with simple medical knowledge could possibly make a drastic change in their quality of life.

In 2004, Massachusetts Department of Public Health began designating hospitals in regards to fulfilling the requirements for Primary Stroke Service (PPS). This requires hospitals to follow very specific stroke protocols for patient assessment and care. Pre-hospital care plays a very important roll. We strongly encourage patients to notify 911 in the event they may experience signs and symptoms of a stroke. Simple information like "last seen well time" plays a crucial role in patient outcome.

Cardiovascular disease remains to be the number one killer in the U.S. Our team of EMT's and Paramedics are well educated and equipped with the latest diagnostic equipment and medicine to treat heart disease. The Westport Fire Department has a close working relationship with the area hospitals especially when patients may be experiencing a heart attack. Time plays such an important role in patient outcomes and begins as soon as 911 is notified. Instructions are given until advanced help arrives. Treatment begins immediately while a notification is sent to the emergency room and ultimately a cardiac catherization lab if needed. We strongly encourage patients not to hesitate if they feel they may be experiencing signs and symptoms of a heart attack.

Did you know?

- Every 40 seconds someone in the US has a stroke
- Stroke kills almost 130,000 Americans each year
- Every year, more than 795,000 people in the US have a stroke
- Stroke is the fourth leading cause of death in the US
- In the US, someone has a heart attack every 34 seconds
- About 600,000 Americans die of heart disease in the US every year
- This year more than 920,000 Americans will have a heart attack
- Each year about half of heart attack patients die. Many people have permanent heart damage because they don't get immediate help.

# In Conclusion

The Fire Department answered 2,482 calls for the year 2014. They were broken down as follows:

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Bulding	3	5	8	1	2	6	4	3	5	1	6	2	46
Vehicle	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	9
Haz Mat	3	1	1	4	3	2	1	2	3	2	2	4	28
Alarms	8	8	4	10	17	8	12	18	15	11	9	15	135
Good Intent	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	1	8
CO Alarms	6	6	3	3	5	1	1	3	2	1	3	2	36
Wires Arcing	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	1	0	1	0	1	8
Lost Persons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bombs/Explosive Device	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unauthorized Burning	1	1	2	8	0	3	3	5	2	2	4	2	33
Brush	0	1	3	9	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	1	21
Dumpster	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Public Assistance	2	0	1	1	4	6	1	1	0	2	1	0	19
Investigation	11	11	7	10	2	9	19	13	14	6	10	11	123
Water Rescue	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Jaws of Life	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	9
MVC	5	7	6	5	10	10	8	11	7	7	2	13	91
Car Seats	0	0	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Private Details	3	3	3	6	4	4	3	6	3	3	5	6	49
BP Checks	2	0	1	0	1	6	12	8	3	2	0	0	35
EMS Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tech Rescue	2	4	6	7	5	4	6	4	4	3	6	4	55
EMS (in Town)	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
EMS Mutual Aid Given	115	98	124	119	131	141	177	155	133	135	125	133	1586
Mutual Aid Fires Given	13	19	8	12	14	12	12	10	13	22	14	13	162
Total	177	170	184	198	206	223	270	243	209	201	191	210	2482



2014 was the second busiest year in the history of the Westport Fire Department with 2,482 emergency responses encompassing Fire, EMS and EMA. The Department generated \$716,740.00 in revenue for the Town in <u>calendar</u> year 2014. The Department also applied for and received \$ 166,767.00 in grant funding revenue for 2014.

# 2014 Calendar Year Revenue Breakdown

 Ambulance Revenue:
 \$ 690,361.00

 Fire Revenue:
 \$ 16,644.00

 EMA Revenue:
 \$ 9,735.00

 Grant Funding Revenue:
 \$ 166,767.00

Total Revenue Generated: \$883,507.00

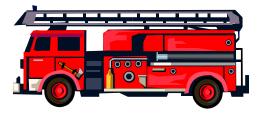
I would like to thank all Town Departments and Boards for their support over the past year. I would especially like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Police Department, Highway Department, Building Department, and Town Administrator for all the projects they assisted us with.

I would like to thank the business community for their continued support with our mission. Together working as a team we can make a safer community. There are several businesses that have once again gone above and beyond to support the mission of the Fire Department. They include Lees Market, Distinctive Auto Body, and Mid City Steel.

In closing, the Fire Department will continue to adapt as the Town changes and will continue to be an active part of the community by participating in and sponsoring family oriented safety events throughout the year. I would like to thank the Westport Permanent Firefighters Association, Westport Call-Firefighters Association, and EMA Special Services for their continued support to the Department and the Citizens of Westport.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian R. Legendre Fire Chief



# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FISH COMMISSIONERS

Once again, we respectfully submit to the Town of Westport, the activities of the Fish Commissioners for the year 2014.

We continued to maintain periodic inspections, clearings and maintenance of Adamsville Dam, Cockeast Pond, Forge Road, Kirby Brook and Sam Tripp Brook. Through documented observations and recorded data, we were pleased to note greatly increased numbers of herring at Cockeast Pond. Out thanks go to the Westport Highway Department for their efforts in removing rock obstacles from the Cockeast herring run. As ordered by the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries, we observed the lowering of the herring ladder at Adamsville Dam in September. This was done in order to improve herring access to the Adamsville Pond.

On October 30, 2014, all three Fish Commissioners attended an excellent workshop sponsored by the Massachusetts River Herring Network in Plymouth, MA. One of the main topics of this workshop was an "Update of River Herring Management Issues". During this presentation, the Adamsville Dam was highlighted an an ongoing effort at managing local herring runs. There was, also, an informational tour of the Town Brook Projects in Plymouth, MA. Once again, there was discussion as to whether alewives might be added to the Endangered Species List.

We continue to support and expand our volunteer fish counting efforts at Cockeast Pond. In this way, we are able to develop an awareness of our goal in preserving natural herring runs in Westport, as well as, including community support.

We extend our thanks to the volunteers who support our efforts to keep the herring running each year. We continue to seek ideas in how to improve and monitor the various herring runs in Westport and invite any residents to join us in our efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

George Yeomans, Chairman David Bates Peter Kastner Fish Commissioners

# GREATER FALL RIVER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY JULY 1, 2013 - JUNE 30, 2014

#### Introduction

It is with pride and pleasure that I submit the Greater Fall River Vocational School District Annual Report for the 2013-2014 school year. Diman students continue to successfully acquire the academic and vocational skills they need as evidenced by their performance and accomplishments. I make special note of their performance in the SkillsUSA competition at the regional, state, and national levels, their MCAS scores, graduation rates, and projects in the various communities. We are happy to report that Diman was again recognized as a Level I school by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. I am convinced many future local and regional community leaders will continue to be Diman graduates.

Diman posted a number of accomplishments during the 2013-2014 school year. With more than a year of self-study and preparation by faculty and staff, Diman was visited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) in October 2013. After four days of investigation, review, and interviews, the Visiting Team recommended Diman's continued accreditation. Diman was commended for cultivating a school culture of high expectations while providing opportunities for students to receive extra help in achieving their goals. The NEASC Visiting Team also described the existing physical plan as aging and over-burdened, noting the need for additional instructional and storage space. Advanced Placement courses were added to the English curriculum for the 2013-2014 school year and the Science and the Culinary Arts departments collaborated to provide an extended day course, The Science of Food. Diman was happy to again provide Business Technology seniors with dual enrollment courses that qualified them for their BCC Office Skills Training Certificate upon graduation from Diman.

Diman students once again made significant contributions to our member communities as student volunteers and through community projects completed by our vocational department. Services to our member communities are highlighted in their individual reports. The Room 251 Restaurant was pleased to once again host the Senior Ms. Sweetheart Lunch, but sad to bid farewell to this Fall River tradition. Our Continuing Education Programs continued to provide a cost effective option for adult education,

especially in the trade areas that require licensing updates. Diman also entered into a three-year grant commitment with the Greater Fall River Workforce Investment Board to provide training in Machine Tool Technology for under and unemployed adults in our communities

Diman embarked on a facilities project to provide additional locker room space and facilities for female athletes. Completed in two phases to enable the continued locker room access, the project doubled the size of the girls' locker room, enabled oversight from the female physical education office, and provided handicapped accessibility for ADA compliance. The Greater Fall River Vocational School District also submitted a Statement of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority for a renovation and expansion project. Although Diman was not invited to move into the feasibility and design phase, the Diman community is appreciative of the support our legislative delegation provided during this process.

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 support. On a personal note, I would like thank Mr. Brian Bentley for his thirty-eight years of dedicated service to Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School and wish him the very best in his well earned retirement.

Respectfully submitted,

Marta E. Montleon Superintendent-Director

#### GREATER FALL RIVER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Paul Jennings Chairperson - Westport
Donald DiBiasio, Vice Chairperson - Somerset
Ronald Silva, Assistant Treasurer - Swansea
Thomas Chace - Fall River (Appointed March 2014)
Joan Menard - Fall River
Diane Nadeau - Fall River
Laurenio Couto - Fall River (Resigned February 2014)

#### Westport

#### Scholarship Recipients For 2014

Aimee Forcier, Robert Larrivee, and Joseph Souza won the Diman Alumni Association Scholarship. The Diman Alumni Trade Scholarship went to Jacob Ferreira. Aimee Forcier and Robert Larrivee won the Grainger, Inc. Scholarship. The Diman Parent Advisory Council was awarded to Robert Larrivee, Jennifer Souza and Joseph Souza. The Thomas Rodrigues Memorial Scholarship went to Benjamin Connolly, Aimee Forcier, Benjamin Palmer, Jennifer Souza and Joseph Souza. Robert Larrivee received the Walter Malanska/Walter Styles Memorial Scholarship. Jared Botelho received the Stanley Remiesiewicz Memorial Scholarship and the William T. Walsh, Jr. Memorial Scholarship. Sean Croft was awarded the Gary L. Desmarais Scholarship. Brandon Terry received an Academic Achievement Award. Benjamin Palmer received a Certificate of Academic Excellence.

#### John & Abigail Adams Scholarship Recipients For 2014

The Adams Scholarships were awarded to Jared Botelho, Krystal Botelho, Jason Breault, Benjamin Connolly, Sean Croft, Connor Eolin, Aimee Forcier, Robert Larrivee, Jesse Miranda, Isaac Moniz, Benjamin Palmer, Jennifer Souza and Joseph Souza.

#### **Skills-Usa Competitions**

At the SkillsUSA State Competition, Krystal Botelho and Rebekah Costa won a gold medal in Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Aimee Forcier won a gold medal in Chapter Business Procedures, Elijah Moniz won a gold medal in Exploratory Project Demonstration, Jennifer Souza won a gold medal in Career

Pathways – Business, and Joseph Souza won a gold medal in Chapter Business Procedures. Sean Croft won a silver medal in Mobile Robotics Technology and Aidan Scott won a bronze medal in Principles of Electronics.

At the SkillsUSA National Competition in Kansas City, Missouri, Jennifer Souza won a gold medal in CPS-Business Management & Technology. Aimee Forcier and Joseph Souza won a bronze medal in Chapter Business Procedure.

#### **Sports Awards**

Athletes of the Year were awarded to Benjamin Palmer, Lacey Perry, and Jennifer Souza. Hailey Levesque won Most Outstanding Player for Softball. Lacey Perry won Most Outstanding Player for Girls' Spring Track.

#### **Outstanding Vocational Student**

Students receiving the Outstanding Vocational Student Award this year were Isaac Moniz – Building and Property Maintenance, Jennifer Souza – Office Technology and Jacob Ferreira – Plumbing. Jennifer Souza won Massachusetts Outstanding Vocational Student.

# Military Awards

Benjamin Palmer and Jennifer Souza won the US Air Force Math & Science Award. Jennifer Souza won the US Marines Scholastic Excellence Award. The US Armey National Scholar Athlete Award was given to Aimee Forcer and Joseph Souza.

#### Community Services To The Town Of Westport

The Carpentry & Cabinetmaking shop as well as the Building & Property Maintenance shop did shingle replacements for the Westport Senior Center.

The Electrical Department senior students were involved with the on-going electrical renovations at the Highway Survey Department. The students wired the a two stall garage complete with a new electrical service, completed the wiring for six garage door openers, wired ten outside 120V receptacles and a new air-conditioning unit for the main building.

The HVAC shop worked at the Westport Highway Department installing 4 LG mini-split air conditioning units.

2013 – 2014 Enrollment	(October 1, 2013)
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	Male	Female	TOTALS
GRADE 9	206	159	365
GRADE 10	194	167	361
GRADE 11	199	152	351
GRADE 12	197	133	330
TOTALS 9-12	796	611	1407
LPN – Day	5	40	45
LPN – Part Time Day	2	19	21
LPN – Part Time Evening	4	10	14
LPN TOTALS	11	69	80

#### Class of 2018 Admissions and Orientation

Five hundred eighty-three grade nine applications were received for the 2013-2014 school year. In April

2013, the newly accepted students were tested in reading comprehension, numerical ability and language usage. Results were used to assist in the initial academic placement of incoming grade nine students. Three hundred sixty-five (365) were enrolled as of October 1, 2013.

On August 12, 13, 14, & 15, 2013, an orientation program was held in the school auditorium for all new students. Students were given instructions for the opening of school, bus routes were assigned, and handbooks as well as student schedules were distributed and explained. Students also took photos for student ID's.

A "New Student Information Night" was held on August 22, 2013, 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.

# Competency Determination For the Class of 2014

Three hundred twenty-one (321) students from the class of 2014 received a competency determination and graduated with Diplomas. Two (2) students received a Certificate of Attainment and one (1) student received his diploma after completing summer courses.

# **Testing**

All sophomores took the Department of Elementary and Secondary Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (M.C.A.S.) exam. Any junior or senior who had not yet achieved his or her competency determination were also given re-tests. All MCAS examinations were administered on the DESE statewide schedule.

Diman was also a Department of Elementary and Secondary Education test site for the Partnership Academic Readiness for College and Career assessment (PARCC). Thirty students in grade 9 participated in this pilot.

The Guidance Department returned to using Stanford 10 for placement testing for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students. We have continued utilizing the online feature which provides immediate scores and takes less time for students to complete then the paper and pencil version.

# Summer Programs 2014

#### The Bengal Challenge!

The program was again a huge success. One hundred thirty entering ninth grade students from Fall River, Somerset, Swansea, and Westport participated in this summer program. The program was three weeks long. The first week, "It's All About You," focused on the students' health, nutrition, fitness, being safe, and making good decisions. Lessons in English, mathematics, and science were incorporated into the activities related to body mass, water purification, and self-awareness.

Students learned about Diman in the second week, "It's All About Diman," with a shop tour, awareness of sports programs and clubs available to students especially SkillsUSA. Students learn to navigate the building with a "Potential Passing Periods Pathway" cooperative exercise where teams had to stay together to move from one classroom to another. Students also completed math problems and used their solutions to become proficient with locker combinations. In addition, students were given daily "announcements" which introduced them to the expectations placed on Diman students. Officer Riley, the school's SRO spoke to the students about anti-bullying laws and Diman's commitment to complying to these laws.

The third week, "It's All About Our Community," saw students taking a trolley tour of Fall River, learning about our community's role in history including the Revolution, Civil War, World Wars, and immigration. The tour included visits to the Battleship Cove, Durfee Lafayette House, The Tory House, Iwo Jima Memorial and Lizzy Borden's houses. Students also enjoyed a tour of the Battleship USS Massachusetts, conducted by members of the Diman History department.

The program placed a high priority on student's readiness for the rigors of the academic and vocational curriculum with a portion of each day devoted to academic skill development. In addition to mathematics and English Language Arts each day, students focused on science the first week, physical education the second, and history the third. Throughout the program, teachers also included team activities that challenged and stretched students' individual skills, academic as well as social skills.

The students arrived as strangers, but left with a feeling that they were part of something special – the Diman Community!

### Summer Remedial Make-up Program

Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School offered Summer Remedial Make-up Program in Shop Related Theory. With only one student needing remedial work in their Shop Related Theory, tuition did not cover the entire cost and was subsidized by the District. Students who required remedial make-up in English, math, science or social studies were notified of area summer programs available at B.M.C. Durfee High School, Somerset High School, Bristol Community College or private area tutors who meet the Diman guidelines of summer make-up programs. Nine students required math, 13 for English Language Arts, 8 for biology and 1 for physics.

#### **Summer Learning Packets**

Recognizing the importance of continuous improvement, Diman requires all students to complete Summer Learning Packets in the core academic areas. This year the packets were provided to students before they left for the summer as well as being posted to the Diman website. The mathematics department packets were individualized to each course and consisted of twenty-five problems each that reviewed the major areas of the curriculum. A follow-up assessment was given in September. The English Language Arts Department gave each entering 9th grader their copy of We Beat the Street: How a friendship pact helped us succeed by Sampson Davis. Students entering grades 10, 11, and 12 were assigned Revenge of the Whale by Nathaniel Philbrick. Honors and Advanced Placement students received additional reading assignments from their classroom teachers. All students were encouraged to keep a handwritten journal that they could use during their summer reading assessment. The science summer assignment was a combination of distance learning and a science tie-in to the reading selections, Revenge of the Whale. The social studies department summer assignment also focused on the whaling industry with student reading and reporting on a selection of non-fiction and primary source documents. Students were again encouraged to take notes that were used during the follow-up assessment in September.

#### School of Practical Nursing

The School of Practical Nursing offered a fifth Summer Jumpstart Program for incoming students. Thirty-six (36) students took Normal Nutrition, and thirty (30) took Anatomy/Physiology. A third course, Growth, Development and Behavior was offered for the first time as a Saturday Moodle format option with eighteen (18) students completing. Sixty (60) students also took a distance learning course, Mathematics for Health Care Professionals, taught by Diane Monast through the Moodle Distance Learning Platform.

#### Academic Program Report

#### **English Language Arts Department**

The English Language Arts Department had a very successful year. The graduating class of 2014 is the second class to have studied for all four years in the *McDougal/Littell* series and is the sixth graduating class to have received 100% successful passing of MCAS. Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12 of the ELA/RLA/Title One are teaching to the five strands and thirty standards of the Common Core Frameworks. The curricula include: texts, supplementary novels, audio and video tapes, computer

technology and word processing writing assignments, poetry and curriculum projects. The Department continues to purchase more contemporary novels for the Supplementary Novel List. Through the ELA's department's grade level District Determined Measures, the faculty focused on the CORE Anchor Writing Standards. This initiative, along with the ELA's department's focus on non-fiction and writing arguments with claims and evidence, was designed to improve scores for the forthcoming PARCC Assessment.

Students are expected to read and write independently not only during their shop cycle but throughout the entire year. Textbooks and supplementary novels are implemented in their respective curriculum during the school year. Working with *Student Success Plans*, ELA faculty provided after school support and remediation at least one day a week to help struggling students. Assistance was also provided for students having difficulty with their summer assignments.

Students are required to complete summer reading and assignments. Students entering grades 10, 11, and 12 were assigned "Revenge of the Whale" a non-fiction book written by Nathaniel Philibrick for their summer reading. During the first week of school all students were assessed on this novel. This grade was entered as 5% of their Year to Date average. Summer Reading for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders was "We Beat the Streets", by three Doctors: Drs. Sampson Davis, George Jenkins, and Rameck Hunt. Freshmen students were assessed on their reading during their first Academic Cycle. The percentage of this assessment will be equal to one test grade during the First Trimester. Sophomore, Junior Senior Honors and Highest Honors students were required to complete additional summer reading and assignments.

#### **Mathematics Department**

The Mathematics Department welcomed Stacey Matos from Roger High School in Newport and Erin Gibeau from Apponequet High School to their teaching faculty in the 2013-2014 school year. Honors Pre-Calculus was also introduced as a new course offering and the Algebra 1 curriculum was redesigned. This will impact students in their junior year. Algebra 1B will no longer be an option for them and students will go from Geometry into Algebra 2.

Ninety-seven percent (97%) of the students passed the Mathematics MCAS test the first time they took it. Although the overall MCAS performance dipped slightly for the spring 2014 test, Diman students still out perform state percentages at all levels and the CPI (Composite Performance Index) continued to increase. It is also noted that the comparative data from students' eighth grade versus tenth grade scores show a dramatic improvement in student achievement.

#### **Science Department**

The Science Department had a very successful year. MCAS results for science showed that 96% of the students meet the state requirement, with 13% in the advanced category. Students that did not pass the MCAS exam received MCAS remediation within their school schedule. Teachers collected summer assignments, noting that more students are completing the summer work. Students who took more than one science were asked to do only one assignment and received the same grade for all their science classes. Honor sections in Chemistry I and II and Applied Physics I and II were added for the 2013-2014 school year. Physics First II was run for the first time. It was made up of students that took the class as freshmen. The IT department created a science folder on the desktop for the department. This folder is a shared folder and has helped the department share many labs and activities.

Biology 9 and 10 is currently using a Massachusetts Standards Based Curriculum and the textbook by Miller and Levine called Biology, Foundations Edition as a resource. Curriculum for Physics First was developed and implemented during the 2013-2014 school year. UBD (Understanding Backward Design) Unit Plans, stage 1, were rolled out during this year with the understanding that stage 2 and 3 will be included next year.

Starting with the class of 2014, a passing grade for ninth and tenth grade science is a graduation requirement for Diman. Most of the science classes reinforce the subject matter with labs/activities. Within the Biology 9 and 10 curricula, there are labs/activities built in. For every cycle, a lab/activity is mandatory. All students are required to complete a shop time assignment with every cycle. Many of the

assignments are project based and are on display in the science classrooms. The shop time assignments are used to reinforce a topic learned, or are developed to introduce a new topic. Most of the science department implements technology within the course they teach. This enhances the students' knowledge base of the subject. Teachers borrow the lap top cart to do projects and research within their classroom.

#### Social Studies Department

The academic year was notable for the Social Studies Department for the introduction of new electives, the implementation of District Determined Measures, and the exploration of a team goal as part of the new evaluation system. Two new courses were introduced during the past year. They were: 20th Century Art, Music and Culture, and Psychology. These electives joined an already diverse group of offerings to broaden the scope and depth of the department. In addition, freshmen were able to enroll in an Honors United States History class for the first time.

In conjunction with Common Core and recommended Primary Sources found in the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks, the student learning goal focused on learning standards based content through the use of such sources. The goal is for students to identify historical themes and concepts through reading and writing about Primary Sources. There has been some progress toward this goal, although there is still significant work to be done.

The Department also modified the final exams for the spring 2014 process. Open response questions were added to United States History I and United States History II exams. Students had a menu of several open response questions and were asked to select two of four. These responses were graded via rubrics. The United States History I open response offerings were entirely source based. The multiple choice portion of the exams was graded via scantron. The department placed a high value on the open response portion, making it worth 50% of the final grade. The department hopes to explore the use of CEPAs or other relevant projects to use in place of a final exam, bringing the department in line with the model curriculum units advocated for by The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

#### Physical Education and Health Department

The Physical Education Department is happy to announce that Diman had all four grade levels taking physical education at some time in the 2013-2014 school year. The Daily Fit Log (DFL) was implemented in the grade 9 with students collecting and storing health and fitness data. Students were assigned data entry during their shop cycles. Grading for the DFL counted as a shop time assignment. Activity quizzes were given in each class as a means of assessment of knowledge. Activity level was assessed daily using the daily grading rubric.

All freshmen were required to take physical education and health in a trimester type schedule. The third course in the trimester was computer applications or supplemental Title I services. These courses would meet for one entire trimester. All sophomores were required to take physical education on a trimester basis. Each sophomore class met for one whole trimester on a daily basis. Seniors and juniors were required to take physical education every other day during their academic cycle.

The physical education curriculum continued to move away from a purely sports model and increase the focus on lifelong fitness. In addition to the freshmen fitness log, a junior/senior fitfolio project was included. In this project, students took a personal inventory of their daily nutrition and activity habits. Students submitted with a list of personal goals and then worked to achieving them. For the junior class, a final trimester project included using information from the Components of Physical Fitness and creating a poster with information and pictures showing people involved in or participating in one of the components. For the senior class, the project included creating a tri-fold brochure of a fitness center that they created and named themselves.

With the increase in fitness awareness and activity, students showed an increase in strength and endurance through fitness testing. In Health, the students showed an increased awareness of positive nutritional habits with some making long-term healthy lifestyle changes.

# Vocational Program Report

#### Automotive Collision Repair & Refinishing

The Automotive Collision Repair & Refinishing Department has continued to place a high priority on student safety reviewing safety guidelines such as dress code at the beginning of the school year along with safety guidelines for safe equipment operation. All 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> graders have successfully completed the OSHA safety online safety course. The program continues to see an expansion in the number of students participating in the Cooperative Education program, with nine students participating at various shops in both Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The program consistently provides service to the sending communities, as well as Diman through the painting and repair of vehicles. The Automotive Collision program is working toward ASE/NATEF certification. Vansarith Yong of Fall River, Massachusetts was named the Outstanding Vocational Student in 2014.

#### **Automotive Technology**

The program and students of the Automotive Technology Department experienced a very successful 2013-2014 school year. The Automotive Technology department serviced over 600 vehicles during the 2013-2014 school year, including continual work throughout the year being done on the District's aging vehicle fleet. Throughout the 2013-2014 school year, instructors spent countless pro bono hours transforming the physical appearance of the shop by cleaning, painting and organizing to improve the lighting and safety of the clinical area. Additionally, the department was awarded \$20,000 by the newly formed Diman Foundation in 2014. The money will be used to build a service center/parts manager program within the shop to provide a more diversified curriculum to its students, resulting in expanded employment opportunities as well. The program is currently in the process of obtaining ASE/NATEF certification. Over 60% of the Juniors and Seniors passed the ASE Student Certification Tests and seven students are employed through Diman's Co-op program. Moses Estrela of Fall River, Massachusetts was named as Automotive Technology's Outstanding Vocational Student for 2014.

# **Building and Property Maintenance**

The Building and Property Maintenance Department was very involved in experiential learning activities with its students in the 2014 school year, benefiting the school and sending communities alike. Community projects are an especially rich opportunity for students to learn a variety of trade skills as well as important lessons regarding professionalism on the work site, using their troubleshooting skills, and how their shop experiences can be translated into real world employment opportunities. Student community work included repairs at the Westport Highway Department and Westport Senior Center, repair of workbenches at the Fall River Police Department, signs for the Relay for Life and American Cancer Society events, as well as numerous other smaller community service projects. The students also performed work on Diman's second floor, B-wing bathrooms, re-tiling both bathrooms. The curriculum has also been expanded to include more landscaping. This gives the students added knowledge in that field as well as helping maintain the school's "curb appearance". Students in the Building and Property Maintenance obtain their OSHA safety certification, Chief Architect Certificate, Lockout Tageout Safety Certificate and Confined Space Training Certificate through this program. Five students were in Co-op placements during the school year and Isaac Moniz of Westport, Massachusetts was named the programs Outstanding Vocational Student in 2014.

#### **Business Technology**

The Business Technology Department had another successful year for students with enrollment high and 24 freshmen entering the program. Seventeen seniors participated in co-op and seventeen juniors were placed during the third term. Eight seniors also completed the BCC Office Skills Training and received their BCC Certificate after graduating from Diman. All Office Technology students received their Microsoft Office Specialist Certifications in Word and PowerPoint and 86% received their certifications in Excel and Outlook. Students in the Office Technology Department also provide community service within Diman and to outside organizations. Particularly noteworthy was the support the Department provide for

the NEASC Decennial Visit, the CD/Rec Building Campaign project, and the creation of a Diman Bengal Education Foundation logo, letterhead, and website. Jennifer Souza of Westport, Massachusetts was named both the Office Technology and Diman Regional's State Outstanding Vocational Student.

#### Carpentry/Cabinet Making

The Carpentry/Cabinetmaking Department did not build a house in the 2014 school year. However, the program performed a number of community service projects that incorporated many of the competencies that were similar to what would be taught had a house been built. The work included repair of the Greater Fall River Boys and Girls Club Camp Welch facility. Additionally, the cabinetmaking students manufactured cabinetry for the Greater Fall River Chamber of Commerce tourism lobby, a display case for the Fall River Marine Museum that will hold a replica of the Battleship USS Massachusetts at Boston's Logan Airport, and a miniature replica of an historic fire truck that is displayed outside the Fall River Fire Department's Flint Fire Station. The program also restored a twelve foot table situated at the Swansea Public Library. The Town of Westport's Senior Center's aging shingling was stripped and new shingling was installed. A hazard assessment and a shop safety inspection were conducted with staff reporting problem areas and necessary repairs being made. Daniel Bowman of Fall River, Massachusetts was named the program's 2014 Outstanding Vocational Student.

# **Culinary Arts**

The Culinary Arts Department grossed over \$185,000 in revenue during the 2013-2014 school year. In addition to this impressive production figure, the integration of STEM curriculum continues to expand as part of the general Culinary Arts program in both the clinical and classroom settings. Students throughout the 2014 school year were exposed to science of food concepts as part of the everyday curriculum, allowing students to integrate STEM concepts as a natural consequence of the learning environment. Additionally, the improved nutritional quality and diversity of the food offerings to students in the Diman cafeteria has been evidenced by a substantial increase in cafeteria food sales. Innovations like in-house culinary and baking competitions conducted throughout the school year have resulted in student and instructor exploration and innovation, fostering high standards in all aspects of the program. In the winter of 2014, the Diman Culinary student team took first place in a cooking competition at Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School. The program is currently certified by the American Culinary Federation. However, the program is actively seeking alternative certification opportunities that will further benefit the program and students alike. The Outstanding Vocational Student in 2014 was Shelby Botelho of Fall River, Massachusetts.

#### **Dental Assisting**

The Dental Assisting Department continues to excel in both the performance of its students and their service to the sending communities. The program recruited effectively during the 2014 Exploratory period, as it is once again one of the most requested programs in the school. Additionally, during the 2014 school year, one-hundred percent of the sophomore and junior students passed the DANB Infection Control and Radiology exams respectively. Cooperative Education placement was impressive as ten seniors participated in the Cooperative Education program. Throughout the 2014 school year, the Dental students and instructors worked on various community service activities, including offering free dental services as part of their sponsoring of the *Dentistry from the Heart* event. Additionally, the Dental program collaborated with the Health Assisting, Office Technology and Culinary students and instructors in sponsoring a two-day educational workshop on nutrition, personal hygiene and dental care to 350 Fall River Head Start Students. Also, Dental students participated in other community events in 2014 including oral hygiene instruction to Ninth Street Day Care students, as well as the Case Junior High and Highland Association Health Fairs. Jonathan Candido of Fall River, Massachusetts was named the 2014 Dental Outstanding Vocational Student.

# **Drafting**

During the 2014 school year, the Drafting Department was engaged in numerous projects/drawings for

both the sending communities and Diman proper. Community service projects include CAD drawings of life-size holiday displays for the City of Fall River, a display case for the Fall River Marine Museum that will hold a replica of the Battleship USS Massachusetts at Boston's Logan Airport, and a miniature replica of an historic fire truck that is displayed outside the Fall River Fire Department's Flint Fire Station. Additionally, the program updated Diman's floor plan and site plan maps, as well as supporting many of Diman's construction cluster and manufacturing programs through blueprint drawings. In response to the demand for greater accountability, the department implemented SkillsUSA Workforce Ready assessments to grade ten, eleven and twelve students, and results of the assessments reflect the competency of the instructors and their respective program. Cooperative Education participation also improved for the Drafting program as six students participated in experiential learning opportunities in 2014. Daniel Servant of Fall River, Massachusetts was named the program's Outstanding Vocational Student.

# **Electrical Department**

Diman's Electrical Department once again demonstrated its ability to provide industry-standard education to its students while improving the school and sending communities simultaneously. Curriculum was updated mid-year to address the new national Electrical Code Book. Forty new code books were purchased for student instruction in the related classroom. Community service projects continued through the shop program for 2014 including installation of light sensors for Swansea Elderly Housing complex, electrical repairs at the Boys and Girls Club's Camp Welch, as well as extensive work performed for the Westport Highway Department. Additionally, the program also performed numerous repairs and installations throughout the whole school during the 2014 school year. Steven Knight of Fall River, Massachusetts was named the 2014 Outstanding Vocational Student. Also, the 2014 school year marks the end of Mr. Daniel Pacheco's thirty-plus year tenure at Diman. Serving as department head for a number of years, Mr. Pacheco continually demanded and obtained high standards from his students and department alike. He will be missed.

#### **Electronics Technology**

The Electronics Technology Department had another very successful year. Whether measuring the program's success by Exploratory recruitment, Cooperative Education placement, or other measures that determine a program's success, the Electronics program met all of the requisite benchmarks. Faculty continued to implement the new curriculum aligned to the state frameworks with the majority of junior and senior curriculum being in the robotics, embedded electronics and automation areas. The instructors continue to explore other certifications as their program's curriculum expands. The program once again garnered numerous first choice votes from freshman students who explored the program. Additionally, Cooperative Education placement continues to improve as the program diversifies its curriculum offerings to students, including expanding its robotics program for grade eleven and twelve students. Students in the Electronics program took ISCET certifications in the 2013 school year and had a passrate as of 85%. Electronics had twenty-seven students participating in SkillsUSA state conference in various competitions with two earning gold medals in robotics. These two students represented Massachusetts at the national competition in Kansas City. Christopher Rogers of Swansea, Massachusetts was named the Electronics 2014 Outstanding Vocational Student.

#### **Graphic Communication**

Students in the Graphic Communications Department were incredibly productive during the 2014 school year, with an estimated \$385,000 in production including copies for classroom use, copying and printing for all school events, and support for the District's communications. Especially important was the bulk and first-class mailings for District communications as part of the Graphic Communications' variable printing process. The program continues to be a strong recruiter following the Exploratory period. Seven seniors participated in Cooperative Education during the school year, as the program's focus on diversification is reaping rewards for the students seeking employment in the trade. The program is nationally certified by PrintED in the areas of Digital File Preparation, Offset Printing, and Graphic Communications. Eighty-three percent of grade eleven students successfully completed and received

their Adobe Certified Associate Certification in Adobe Photoshop CS6 in 2014. Brenda Farias of Fall River, Massachusetts was named the program's 2014 Outstanding Vocational Student.

#### **Health Assisting**

The Health Assisting Department was the second most requested shop for placement from the exploratory program. The program accepted 29 female and 1 male freshmen student in January. Health Center 21 curriculum continued to be an important asset to our program as it reinforced the concepts that have been taught. Juniors also continued to benefit from the Department's clinical affiliation with Clifton Rehabilitative Nursing Center. Health Assisting partnered with Dental Assisting, Office Technology, and Culinary Arts to teach Fall River Head Start students the importance of personal hygiene and proper hand washing. Additionally, the Health Assisting program held its annual American Red Cross blood drive, collecting 48 pints of blood in 2014. Over the four years in the program, students have the opportunity to earn numerous certifications. Thirty freshmen students completed the 10 hour OSHA General Safety course, received the American Heart Association BLS Health Care Provider certification, their National Safety Council First Aid Certification, and their Babysitter Certification. Thirty juniors passed the state certification test for CAN, received the American Heart Association BLS Health Care Provider certification, and successfully completed the Workforce Ready Assessment. Twelve seniors received a Human Services Credential in Providers Council Developmental Disabilities I and II, five received certification as Home Health Aides, and four senior received National Certification as an EKG Technician. Co-op education placements in the Health Assisting field continue to be high again this year having all 20 of the 25 eligible students out on Co-op. Alexia Reis of Fall River was named the 2014 Outstanding Student in the Health Assisting program.

#### Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration

The Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning/Refrigeration Department (HVAC/R) provided support to Diman's aging infrastructure through the repairs and installations that the department performed during the 2013-2014 school year. Work within Diman included maintenance and installations in Graphic Communications, Metal Fabrication, Carpentry, D-Wing Faculty Room, LPN Building and Athletic Trainer's room. The department also installed four mini-split air conditioning units at the Westport Highway department. The HVAC/R Department reviewed its VTE Curriculum Frameworks in relationship to the present HVAC/R market and the needs of contractors who hire Diman's students. HVAC/R students obtain three important national certifications through the program. Freshmen obtained their OSHA Construction Safety certification, juniors obtained EPA 608 certification, and seniors obtained their EPA 410A safety training certification. Additionally, improvements in its Cooperative Education participation were also realized, as seven seniors were employed by various HVAC/R companies. Christian Cabral of Fall River, Massachusetts was named the program's 2014 Outstanding Vocational Student.

#### Machine Tool Technology

The Machine Tool Technology Department had another very successful year with enrollment increasing to 107 students. The Machine Tool Technology Department is nationally certified by the NIMS organization. Co-op placements remained strong as jobs available surpassed Diman's ability to fill all employer requests due mostly to transportation. Throughout the school year, a total of 14 students were on co-op. At the end of the co-op employment cycle, all students who expressed an interest in staying with their co-op employer as their career choice were offered full-time employment. All thirty freshmen successfully completed the OSHA Career Safe General Certification. The department continued to provide tooling services that benefit numerous shops and the maintenance department at Diman. The department community service included support to the Fall River Water Department and Greater Fall River Chamber of Commerce. The Machine Tool Technology Department completed its curriculum to align to the newly adopted State Frameworks. To accommodate this alignment and due to the increasing high demand for Machine Tool students, the Machine Tool Program moved 1 Accurite CNC Conversational machine to the sophomore area. This will allow for all sophomores to become exposed to CNC machining during the sophomore year and provide a smoother transition in their junior year for the purchase of Mazak Machining Center. The Machine Tool Technology Department also received a

\$50,000 Vocational Opportunity Challenge Grant. The Mazak Corporation will provide a significant discount and training as part of its partnership with Diman. Matthew Orzechowski of Swansea, Massachusetts was named the program's Outstanding Vocational Student in 2014.

# Metal Fabrication & Welding

The Metal Fabrication and Joining Technology Department had another very successful year maintaining a total enrollment of eighty-eight students with seven seniors and two juniors in cooperative education placements at the end of the year. The Metal Fabrication and Joining Technologies Department maintains certification with the American Welding Society (Certificate # 041101PO) and our state articulation agreement with the Sheet Metal Apprentice training center in Dorchester, MA. The sending communities and Diman all benefitted from the work performed by students in the Metal Fabrication during the 2013-2014 school year. The Fall River Fire and Police Departments, Swansea Police Department, Somerset Fire and Police Departments, and Fall River Housing Authority all received help from the Metal Fabrication program. The department welcomed the addition of a full-time instructor, as Mr. Christian Zalewski was hired as the grade nine/Exploratory instructor. His addition to the shop resulted in improved recruitment of freshman students to the program in the 2014 school year. The Metal Fabrication and Joining Technologies Department also received a \$50,000 Vocational Opportunity Challenge Grant for the purchase of a water-jet CNC cutter, bringing greater technology to the program. The planned date for the purchase and installation of the water-jet cutter is the fall of 2014. Brendan Santos of Fall River, Massachusetts was named the program's 2014 Outstanding Vocational Student.

#### **Plumbing**

The Plumbing Department once again had a successful year. Freshman recruitment improved and the department had both seniors and juniors in co-op placements at the end of the school year. Participation in SkillsUSA also increased in 2014 with four students competing in Residential Plumbing and two students completing in Team Works. With Mr. Jay Viveiros' resignation early in the school year, the Plumbing Department experienced personnel changes. Mr. Henry Daigle took his place in the related room and Mr. Derek Carvalho was hired as a shop teacher. Since Diman did not have a house project for FY14, Plumbing students were able to complete numerous in-house projects during the 2013-2014 school year. This included complete renovations of two student bathrooms, installation and/or repair of air, drain and water lines in various shop programs, installation of a hand washing sink in the Electrical shop, installation of gas piping in Metal Fabrication, along with many more repairs and installations throughout the school during the year. Additionally, Plumbing students installed a high-efficiency hydronic heating system at the Westport Highway Department and performed heat-load calculations at the Bank Street Armory in Fall River, Massachusetts. The on-call nature of the work performed throughout the school had the benefit of creating for students an on-call experience similar to what they will face in industry. The Plumbing Department recognized Jacob Ferreira of Westport, Massachusetts as their Outstanding Vocational Student in 2014.

# Co-Operative Education Program

The Diman Cooperative Education Program is designed to provide an opportunity for students to gaining valuable employability skills and further their technical education through a paid work experience. Qualifying students attend school for two weeks for academics and then return to their respective employers for two weeks for Co-op. In addition to grade requirements, every student who was interested in applying for a position had a resume and experienced an interview. Presentation were made to tenth and eleventh grade students informing them of the prerequisites and requirements to qualify for Diman's cooperative Employment Program. During the 2013 – 2014 school year, one hundred seven (107) employers supervised and continued training two hundred forty-nine (249) seniors and juniors. At the end of the school year, ninety-six (96) graduates in the class of 2014 were offered full-time employment by their Co-op employers and twenty-one (21) students remained as part-time employees.

Diman's Cooperative Education Program also had a number of activities to educate students and promote the program during the 2013-2014 school year. The program collaborated with Youth Connect to provide training and education to prepare students for participation in the Annual Co-op Job Fair.

Training was provided to two hundred and sixty (260) students on a number of job fair related topics, such as dressing for success, resumes, presenting themselves to employers and other topics related to the event. The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Job Fair was held in March with thirty-three organizations represented and over 270 students participating. Forty-eight (48) students obtained cooperative or part-time employment as a result of this event.

Diman also initiated seminar classes for students participating in the Cooperative Employment Program. Members of the business and industry were invited to present such topics including sexual harassment, social media and technology usage, and conflict resolution in the workplace. These classes were mandatory for all students participating in the co-op program.

# **Guidance and Pupil Services**

Personnel in the Guidance and Pupil Services office were very busy during the 2013-2014 school year. In addition to providing individual counseling services to each student, counselors implemented new curriculum, developed partnerships, and took on new responsibilities.

The post-secondary planning booklet that was created last year was updated by the guidance counselors and printed for the students and parents by the Graphic Communications department. A workshop was held on November 8, 2013 for all parents and students interested in getting more information about planning beyond high school and the post-secondary planning booklets were given to all those that attended. Counselors also gave the planning booklets out to the seniors during their group guidance meetings.

Lesson plans were also implemented for individual conferences with 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. The conference included going over their grades, career and college planning, GPA and rank, as well as requirements for college entrance such as SAT/ACT tests, MCAS and Accuplacer. Group lesson were delivered to grade 9 and 11 students. Some of the goals of these lessons include: setting personal, academic and career goals for short and long term, understanding the course selection process, learning what Career Cruising has to offer and begin to build a portfolio.

The Guidance and Pupil Services faculty have maintained or established relationships with a number of outside organizations and agencies that provide services to our students and families. These include a variety of organizations who provide individual therapists for Diman students and presentation by the Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority on college admissions and financial aid. The department also facilitated Diman's participation in the Bristol County Youth Court where 16 students contributed a total of 247 community service hours.

The Bristol Career Vocational Technical Education program begins in the sophomore year of high school and continues through two or four years of college. This program prepares students for a career pathway, which coordinates with a defined post-secondary course of study at participating post-secondary institutions. Students who qualified are able to enroll in tuition free Bristol Community College (BCC) courses in conjunction with the Dual Enrollment Program. Fifty-eight students completed courses at BCC under the Dual Enrollment Program, the most in Diman CVTE Program history.

The Accuplacer Exam is the College Placement Test (CPT) required by all Massachusetts State colleges. Through the CVTE program, we proctored the exam for ninety-eight students at Diman.

Upon graduation, Diman students continue to benefit from **Articulation Agreements** with colleges, technical schools, and labor organizations. Particularly noteworthy is Diman's relationship with Bristol Community College (BCC) where there are twenty-four (24) individual agreements covering skills and knowledge in Graphic Communications, Machine Tool Technology, Electronics, Electricity, Drafting, Culinary Arts, and Office Technology. Statewide agreements have also increased to include Culinary Arts, Graphic Communication, Engineering Technologies and Office Technologies.

Long standing agreements with New England Institute of Technology (NET) are in place for five of our programs: Air Conditioning, Auto Technology, Drafting, Electricity and Electronics. Our relationship with NET is solid and our students enjoy the benefits of reduced tuition and college credits granted for work completed at Diman.

The Diman agreement for Culinary Arts with Johnson and Wales University continues to be active, and includes changes that were presented to us last year. They are now requiring Diman students to test out of classes before college credits are granted.

Our agreements with other schools are still active and remain in effect for another school year. Those articulations are for Drafting, Computer Technology, and Automotive Technology with Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology; Heating Ventilating and Air Conditioning Technology with Massasoit Community College, and Auto Technology with Universal Technical Institute. An additional agreement with the Sheet Metal Workers Joint Apprenticeship Program, Local 17 also remains active.

# **Special Services**

The Special Education Department provides services to 158 students with disabilities. Diman is seeing an overall increase in the enrolment of students with disabilities with almost 16% of the 2013 freshman class receiving special services. Diman has three programs designed to meet the various learning needs of our students with disabilities, General Shop – grade 9 only, the Basic Program – grades 10-12, and the Standard Program – mainstreaming and services grades 9-12.

General Shop is a one-year exploratory program provided to grade nine students with disabilities who require support while assessing their academic and vocational abilities on a daily basis in a more controlled and individualized environment. This program provides students with four periods of General Shop and four periods of academics. The General Shop students have the opportunity to be moved into the Basic or Standard programs when they are evaluated at mid-year and again at the end of freshmen year.

Students with disabilities who are determined to need a more structured schedule along with daily instruction and reinforcement in academics enter the Basic program usually for grades 10 through 12 where they are provided daily academic classes and go to a vocational shop in which they have shown ability, each on a half-day basis. All other students enter the Standard Program and receive academic services with special education teachers based on their IEPs and are placed into trade areas based on ability. Determined by individual progress, students may move from the Basic to Standard program during the 10-12th grades. Reading intervention services such Wilson Reading and/ Orton Gillingham were also provided after school as needed.

Diman continues to collaborate with the Southeast Center for Independent Living, Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, and Community Connections. These agencies provided transition support services to our students with disabilities. A permit class was once made possible through the Southeast Center for Independent Living. Diman ran three classes this year after which students were administered their permit test at Diman by a representative from the Department of Motor Vehicles. Supportive Employment services were provided by Community Connections along with vocational assessments. Six students received employment services from Community Connections.

The Special Education Department continued to analyze available MCAS data to determine student weaknesses and remediate to these areas to increase MCAS success. MCAS Math support was provided to those students with disabilities who did not achieve competency on their eighth grade math MCAS. These students received one on one to small group instruction two days a week during their vocational week. This program started in October and ended the week before the tenth grade MCAS test was administered. Twenty-four graduates of the Class of 2014 on IEPs passed MCAS requirements and earned their diploma.

#### Grants

The <u>Carl Perkins Grant</u> (\$192,498) provided funds for two instructors (Plumbing and Building and Property Maintenance) and a portion of one other (Metal Fabrication and Welding). The remainder of the funds targeted curriculum revision and professional development. A writer's workshop was offered to the Vocational Instructors. It was designed to provide vocational instructors with knowledge of integrating writing into their programs. In addition an instructor was paid to provide professional development in the

development of Moodle Instructional Page. The District will also offer a summer OSHA class to those students who still require OSHA certification.

The <u>Special Needs 94-142</u> (\$323,538) provided salary and benefits for two special education teachers and 1.5 FTE paraprofessionals to provide additional student support in a substantially separate 10<sup>th</sup> grade academic classroom and the Culinary Arts program. This grant also provided funds to support the Extends after School Homework Support Program including transportation. Additional student services included contracted services for an MCAS math coach, a therapist to conduct a social group, services from Community Connections, and an Autism Consultant. The continuation of software for IEP development was supported by this grant.

The <u>Special Education Program Improvement</u> (\$5,960) funded professional development for teachers and Special Education Director who attended the LRP Conference and CEC conference.

<u>TITLE I</u> (\$360,848) provided partial salary and benefits for one reading teacher and one math teacher. A full-time secretary, a part-time at-risk-counselor, a part-time library paraprofessional, and a part-time parent liaison were also provided through this grant. Teacher stipends were provided for the Extends After-School and the RISE Early Morning programs as part of the supplemental services offered through the school-wide Title I project. Wilson Reading Specialists were also hired to provide reading support on an after-school basis. After school transportation was provided on Tuesdays and Thursdays to students staying for Extends and Wilson Reading.

Title I also funded the Summer Assignment Support Program and the 9<sup>th</sup> grade transition program entitled "Bengal Challenge", which included a project coordinator, teachers, instructional and non-instructional supplies, and transportation. This fun program blends math, science and English skill builders with activities to familiarize the student with Diman. Field trips and physical challenges help build team spirit. In addition to improving student's academic skills, students who participated reported that the program allowed them to meet new people from different cities and towns. It also eased some of the "jitters" about going to a new school. The students who arrived as strangers left as friends.

<u>Title II</u> (\$45,484) was flexed into Title I grant and will offset the "Bengal Challenge".

<u>Academic Support</u> (\$24,600) provided the class of 2016 with weekend support services in Math during the fall, English Language Arts in the Winter and Science in the Spring.

<u>Vocational Program Equipment Grant</u> (\$50,000) is a matching grant that was awarded this year and will provide approximately 50% of the funds for a Mazak Machining Center for the Machine Tool Technology department. Diman has two years to access these funds for the purchase of this equipment.

Diman continues to partner with the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth, Bristol Community College and the Workforce Investment Board to provide professional development to our faculty and to provide training opportunities to area residents under numerous grant programs.

#### Parent Advisory Council

The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) had another very successful year. The PAC at Diman provides the Academic Coordinator with parent input for matters related to the Title I allocation and services to students. The PAC also updated their webpage with upcoming information concerning both events and help needed. Clear contact information and the monthly agendas are also posted. The PAC began their monthly meetings in August and provided information for parents at the New Student Parent Night held in September.

The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) had several fundraising activities in 2013-2014. They held several raffles throughout the school year and operated the concession stand at the Friday night football games. Other activities included Parent Teacher Night, the Annual December Pancake Breakfast, Open House, Yard Sale/Car Wash, and their second Annual Craft Fair. Through their fundraising efforts, they sponsored the Post-Prom Party and provided several scholarships to graduating students.

The Post-Prom Party is a major activity for The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) and was again held in the gymnasium at Diman. Any graduating senior and a guest could attend the post prom. Over twenty-five PAC members, faculty and many LPN students volunteered for post-prom related activities including decorating, "manning" the phones, supervision, food distribution, and clean up. Over 250 students attended and many stayed throughout the night. Prizes were raffled off all night.

# **Classes Report**

The Senior Prom is a major undertaking for the **Senior Class**. The 2014 Prom Committee planned the "City of Romance", a Paris themed event and chose a Cookie Dough fundraiser to defray the cost for students. The prom was held Friday, May 30, 2014 at Demetris in Foxboro, Massachusetts. A 3'x 7' sign designed by the committee members complete with lights welcomed seniors to the City of Romance. In keeping with the theme, there were four 'gaming' opportunities offered to students in addition to dancing. The games offered were Pin the Mustache on Pierre, Plunket, Ring Toss on the Eiffel Tower and Bean Bag Toss. J2 Entertainment made a return visit for music and Mare Studios, our 2014 Yearbook photographer, provided the opportunity for professional prom portrait packages. We also continued with New England Photo Booth - the photo booth, which has been a hit with students at the last few proms. Three hundred forty-eight students and thirty-seven chaperones attended the event. The Senior Prom was a huge success.

The Senior Class final event was Graduation held at Diman on June 5th, 2014. The weather cooperated as students received their diplomas in sunshine and became alumni of Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School. Orange cups engraved by Machine Tool Shop were given as gifts when students left the stage as part of a larger plan to "toast" or "raise their cups" to congratulate themselves as well as to recognize the upcoming retirement of Assistant Superintendent/Principal Mr. Brian Bentley. Cups were also placed under the seats of attending faculty and given to administration and town representatives on stage in order to participate in graduation ceremonies. Graduation was a success as we said goodbye to the class of 2014.

The Senior Class chose a movie and film theme for the 2013-2014 yearbook. With this theme in mind, the Yearbook Committee was responsible for design and layout throughout the school year. They worked closely with advisors to design the cover, take photos around the school, and organize the layouts in the book. The layouts were then set up in the yearbook program and sent to Balfour for printing. The 2013-2014 yearbook, entitled Our Feature Presentation, was 207 pages of pictures, captions, and memories.

The Junior Class accomplished a number of fundraisers to defray the cost of the Junior Class Six Flags New England Trip. They began with their Annual Cookie Fundraiser in October and November and followed it up with a Candy and Chocolate Fundraiser in March and April. In all, they raised over \$26,000 toward the cost of the event.

Two hundred ninety-three students and twenty-seven chaperones participated in the Junior Class Trip to Six Flags New England. The theme for the trip was The Diman Jungle and each student received a camouflaged t-shirt and drawstring bag to wear on the trip so that all members of the group were easily identifiable at the theme park. The students all had a great time and really appreciated having a "day for them."

#### Athletics

A total of 633 students (261 females, 372 males) participated in the athletic program. The 2013-2014 school year was a record year with six Diman teams qualifying for Team State tournaments. The Diman Football Team were the Mayflower Athletic Conference Large Vocational Division Champions and Head Coach Richard Vickery was named Coach-of-the-Year. The Boys Soccer Team and the Girls Soccer Team were both Mayflower Athletic Conference Large Vocational Division Champions. The Baseball Team and the Softball Team were both Co-Champions in their respective Mayflower Athletic Conference Large Vocational Divisions. The Ice Hockey Team and the Boys Spring Track Team were also both Mayflower Athletic Conference Champions. Not to be outdone, the Diman's Golf Team took the Mayflower Athletic conference South Division Championship.

#### SkillsUSA Competitions

Diman's Chapter of SkillsUSA had a very successful year in 2013-2014. Once again, Diman was a 100% Participation Chapter with every secondary and post secondary student enrolled in SkillsUSA. Chapter officers attended the Fall Leadership Conference where all seven won leadership awards. The Diman SkillsUSA Chapter raised \$1,000 to support their designated charities, Be Like Britt Foundation (\$600) and Flutie Foundation for Autism (\$400). Diman held its annual Job Skills Demonstration in March 2014. A total of 18 students competed in five groups. The First place finishers in each category represented Diman at the State Leadership and Skills Conference in April.

Diman R.V.T.H.S. was honored to once again host the SkillsUSA District Competition in February. One hundred thirty-seven students from Diman competed against over 700 students from 7 other schools that make up the District. Diman students won a total of 68 medals. The totals are 30 gold, 18 silver, and 20 bronze. All gold and silver medal winners will advance to the State Championships in April. The event has been a perennial success for all attendees. Diman also held its annual Job Skills Demonstration in March with a total of 81students competed in five categories. The First place finishers in all categories represented Diman at the State Leadership and Skills Conference in April.

The 40<sup>th</sup> Annual State Leadership and Skills Conference was held from Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> thru Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Ninety-five (95) students and twenty-five advisors attended the competition which was held in Marlboro, MA. Diman had seventy students compete in their trade or leadership areas. At the closing ceremonies, twenty-seven students earned gold medals, twelve students earned silver medals and ten students earned bronze medals.

In June, twenty-seven students and nine advisors attended the week long 49<sup>th</sup> National Skills and Leadership Conference in Kansas City, Missouri. All of our students competed in their trade/leadership area. We are proud of all of our competitors. At the National Closing Ceremonies, six students earned gold medals, three students earned silver medals and eight students earned bronze medals. Also, all six members of the Chapter Business Procedure Team passed the National Parliamentarian Exam to become Parliamentarians.

Special highlights for this year included Daniel Bowman, House & Mill Carpentry Senior, being featured in the SkillsUSA National Magazine for his fabrication of an electric guitar and Diman's hosting a visit by the SkillsUSA Executive Director, Tim Lawrence. Diman was chosen by the Massachusetts SkillsUSA to represent how our state is excelled in the implementation of S.T.E.M.

# School of Practical Nursing 2013 - 2014

Diman Regional School of Practical Nursing is a post-graduate program that prepares adults to sit for the National Council of Nursing Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN). During the 2013-2014 school year, the School of Practical Nursing offered full-time day, part-time evening, and part time day training options utilizing over twenty clinical sites. Thirty-eight full-time day students and eighteen part-time evening students graduated from the Diman Regional School of Practical Nursing on June 30, 2014. Diman is also very proud of the post-graduation success rate of its graduates with all but one of the forty-three 2013 graduates passing their National Licensing Exam.

A formal articulation agreement with the Registered Nurse Program of Bristol Community College continues to provide qualifying students with an advanced placement option in the RN program. A second articulation between the School of Practical Nursing and Diman High School Science Department allows qualifying Diman graduates' Anatomy/Physiology to be recognized by in the PN Program. A Conversational Portuguese for Healthcare Professionals was also offered for the first time with seven students and two alumni completed the course.

In addition to their work with the affiliated agencies, School of Practical Nursing students participated in many community projects including: Annual Diman Open House and After Prom Party, American Red Cross Blood Drives, and chaperoning Diman HS students to the Museum of Science in Boston. A Health Fair at Case Jr. HS in Swansea and Teddy Bear clinics at several Fall River schools were also held. Twenty-two students participated in the post-secondary division of SkillsUSA with two students attending Nationals. At Nationals, Alexandra Santos received a gold medal in Job Skills A Demo.

# Greater Fall River Vocational School District Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Budget

Foundation Revenue: Chapter 70 Foundation Aid				\$ 14,796,048
Community Assessments Carry Forward				7,123,557 187,551
		Tota	al	\$ 22,107,156
Foundation Expenses: 1000 Administration				\$ 2,299,396
2000 Instruction				12,903,613
3000 Student Related Expens				979,922
4000 Plant Operations/Mainte 5000 Retirement & Insurance				2,175,423 3,748,802
		Tota	al	\$ 22,107,156
Transportation (By Regional Agree	ement)			
Student Transportation Exper Chapter 71 Transportation Aid	nses	ement)		\$ 668,354 350,389
Chapter 71 Transportation Air	u (55% Reimburs	ement)		330,369
Regional Transportation Assessm	<u>ent</u>			\$ 317,965
			Regional	Community
Fall River	# Students 1035	<u>Ratio</u> 0.7468	Assessment \$ 317,965	<u>Assessment</u> \$ 237,511
Somerset	134	0.0967	\$ 317,965	30,741
Swansea	119	0.0859	\$ 317,965	27,300
Westport	98	0.0707	\$ 317,965	22,482
Total	1386			\$ 317,965
Total Community Assessments				
	<u>Foundation</u>	<u>Trar</u>	nsportation	<u>Total</u>
Fall River	\$3,029,461	\$	237,441	\$ 3,266,902
Somerset Swansea	1,509,465 1,302,265		30,741 27,300	1,540,206 1,329,565
Westport	1,302,203 1,282,366		27,300 22,482	1,304,848
Total	\$7,123,557	\$	317,965	\$ 7,441,522

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HARBORMASTER

The Harbormaster hereby submits his report for the year ending December 31, 2014.

The 2013 boating season actually started in January when three (3) duck hunters, who launched from the State Boat Ramp before daylight, were dumped into the water when their duckboat was swamped and then overturned in deep water near Tripp's E Dock. Unfortunately, two (2) of the men died and one was rescued alive off of Corey's Island by a Coast Guard Helicopter crew from Cape Cod Air Station.

The weather for the 2014 boating season was pretty good (cool and dry) without too much fog and we had a great autumn. Activity was pretty much in line with 2013 except the State Boat Ramp had about 8% less revenue.

As usual, vessel pump out service (CVA) was provided from late April until about November 15, 2014 with about 7,000 gallons of boat septage pumped out from over 600 vessels. Monies provided by a Clean Vessel Act (CVA) grant of \$15,000.00 covered the pump out operations.

The State Boat Ramp received new floats and aluminum gangplanks from the State Access Board. This was a great upgrade. Also, the Harbormaster Department kept the old State Ramp floats and is in the process of refurbishing them so they can replace, in the spring of 2015, the 20-year old floats at the Hix Bridge Landing.

User fee rates stayed the same as 2013 at \$3.00 per foot, \$10.00 for private moorings and \$40.00 for commercial moorings. Note: revenues from boaters were off by about 1% in 2014.

Patrols on weekends and 24/7 coverage were provided by the Harbormaster Department while operating on a level funded budget for the 7<sup>th</sup> straight year. The Harbormaster Department launched and hauled floats at Hix Bridge Landing with the help of the Highway Department. The Harbormaster Department ran the State Boat Ramp collecting fees and registered approximately 1,200 vessels using Westport waters. The Harbormaster Department responded to the usual amount of calls (40 or so) to assist the boating public from the Westport Police Dispatch, the U.S. Coast Guard, Marine VHF calls and cell phone calls. Harbormaster Richard B. Earle, with assistant Jonathan Paull, pulled a 28' sailboat out of the rocks on the Hens and Chickens reef in early October with 2 POB.

The following were overall revenues collected from and paid by boaters for the 2013 season:

Slip & Mooring Fees (approximately 1250)	\$ 90,000.00
Private Mooring Permits (310)	3,100.00
Town Mooring Seasonal Permits	2,000.00
State Boat Ramp (Daily - \$5 per day)	10,500.00
State Boat Ramp (Seasonal – 180 x \$45)	8,000.00
State Boat Excise Tax (to Municipal Waterways)	22,000.00
State Boat Excise Tax (to General Fund)	20,000.00
Total to Enterprise Fund	\$135,600.00
Total Paid by Boaters in 2014	\$155,600.00

As always, I would like to publicly thank my very dedicated assistants James Perry, Jonathan Paull, Gary Tripp, Christopher Leonard and volunteers Richard Hart (Sweet Pea) and Greg Robb (who donated close to 100 hours at the State Boat Ramp in 2014) and Andrew Souza (Highway Department) for a job well done, and who at times when called upon, put their lives at risk for the sake of the Town and boating public. Special thanks go out to the women at the Town Hall. They make life so much easier for the Harbormaster Department. Professional thanks to the Westport Police Department and the Dispatchers, the Westport Fire Department, the Harbor Advisory Committee (John Azevedo, Chair) and the Highway Department (Chris Gonsalves). These people are a great help with their continuing support of the waterfront.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard B. Earle Harbormaster



# ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

# <u>Highway Surveyor</u> Christopher Gonsalves

#### Operators

Quentin Lord Andrew Sousa Scott Boyd Evan Almeida Richard Anctil Robert Alves

# Skilled Laborer/Truck Driver

Paul Lourenco

# Skilled Laborer/Light Truck Drive

Antonio Medeiros

# Clerk/Dispatcher

Susan Maynard

The Westport Highway Department continues to maintain 160 miles of roadway. The Highway Department has regular duties of:

- 1. General maintenance and resurfacing of roads;
- 2. Installation and repair of drainage:
- 3. Cleaning and installation of catch basins;
- 4. Tree trimming and brush cutting;
- 5. Mowing along sides of roads and landings;
- 6. Processing of loam, sand, gravel and stone on site:
- 7. Winter season plowing and sanding;
- 8. Maintenance of vehicles and equipment;
- 9. Sign making;
- 10. Street sweeping.
- 11. Maintaining of retention ponds and easements.

#### Chapter 90 Program

Chapter 90 is a 100% reimbursable program for maintaining, repairing, improving and constructing town ways and bridges, which qualify under the State Aid Highway Guidelines adopted by the Public Works Commission.

Additionally, road building machinery, equipment and tools may be purchased if project related.

This year the streets completed are as follows:

Asphalt Rubber: Old County Road (section), Main Road (section), Hix Bridge Road (section)

Double Chipseal: Petty's Lane

<u>Single Chipseal:</u> Old County Road North & South, N Drive, and L Drive Chapter 90 Equipment Purchase: 2015 Freightliner Street Sweeper

#### Grants

Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund - \$1,000.00 for purchase of new street signs
MIIA Loss Control Grant - \$4,581.52 for safety equipment
MIIA Risk Management Grant - \$10,000.00 for GIS Software, Training, GPS Units and Antennas

This will allow the Town to map storm water, drinking water and public utilities. These tools will permit the Town to identify and locate these structures when storms or accidents create threats of injury to people or property.

# **Projects**

Line Striping: Approximately 40 miles of roadway Drainage: Benoit Street and Old Bedford Road

The Highway Department has assisted other Town Departments with their projects and undertakings. We continue to look forward to accommodating the needs of the Town of Westport and will remain efficient in this undertaking.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Gonsalves Highway Surveyor



# ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE WESTPORT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The following is a report of the Westport Historical Commission for the year ending December 31, 2014.

Regular Members:
William Kendall, Chair
Jane Loos, Secretary and Clerk
Geraldine Millham, Treasurer
Janet Jones, CPC Representative
Stanley Cornwall
David Paddock
Paul Somerson

Alternate Members: Christine Vezetinski James Collins, Jr.

The Westport Historical Commission (WHC) is in its 41st year of operation, and it's mandate includes a variety of responsibilities.

**Westport Historic Survey:** The WHC oversees and maintains the Westport Historic Inventory, a Town wide list of historic houses, buildings, structures and objects, also on file with the state at the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC). A Community Preservation Act grant has been instrumental in updating and widening this inclusive survey.

Westport Demolition By-Law: Under the terms of the Westport Demolition By-Law, property owners contemplating demolition of their historic structures must obtain approval from the WHC before they are issued a demolition certificate from the Westport Building Department. Property owners can view the complete inventory on the websites of the WHC or the MHC (http://mhc-macris.net/Towns.aspx? Page=towns.asp), in the office of the Building Inspector, or in the History Room at the Westport Public Library. Three properties on the Westport Historic Inventory requested demolition approval, two of which were found not to be 'preferably preserved', while the third request was withdrawn.

**Westport Point Historic District:** Overseeing the Westport Point Historic District continues to be the major portion of the work of the WHC. This year's applications from six property owners within the Westport Point Historic District came before the WHC in nine public hearings. Four major projects were approved for Certificates of Appropriateness; one application was denied but the project was resubmitted with changes that qualified it for a Certificate of Non-Applicability as a 'like for like' repair; one project public hearing was continued once, but not pursued by the applicant.

Three projects received Certificates of Non-Applicability, which were handled on an expedited basis, without requiring a WHC meeting, either due to 'like for like' repairs or for work not subject to WHC review. WHC Chair and Secretary signed off on these certificates and reported the actions at the subsequent WHC meeting without making applicants wait for the next monthly meeting.

**Preservation Oversight:** WHC regularly reviewed work at three properties where WHC holds preservation agreement oversight on behalf of the Town – the Westport Town Farm, the Oscar Palmer Farm, and the Handy House. WHC also reviewed proposals for use of CPA funding under the Historic Preservation category, and provided comments and suggestions to the applicants and CPC as input to their deliberations.

The WHC holds meetings generally on the first Monday of each month. WHC meeting agendas, application forms, guidelines and other general information are listed on the Town of Westport website. WHC house plaques for buildings over fifty years old are available at the nominal cost of \$50 per plaque. Applications can be obtained from the website or the WHC bulletin board in Town Hall.

The WHC's annual budget of \$725 is used for office supplies, postage and printing costs, and the WHC website. WHC also withdrew funds from its Trust Fund to cover the remaining costs for creation of the website. Videotapes of WHC meetings are recorded by local cable personnel, and broadcast on the local cable access channel.

At the present time the WHC has an opening for five alternate members. Applications are welcome through the Board of Selectmen's office.

Respectfully submitted,

William Kendall, Chair

# 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 Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD) and operates a 48-unit complex known as Greenwood Terrace at 666 State Road. It is the only development under the auspices of the Authority. All units are two room (one bedroom) units suitable for an individual or a couple. This state subsidized housing is available to applicants at least 60 years of age or disabled with incomes not exceeding \$40,450 for one person and \$46,200 for two. There is no asset limit. Rents are based on thirty per-cent (30%) of the tenant's income. Applications are processed according to state determined priorities and

preferences. There is a waiting list.

# Report 2014

In 2014 we replaced the bathroom sinks, drains, faucets and new shut offs and related plumbing /pipes were installed in every apartment. We did have six vacancies this year and updated the waiting list so the list has had substantial changes. A new policy was implemented on June 15 to establish the entire property at 666 State Road as Smoke Free.

#### **Board of Commissioners**

The Board of Commissioners holds their regular meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. Interested community members and tenants are welcome to attend.

Members for 2013	<u>Position</u>	Term Expires
Veronica Beaulieu	Chairman	2016
Elizabeth A. Collins	Vice-Chairman	2015
Ron Costa	Commissioner	2014
Denise leonardo	Commissioner	2018
Marjorie Holden	Governor's Appointee	

We would like to take this opportunity to publicly acknowledge and thank the men and women of the Westport Police and Fire Departments who continually respond to the needs and concerns of our tenants. We would also like to thank the Council on Aging, the Community Preservation Committee, the Highway Department and the Board of Health for their support and generosity. Our final thanks are extended to the Board of Selectmen for all they do to support and advocate for affordable senior housing.

Respectfully submitted,

Krisanne Sheedy, Executive Director

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LANDING COMMISSION TREASURER

I hereby submit my annual report as Treasurer, December 31, 2014.

Balance January 1, 2014	\$29,980.53
Received from Leases	4,228.00
Interest Received on Deposits	635.13
TOTAL	\$34,843.66
Expenditures 2014	7,430.52
Balance December 31, 2014	\$27,413.14

Respectfully submitted,

Christine A. Sylvia, Interim Treasurer



# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE WESTPORT FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Board of Trustees of the Westport Free Public Library hereby submits its report for the year ending December 31, 2014.

#### **Trustees**

Paul Cabral, Chair Robert J. Gormley, Vice-Chair Nancy M. Dawson Pauline B. Dooley Sharon Hanover James J. Walsh, Jr.

#### Staff

Susan R. Branco Linda R. Cunha

Jane L. Young Bonnie Strebel Janina A. Oliver Ethel L. Rodrigues Leona E. Andrade Loretta Price Amy Medeiros John Medeiros Library Director

Assistant Library Director/

Children's & Young Adult Librarian

Principal Clerk
Principal Clerk
Library Aide
Library Substitute
Library Substitute
Library Substitute
Library Substitute
Custodian

Staffing changes came to the Library in 2014. Bonnie Strebel moved into the Principal Clerk position and Amy Medeiros joined us as Library Substitute. Sadly, Joseph Wisniewski Jr., who served as Library Trustee from 2005-2011, passed away in March. A librarian himself, Joe brought valuable expertise to both the Board of Trustees and to the Library Building Committee he served on from 2008-2009.

Additional funding in the Library budget from the Town for Fiscal Year 2015 has enabled the Library to be certified by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC). Certification enables us to share resources with forty communities throughout Southeastern Massachusetts as well as eight regional library networks and university libraries throughout the Commonwealth. The Library continues to maintain 45 weekly hours. As a member of the SAILS Library Network, patrons may order books and materials directly from home. Visit our Library website (<a href="http://library.westport-ma.com">http://library.westport-ma.com</a>) to order materials and to explore other services as well.

The services provided by our Library serve a growing variety of needs. Books, CDs and DVDs circulate at a steady pace, while staff provides assistance with downloading titles onto e-readers and other portable devices. We are starting the process of exploring "Assistive Technologies" to help visually impaired individuals. Assessing, and responding to our community's needs and striving to maintain an

effective balance between hard print / physical and electronic media technologies is both a challenge, and a focus, as we move forward.

The Library continues to evolve as a cultural meeting place. se of the Manton Community Room has grown tremendously as residents continue to discover our wonderful space. Babies and preschoolers enjoy weekly story times, the Library book club and writing group gather to share books and stories, seniors meet to play Bridge and quiet space is provided for tutors. Brownies, Girl Scouts, Samaritans' training, Westport Education Foundation, Westport Cultural Council, Westport Historical Society, Knitting for Cancer Group, Westport Land Conservation Trust, Westport River Gardeners, Master Plan Committee with Westport Planning Board and Massachusetts Audubon Society gather for meetings and special programs that are open to the public.

Exhibits in the Manton Community Room during 2014 included paintings by teen brothers Andy and Eugene Xu, the "Art of Recycling" with Vera Gasner and "Botanicals & Landscape" photography by Beth Easterly. The Helen E. Ellis case displayed Japanese dolls and prints as well as pottery by Morgan Bozarth's students at Westport High School. Jane Owen shared her collection of beach stones transformed with pen and ink by artist Fritz Eichenberg and Denise Micale exhibited her collection of Matroyshka Russian dolls. Jessica Raimondi's digital photography class at Westport High School displayed outstanding works in the children's area.

The Trustees and Library staff wish to thank the Westport Cultural Council and the Helen E. Ellis Charitable Trust for educational and entertaining programming brought to the Library over the years. The summer of 2014 brought an outdoor concert with the Allegro Chamber Players and Sparky's Puppet Show entitled "The Time Machine" thanks to Helen Ellis. The Cultural Council sponsored storyteller, Davis Bates, with "A Song and Story Celebration".

The Friends of Westport Library continue to support the Library in a multitude of ways. The summer paperback and September annual book sales along with the year-round bookstore at the Library provide necessary funds for the purchase of books, CDs and DVDs. The FOWL quarterly newsletter continues to promote the Library's role throughout the community. Discounted passes to the Museum of Fine Arts and Museum of Science in Boston and the Buttonwood Park Zoo and New Bedford Whaling Museum are sponsored by FOWL. Creature Teachers shared Australian critters in March, Karen Chace, storyteller, presented "Wise, Witty and Wicked Women" in August, author, Pam Carey shared her book on parenting seniors in September and storyteller, Diane Edgecomb entertained families with "Once Upon a Halloween" in October thanks to FOWL. The FOWL Board members and many book sale volunteers continue to lend invaluable time and services. Special thanks go as well to the 2014 officers: President: Kate Kastner, Vice-President: Michael Habib, Treasurer: Karen Nourse, and Clerk: Linda Olsen.

Speaking of volunteers, Rosie the therapy dog with owner Sue Szekely listened to children read aloud and Casey the therapy dog with owner Ken Nickelson joined in with the preschool programs. Ned Daniels, FOWL Board member, led 4 art-based after school programs for middle school students. Local author, Beatrice Gormley, shared her writing experiences with young adults and Partners Village Store brought Connecticut author, Tony Abbott, to share his latest children's book. Mary Cass, Bristol Community College instructor, returned with her popular Lego building program. Fernando and Maryann Goulart, as Santa and Mrs. Claus, made a surprise visit reading stories to preschool children.

Children attended Linda Cunha's summer reading program "Fizz Boom Read" for 7 weeks. Tiffany Martin provided a yoga workshop and Texas Roadhouse Restaurant donated coupons and led a dance class in the staff parking lot. Summer reading prizes were sponsored by the Country Store, Friendly's, Holiday Lanes of Westport, Nick's Pizza and Partners Village Store.

Needless to say, volunteers are actively involved at the Library. Michael Grimo runs the very popular Computer 101 class on Monday evenings. All questions are welcome. Beverly Rich continues to provide books, audio books and DVDs through the Homebound Delivery Service. Seniors are enjoying the rewards of receiving large print books and other materials delivered to their doorsteps. Our dozen weekly volunteers handle a variety of tasks. All volunteers were honored at a Volunteer Tea in April. Norma Judson continued to organize materials in the History Room. Susan Dutra keeps our outdoor flower pot growing. Linda Bramwell decorated the Library in December with poinsettias and wreaths on behalf of the Westport River Gardeners. A Christmas luncheon, for staff and Friends volunteers, was held by the Trustees.

Much appreciation is expressed to our After School Assistants, Oliver Surpless and Jennifer Rizk. Middle

School students have benefited greatly from their supervision and homework assistance.

The Library is grateful for generous donations from townspeople. Neil and Sue Van Sloun's donation is used to update computers. Some donors prefer to remain anonymous, but we thank them deeply. The Trustees and staff look forward to working with and serving the community for another busy year.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Branco, Director Paul Cabral, Chairman, Board of Trustees

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MODERATOR

I respectfully submit my 2014 Annual report as Moderator of the Town of Westport.

# Town Meeting

In 2014, Westport held an Annual Town Meeting with an embedded Special Town Meeting on Saturday May 13.

The meeting was held at the auditorium at Westport High School. Voters in attendance exercised true democracy with passion and zeal and with respect for the views of their neighbors and for the Town Meeting process. They deserve to be commended.

# **Finance Committee**

The terms of Finance Committee members Tracy Priestner, Hugh Morton and Shana Shufelt expired June 30, 2014. All three were re-appointed to 3 year terms ending June 30 2017.

# Finance Committee As Of January 2014

<u>Members</u>	Term Expires
Charles "Buzzy" Baron, Chairman John E. Miller Warren M. Messier Robert N. McCarthy Mark Carney Gary Carreiro W. Hugh Morton Shana Shufelt Tracy Priestner	June 30, 2015 June 30, 2015 June 30, 2015 June 30, 2016 June 30, 2016 June 30, 2017 June 30, 2017 June 30, 2017
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Respectfully submitted,

Steven Fors, Moderator



# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board hereby submits its annual report for the year 2014.

#### Role

Under the Massachusetts General Laws, the elected five-member Planning Board is charged with formulating and administering Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land in accordance with the Subdivision Control Law; with advising on and reviewing plans for proposed subdivisions; monitoring the installation of subdivision infrastructure and new road construction; conducting public hearings for applications for development; conducting public hearings for the introduction of, and amendments to, Planning Board Rules and Regulations and Town of Westport By-Laws; with reviewing, advising and granting Special Permits and Site Plan Approvals for commercial development; and with developing the Master Plan Update. The Department also implements the guidelines suggested by the Town of Westport Master Plan for sustainable development and redevelopment practices. In addition, the Board advises the Town on land use decisions, projects and policies affecting Westport, and tracks current development trends.

The professional Planning Department staff supports the Planning Board's mission of creating a broad vision for the community of Westport by administering and monitoring subdivisions; reviewing plans for technical compliance; reviewing, amending and writing by-laws, regulations, policies, and grant proposals; conducting research and analysis to advise and assist the Board; preparing staff reports; performing site visits; attending meetings of the Planning Board and other Boards and Committees as requested by the Planning Board. In addition, staff seeks advice from the Board's Consultant Engineer and oversees their work to ensure conformance to approved plans and monitors their approved work and payments from the developers and to consultant engineers; is responsive to requests for information from other departments, the public, and the development community; is responsible for public outreach; and must have knowledge and understanding of Massachusetts zoning and subdivision laws as well as knowledge of planning principles and practices.

#### Meetings

The Board generally meets every other Tuesday evening in the Town Hall Annex. Planning Board regular meetings and public hearing meetings are televised. Each meeting is rebroadcast on the local access cable station several times a week. Administrative meetings are held in the Planning Department on Tuesday evenings once per month or as needed. During 2014 the Board held 18 regular, 10 administrative meetings. The Master Plan Update Subcommittee continued its work and held 11 meetings this calendar year and effectuated 3 Public Workshops for public input for the majority of the Master Plan chapters.

# Membership

Members are elected and serve a 5-year term or if appointed, the balance of the vacating seat until a reelection.

In February 2014 Wayne Sunderland vacated the seat he was elected to in April 2013. The seat remained vacant until the April 2014 elections, where Marc De Rego, write-in candidate, received the winning number of votes. His seat will expire in 2018. William Raus was re-elected April 2014 and his seat will expire in 2019.

Chairman, James T. Whitin's term will expire in 2017, Vice-Chairman, William D. Raus' term will expire in 2019. Elaine Ostroff will serve until elections in April 2015. David Cole's term will expire in 2016. Marc De Rego will serve until 2018.

# Staff

The Planning Department staff is comprised of: the Town Planner, James K. Hartnett an Assistant Town Planner, Lucy R. Tabit and a part-time recording clerk, Joan Steadman.

# Revenue

The Planning Department collected a total of \$8,425.00 in filing fees for Fiscal 2014.

Consultant Engineer fees are administered by the planning board and paid for by applicants. Consultant Engineering fees expended totaled \$38,495.00 during calendar year 2014.

TABLE 1. Department Revenues and Engineering Fees 2008-2014

	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Revenue	\$8,425	\$15,875	\$ 9,184	\$ 9,135	\$13,239	\$11,117	\$ 9,649
Engineering fees	\$38,495	\$46,883	\$67,395	\$61,659	\$110,206	\$105,583	\$74,589

# Geographic Information – Fees

A fee for each new parcel is collected into a GIS revolving account. The revolving account was enacted under Article 48 at the 2004 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of maintaining the assessor's parcel GIS database. In Fiscal 2014, GIS fees collected totaled \$2,520.

# **Development Activity**

TABLE 2. SUBDIVISION PLANS SUBMITTED, ENDORSED, APPROVED IN 2013

Туре	Plans	Plans	Plans	Plans	New
	Submitted	Approved/ Endorsed	Withdrawn	Denied/ Not Endorsed	Building Lots Created
ANRs- Approval Not Required Plans	27	25	2	0	18
ANR's submitted in 2013, acted on in	0				

2014					
Preliminary Plans	1	1	0	0	0
Definitive Plans	0	0	0	0	0
Definitive Plans submitted in 2014, to be acted on in 2015	2	0	0	0	13
Total plans submitted in 2014	31	26	2	0	
Total New Lots Created 2014		-	-	-	31

# Site Plan Approvals

The Board addressed 4 Site Plan applications. The first large scale solar energy system was approved under site plan review and for a special permit for a 2 megawatt ground mounted solar energy system under Article 24 of the Zoning By-laws.

During the 2014 calendar year, 25 projects were ongoing and several applications held multiple appointments with the Planning Board throughout 2014 in addition to ANRs listed above.

# **Special Permits**

The Board addressed two new special permits in 2014; three of these applications sought relief under Zoning Article 21 for Driveways and Common Driveways; one under Article 24 for Solar Energy Systems. The Board finalized a Modification to a special permit for a Common Driveway in 2014 that was begun the prior year.

#### **Pre-Application Consultations**

The Board addressed 5 pre-application consultations in 2014.

# **Subdivision Monitoring**

In 2014 there were approximately 18 subdivisions either under review or under construction or unfinished and defaulted that came before the Board. Assistant Planner, Lucy R. Tabit administers receipts and payments and monitors the escrow accounts for these projects, totaling over \$622,000 dollars. Board members and staff conduct site visits and monitor the progress for these projects. A substantial number of consultant review accounts and surety accounts were closed out and remaining balances were issued. In 2014, 21 consultant review accounts and 3 surety account balances were returned to applicants.

# **Chapter 91 Notifications**

As a requirement of 310 CMR 9.00 Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Chapter 91 Waterways License Application, the Planning Board received and endorsed 5 applications and plans for the permitting process.

Adopted in 1866, Massachusetts General Law Chapter 91 protects the public's interest in waterways of the Commonwealth. It ensures that public rights to fish, fowl and navigate are not unreasonably restricted and that unsafe or hazardous structures are repaired or removed. Chapter 91 also protects the

waterfront property owner's ability to approach his land from the water.

# **Highlights**

#### Zoning By-Laws:

The Planning Board submitted the following articles that were approved at the spring 2014 Annual Town Meeting:

- Item 1. To replace Article 25, Temporary Moratorium on Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers with a new By-law permitting Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers by Special Permit in the Business District and Science and Technology Overlay District. Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers would also be defined and added to the Table of Use Regulations.
- Item 2. Changes and corrections to various sections of the Town's Zoning By-laws.
  - Deletes the definitions of "Roadway or Streets" and "Roadway or Street Categories" and revises the definitions of "Private or Unaccepted Way", "Recreation" and "Way".
  - Deletes Section 4.0.1.D, Subparagraph 5. (This section requires a special permit for Recreational Uses)
  - Corrects the reference in Section 7.5.
  - Would allow Telecommunication Antennas on Wind Energy Facilities by Special Permit.
  - Amends the Table of Use Regulations by adding Recreational Uses. Deletes the existing note and adds new notes relating to conflicts and M.G.L Chapter 40A § 3 Exemptions.
  - Allows the Planning Board to waive the "grade" requirement for common driveways.
- Item 3. Amends Article 23, Flexible Frontage for Reduced Density, by allowing frontage reductions on approved subdivisions ways, simplifies the application process, places restrictions on lot width and simplifies the process for recording maximum clearing restrictions.
- Item 4. To amend the Rules and Regulations of the Westport Planning Board for Site Plan Approval by creating a new Section 21.0, Supplemental Performance Standards for Central Village. These standards are to be applied to development and redevelopment on parcels within Central Village requiring Site Plan Approval from the Planning Board. Central Village is defined as the area located in the Business District bounded to the south by an east-west line 50' parallel to and south of Kaila's Way; to the east by Route 88; to the north by the northern boundary of the Business District; and to the west by a line 1,000' from the westerly line of Main Road, currently the boundary of the Business District.

#### Citizens Planner Training Collaborative

The Planning Board and Staff attended this annual training to be kept up to date with legislature and important issues that may affect zoning in the community. Through this training collaborative, members and staff have been able to meet with other professionals and legislators gaining insight and knowledge to help better understand various topics from zoning to writing a defensible decision.

#### **Mapping**

The Planning Board provided mapping support through GIS technology for other departments by providing specialized detailed maps of assessor's records, zoning, agricultural lands, as an example of just a few. The Department continues to support other town Boards and Departments in this technology utilizing an in house plotter.

#### Master Plan

The Planning Board began updating the Town's Master Plan in March 2013 and continued the process through 2014. The Master Plan Update Committee held 11 regular meetings and 3 public workshops in 2014.

The first public workshop in April focused on the Open Space & Recreation, Natural Resources and Water, Wastewater & Stormwater chapters. The second workshop held in September focused on Economic Development, Housing and Traffic Circulation chapters. The third workshop was held in

October and covered these three chapters: Capital Facilities & Human Services, Land Use and Historic and Cultural Resources. The summary reports for these workshops are available on the Planning Board website: www.planning.westport-ma.gov in the Master Plan tab.

The Master Plan Update Committee plans to hold a fourth and final workshop for public input on a chapter dedicated to Education early in 2015. This will be the first time that Education will be a significant component of the master plan. Having completed goals and objectives in 2013, the Committee will focus its resources on completing chapter updates in 2015.

The Master Plan will be used as a guidance document so that the Town and municipal officials can better predict and manage change. The Plan will inform residents and businesses about the community's characteristics, trends, and policies by guiding future residential, commercial and industrial growth in the Westport community.

#### **Technical Assistance and Grants**

SRPEDD provided support for a grant awarded to Westport sponsored by Massachusetts Department of Transportation and the Massachusetts Office of Housing & Economic Development (EOHED) through South Coast Rail Technical Assistance. The result was the Route 177 Economic Development Study to determine if economic development was viable along Route 177. The value of this technical assistance grant was \$15,000. A copy of the study can be found on the Planning Board Website.

MassDOT awarded Westport a grant for Signage Improvement Along High Crash Curves. The grant will provide Westport upgrades to the signs and posts at five locations where high incidents crashes have occurred.

SRPEDD awarded to the Planning Board 20 hours of Technical Assistance. The poject will entail providing technical assistance with GIS software and technology.

#### Stormwater

The Planning Board provided input to the MS4 Annual Report of Westport identifying projects that were reviewed for conformance with stormwater compliance. This report was filed with the EPA.

#### Planning Board Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land

The subdivision rules and regulations are being reviewed so that updates can be made to design standards and filing requirements. Public hearings on the updates will be scheduled for next year.

#### Planning Board Rules and Regulations for Site Plan Approval

The Planning Board conducted two Central Village Forums in 2013. A Public Hearing was held on January 28, 2014 to adopt guidelines and performance standards that would be incorporated into Site Plan Rules and Regulations within Central Village. This passed favorably and was set into effect as part of site plan review for Central Village.

#### Roads

- Briggs Landing. Chapter 40B Comprehensive Permit: The Planning Board assists the Westport Zoning Board of Appeals by overseeing the construction of the Briggs Landing roadways. This included the construction of over 6,000 feet of roadway, utility installations and storm water installations which concluded in 2013 for Phases 1 & 2. Phases 3-6, begun in 2013, are currently underway and under the review by the Planning Board.
- The Planning Board recommended Estrella Lane, Romano Village Drive, and Paul Drive for acceptance at Annual Town Meeting 2014.

# Geographic Information System (GIS)

The Westport On-Line GIS (Geographic Information System) Parcel Viewer and Mapping website

(http://host.appgeo.com/westportma/) has proven a useful tool for looking at over 8,400 Assessor parcels for information such as assessed value, lot size, deed book and page with limited overlays of soils, wetlands, zoning and aerial photos; mapping additional data to the parcel/map; generating lists of abutters and printing mailing labels.

Over 2,544,501 hits were received, averaging 9,285 hits per day and 73.59 hits per visitor. There were 28,118 total visitors to the site. The monthly average of unique IP addresses was 2,343.17. An IP - Internet Protocol - address is an exclusive number identifying all information technology devices, very much like someone's street address.

The GIS parcel information was initiated in September of 2006. The Assessor's GIS database is current to January 1, 2014. The Planning Board continues to work with Applied Geographics to update the parcel data on an ongoing basis.

#### **Housing**

The Planning Department continues to work with the Affordable Housing Trust over continued ongoing projects. Noquochoke Village Housing Development was awarded to The Community Builders for development into affordable units.

#### Work With Other Boards And Commissions

- James T. Whitin served as the Planning Board's representative to the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) and is the Planning Board representative on the Narrows Redevelopment Committee. Mr. Whitin continues to work with various town committees.
- William D. Raus served on the Narrows Redevelopment Committee, the Economic Development Committee and the Community Preservation Committee.
- Elaine Ostroff served as the Planning Board Representative on the Master Plan Update Subcommittee, the Housing Rehabilitation and Advisory Committee and the Tax Incentive Program Committee.
- David Cole served as the Planning Board's representative on the Master Plan Update Subcommittee, the Agricultural Open Space Trust Fund Committee and the Cable Advisory Committee.
- Marc de Rego served as the Planning Board's representative to the Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force and the Economic Development Committee.
- Town Planner, James K. Hartnett continues to collaborate with other departments, boards and committees representing the work of the Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. Whitin, Chairman





#### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### Keith A. Pelletier Police Chief

I herein respectfully submit for your information and review the Annual Report of the Police Department for 2014. At the present time, the Department is made up of 29 permanent Officers.

#### **ORGANIZATION**

### Chief Of Police Keith A. Pelletier

<u>Deputy Chief</u> <u>Administrative Assistant</u>

T.B.A. Hillary J. Harris

Lieutenant(s)

Paul E. Holden John J. Bell

**Sergeants** 

Thomas R. Plourde
Antonio J. Cestodio
Christopher A. Dunn
John P. Couto
Christopher M. Mello
Gary L. Cambra

Scott W. Arrington

#### Regular Police Officers

David Simcoe Mario D. DaCunha David B. Arruda Ryan S. Nickelson Scott N. Davis Robert J. Reed Kyle Fernandes Matthew P. Holden
Robert P. Rebello
Francois A. Napert
Michael D. Silvia
Todd C. Oliver
Bryan C. McCarthy
Barry F. Beaulieu
Fernando Goncalves
James B. Roberts

#### E-911 Dispatchers – Full-Time

Jennifer J. Scott Kylie E. Ouellette Sara E. Carvalho Amy-Lyn Smiddy

#### E-911 Dispatchers – Part-Time

**Brittany Pierce** 

#### Reserve Police Officers

Keith J. Novo Jean Lopez Michael Kelley Marshall A. Ronco Richard J. Rodrigues Samuel Teixeira Brian D. Souza Eric J. Vanasse William Baraby Reginald G. Deschenes Michael R. Roussel Jarrod Levesque

Ryan W. Carreiro Stephen D. Kovar Jr. Nathaniel Jones John R. Gifford Jeffrey Belya

	#			SERVICE	MILES	
YEAR	OFFICERS	CITATIONS	ACCIDENTS	CALLS	PATROLED	POPULATION
2014	29	2,299	312	24,701	413,455	15,076

#### NIBRS - National Incident Reporting Based System

YEAR	CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS	CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY	CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY	GROUP (B) CRIMES
2014	109	412	47	175

#### **Group (A) CRIMES**

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YEAR	INCIDENTS	ARREST/SUMMONS	CITATIONS	RESTRAINING ORDERS
2014	747	326	2299	66

We continue to work with and receive support from our neighboring communities and in addition to being a member S.E.M.L.E.C. (Southeastern Mass Law Enforcement Council), we signed mutual aid agreements with the Town of Tiverton, R.I. and Little Compton, R.I.

#### **Department Goals & Objectives**

#### Purpose:

The purpose of the Westport Police Department is to provide the best possible police service to the community, in the most cost effective manner possible, reducing not only crime, but the fear of crime and improving the overall quality of life of the citizens we serve.

In order to accomplish our mission we must:

- 1. Protect the lives and property of our citizens of the Town.
- 2. Preserve peace and order in the community.
- 3. Prevent and detect crime, limiting increases in criminal activity and reduce occurrences of all forms of unlawful activity, as measured by analysis of records.
- 5. Promote the safe and efficient use of the streets and highways and reduce the number of traffic accidents through selective enforcement, as measured by an analysis of records.
- 6. Emphasize teamwork within the Department; maintain the highest professional standards possible. Provide the necessary training for our officers to handle all aspects of modern public safety challenges.
- 7. Promote collaboration and cooperation with all other departments/agencies involved with public safety.
- 8. Promote community-policing initiatives within the department and with members of the community interested in taking an active part in assisting with public safety.

#### Goals and Objectives:

Goal 1: To promote highway safety.

Objective 1: Increase traffic enforcement initiatives.

Objective 2: Increase traffic enforcement educational opportunities for personnel and

outline departmental objectives.

- Objective 3: Selective traffic enforcement patrols dedicated to aggressive driving, speed enforcement, seat belt compliance and driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Goal 2: To emphasize teamwork and cooperation with the community, the Department will maintain community-policing efforts despite loss of community policing funds from the state.
  - Objective 1: Continue basic community policing training to departmental personnel.
  - Objective 2: Encourage department members to cultivate more positive interactions with the public.
    - a. Identify the needs for the Police in the community.
    - Create a workable program addressing these needs utilizing available resources.
    - c. Attend meetings and continue to work with other departments in the Town, which respond to the needs of the community
    - d. Continue the School Resource Officer Program in the School and continue to monitor its effectiveness and strive to continually improve it.
  - Objective 3: Encourage community involvement in the reporting of criminal, suspicious, and illegal activities.
  - Objective 4: Maintain North End Sub-Station.
- Goal 3: To emphasize teamwork within the Department, the Department will increase internal communication and employee involvement in the decision making process.
  - Objective 1: Conduct quarterly supervisor meetings with Administration.
  - Objective 2: Conduct an internal employee job satisfaction survey. Promote employee participation in the formulation of departmental goals and objectives and the methods in which they are to be accomplished.
  - Objective 3: Implement desired achievable goals and objectives.
  - Objective 4: Conduct quarterly efficiency and productivity sessions between supervisors and their staff.
  - Objective 5: Continue to work together to find cost saving methods of providing and maintaining quality service and training.
- Goal 4: To ensure interagency cooperation and collaboration on local and regional issues.
  - Objective 1: Narcotics/drug investigation on local, state and federal levels.
  - Objective 2 Commercial vehicle enforcement.
  - Objective 3: Strategic community threat assessment regarding all aspects of potential terrorist threats.
  - Objective 4: Underage drinking enforcement and coordination with UMASS Police with respect to off campus housing.
  - Objective 5: Addressing domestic violence issues.
  - Objective 6: Elder abuse awareness and intervention.

Our Goals and Objectives are a living document to grow and change as the community in which we serve grows and changes.

#### **Building Repairs**

In 2014, we made minor plumbing, heating and A/C repairs as necessary to keep the building functional. We hope to continue to make life safety and functionality improvements to the building as funds allow. The Detective Division has been temporarily relocated to the South End Fire station as we struggle to fix water leaks. We temporarily repaired the roof. However, during major rain storms portions of the basement are still flooding. We have hired an architectural firm to conduct a feasibility study to explore options to address our failing building. We will continue to make the best of our current building as we explore those options for a permanent solution.

#### The Whistle Defense Program - It's Not a Toy"

The "Whistle Defense Program" is a signal system that enables you to assist police in preventing and even deterring crime. Each whistle is made out of brass to last a lifetime and comes complete with instructions for use and safety advice.

- If you are attacked or confronted in any way that makes you feel uncomfortable on the street, blow the whistle, create distance and call the police as soon as possible.
- If you fear trouble on the street, blow the whistle, keep a safe distance, and call the police.
- If you see trouble on the street, blow the whistle, keep a safe distance, and call the police.
- If you see trouble from your home, call the police, state address and nature of trouble, open window and blow whistle.

Under no circumstances should this whistle take the place of a trained police officer or offer you a false sense of security. This whistle's sole purpose is to startle your attacker into believing you are not worth the risk. You could easily get hurt if you believe otherwise. Police Officers are highly trained individuals capable of handling such situations. You can do your part of helping them by steering clear of danger.

Inform kids about your whistle and its proper usage. A whistle to your kids could be considered a toy. By allowing your child to treat the whistle as a toy you ultimately are diminishing its' effectiveness in the event of an emergency. The goal of this program is to cut down on crime while reducing the fear of being a victim.

My personal goal as Chief of Police is to ensure that everyone who feels vulnerable to crime can feel safer carrying an alert whistle especially around the holidays. Many of the people who have been given a whistle have reported back to me that they carry it on their key chain and hold it in their hand ready to use whenever they are walking to and from their car in a mall parking lot or a dark street. There is no doubt in my mind that any predator would think twice about attacking someone who summons the piercing sound of the alert whistle. You can get your whistle at no charge by stopping by the Westport Police Department.

#### Speed Enforcement Evaluator

Vehicles speeding, in neighborhoods, are one of the most frequent complaints we receive. With the use of donated funds, we purchased three pieces of traffic safety equipment. First we equipped the North and South entrance to Central Village with solar powered L.E.D speed limit signs. Second, we purchased a Speed Enforcement Evaluator (S.E.E.).

We can now respond more effectively and efficiently to reports of speeding motor vehicles. When a citizen makes a complaint of speeding motorists in a neighborhood, we will deploy our S.E.E unit. We will then be able to determine if there is a problem and if so, when the best time to patrol is. We handle most confirmed reports with a two pronged approach. Step one; we deploy our speed trailer to call motorists attention to the legal speed limit. Step two; we increase police presence at key times, to ticket violators.

We are looking to place two additional solar powered L.E.D. speed limit signs in the Head of Westport. We are actively seeking donations from businesses and residents to raise the money to do so.

#### Fleet Maintenance Program

I am pleased to report that the "fleet maintenance program" is working. We spread out the 413,455 miles that we patrolled your streets, answering 24,701 calls for service, amongst some of the older vehicles in the fleet, reducing the wear and tear on the newer vehicles. The highlights of the program are; instead of a new cruiser being driven 24 hours a day and seven days a week with no reprieve, we have assigned a vehicle to no more than two officers at a time. This continuity has led to fewer repairs, earlier detection of possible problems and an increased life span of patrol vehicles by decreasing the annual mileage. Additionally, it puts more officers on the street at key times of the day at shift changes.

The down side is that some people may drive by the back of the station and see more than the usual number of cruisers parked. Of those cruisers, two are set-aside for officers to use for traffic safety on details, which the company requesting a detail pays a \$50.00 detail fee to use. That fee, which generated \$18,351, is used to offset the ever-increasing price of gasoline and repairs. I am happy to report that even though gasoline prices continue to escalate, we again did not ask for a supplemental appropriation from outside the budget to cover it. Our four HUMVEE, surplus 4X4 vehicles, continue to help us battle major storms or access areas needing 4X4 E.Q such as the beach or wooded areas.

#### Year End Cruiser Mileage Report 2014

Unit No.	Year	Make	Model	Status	Start	End	Total Traveled
Car #1	2010	Ford	Explorer	UNMARKED	36,154	42,340	6,186
Car #2	2005	Ford	Crown Vic	UNMARKED	85,508	92,747	7,239
Car #3	2004	Ford	Explorer	UNMARKED	113,865	123,995	10,130
Car #5	2004	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	186,351	187,213	862
Car #10	2003	Ford	Crown Vic	1PV-K40	181,947	232,883	50,936
Car #33	2003	Ford	Crown Vic	UNMARKED	144,090	151,418	7,328
Car #45	2005	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	160,025	174,644	14,619
Car #85	2005	Ford	Crown Vic	UNMARKED	87,978	94,657	6,679
Car #111	2011	Ford	Crown Vic	UNMARKED	92,796	107,033	14,237
Car #117	2007	Ford	Crown Vic	UNMARKED	106,716	120,621	13,905
Car #146	2006	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	153,256	158,749	5,493
Car #156	2006	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	172,280	182,932	10,652
Car #185	2005	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	152,327	155,304	2,977
Car #187	1987	Chevrolet	Pick-Up	M85330	32,872	32,947	75
Car #188	1988	AM General	HMMWV	M83126	29,031	29,031	0
Car #192	1992	FRHT Liner	Tractor	M85333	49,700	49,722	22
Car #211	2011	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	5,698	11,996	6,298
Unit #214	2004	Kubota	RTV-900W	MP158G	292.2 Hrs.	317.7 Hrs.	25.5 Hrs
Car #227	2007	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	137,275	151,686	14,411
Car #237	2007	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	111,261	128,942	17,681
Car #247	2007	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	156,060	160,788	4,728
Car #258	2008	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	127,523	137,506	9,983
Car #268	2008	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	149,634	166,641	17,007
Car #278	2008	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	125,654	138,305	12,651
HWY-286	1986	Chevrolet	Box Truck	M83129	28,204	28,206	2
Car #289	2009	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	83,479	84,068	589
Car #299	2009	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	34,469	44,455	9,986

Car #310	2010	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	24,412	36,038	11,626
Car #311	2011	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	12,653	28,265	15,612
Car #313	2013	Ford	Explorer	MARKED	4,985	17,175	12,190
Car #314	2014	Ford	Explorer	UNMARKED		16,055	16,055
Car #393	1993	AM General	HMMWV	M83130	2,257	Odometer 000	
Car #410	2010	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	70,209	94,176	23,967
Car #411	2011	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	18,096	31,236	13,140
Car #413	2013	Ford	Explorer	MARKED	2,587	9,856	7,269
Car #486	1986	AM General	HMMWV	M83133	26,731	26,871	140
Car #502	2002	Chevrolet	Tahoe	UNMARKED	142,331	155,896	13,565
Car #511	2011	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	28,330	42,458	14,128
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Car #586	1986	General	HMMWV	M85337	35,546	35,881	335
Car #611	2011	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	24,092	32,662	8,570
Car #711	2011	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	31,631	42,918	11,287
Car #714	2014	Ford	Explorer	MARKED		8,283	8,283
Car #811	2011	Ford	Crown Vic	MARKED	8,822	16,968	8,146
AC-14	2014	Ford	Transit Van	MARKED	115	3,398	3,283
Trailer	2004	DMB	Utility	MP157G			
Cycle #2	2000	Harley-Dav.	FLHP1	M4447	16,925	17,119	194
Sign Trailer	2008	Mini	Trailer	MP95E			
Cargo	2003	Cargo	Trailer	MP465G			
Speed	2000	Speed	Trailer	MP269B			
						Total	413,455

#### Speed Evaluator Report 2014 - by Lieutenant John Bell

The Police Department purchased the Jamar Radar Recorder which is utilized by the Community Action Unit to evaluate traffic issues. The Radar Recorder allows the police department to gather hard evidence of whether or not a problem really exists. The data produced can be used to find where stepped up enforcement is really needed, or to end arguments over speeding traffic.

The **S**peed **E**nforcement **E**valuator is a simple, one-page report that concisely displays whether or not a speeding problem exists, based on the percentage of enforceable violations.

During the 2014 calender year, the Speed Evaluator was placed at the following locations in town to determine if a speeding problem exists:

July 9, 2014
July 17, 2014
August 25, 2014
September 6, 2014
October 8, 2014
November 10, 2014
December 23, 2014
S15 Main Road
East Beach Road
380 Old Harbor Road
412 River Road
Benoit Street
915 Sanford Road
850 Drift Road

#### **Traffic Enforcement Grant**

The Westport Police Department was awarded the 2014-2015 Traffic Enforcement Grant totaling \$18,500. The purpose of the grant was to deploy High-Visibility Enforcement patrols designed to deter and change unlawful traffic behaviors. High-Visibility Enforcement combines highly visible and proactive law enforcement targeting a specific safety issue. Law enforcement efforts are combined with public awareness strategy designed to educate the public about and promote compliance with the law.

The Westport Police Department conducted the following grant patrols:

- Click it or Ticket, May 19, 2014 June 1, 2014
- Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over, August 13, 2014 September 1, 2014
- Speed and Aggressive Driving, October 10, 2014 October 31, 2014
- Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over, December 1, 2014 January 1, 2015

During the grant patrols officers from the Westport Police Department conducted the following:

Traffic Stops	422
Citations	59
Written Warnings	382
Seat-belt Violations	16
Arrests	7

#### Field Training & Evaluation Unit

Field Training is universally described as the most important stage in the process of becoming an independent police officer. During this period, Field Training Officers (FTO's) present recruits with two challenges: to learn practical aspects of law enforcement and community service and to assimilate into the professional culture of the police department.

During Field Training the recruit must complete 12 weeks of training that consists of 3 phases. Phase one, consists of 75% training and 25% evaluation. Phase two, consists of 25% training and 75% evaluation and phase 3, the solo phase, consists of 100% evaluation.

On February 13, 2015 Recruit Officers Jarred Levesque and Douglas Wenson graduate from the State Police Municipal Academy. They will then begin the 12 week Field Training Program conducted by members of the Westport Police Department.

The Field Training & Evaluation Unit consists of the following personnel:

Lt. John Bell, Field Training & Evaluation Coordinator Sgt. Christopher Dunn, Field Training & Evaluation Program Manager Officer Todd Oliver, Field Training Officer Officer Bryan McCarthy, Field Training Officer

There are several other officers trained as Field Training Officers, however, they are not currently assigned to the Field Training Unit.

#### Police Training Report - by Sergeant Christopher A. Dunn

The training division has sent Officers to the following training, in addition to the 32 hour in-service training and 12 hours of firearms qualification;

Lieutenant Paul Holden, Lieutenant Stephen Kovar, Sergeant Johnny Couto—Firearms Instructor Inservice - 24 hours

Lieutenant Paul Holden, Sergeant Scott Arrington, Officer David Simcoe, Officer Kyle Fernandes Chain Saw Class - 24 hours

Lieutenant Paul E. Holden, Lieutenant John J. Bell, Detective Antonio Cestodio, Sergeants Johnny Couto, Christopher Dunn, Christopher Mello, Gary Cambra, Detectives Jeffrey Majewski, Ryan Nickelson, Officers David Arruda, Todd Oliver, David Leite, Barry Beaulieu, Tara Souza, Scott Davis. And Kyle Fernandes - 3.5 hours simulator based emergency driver training.

Detective Sergeant Antonio Cestodio and Officer Robert Reed Advanced Alice Training - 16 hours

Detective Sergeant Antonio Cestodio, Sergeant Christopher Dunn, Sergeant Christopher Mello, Sergeant Gary Cambra and Officer Todd Oliver Breath Test Refresher Course - 8 hours

Detective Sergeant Antonio Cestodio and Officer Robert Reed Bomb Threat Assessment Training - 3 hours

Sergeant Thomas Plourde Firearms Legal Update - 8 hours

Sergeant Johnny Couto, Sergeant Scott Arrington, FTO Oliver Emergency Vehicle Operator Course - 8 hours

Sergeant Christopher Dunn Field Training Officers Course - 32 hours

Detective Jeffrey Majewski and Ryan Nickelson Sexual Assault Refresher Course - 4 hours

Detective Jeffrey Majewski Drug Update Class - 4 hours

Detective Jeffrey Majewski Tactical Tracking and Wooded Terrain training - 24 hours

Detective Jeffrey Majewski National Conference to Missing and Unidentified Persons - 24 hours

Detective Ryan Nickelson and Officer Robert Reed Social Media 101 What Law Enforcement Needs to know - 8 hours

Officer Bryan McCarthy Level 1 Firearms Instructor Course - 80 hours

Officer Bryan McCarthy and Officer Robert Rebello Proactive Criminal Enforcement Seminar - 24 hours

Officer David Leite Foundation Recertification Course

Officer David Leite Emergency Medical Dispatch Recertification Course - 8 hours

Officer David Leite, Administrative Assistant Hillary Harris and Dispatcher Jennifer Scott Stress Identification and Management - 8 hours

Officers Robert Reed and Robert Rebello Search and Seizure Class - 4 hours

Officer Robert Reed and Officer Robert Rebello Child Passenger Safety Certification Class - 32 hours

Officer Fernando Goncalves Report writing for the Law Enforcement Officer - 8 hours

Officer Matthew Holden NarcoPouch Drug Field Testing Certification - 4 hours

Officer Robert Reed Juvenile Law update - 4 hours

Officer Robert Rebello Reid School of Interview and Interrogation Basic and Advanced Course—32 hours Officers Tara Souza and Robert Rebello Dispatch Judo - 8 hours

Administrative Assistant Hillary Harris CJIS & NCIS online certification examination

Dispatchers Sara Carvalho, Amy Smiddy and Brittany Pierce Verbal Judo - 4 hours
Dispatchers Sara Carvalho, Amy Smiddy and Brittany Pierce- Critical I Incident Communication - 4 hours

Dispatchers Sara Carvalho and Kylie Ouellette Active Shooter for Public Safety Communications - 8 hours

Dispatcher Amy Smiddy and Brittany Pierce Public Safety Telecommunicator - 1-54 hours

Dispatcher Amy Smiddy and Brittany Pierce Emergency Medical Dispatch - 16 hours

#### Strategic Traffic Enforcement Program (S.T.E.P.) - by Sergeant Christopher A Dunn

The Westport Police Department has been actively involved in using a strategic approach to traffic enforcement and education in an attempt to reduce crashes along with the associated injuries and property damage that accompany these crashes. It is our belief that using a Strategic Traffic Enforcement Plan (S.T.E.P.) will better utilize the limited personnel we have available at any given time.

It appears as though the motorists traveling in Westport are involved in the majority of crashes during optimum driving conditions. A review of the 2014 crash data reveals the average speed to be 38mph, the majority of collision between two vehicles occurred during daylight hours, with clear weather conditions and a dry roadway. Also, the majority of crashes occur on a secondary roadway which would be two way, and not divided. Operators involved in crashes have used a seat system 58.5% of the time.

The department has witnessed an increase in motor vehicle crashes for 2014. In 2013 the department investigated 303 motor vehicle crashes. Compared to 311 motor vehicle crashes in 2013, a marginal increase.

During 2014 this department has received several complaints of motorists traveling through residential areas at a speed greater than the posted speed limits. When receiving these complaints the department attempts to act quickly by conducting a speed study of the area as well as radar patrols as well and deploying the Departments speed sign.

As a result of the proactive involvement by these residents, Officers were able to conduct motor vehicle stops to educate and or enforce to the motoring public of their excessive speed.

The department plans to continue to use various tools to educate the public as well as, facilitate the safe and harmononius flow of vehicles, motorcyclists, and bicyclists. We hope to provide both education and enforcement of traffic laws to all who travel thought the Town through:

- Proactive enforcement patrols
- Seat belt Grants (Click it or Ticket)
- OUI Grants
- Directed enforcement/education at common accident locations
- Directed enforcement/education at locations requested by members of the community
- Deployment of the Departments speed sign
- Deployment of the Departments mobile electronic bulletin sign board

#### <u>Firearms Licensing – by Sergeant Thomas R. Plourde</u>

The following is a report from the Westport Police Department firearms licensing division for the year of 2014:

<u>License Type</u>	Number of Licenses
Resident Class A Large Capacity License to Carry Firearms	271
Law Enforcement Officer (\$25.00) – Resident Class A Large Capacity License to Carry Firearms	1
Renewal License for Law Enforcement Officer Employed By	4

This Agency (No Fee) – Resident Class A Large Capacity License to Carry Firearms

Over 70 Years of Age, Renewal of FID, LTC or Machine Gun License (no fee) - Firearms Identification Card	44
License to Sell/Rent/Lease Firearms, Rifles, Shotguns or Machine Guns	3
Renewal License for Law Enforcement Officer Employed by This Agency (No Fee) – Resident License to Possess a Machine Gun	1
Over 70 Years Age Renewal of FID, LTC, or Machine Gun License (No Fee) – Resident License to Possess a Machine Gun	1
Firearms Identification Card	21
License to Sell Ammunition	3
Firearms Identification Card Restricted Chemical Propellant Only	2
FID Restricted Renewal (No Fee) – Firearms Identification Card	5
Restricted Chemical Propellant Only	
Over 70 Years of Age Renewal of FID, LTC, or Machine Gun License (No Fee) – Firearms Identification Card Restricted Chemical Propellant Only	1
License to Perform Services as a Gunsmith	2
Over 70 Years of Age Renewal of FID, LTC, or Machine Gun License (No Fee) – Firearms Identification Card	1
Liberioe (No Fee) - Filedinio Identinodion Gard	Total: 357
Commonwealth General Fund Town of Westport Total Collected	\$ 22,537.50 \$ 7,537.50 \$ 30,075.00

#### Firearms Bureau 2014 - by Sergeant John P. Couto

The Westport Police Department Firearms Division maintains Lt. PE Holden and Sgt. JP Couto as its Firearm and Use of Force Instructors. With the assistance of Retired Lt. SD Kovar, the three continue to instruct officers as part of a firearms training collaborative which includes Dartmouth, Freetown, Berkley, Acushnet and Westport Police.

Regular firearms' training includes the recertification of the Departments issued sidearm, the Sig Sauer P226, the Ruger .223 patrol rifle, and the Less than Lethal Bean Bag shotgun. In addition to the annual firearms qualifications required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, officers received force on force training using Simunitions®. The scenarios honed the officer's skills in team based maneuvers during both Active Shooter confrontations and scenarios officers are faced with during their patrol duties.

This year also started the implementation of the ALICE program in the school system. ALICE, which is an acronym for Alert, Lock-down, Inform, Counter, Evade, is a program which acts as an extension of the schools traditional "Lock-Down" reaction to surviving a life-threatening event and is quickly becoming the new standard of care across the country.

Sergeants Johnny Couto, Antonio Cestodio, along with SRO Officer Robert Reed attended the two day

Instructor Course and with enthusiastic support of the Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ann Dargon and Dartmouth Officers Craig Pimental and Andrew Wheaton who also attended the instructor course, held several training sessions over the summer with faculty and hope to get the program fully implemented this coming year.

The Firearms Safety Class continues to be immensely popular with both Town residents and non-residents. The eight-hour class is held near monthly at the Police Department's downstairs training room. The class, which is held on Saturdays, is a pre-requisite to obtain a LTC or license to carry firearms in Massachusetts. Again this year, over 150 students attended and passed the class which includes instruction of firearms parts, actions, safekeeping, and two tests, one written and one where attendees must perform hands on test on real handguns.

The class is open to all that are interested. However, Town residents do have first preference. For more information or the date of the next class, call the station main number.

#### <u>Child Passenger Safety – by Officer Robert Rebello</u>

During the past fiscal year, the Westport Police Department conducted one Child Passenger Safety Seat Installation Event during the month of July. Additionally the department installed three car seats for citizens throughout the year. These requests were made through the departments trained staff.

To further assist the residence of Westport, Officers Rebello and Reed successfully completed the required training for child safety seat installation. They plan on conducting two Child Passenger Safety Seat Installation Events this coming fiscal year. Trained officers are available by request to install child safety seats throughout the year as well as inspect car seats that may have been installed elsewhere.

The Westport Police Department would like to congratulate all new parents this year. We would also like to applaud their efforts, along with caregivers, to ensure the safety of children riding in motor vehicles.

#### <u>Detective Division Report – by Detective Sergeant Antonio J. Cestodio</u>

January 2014 started out with a serious crime against a south end homeowner. Three individuals, one of them a male who was armed with a weapon, entered a home demanding money. After a brief struggle with the homeowner, the three suspects fled onto Rte 88 and were captured by several police officers at gun point.

The three were in possession of a replica firearm and a large sum of cash which had been taken from the home. Detectives obtained a search warrant for the car and investigators gathered statements from the suspects. Two were females who previously worked for the homeowner. Both women drove the getaway car and acted as a lookout for the male suspect. They were charged with Armed Home Invasion with a firearm, Armed Robbery, Kidnapping and Armed Assault in a Dwelling. All three plead guilty after solid police work by numerous officers from the police department.

Two other men were also convicted in 2014 of a heinous crime against St. John the Baptist Church for a March 2013 break-in and theft of religious items. Both men damaged the altar, stole the tabernacle and desecrated the church. They were assisted by two females who drove them from the crime scene. Westport Detectives conducted two search warrants during the investigation and were assisted by the New Bedford, Taunton, and Mattapoisett Police Departments. The two men were brothers who subsequently took a three year prison term for their involvement in the crime. Regretfully, the 100 year-old tabernacle had been destroyed and taken for scrap value which yielded them \$68 dollars. The investigation took several weeks and brought investigators into many different Towns and Cities in Bristol County.

Three unregistered firearms were also seized during a March 2014 fire at an American Legion Highway storage facility. Officers found the firearms after firefighters extinguished a fire at the structure. One was an AK47 style rifle with a large capacity magazine, a second was a 9mm pistol style Mac10 with a 25 round magazine. The third was an easily concealable foldaway 40 caliber rifle. Suspected Cocaine was also located with the guns along with an assortment of ammunition. Investigators arrested the person

who rented the storage unit. All six of the people involved in these investigations were brought to a Grand Jury Indictment.

The theft of 11 Sailor's Valentines crafted by a local artist and stolen from Marguerite's Restaurant also led investigators to two other major gun investigations which are still pending in the Fall River District Court. Two pounds of marijuana, numerous illegal firearms and illegal high capacity gun magazines were seized during those investigations.

#### Westport Public Schools School Resource Officer - by Officer Robert J. Reed

The assignment as the School Resource Officer (SRO) serves as a direct liaison between the Westport Police Department and the Westport Community Schools. The SRO position investigates all matters relating to juveniles and school activities. The SRO also performs all duties and responsibilities of a patrol officer within the school setting. The SRO serves as a resource for the school's staff members, students and parents to help promote a safe environment conducive to learning. I have been the School Resource Officer since 2011 and feel I have successfully integrate myself within the school community. I have enjoyed interacting with the students of our community as well as the school staff and administrators. In my time as the School Resource Officer, I believe I have gained the trust and confidence of the school community. I believe that through teamwork and cooperation the Westport Police Department and Westport Community Schools have created and maintained a positive and safe environment for our students to learn in. I am looking forward to maintaining the integrity and foundation of our relationship.

Since January of 2014, I have been involved with many incidents that required my attention and investigation. The incidents include but are not limited to the following: residency investigations (10), assault and batteries (5), larcenies (4), disturbing school assemblies (12), drug possession/distribution (3), threats/assaults (8), weapons confiscated (2), vandalism/malicious damage (7), truancy investigations (3), medical emergencies (3), harassment (10), minor in possession of alcohol (2), mediation meetings (10), disseminating harmful matter to minors (2), school related traffic violations (20) trespassing (4). Also during that time, I have been involved with school safety and security presentations, anti-bullying presentations and have counseled students and families for various issues and concerns. I have also completed the ALICE and bomb threat assessment trainings which have allowed me to better prepare students and staff in the case of a violent intruder or emergency situation.

## <u>2014 Fees, Fines and Reimbursements Received – as Prepared by Administrative Assistant Hillary J. Harris</u>

The following fees, fines, and reimbursements were received by the Westport Police Department and turned over to the Town Treasurer during the fiscal year of 2014.

For Grants- 911/Traffic/Child Safety	\$ 50,074.38
For Firearms Licenses/Permits Issues	\$ 11,062.50
For Firearms Safety Class Fee	\$ 2,295.00
For Photostatic Copies of Police Reports	\$ 1,867.00
For Administrative Service Fees (Off-Duty Details)	\$ 37,939.50
For Police Cruiser Fees (Off Duty Details)	\$ 18,351.10
For Fines and Restitution (Fall River District Court)	\$ 2,615.00
For Motor Vehicle Citations (Registry of Motor Vehicles	\$ 84,152.00
For Parking Violations	\$ 28,835.00
For Federal Drug Forfeiture Account	\$ 36,270.45
For Police Department Gift Account	\$ 3,370.69
For Police Explorer Gift Account	\$ 255.00
For Fingerprint Cards	\$ 260.00
For Vehicle Insurance Account	\$ 27,096.50
TOTAL REVENUES	\$304,444.12

#### <u>Animal Control 2014 Report – by Sergeant Antonio Cestodio</u>

It is the mission of the Animal Control Department to enforce Massachusetts laws and the Town of Westport By-Laws pertaining to health, safety and welfare of domestic animals. Animal Control also serves the town by educating the public concerning these laws, their importance to the community and animals within it. A main objective is the prevention of animal related problems in the community through reasonable and responsible application of education and enforcement.

2014 was a busy year for this Department that is staffed by one on-call Animal Control Officer (Donna Lambert) and one assistant (Samuel Texeira). We held two low cost Rabies clinics where 20 dogs and 10 cats were vaccinated. The department also sponsored low cost spay/neutering clinics which were made available to Town residents for both dogs and cats where, to date, 20 dogs and 50 cats were serviced utilizing money from the Homeless Animal Prevention and Care Fund and I'm Animal Friendly License plate program.

Through a very generous private donation, the purchase of a 2014 Ford Transit Connect was made possible. Thank you very much for the much needed vehicle.

The Town Animal Gift Fund was used to assist 10 stray, abandoned, homeless dogs, 30 cats and one rabbit to find their forever homes.

The feral cat population is being reduced through the trap, neuter, return (TNR) program, reducing unwanted litters. With the collaborative efforts of Westport Animal Control, Habitat for Cats and Animal Advocates stray and feral cats have been spayed/neutered and many kittens have found their forever homes.

Working closely with the Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) and the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty of Animals (MSPCA) we continue to investigate complaints regarding animal neglect, abuse and/or cruelty.

It is the goal of the Animal Control Department to continue offering low cost Rabies clinics, low cost spay/neuter programs and the trap, neuter, return program.

Donations to these great programs can be made to the Town of Westport Animal Gift Fund and dropped off or mailed to the P.D at 818 Main Rd. where you can make a difference in an animal's life.

In safety, I remain,

Keith A. Pelletier Chief of Police



## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

The following is my report for the Department of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 2014.

Scales over 10,000 lbs.	5
5,000 to 10,000 lbs.	5
1,000 to 5,000 lbs.	2
100 to 1,000 lbs.	12
10 to 100 lbs.	50
0 to 10 lbs.	1
Gas and Diesel Pumps Sealed	102
Apothecary Scales	3
Jeweler Scales	0
Vendor Redemption Machines	7
Citation Fines	0
Not Sealed	15

Total Fees Paid To Town Treasurer.....\$ 4,660.00

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Thibault Sealer of Weights and Measures

# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF WESTPORT DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Be it known to all concerned that in accordance with General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 98, Section 41, Public Notice is hereby given to all persons having usual places of business and using a weighing and/or measuring devices (for the purpose of buying and selling goods, wares of merchandise) that between January 1 and December 31, 2014 such devices must be checked and sealed at least once. Such inspection and sealing is controlled by the Board of Selectmen and done at the expense of the person owning or using the weighing or measuring device.

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 2014.

The five year plan for purchasing \$100,000 in shellfish each of the next five years from Shellfish Gift

Fund money started nicely this year again. Several large donations from interested donors such as the Van Sloun's, Lees Wharf Oyster Co., Nichols Foundation and The Manton Foundation, along with money from many, many individuals who don't utilize the shellfisheries, and the commercial shell fishermen who do, made it possible to plant 367,000 seed quahogs and relay 5,215 bushels of adult quahogs. Next year we will be adding oysters and bay scallops to the number of shellfish planted. All of these animals help filter the water and put people to work shellfishing commercially and recreationally. It also helps the local economy through the purchase of gas, boats, gear and equipment used in the effort to shellfish.

I have attended several meetings regarding the Buzzards Bay Oil Spill restoration money. This spill in 2003 was the largest in current history in the bay and finally the money generated from lawsuits is about to reach the ten towns affected by it. The money has to be used on or in areas for non-commercial shellfishing. This is one of the reasons the Emma Tripp Landing area was established. Currently Westport is in line for approximately \$46,000 in relay and seed money that could be implemented as early as next summer. The powers that be have not decided on the number of years that this money will be spread over just yet. I figure probably three to eight years. We will be able to alternate areas in the family area for the program. The Department also put in for other projects with regard to the oil spill money and some of them may also be coming soon.

This year we did not use the Highway Department personal and equipment (truck) for the 5215 bushel relay. We were able to use the harvester's trailer to transport approximately 100 bushel a day to the Route 88 ramp. The Shellfish Department purchased a 24 foot Carolina Skiff to transport the days catch along with the departments patrol boat to the designated areas in both branches of the river. Our volunteers would show up and help load the two boats basically six days a week until the last quahog was planted. I put the old 40 hp outboard on the new boat (affectionately called the QTV or Quahog Transplant Vessel) as a temporary solution. It really will need a long shaft motor to run empty and efficiently. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with this project.

The Department is still working to secure the remaining \$130,000 to reach the \$500,000 goal for the rivers shellfishery in the five year plan. Keep your donations coming along with your Lees Market slips, as every penny counts towards the project's goal.

We used both the shore based upweller and the tidal upweller as we have in the past. Our pump purchased through the \$500 grant from Westport Citizens Betterment Fund ran the land based upweller and provided more water for those animals to feed from, and it should last longer as it is not submerged in saltwater. The hatchery will again be used to feed adult scallops and hopefully achieve a spawn from them to broadcast into the river as we have done in the past.

The relay areas planted in both branches this year were; Half-moon East and West, River Road north of the boat yard and north and south of Grasshopper Point, Judies Island north and south, Speaking Rock marsh and Ram Island. Some of these areas opened this fall and others will open the following fall depending on the date they were planted. Keep listening for opening announcements on the Shellfish Hotline at 508-636-1104.

The youth day on the river was not met again. I was hoping to show methods of shellfishing, areas with restrictions and rules and regulations pertaining to shellfishing with age 8 through 16. This effort to educate some interested youth in the community will hopefully generate another generation of shell fishermen on the river.

The Department again collected Lees Market receipts through the Lees Community Partnership Program. The receipts collected were turned into funds for the Shellfish Gift Fund to purchase shellfish. I thank all who gave their receipts to us and thank Lees Market for having this program.

The Shellfish Department through the Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) was able to open another piece of the East Branch of the river (64 acres). The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed 1-13-14 at that Board of Selectman's meeting. The area from Dr.'s Point to Snell Creek finally met the standard to become a seasonal conditional area. It closed during Shellfish Constable Ab Palmers tenure in the 1970's because of the change in safe shellfishing water standards. The criteria went from the total standard method of 70 colonies of bacteria to a fecal standard of 14 colonies of bacteria. Two different standards, Total/Fecal counts with more restrictive numbers. This is good news even with the seasonal conditional restriction.

The Department is very pleased to have Christopher Leonard as a new deputy. Chris came over from the Harbormaster Department and brought 12 years of commercial fishing with him.

The Shellfish Department put on two river talks this year: one to Scout Troop 100 in Westport and the other for kids from Hilltop Montessori School from Brattleboro Vermont. The Vermont group collected surf clam shells for the department for our oyster beds. Both groups learned a lot. The oyster project is in part to do with the removal of the old bridge debris under Hix Bridge. We are going to receive clam shell and deposit them in two parts of the river north and south of Hix Bridge to create more oyster habitat. Other clam shells will be spread over existing beds as spat collection to increase the numbers of oysters in the area. This project will start in the spring of 2015.

The Shellfish Department has a special thank you for Senator Michael Rodrigues and Representative Paul Schmid for their continued interest in the natural resources in Westport. They were able to get the legislature to include the Shellfish Department in the Environmental Bond Bill for \$250,000 over 4 years. These monies will allow us to purchase much needed equipment, maintain a Hatchery Technician and purchase more seed and or relay stocks. Thank you to both for your continued support and dedication to the Town of Westport. We also are appreciative of the extra help from time to time that the Police, Fire and Highway Departments all provided us. Thank you also to my staff, and the Shellfish Advisory Committee members, along with all who helped with shellfish seed planting, shellfish relay planting and all the donors who made this a very successful year for the Shellfish Department. Thank you to all.

Remember, when going shellfishing always call the Shellfish Hotline at 508-636-1104. This gives the most current updated opening and closure areas in the river.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Sherman Shellfish Constable



#### LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED

The following is the Shellfish Departments Catch Report and statistics of revenue.

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED

TYPE	NUMBER ISSUED	FEES COLLECTED
TCommercial Scallop	1	\$ 150.00
Commercial Shellfish	43	4,300.00
Student Commercial	0	0.00
Duplicate Shellfish	2	10.00
Family Scallop	9	225.00
Family Shellfish	371	9,275.00
Non-resident Shellfish	41	4,100.00
Non-Resident Scallop	1	125.00
14 Day Shellfish Permit	8	400.00
Senior Citizen Shellfish	203	2,030.00
Senior Citizen Scallop	1	10.00

Dredging	0	0.00
TOTAL	680	\$ 20,625.00
EST	IMATED COMMERCIAL SHELLFISH (	CATCH
Other (Conch-Winkles-De	ackers)	
FSTI	MATED RECREATIONAL SHELLFISH	CATCH
Other (Conch-Winkle-Cap	pitula)	·
do so through the Selectmar	to our tax deductible Shellfish Gift Furn's Office. Also, visit the Shellfish Don. When shellfishing, always rememberelp you.	epartment webpage on the Town
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 2014, the Town of Westport paid \$2571.63 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 16.56 cents per capita.

Local citizens serving at SRPEDD included the following:

SRPEDD Commission: Steven J. Ouellette and James Whitin Joint Transportation Planning Group: James Hartnett and Andrew Sousa

James Whitin also serves on the Executive Committee as the Planning Board appointee.

Technical assistance was provided to the Town in the following area:

- Provided the town with assistance in updating the Open Space and Recreation Plan.
- Completed an Economic Development Study of the Route 177/Route 88 area.
- Assisted South Coast Bikeway Alliance (Westport represented) with mapping, website maintenance, funding guidance, route planning, and sign design.
- Provided mapping assistance to the Southcoast Heritage Trails for the identification of trail linkage.
- Assisted South Coast Bikeway Alliance (Westport represented) with mapping, website maintenance, funding guidance, route planning, and public outreach.
- Assisted the Westport Bicycle Committee with mapping, route planning and technical guidance.

Some of SRPEDD's more significant accomplishments during 2014 were:

- SRPEDD's **Municipal Partnership** program continued its efforts to help improve the operating efficiencies of member towns and cities. The Cooperative Purchasing Program expanded significantly to include 116 towns and cities for a group bid of EMS (Ambulance) supplies, resulting in awards to vendors offering 26%-83% discount off their list prices.
- The **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**, which sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds, was completed and approved for FY 2014-2017. The TIP targets apply to highway projects, and transit funds for GATRA and SRTA. TIP highway targets average about \$15 million/year.
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Southeastern Massachusetts, a

regional economic development strategy, was completed and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, making the region eligible for federal economic development grants from EDA.

- The Taunton River was designated by the US National Park Service as a Wild and Scenic River in 2009. The Taunton River Stewardship Council (TRSC) made up of locally appointed representatives from the ten municipalities abutting the Taunton River, along with supporting agencies, continues to meet regularly at SRPEDD to address protection of the river and its outstanding natural resources.
- South Coast Rail remained a major priority in 2014. SRPEDD continued to support the Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force, which includes representation from SRPEDD municipalities and regional organizations.
- SRPEDD also provided technical assistance to communities through thirteen projects that implement the <u>South Coast Rail Economic Development and Land Use Corridor Plan</u>. Projects included zoning bylaw amendments, assistance with developing planning documents and renderings of possible future development under project proposals.
- SRPEDD continued as the designated sub-fiduciary agent to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council and the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) for the Southeast Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council serving 96 communities and the Wampanoag Nation in 6 counties in southeastern Massachusetts. The Council has awarded more than \$26.5 million in federal homeland security funds since 2004.
- SRPEDD worked with ten communities to create a regional aggregation of residential and small business customers for a single electricity bid. The result will provide stable electric bills over a 2-3 year period and is expected to save individual accounts over \$150 per year, representing a regional economic stimulus of over \$15M per year.
- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic counting program (including speed surveys and vehicle classification, and 36 intersection turning movement counts) and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 108 traffic counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD worked with the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to evaluate the impact of proposed slot parlors in Plainville and Raynham.
- An extensive **Geographic Information System (GIS)** mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. Every year new computerized "data layers" are added to the system.
- SRPEDD operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.
- SRPEDD provides technical planning to two regional transit authorities, SRTA and GATRA, including: route evaluations, rider surveys, performance standards and federal reporting.
   SRPEDD completed a Comprehensive Service Assessment for SRTA that will guide transit improvements in the near future. A similar plan for GATRA is expected to be completed in 2015.
- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 365 signalized intersections in the region. This includes geometry, traffic volume, crash rate, signal timing and operational characteristics.
- SRPEDD continued its affiliation with the South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation, which makes loans to small businesses for expansion.

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 TAX COLLECTOR

I hereby submit my annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014.

Carol A. Borden, Tax Collector Susan Brayton, Assistant Tax Collector Carrie Fontaine, Principal Clerk Debra M. Moore, Seasonal Clerk

#### Outstanding balances as of June 30, 2014:

Fiscal 2014 Real Estate	Committed Receipts Abatements & Exemptions Subsequent Refunds June 30, 2014 Balance	22,237,273.04 21,714,813.44 156,220.16 3,281.47 32,091.44 395,049.41
Fiscal 2013 Real Estate	June 30, 2013 Balance Receipts Abatements & Exemptions Refunds Tax Title June 30, 2014 Balance	516,113.14 428,708.42 55,129.30 54,465.44 86,538.27 202.59
Fiscal 2012 Real Estate	June 30, 2013 Balance Receipts Refund June 30, 2014 Balance	251.09 252.39 1.30 0.00
Fiscal 2011 Real Estate	June 30, 2013 Balance Adjustments June 30, 2014 Balance	40 40 0.00

Twenty-six parcels were advertised for non-payment of Fiscal 2013 Real Estate taxes. Seventeen were paid in full and nine were turned over to the Treasurer to be set up as Tax Title Accounts.

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.

Fiscal 2014 CPA	Committed Receipts	444,749.25 434.345.69
	Abatements & Exemptions	3,124.40
	Refunds	<u>324.56</u>
	June 30, 2013 Balance	7,603.72
Fiscal 2013 CPA	June 30, 2013 Balance	10,073.33

	Receipts Abatements & Exemptions Refunds Tax Title June 30, 2014 Balance	8,371.79 1,102.60 1,084.61 1,686.25 -2.70
Fiscal 2012 CPA	June 30, 2013 Balance Receipts Refund Adjustment June 30, 2014 Balance	5.04 5.05 .01 0.00
Fiscal 2011 CPA	June 30, 2012 Balance Refund Adjusment June 30, 2013 Balance	11 .11 0.00
Litigated Taxes	June 30, 2013 Balance Correction Add'I Liened Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	2,437.54 58.06 18,003.14 15,242.68 5,256.06
CPA Litigated	June 30, 2013 Balance Add'l Liened Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	45.28 360.07 319.89 85.46
Fiscal 2014 Personal Property	Committed Receipts Abatements Refunds June 30, 2014	373,652.34 370,219.18 603.39 1,563.09 4,392.86
Fiscal 2013 Personal Property	Carried Forward Receipts Refunds June 30, 2014	1,242.53 563.17 7.33 686.69
Fiscal 2012 Personal Property	Carried Forward Refund June 30, 2014	157.56 2.06 159.62
Fiscal 2011 Personal Property	Carried Forward Refund Adjustment June 30, 2014 Balance	236.57 .90 237.47
Fiscal 2010 Personal Property	June 30, 2014 Balance	324.70
Fiscal 2009 Personal Property	June 30, 2014 Balance	204.01
Fiscal 2008 Personal Property	June 30, 2104 Balance	178.48
Fiscal 2007 Personal Property	June 30, 2014 Balance	177.98
Fiscal 2006 Personal Property	June 30, 2014 Balance	26.65
Fiscal 2005 Personal Property	June 30, 2014 Balance	33.77
Fiscal 2004 Personal Property	June 30, 2014 Balance	44.39

Fiscal 2014 Boat Excise	Committed Receipts Abatements Refunds June 30, 2014 Balance	44,061.00 38,318.66 3,584.17 118.67 2,276.84
Fiscal 2013 Boat Excise	Carried Forward Receipts Abatements Refunds June 30, 2014 Balance	1,661.25 25.08 162.67 122.67 1,596.17
Fiscal 2012 Boat Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	1,921.38
Fiscal 2011 Boat Excise	Carried Forward Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	1,349.33 50.00 1,299.33
Fiscal 2010 Boat Excise	Carried Forward Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	1,458.00 50.00 1,408.00
Fiscal 2009 Boat Excise	Carried Forward Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	1,543.10 50.00 1,493.10
Fiscal 2008 Boat Excise	Carried Forward Receipts June 30, 2013 Balance	1,243.93 25.00 1,218.93
Fiscal 2007 Boat Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	778.00
Fiscal 2006 Boat Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	461.16
Fiscal 2005 Boat Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	175.00
Fiscal 2003 Boat Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	32.91
2013 Motor Vehicle Excise	Carried Forward Add'l Committed Receipts Abatements Refunds June 30, 2013 Balance	67,300.90 12,048.14 48,637.34 4,704.84 3,921.12 29,927.98
2012 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2013 Balance Receipts Abatements Refunds June 30, 2014 Balance	33,772.27 19,700.54 1,816.13 
2011 Motor Vehicle Excise	Carried Forward Receipts Abatements Refund Adjustment June 30, 2014 Balance	11,804.59 1,071.16 88.75 
2010 Motor Vehicle Excise	Carried Forward	6,682.79

	Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	686.15 5,996.64
2009 Motor Vehicle Excise	Carried Forward Receipts Refund Adjustment	4,550.95 208.76 .01
2008 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance June 30, 2014 Balance	4,342.20 4,102.13
2007 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	7,906.94
2006 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	6,926.72
2005 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	5,370.13
2004 Motor Vehicle Excise	Carried Forward Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	6,155.84 187.50 5,968.34
2003 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30,2014 Balance	3,783.69
2002 Motor Vehicle Excise	Carried Forward Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	3,512.84 28.75 3,484.09
2001 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	4,559.60
2000 Motor Vehicle Excise	Carried Forward Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	3,275.35 26.25 3,249.10
1999 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	2,285.02
1998 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2013 Balance Abatements June 30, 2014 Balance	2,108.14 355.21 1,752.93
1997 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	1,464.83
1996 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2013 Balance Abatements June 30, 2014 Balance	1,493.75 26.25 1,467.50
1995 Motor Vehicle Excise	Carried Forward Add'l Committed Receipts June 30, 2014	443.76 20.00 171.25 292.51
1994 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2013 Balance Add'l Committed Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	670.00 26.25 251.25 445.00
1993 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2013 Balance Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	75.01 30.63 44.38

1992 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	27.50
1991 Motor Vehicle Excise	June 30, 2014 Balance	216.25
2013 Farm Animal Excise	Committed Receipts June 30, 2014 Balance	2,699.25 2,699.25 0.00
2006 Moorings	June 30, 2014 Balance	206.67

A total of \$2,937.25 was collected for the School Improvement Fund. \$20,300 was collected for Municipal Lien Certificates. \$15,158.99 was collected in Lieu of Taxes.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Borden Collector of Taxes



#### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending June 30, 2014. Our records are available for review.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa M. Provencal

#### TOWN OF WESTPORT BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

#### Assets: Cash 5,416,097.27 Petty Cash 150.00 Warrants Payable 233,151.65 Personal Property 2004 44.39 Personal Property 2005 33.77 Personal Property 2006 26.65 Personal Property 2007 177.98 Personal Property 2008 178.48 Personal Property 2009 204.01 Personal Property 2010 324.70 Personal Property 2011 237.41

Personal Property 2012	159.62	
Personal Property 2013	686.69	
Personal property 2014	4,392.86	
Real Estate 2013	202.59	
Real Estate 2013	395,049.41	
	393,049.41	240.42
Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY05		249.13 606.79
Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY06 Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY07		411.62
Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY08		7,655.31
Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY09		7,700.28
Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions FY10		80,713.32
Allowance for Abatements/exemptions FY11		106,916.73
Allowance for Abatements/exemptions FY12		119,298.29
Allowance for Abatements/exemptions FY13		176,869.37
Allowance for Abatements/exemptions FY14		221,401.22
Tax Title Liens Rec.	199,493.83	,
Def. Property Taxes Rec.	16,751.18	
Taxes in Litigation	5,256.06	
Motor Vehicle 1992	308.75	
Motor Vehicle 1993	44.38	
Motor Vehicle 1994	445.00	
Motor Vehicle 1995	292.51	
Motor Vehicle 1996	1,467.50	
Motor Vehicle 1997	1,464.83	
Motor Vehicle 1998	1,752.93	
Motor Vehicle 1999	2,285.02	
Motor Vehicle 2000	3,249.10	
Motor Vehicle 2001	4,559.60	
Motor Vehicle 2002	3,484.09	
Motor Vehicle 2003	3,783.69	
Motor Vehicle 2004	5,968.34	
Motor Vehicle 2005	5,370.13	
Motor Vehicle 2006	6,926.72	
Motor Vehicle 2007	7,906.94	
Motor Vehicle 2008	4,102.13	
Motor Vehicle 2009	4,342.20	
Motor Vehicle 2010	5,996.64	
Motor Vehicle 2011	10,644.69	
Motor Vehicle 2012	13,007.38	
Motor Vehicle 2013	29,927.98	
Motor Vehicle 2014	200,794.79	
Boat Excise 2003	32.91	
Boat Excise 2005	175.00	
Boat Excise 2006 Boat Excise 2007	461.16 778.00	
Boat Excise 2007  Boat Excise 2008	1,218.93	
Boat Excise 2009	1,493.10	
Boat Excise 2009	1,408.00	
Boat Excise 2011	1,299.33	
Boat Excise 2012	1,921.38	
Boat Excise 2013	1,596.17	
Boat Excise 2014	2,276.84	
Ambulance Rec.	172,223.68	
Tax Foreclosures	20,975.64	
	_0,0.0.01	

Town Owned Possessions Conservation Owned Possessions	49,247.74 39,582.84	
<u>Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</u> : Tailings and Unclaimed Items		13,240.85
Deferred Real Estate & Personal Property Tax	320,103.44	
Deferred Taxes (41A)		16,751.18
Deferred Tax Liens Deferred Tax Foreclosures		199,493.83
Deferred Tax Poleciosures  Deferred Town Owned Possessions		20,975.64 49,247.74
Deferred Conservation Owned Possessions		39,582.84
Deferred Taxes in Litigation		5,256.06
Deferred Motor Vehicle Excise		318,125.34
Deferred Boat Excise		12,660.82
Deferred Departmental		172,223.68
Fund Balance Reserved-Encumbrances		1,693,407.14
Fund Balance Reserved-Cont. Appropriations		767,611.89
Fund Balance Reserved Expenditures		105,046.00
Undesignated Fund Balance Fund Totals		2,603,489.74
Fund Totals	6,972,236.46	6,972,236.46
School Lunch:		
Cash	88,119.59	
Undesignated Fund Balance	00,110.00	88,119.59
Fund Totals	88,119.59	88,119,59
. and rotals	00,110.00	00,110,00
<u>Highway:</u>		
Due from the Commonwealth	23,790.15	
Cash		23,790.15
Fund Totals	23,790.15	23,790.15
School Grants:	0.500.70	
Cash	9,509.70	6.04
Title I - FY13 SPED Entitlement IDEA FY14	1 300 00	6.94
Race to the Top FY14	1,309.00 7,396.51	
Title II-A - FY14	7,000.01	743.76
Title I-A - FY14	7,324.08	
SPED Program Improvement FY14	200.00	
Full Day Kindergarten - FY14	6,747.89	
Academic Support FY14		796.00
Collaborative HS Partnership SY FY14		2,682.00
SPED ECPI FY14		460.75
CFSEMA Piano FY14		2,084.00
Circuit Breaker - FY14		24,152.74
GLC Bridgewater FY13 GFRDC FY13		112.00 0.19
CFSEMAAP & Psych FY13		278.84
CFSEMA-WES/MAC Techr Stipend		400.93
Target Field Trip Award FY11		460.00
AP Math Training FY11		21.01
Energy & Environment Award FY11		200.00

Big Yellow School Bus		88.02
Fund Totals	32,487.18	32,487.18
	02,107.10	02,107.10
Town Grants:		
Cash	117,715.59	
Warrants Payable	,.	5,689.95
COA/SRTA Van Award		20,709.96
CDBG FY2010		913.81
S-A-F-E-R Fire Grant	3,030.37	
Westport Head Stormwater Project	,	1,280.20
Library/Incentive		7,054.78
MA Cultural Council		3,517.51
Library Municipal Equalization		7,954.80
Library-Nonresident Circulation		3,934.45
2012 CPS Equipment Grant – Car S		1,545.00
Community Policing		34.59
Police Bulletproof Vests		82.00
Recycling/Compost Bins		279.05
Watch Your Car/Police		397.48
Click It or Ticket It		1,624.15
Fire-Public Safety Equipment		28.36
MEMA CERT Training	24.48	
Clean Vessel Act		7,960.92
Westport River #3488	602.99	,
MA Development Finance FY06	1,801.44	
911 Support Incentive	30,869.73	
S.A.F.E - Fire	,	6,840.18
319 Westport Middle School Grant	53,737.62	5,5 .55
SETB 911 Police Training Grant	9,809.32	
Mass Housing Technical Assistance	3,845.07	
Shellfish Aquaculture Grant	0,0 .0.0.	7,403.90
MA Clean Energy Tech Grant		2,853.82
Recapture		163,151.35
Fire Department-Community Impact Grant		78.60
COA - ARAW		49,999.57
Walmart Foundation 2K		135.82
FEMA Storm Monies	79,549.47	
BOH-MAHB Phone Award	. 0,0 .0	7,515.83
Fund Totals	300,986.08	300,986.08
Tana Totalo	300,300.00	300,300.00
Reserved For Appropriations:		
Cash	334,262.75	
Fund Balance Reserved - Expenditures	334,202.73	33,000.00
•		172,347.54
Municipal Waterway Improvement Sale of Cemetery Lots		
		99,705.00 112.50
Weights & Measures Fines Landfill Closure		
		29,097.71
Fund Totals	334,262.75	334,262.75
Sahaal Bayahina:		
School Revolving:	040.050.55	
Cash	210,876.55	
Warrants Payable		41.30

School Day Care Lost Supplies/Materials Student Athletic Activities Adult/Continuing Education School Scholarship Transportation/Reimbursement School Insurance Reimbursement Fund Totals	210,876.55	525.59 8,590.35 62,185.99 30,896.38 14,485.53 94,031.41 120.00 210,876.55
Town Povolving		
Town Revolving	1 100 067 06	
Cash Warranta Dayahla	1,188,967.96	24 026 70
Warrants Payable		24,036.70
Lisbor Lane Bond Forfeiture		51,521.39
Morning Dove Drive Escrow Forfeiture		3,378.89
Massachusetts Cultural Council		615.62
Board of Health Beach Testing		3,351.31
Septic vs Well Test/Board of Health		43,160.00
COA Outreach Training Gift		8,245.00 2,016.66
Westport Arts Council – Sr Village Sidewalks BOH Revolving Vaccination Fees		6,433.42
Wetland Filing Fees		60,970.44
Nurse/Council on Aging Health Care		1,544.02
Council on Aging Clinic Gift		29,964.58
Council on Aging Transportation Revolving		59,987.74
Library Gift		43,669.76
Ambulance Revolving		23,246.03
Shellfish Equipment Gift		1,084.39
Fire Works Gifts		6,847.57
GIS Mapping Revolving		5,706.77
Shellfish Propagation Gift		88,283.55
Water & Sewer Project Gift		18.00
Police Explorer Post 305		3,420.54
Police Gift Account		9,584.87
Library Expansion Gift		131,305.34
Fire Department Gift		12,795.76
Town Wharf Improvements		1,589.08
Westport Agricultural Gift		60.28
Town Waterways Improvement Fund		8,519.98
Haz Mat Revolving – Fire Department		278.00
Police Cruiser Revolving	24,895.52	2.0.00
Cable TV Revolving	,000.0_	391,026.79
Commission on Disability Gift Account		5,415.20
Handicapped Parking Program		431.14
Senior Center Building Revolving		15,343.69
Senior Day Care Revolving		104,497.24
Recreation/Community Center Revolving		6,702.31
Animal Gift Fund		677.89
Playground Gift Account		2,000.00
Animal Shelter/Vehicle Gift Account		11,726.00
Highway Insurance Reimbursement		1,850.25
Fire Insurance Reimbursement		175.28
Cemetery Dept Insurance Reimbursement		2,382.00
Building - Gas - Plumbing - Wire Revolving		40,000.00

Fund Totals	1,213,863.48	1,213,863.48
	1,210,000.10	1,210,000.10
Betterments:		
Cash	122,050.08	
Septic System Repair Rec	13,387.96	
Interest Added to Septic	758.94	
Septic Assessment Deferred Rev		13,387.96
Septic Interest Assessment Deferred		758.94
Undesignated Fund Balance		122,050.08
Fund Totals	136,196.98	136,196.98
Betterments:		
Cash	37,691.99	
Septic System Repair Rec	205,454.50	
Interest Added to Septic	39,956.26	
Septic Assessment Deferred Rev	00,000.20	205,454.50
Septic Interest Assessment Deferred		39,956.26
Undesignated Fund Balance		37,691.99
Fund Totals	283,102.75	283,102.75
Tuna Totalo	203,102.73	203,102.73
Community Preservation:		
Cash	1,819,705.45	
Levy Year 2011	1.28	
Levy Year 2013		2.70
Levy Year 2014	7,603.72	
Tax Liens Rec	3,182.29	
Taxes in Litigation	85.46	
Tax Foreclosures	259.79	
Deferred CPA Real Estate Tax		7,602.30
Deferred CPA Tax Liens		3,182.29
Deferred CPA Taxes in Litigation		259.79
Deferred CPA Tax Foreclosures		85.46
CPC/Open Space FB Reserved		55,733.00
CPC/Community Housing FB Reserved		69,173.65
CPC/Historic Preservation FB Reserved Fund Balance Reserved for FY05 Projects		5,157.98
Fund Balance Reserved for FY06 Projects		5,000.00 1,770.90
Fund Balance Reserved for FY08 Projects		1,140.44
Fund Balance Reserved for FY09 Projects		100,431.84
Fund Balance Reserved for FY10 Projects		28,689.47
Fund Balance Reserved for FY11 Projects		35,164.40
Fund Balance Reserved for FY12 Projects		27,852.98
Fund Balance Reserved for FY13 Projects		718,082.67
Fund Balance Reserved for FY14 Projects		91,239.03
Fund Balance Reserved for FY15 Projects		263,598.81
Budgeted Reserve Fund Balance		140,000.00
Undesignated Fund Balance		276,670.28
Fund Totals	1,830,837.99	1,830,837.99
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Agricultural Open Space:	0 =0 / 00	
Cash	2,724.68	0.704.00
Reserved for Expenditures		2,724.68

Fund Totals	2,724.68	2,724.68
<u>Capital Projects - Town</u> Cash	119,511.20	
Bond Anticipation Notes Payable (BANS)		969,000.00
Reserved for Expenditures	849,488.80	
Fund Totals	969,000.00	969,000.00
School PCB Clean Up Cash	101,927.85	
Reserved for Expenditures		101,927.85
Fund Totals	101,927.85	101,927.85
School Green Project Cash	50,608.50	
Fund Balance Reserved for Debt Payments	30,000.30	50,608.50
Fund Totals	50,608.50	50,608.50
		00,000.00
Water Enterprise: Cash	132,179.07	
User Charges Receivable	4,988.45	
Service Charges Receivable	260.00	
Warrants Payable		12,635.00
Deferred User Charges		4,988.45
Deferred Service Charges		260.00
Fund Balance Reserved - Encumbrances		5,000.00
Undesignated Fund Balance Fund Totals	407.407.50	114,544.07
runu iolais	137,427.52	137,427.52
Harbor Enterprise:		
Cash	95,752.73	
Wharfage Receivable		22.00
Deferred Revenue - Wharfage	22.00	
Warrants Payable		535.53
Fund Balance Reserved - Encumbrances		262.75
Undesignated Fund Balance	05.774.70	94,954.45
Fund Totals	95,774.73	95,774.73
Beach Enterprise: Cash	56,674.23	
Warrants Payable		4,195.64
Fund Balance Reserved - Encumbrances		800.00
Undesignated Fund Balance		51,678.59
Fund Totals	56,674.23	56,674.23
Non-Expendable Trust:		
Restricted Savings	1,171,705.26	<b></b>
Salisbury Memorial		52,966.53
W.B. Hicks Library I. Weeks Library		500.00 1,000,000
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Perpetual Care Nancy Fenn Music Scholarship R.W. Mullaney Library Trust Library Trusts Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Trust Mary Brown Library Pelletier Public Library E.W. Brightman Scholarship H. Hoyt Library Hazel Tripp Library Trust Tripp High School Library Trust Dr. & Mrs. Kirkaldy Library Trust Lisa Chase Tripp Library Trust		775,373.66 33,342.00 26,000.00 14,791.00 19,875.02 5,000.00 2,500.00 10,000.00 10,000.00 200,000.00 5,000.00 2,255.00 13,102.05
Fund Totals	1,171,705.26	1,171,705.26
Expendable Trust:  Cash Reserved for Expenditures Law Enforcement School Improvement Grimshaw/Gudewicz Scholarship Salisbury Memorial Ambulance Trust Wm B Hicks Library Trust I. Weeks Library Town Farm Trust Landing Commissioners Bicentennial Playground Conservation Trust Veterans Memorial Perpetual Care Open Space Westport Betterment/Fuel Nancy Fenn Music Scholarship L.B. Bowman Library Trust R.W. Mullaney Library Trust Chadwick Impaired Vision Library Trust Library Trust Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Mary Brown Library Westport Betterment/Community Center Pelletier/Public Library E.W. Brightman Scholarship Westport Betterment Westport Historical Helen Ellis Trust H. Hoyt Library Trust Tripp Senior Hazel Tripp Library Tripp High School Library Appeals Board Comprehensive Permits Dr. & Mrs. Kirkaldy Library Trust Lisa Chase Tripp Library Trust	1,750,973.36	52,000.00 24,872.81 25,477.66 12,926.49 1,538.40 5,456.61 69.84 387.16 8,736.45 26,975.06 391.24 15,059.67 1,611.62 632,903.41 240.32 508.41 8,886.31 6,199.44 660.79 109,375.80 663.32 6,538.34 77.16 1,436.40 90.35 2,444.86 5,359.33 14,035.73 31,454.64 270.85 22,214.47 6.053.06 9,714.80 8,070.00 133.68 353.71

Wolf Pit School Trust Amanda Tripp Memorial Scholarship Westport Betterment – Town Hall Maintenance Westport Betterment – Kowalczyk Renew Ener Virginia E. Lash Library Trust Affordable Housing Trust Fund Calvin Hopkinson Memorial Scholarship Fund Totals	1,750,973.36	6,715.07 2,045.50 705.24 895.00 74,722.11 614,427.59 8,274.66 1,750,973.36
Other Trust: Cash Stabilization Fund OPEB Liability Trust Fund Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund Totals	2,370,665.58 2,370,665.58	878,461.79 1,492,202.79 1.00 2,370,665.58
Agency: Cash Warrants Payable SPED/Medicaid	1,069,652.44	1,995.00 12,892.24
SMHG Medicare Special Police/Firearm Detail Police Extra Detail School Extra Detail	22,960.25 603.46	2,088.26 4,836.96
Fire Special Detail Conservation Commission Ad Fees Miscellaneous Employee Retirement Contributions		3,029.93 3,829.04 112.50 262,423.78
Firearm Licenses Constable Fees Planning Board Review Fees Meal Tax	404.07	39,751.25 324.00 107,207.92 410.00
Sporting Licenses Comprehensive Charges/Fees Forest Stewardship Program Collector Over/Overage Performance Bonds/Passbooks	161.37 508.08	3,153.80 101.77 626,989.47
High School Student Activity Middle School Student Activity Elementary School Student Activity Macomber School Student Activity		4,494.10 20,091.96 54.30 99.32
Fund Totals	1,093,885.60	1,093,885.60
Outstanding Debt: School Buildings – Construct. & Repairs Bond Fire Station Bond	9,040,000.00	4,065,000.00 4,825,000.00
Agricultural Open Space BAN	9,040,000.00	150,000.00 9,040,000.00

#### STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR 2014

Accountant	<u>Available</u>	Expended	Encumbered	Returned
Salaries Expenses Encumbered	98,738.00 41,110.00 1,863.56	98,330.98 41,109.16 1,863.56		47.02 0.84 0.00
Animal Control Officer Salaries Expenses Encumbered	31,319.00 10,825.00 852.33	29,654.70 10,694.10 801.17		1,664.30 130.90 51.16
Appeals Salaries Expenses Encumbered	4,728.00 1,325.00 1,036.84	4,601.98 1,068.40 1,036.84		126.02 256.60 0.00
Assessors Salaries Expenses 04 Appellate Hearings 06 Revaluation Program 07 Revaluation Program 13 Revaluation Program 13 STM Article 6 Encumbered	148,318.00 15,285.00 1,433.47 19,913.82 20,000.00 40,000.00 12,523.84 2,649.45	148,285.49 11,231.99 1,433.47 19,913.82 20,000.00 40,000.00 12,523.84 2,431.89		32.51 4,053.01 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 217.56
Board Of Health Salaries Expenses Encumbered	244,842.00 14,728.00 5,399.83	237,471.51 10,248.34 4,978.42	450.00	7,370.49 4,029.66 421.41
Building Inspectors Salaries Expenses Encumbered	102,870.00 9,435.00 1,772.04	98,450.68 8,245.27 1,772.04		4,419.32 1,189.73 0.00
Cemetery Salaries Expenses 11 Cemetery Maintenance 14 Cemetery Maintenance Encumbered	137,117.00 11,475.00 62.99 15,000.00 2,271.60	135,627.83 10,721.60 62.99 15,000.00 2,271.60	752.40	1,489.37 1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
Collector Salaries Expenses Encumbered	130,984.00 44,542.00 3,183.14	130,834.42 40,258.63 3,178.75		149.58 4,283.37 4.39
Commission on Disability Expenses	300.00	229.54		70.46
Conservation Salaries Expenses	59,023.00 4,755.00	59,023.00 4,700.42		0.00 54.58

Council on Aging Salaries Expenses 14 Prior Year Bills Encumbered	133,046.00 54,859.00 204.82 6,726.43	118,541.69 47,130.57 204.82 5,821.47	7,700.00	14,504.31 28.43 0.00 904.96
Election & Registration Salaries Expenses Encumbered	57,034.00 16,754.00 6,634.21	56,941.18 13,621.67 6,571.64	19.88	92.82 3,112.45 62.57
Employee Benefits Health Insurance Life Insurance Medicare Unemployment Workers Compensation Encumbered	2,750,000.00 5,000.00 280,197.00 180,000.00 160,000.00 12,0000.00	2,863,707.14 4,112.64 270,876.70 116,927.58 131,278.28 11,113.02	8,000.00 2,000.00	-121,707.14 887.36 7,320.30 63,072.42 28,721.72 886.98
Finance Committee Salaries Expenses Encumbered Reserve Fund Transfers	2,250.00 1,505.00 358.24 50,000.00	2,136.62 1,353.10 358.24 33,726.69		113.38 151.90 0.00 16,273.31
Fire Department Salaries Expenses IOD Medical Expenses 14 Prior Year Bills Encumbered	1,547,630.00 229,731.00 456,000.00 577.00 29,910.44	1,542,125.74 223,858.98 456,000.00 577.00 29,910.44	5,750.00	5,504.26 122.02 0.00 0.00 0.00
Highway Salaries Expenses 13 Highway Repair & Upgrade Encumbered	502,701.00 269,000.00 6,693.79 37,777.03	481,597.68 250,340.02 6,693.79 36,667.89	13,500.00	21,103.32 5,159.98 0.00 1,109.14
Highway/Snow & Ice Salaries Expenses	44,500.00 173,774.00	44,290.73 173,419.76		209.27 354.24
Historical Commission Expenses Encumbered	725.00 698.52	600.00 698.52		125.00 0.00
Information Technology Salaries Expenses Encumbered	28,427.00 77,200.00 1,591.69	28,427.00 17,201.94 1,256.55	59,998.06	0.00 0.00 335.14
<u>Legal</u> Legal Expense Encumbered	100,000.00 12,0000.00	83,027.13 9,855.84	4,433.21	12,539.66 2,144.16
<u>Library</u> Salaries Expenses	193,212.00 25,275.00	193,212.00 25,275.00		0.00 0.00

Encumbered	573.29	573.29		0.00
Moderator Salaries Expenses	775.00 58.00	775.00 0.00		0.00 58.00
Parking Tickets Expenses Encumbered	4,600.00 206.01	3,705.50 206.01	62.00	832.50 0.00
Personnel Board Salaries Expenses	445.00 290.00	0.00 250.00		445.00 40.00
Planning Board Salaries Expenses 13 Master Plan 14 Master Plan Encumbered	116,352.00 11,490.00 1,707.89 25,000.00 5,173.40	109,008.59 7,754.87 1,707.89 25,000.00 5,173.40	3,500.00	7,343.41 235.13 0.00 0.00 0.00
Police Department Salaries Expenses Encumbered	2,815,038.37 317,831.00 105,311.63	2,686,940.96 314,169.56 104,349.12	3,650.00	128,097.41 11.44 962.51
Property Insurance Expenses Encumbered	220,000.00 500.00	191,236.23 0.00	1,000.00	27,763.77 500.00
Regional Schools Diman Regional Bristol Agricultural	1,308,403.00 74,382.00	1,304,848.44 60,095.00		3,554.56 14,287.00
Retirement Expenses	1,858,783.00	1,858,783.00		0.00
School Department Gen Ed Salaries Gen Ed Expenses Gen Ed Salaries Encumbered Gen Ed Encumbered Gen Ed Transportation Salaries Gen Ed Transportation Expenses Gen Ed Transportation Encum	9,735,872.83 1,450,976.82 672,027.10 188,386.37 69,187.93 445,765.35 1,860.21	8,995,899.03 1,243,977.61 671,817.10 187,344.50 69,187.93 395,365.94 1,790.21	737,514.46 206,999.21 50,339.41	2,459.34 0.00 210.00 1,041.87 0.00 0.00 70.00
14 PCB Monitoring  Spec Ed Salaries Spec Ed Expenses Sped Ed Salaries Encumbered Sped Ed Expenses Encumbered Sped Ed Transportation Expenses Spec Ed Trans Exp Encumbered	50,000.00 3,173,900.63 644,918.90 209,370.95 251,158.06 355,162.54 29,945.13	42,575.00 2,955,900.96 331,299.79 209,370.95 250,778.58 316,250.54 29,922.06	217,999.67 313,619.11 38,912.00	7,425.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 379.48 0.00 23.07
Sealer Weights & Measures Salaries Expenses	1,939.00 600.00	1,939.00 205.47		0.00 394.53

<u>Selectmen</u> Salaries	234,768.00	234,686.77		81.23
Expenses 13 Economic Plan & Co-ord	33,025.00 4,829.31	26,747.75 4,829.31	2,692.72	3,584.53 0.00
14 Economic Plan & Co-ord 14 Prior Year Bills	7,500.00 34.19	7,500.00 34.19		0.00 0.00
14 Pump Rental Payment	14,511.75	14,511.75		0.00
Encumbered Shellfish	4,521.02	4,501.48		19.54
Salaries	76,145.60	76,017.81		127.79
Expenses 14 Replace Equipment	14,218.00 7,000.00	13,255.14 7,000.00	962.86	0.00 0.00
Encumbered	1,700.24	1,678.87		21.37
Street Lighting				
Expenses	22,000.00	17,752.12	565.00	3,682.88
Encumbered	3,000.00	1,666.63		1,333.37
Town Beach Encumbered				0.00
Town Clerk				
Salaries Expenses	99,166.00 2,460.00	99,131.77 1,976.64		34.23 483.36
Encumbered	1,832.61	1,832.61		0.00
<u>Town Farm</u>				
Expenses	1,316.00	188.85	1,127.15	0.00
Encumbered	800.00	800.00		0.00
Town Hall	40 505 00	40,000,00		474.74
Salaries Expenses	40,535.00 80,396.90	40,363.26 76,786.19	3,600.00	171.74 10.71
14 Environmental Maintenance	10,000.00	10,000.00	,	0.00
Encumbered	7,746.40	6,326.28		1,420.12
Town Reports	250.00	0.00		250.00
Expenses Encumbered	250.00 196.98	196.98		0.00
Transfer Station				
Salaries	136,433.00	135,562.69		870.31
Expenses 14 Landfill Monitoring	123,595.00 15,000.00	91,998.61 5,016.38	3,500.00	28,096.39 9.983.62
14 STM Backhoe	125,000.00	125,000.00		0.00
Encumbered	15,827.61	10,169.10		5,658.51
<u>Treasurer</u>	126 502 00	126 570 47		10.50
Salaries Expenses	136,592.00 23,822.00	136,578.47 19,898.49	1,200.00	13.53 2,723.51
Encumbered	3,469.79	3,468.38		1.41
<u>Veterans Graves</u>				
Salaries Expenses	960.00 2,030.00	960.00 1,656.47		0.00 373.53
Encumbered	31.99	31.99		0.00

Encumbered	3,802.00	3,777.59		24.41
Long Term Debt Fire Station Agricultural Op School Green Project School PCB Project	325,000.00 50,000.00 135,000.00 100,000.00	325,000.00 50,000.00 135,000.00 100,000.00		0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
Long Term Interest Fire Station Agricultural Op School Green Project School PCB Project	149,900.00 4,288.00 32,000.00 101,140.00	149,900.00 4,287.50 32,000.00 86,138.76		0.00 0.50 0.00 15,001.24
Short Term Interest Temporary Borrowing	40,000.00	4,343.84		35,656.16
Other Government  14 Mosquito Control  14 Environmental Services  Shift Differntial  13 Capital Projects	1.00 770.00 15,437.19 50,000.00	0.00 770.00 15,437.19 46,800.00		1.00 0.00 0.00 3,200.00
State Assessments Charter Tuition Assessment School Choice Assessment Special ED CH 71B Mosquito Control Project Air Pollution Control Trans Auth Gatra RMV/Non-Renewal Surcharge SRPEDD	2,700.00	65,059.00 44,776.00 8,579.00 95,706.00 5,821.00 20,644.00 20,080.00 2,508.88		191.12
County Assessment County Tax		312,997.62		
<u>Totals</u>	35,413,505.03	33,887,791.78	1,693,407.14	405,968.731

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Salaries

Expenses

Veteran Benefits

Veteran Services

14 Prior Year Bills

## STATEMENT OF REVENUE BUDGET VS. ACTUAL FISCAL YEAR 2014

	Budget	<u>Actual</u>	Plus/Minus
Taxes & Local Receipts:			
Personal Property	366,576.74	374,145.99	7,569.25
Real Estate	21,547,738.88	22,057,215.67	509,476.79
Conveyance Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00
Roll Back	104,408.03	0.00	-104,408.03
Tax Liens Redeemed	60,662.52	54,541.30	-6,121.22
Litigated Taxes	16,825.41	15,254.65	-1,570.76
Motor Vehicle Taxes	2,065,529.60	2,139,667.76	74,138.16

Boat Excise Taxes	19,349.37	20,530.52	1,181.15
Farm Animal & Machine	2,684.95	2,699.25	14.30
Rental/Codimonk	5,329.50	6,790.00	1,460.50
Rental/Town Farm	10,276.50	9,950.00	-326.50
Rentals/Land/Annex	0.00	0.00	0.00
Public Hearings	1,183.20	1,020.00	-163.20
Selectmen/Hix Bridge	3,304.80	3,960.00	655.20
Liquor License	28,101.00	27,716.64	-384.36
Other Licenses	1,305.60	890.00	-415.60
Entertainment	1,978.80	1,690.00	-288.80
Auto Repair	9,180.00	8,200.00	-980.00
Common Victualler	4.054.50	4,200.00	145.50
Auto Licenses	11,832.00	11,600.00	-232.00
Trailer Permits	5,875.20	5,520.00	-355.20
Yard Sales/Flea Market	433.50	395.00	-38.50
Selectmen Miscellaneous	14,311.22	25,928.18	
Assessors Miscellaneous	2,207.48	1,919.25	11,616.96 -288.23
Tax Title Release	·		
Treasurer Miscellaneous	19.90	16.83	-3.07
Investment Interest	103,745.13	88,324.11	-15,421.02
Collector Interest - Taxes	27,629.87	22,357.31	-5,272.56
Collector Interest - Taxes  Collector Interest - Excise	71,992.63	85,365.94	13,373.31
	14,604.99	14,055.41	-549.58
Collector Demands - Taxes	8,675.10	32,105.00	23,429.90
Collector Demands - Excise	108,130.20	109,641.11	1,510.91
Collector Interest - Liens	11,559.45	24,630.37	13,070.92
In Lieu of Taxes	14,839.66	15,158.99	319.33
Municipal Liens	33,456.00	20,550.00	-12,906.00
Release Fees	18,441.60	18,100.00	-341.60
Collector Miscellaneous	1,323.72	2,037.33	713.61
Collector Interest Earned	691.42	1,013.54	322.12
Town Clerk Miscellaneous	259.08	97.50	-161.58
Zoning By-Laws	158.10	140.00	-18.10
Town Clerk Charges	19,145.40	18,941.00	-204.40
Raffle, Junk, Hawkers	581.40	530.00	-51.40
Voting List	96.90	217.00	120.10
Elections Miscellaneous	0.00	12,656.97	12,656.97
Conservation Commission Miscellaneous	51.00	5.00	-46.00
Conservation Commission Filing Fees	2,830.50	3,525.00	694.50
Conservation Commission Soil Permits	1,887.00	4,300.00	2,413.00
Planning Board Fees	11,607.60	8,425.00	-3,182.60
Board of Appeals Fees	1,530.00	3,000.00	1,470.00
Other Government Miscellaneous	2,569.89	17,117.77	14,547.88
Police Miscellaneous	275.40	260.00	-15.40
Police Reports	1,867.62	1,867.00	-0.62
Administrative Fees	24,094.13	37,939.50	13,845.37
Fire Arms/ID Cards	14,471.25	11,062.50	-3,408.75
Non-Criminal Fines	90.78	0.00	-90.79
Court Fines	4,115.70	2,615.00	-1,500.70
Registrar Fines	65,828.25	84,152.00	18,323.75
Parking Fines			
By-Law Fines	29,763.60	28,835.00	-928.60 50.00
Marijuana Fines	0.00	50.00	50.00
False Alarm Fines	1,020.00	300.00	-720.00
I aise Mailli Filles	0.00	40.00	40.00

Fire Department Fees       17,460.04       19,259.52         Ambulance Charges       333,227.87       438,064.45         Building Permits       158,144.88       171,866.00         Gas Permits       11,504.47       13,261.45         Plumbing Permits       11,504.46       13,261.45         Sealer of Weight & Measure Permits       5,152.02       4,792.00         Electrical Permits       11,504.46       13,261.45         Dog Reclamation       351.90       899.00         Dog Licenses       11,867.70       12,840.00         Dog Fines       714.00       600.00         Aquaculture Licenses       612.00       500.00         Shellfish Licenses       22,338.00       22,855.00         Shellfish Fines       0.00       0.00         Education Miscellaneous       6488.40       2,504.49         Highway Miscellaneous       229.63       0.00         Scrap Iron/Tin       14,955.69       14,840.05         Tires       58.96       111.35         Paper/Magazines       4,264.29       4,214.07	1,799.48 104,836.58 13,721.12 1,756.98 1,756.99 -360.02 1,756.99 547.10 972.30 -114.00 -112.00 517.00 0.00 -3,983.91 -229.63 -115.64
Building Permits       158,144.88       171,866.00         Gas Permits       11,504.47       13,261.45         Plumbing Permits       11,504.46       13,261.45         Sealer of Weight & Measure Permits       5,152.02       4,792.00         Electrical Permits       11,504.46       13,261.45         Dog Reclamation       351.90       899.00         Dog Licenses       11,867.70       12,840.00         Dog Fines       714.00       600.00         Aquaculture Licenses       612.00       500.00         Shellfish Licenses       22,338.00       22,855.00         Shellfish Fines       0.00       0.00         Education Miscellaneous       6488.40       2,504.49         Highway Miscellaneous       229.63       0.00         Scrap Iron/Tin       14,955.69       14,840.05         Tires       58.96       111.35	13,721.12 1,756.98 1,756.99 -360.02 1,756.99 547.10 972.30 -114.00 517.00 0.00 -3,983.91 -229.63 -115.64
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Plastics 1,620.00 915.87	-704.13
Televisions 3,350.09 3,453.55	103.46
Miscellaneous 531.82 214.03	-317.79
Bulk Trash Permits         8,069.17         9,004.90	935.73
Punch Cards 120,308.39 114,871.40	-5,436.99
Landfill Day Passes 1.070.75 964.75	-106.00
Landfill Stickers 50,181.96 44,217.00	-5,964.96
Cemetery Interment         38,250.00         38,300.00	50.00
Cemetery Foundations 9,284.30 9,570.49	286.20
Cemetery Saturday/Sunday Burial 5,049.00 4,850.00	-199.20
Veterans Miscellaneous 406.98 6,043.25	5,636.27
Board of Health Permits 90,248.66 100,266.19	10,017.53
Board of Health Anti Smoking 204.00 350.00	146.00
Board of Health Miscellaneous Fees 1,313.96 4,143.79	2,829.83
Nursing/Shots 0.00 0.00	0.00
Nursing/Medicare Shots 0.00 544.65	544.65
Nursing Charges 0.00 0.00	0.00
Library Fees 0.00 2,693.40	2,693.40
Beach Stickers 2,426.74 0.00	-2,426.74
Historical Commission Hearing 510.00 300.00	-210.00
	692,612.02
25,629,595.16 20,522,205.20	092,012.02
State Aid:	
<u>State Aid:</u> Hotel/Motel Taxes 123.820.26 125.175.51	4.055.05
	1,355.25
Abatements to Veterans 1,291.32 60,890.00	59,598.68
Abatements to Blind 0.00 59,564.00	59,564.00
Abatements to Elderly 36,866.88 21,586.00	-15,280.88
	220,104.94
Charter School Reimbursement 19,499.34 19,525.00	25.66
School Homeless Transportation 0.00 23,709.00	23,709.00
Local Option Meals Tax 155,198.64 156,419.98	1,221.34
Veterans Benefits         150,076.68         178,390.00	28,313.32
Lottery 1,049,636.10 1,229,995.00	180,358.90
State Owned Land 810,810.24 810,632.00	-178.24

Medical Reimbursement	136,111.10	184,793.65	48,682.56
Miscellaneous State Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total State Aid	6,789,747.49	6,957,012.14	167,264.65
Miscellaneous Bond	0.00	0.00	0.00
	32,619,340.68	33,479,217.34	859,876.66

## HARBOR ENTERPRISE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	<u>Available</u>	Expended	To Fund Balance
State Boat Ramp			
Salaries	14,464.00	14,404.11	59.89
Expenses	2,147.00	1,357.08	789.92
Capital	2,500.00	300.00	2,200.00
Encumbered	160.00	158.01	1.00
Indirect Costs	7,525.25	7,558.03	-32.78
Total	26,796.25	23,777.23	3,019.02
<u>Harbormaster</u>			
Salaries	32,469.00	32,424.35	44.65
Expenses	16,424.00	13,819.59	2,604.41
Capital	6,000.00	700.00	5,300.00
Articles - FY14	12,905.89	12,905.89	0.00
Encumbered	200.00	71.78	128.22
Indirect Costs	21,614.96	22,090.75	-475.79
Total	89,613.85	82,012.36	7,601.49
<u>Wharfinger</u>			
Salaries	5,214.00	5,125.91	88.09
Expenses	11,850.00	10,242.98	1,607.02
Capital	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Repay Debt	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Article - FY14	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Encumbered	370.28	369.58	0.70
Indirect Costs	11,444.40	11,938.02	-493.62
Total	45,878.68	42,676.49	3,202.19
Totals	162,288.78	148,466.08	13,822.70
Totalo	102,200.70	170,700.00	13,022.70

### HARBOR ENTERPRISE STATEMENT OF REVENUES BUDGET VS ACTUAL

Budget Actual

State Ramp	18,120	19,290.00	1,170.00
<u>Harbormaster</u>			
Moorings	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dredge Surcharge	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dock and Slip Fees	61,754.00	97,466.40	35,712.40
Mooring Rentals	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
<u>Wharfinger</u>			
Wharfage	25,126.00	24,024.00	-1,102.00
Interest	0.00	60.00	60.00
Service Charges	0.00	3,824.60	3,824.60
Waterway Revenue	20,000.00	27,361.33	7,361.33
Totals	125,000.00	172,026.33	47,026.33

### WATER ENTERPRISE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	<u>Available</u>	<u>Expended</u>	To Fund Balance
Salaries	5,000.00	4,906.92	93.08
Miscellaneous Expenses	39,745.00	61,242.08	-21,497.08
Water Purchases	123,375.00	101,427.44	21,947.56
Capital Outlay	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Encumbered	28,273.97	24,280.01	3,993.96
Totals	201,393.97	191,856.45	9,357.52

### WATER ENTERPRISE STATEMENT OF REVENUES BUDGET VS ACTUAL

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Water Usage	139,500.00	124,106.08	-15,393.92
Service Charges	10,500.00	6,405.01	-4,094.99
Meters	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest	0.00	574.30	574.30
Totals	150,000.00	131,085.39	-18,914.61

### BEACH ENTERPRISE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	<u>Available</u>	<b>Expended</b>	To Fund Balance
Salaries	33,950.00	33,921.41	28.59
Miscellaneous Expenses	19,050.00	16,275.14	2,774.86
Encumbered	3,010.56	2,806.26	204.30
Indirect Costs	7,213.34	7,234.40	-21.06
Totals	63,223.90	60,237.21	2,986.69

### BEACH ENTERPRISE STATEMENT OF REVENUES BUDGET VS ACTUAL

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Beach Passes	53,000.00	80,570.00	27,570.00
Totals	53,000.00	80,570.00	27,570.00

### **REVOLVING ACCOUNTS AUTHORIZED**

	<u>Beginning</u>			
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
COA - Clinic	29,489.23	20,030.00	19,554.65	29,964.58
Senior Building Center	9,460.07	12,315.00	6,431.38	15,343.69
COA - Transportation	53,510.79	50,778.72	44,301.77	59,987.74
COA - Senior Day Care	96,503.90	99,287.00	91,293.66	104,497.24
Ambulance	61,683.05	110,000.00	148,437.02	23,246.03
Cable Advisory	277,478.10	383,172.39	269,623.70	391,026.79
Planning Board - GIS	7,686.77	2,520.00	4,500.00	5,706.77
Totals	535,811.91	678,103.11	584,142.18	629,772.84



### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN FARM

The following is a report of the Westport Town Farm for the year ending December 31, 2014.

The Town Farm annual budget of \$1,316 is spent on maintenance and repairs to the north half of the house, three outbuildings, and systems associated with the ell apartment. The Town Farm brought in \$9,950 in rents for FY2014, all of which went into the Town's general fund.

The Town Farm annual budget was expended on repairs to the ell apartment, which included boiler maintenance, a new hot water heater, and a supplemental sump pump.

Since their initial \$500,000 restoration work was completed in 2013 on the main house at the Town Farm, the Trustees of Reservations (TTOR) have continued to maintain the south side of the house along with the barn, south outhouse, corn crib, and the land. All work is paid for by the TTOR as part of their lease agreement with the Town. The restored main house and outbuildings are now used as Conservation Partnership offices and educational programming space for the TTOR and the Westport Land Trust. 30+ acres of Town Farm land is open to the public attracting walkers (and their dogs), birders, skiers, gardeners, stargazers, owl prowlers, photographers, school groups, painters, and more. An estimated 5,000 visitors enjoyed the open paths and broad river vistas this past year.

Since The Trustees have been involved with the Town Farm, they have welcomed the public by maintaining the property for passive recreation and by offering public workshops and events. In addition to its community garden program, which in 2014 produced and donated over 2,000 pounds of produce to the local food bank, the Trustees hosted a weekly Westport Farmers' Market from June to October, which featured local farmers and vendors, and attracted over 400 visitors each weekend. The Trustees employed a ten-member Youth Conservation Corps crew of area high school and college students to assist with these agricultural activities. In addition to teaching the students the technical aspects of agriculture, the Trustees also taught them about the importance of local agriculture, finance and marketing techniques, teamwork, leadership, and communication skills.

In 2014, the Trustees hosted over ten public workshops and events at the Town Farm. Highlights included a family folk concert featuring Cheryl Wheeler, and fall harvest festival. The sixth annual Harvest Festival attracted over 800 attendees and included a one-day farmer's market, music and seasonal family activities. School and youth groups from Westport and beyond visit the farm to learn about local agriculture, natural resources, and stream ecology.

The Westport Town Farm continues to be a self-sufficient project that provides housing and open space with ongoing agricultural, recreational and educational use, and preserves a very unique 18th century farmstead, which is now open to the public.

Respectfully Submitted.

Geraldine Millham Westport Historical Commission



### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

I hereby submit my annual report as Interim Treasurer June 30, 2014.

Cash balance June 30, 2013 Receipts July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014 \$15,199,032.68 43,136,317.50

Total	\$58,335,350.18
Expenditures-Warrant July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014	(42,091,918.50)
Balance June 30, 2014	\$16,243,431.68
Total Cash June 30, 2014	\$16,243,431.68

## TOWN OF WESTPORT DEBTS ACCOUNT June 30, 2014

Amount to be provided for the retirement of general long-term debt

\$9,040,000

Fire Station		4,825,000
Land Preservation		150,000
School – Green Project		1,000,000
School – PCB Remediation		3,065,000
	\$9,040,000	\$9,040,000



## SCHEDULE OF DEBT & INTEREST OUTSTANDING June 30, 2014

#1	Date of Issue 8/1/10	Purpose Fire Station	Rate 3.06%	Due Date 08/01/14 02/01/15 08/01/15 th	Interest 73,325 70,075	Principal 325,000
				08/01/29	1,104,325	4,500,000
	Total Fire Station	on			\$1,247,725	\$4,825,000
#2	2/28/11	Land Preservation	2.45%	09/28/14 03/28/15	1,837.50 1,225.00	50,000
				09/28/15 03/28/16	1,225.00 612.50	50.000
				09/28/16	612.50	50,000
	Total Land Pre	servation			\$ 5,512.50	\$150,000
#3	1/15/13	School Green Project	2.21%	07/15/14 01/15/15	14,500 14,500	100,000
				07/15/15 th 01/15/24	127,000	900,000
	Total School G	reen Project			\$ 156,000	\$1,000,000

#4 1/15/13 School 2.22% 07/15/14 41,044.38

PCB Remediation 01/15/15 41,044.37 140,000

07/15/14 through

01/15/24 722,667.50 2,925,000

Total School PCB Remediation \$ 804,756.25 \$3,065,000

### TOWN OF WESTPORT BALANCE SHEET TRUST & INVESTED ACCOUNTS June 30, 2014

Cash & Securities in Custody of Treasurer	\$5,403,775.80
FUND BALANCES:	
Non-expendable:     Elton W. "Mickey" Brightman Trust     Mary Brown Library     Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund     Nancy Ring Fenn Music Scholarship     Hicks Library     Harry Hoyt Library     Kirkaldy Trust     Library Trusts:	\$10,000.00 5,000.00 19,875.02 33,342.00 500.00 10,000.00 2,255.00
(R & R Tripp, Arline Gifford, Rhoda Sheehan, Alice Dennett Tripp, Lockwood Towne, and Isabelle Bowen) Edythe M. Pelletier Library Rosemary Woodman Mullaney Trust Salisbury Scholarship Hazel Tripp High School Library Hazel Tripp Public Library Lisa Chase Tripp Trust Imogene Weeks Library	14,791.00 2,500.00 26,000.00 52,966.53 5,000.00 200,000.00 13,102.05 1,000.00
Cemeteries: Point Cemetery Hicks Lot Private Cemetery Peleg Peckham Irene Poole Linden Grove Beech Grove Maple Grove	8,232.00 2,000.00 6,907.00 6,430.00 2,190.00 16,715.00 683,227.00 89,772.66
Total Non-expendable	\$1,211,805.26
Expendable:  Affordable Housing Trust Agriculture/Open Space Preservation Trust Amanda Tripp Ambulance Appeals Board Bicentennial Playground Bowman Library Trust Brightman Trust Mary Brown Library Calvin Hopkinson Memorial Trust Chadwick Impaired Vision Trust Community Center Conservation Trust	\$ 614,427.59 2,724.68 2,045.50 5,456.61 8,070.00 391.24 6,199.44 2,444.86 77.16 8,274.66 109,375.80 1,436.40 15,059.67

Conservation Open Space	240.32
Desrosiers Trust	7,038.34
Helen Ellis Trust (Arts Lottery)	31,454.64
Fenn Music Scholarship	8,886.31
Grimhaw-Gudewicz Trust	12,926.49
Hicks Library	69.84
Historical Commission	14,035.73
Hoyt Library	270.85
Kirkaldy Trust	133.68
Landing Commission	26,975.06
Law Enforcement	24,872.81
Library Trusts	663.32
Mullaney Trust	660.79
Pelletier Public Library	90.35
Perpetual Care	644,803.41
Planning Board Engineering	107,207.92
R. Kowalczyk Betterment	895.00
Retirement/Pension Trust Fund	1,492,202.79
School Improvement Fund	25,477.66
Stabilization Fund	878,461.79
Town Farm	8,736.45
Town Hall Maintenance	705.24
Hazel Tripp High School Library	9,714.80
Hazel Tripp Public Library	6,053.06
Hazel Tripp Senior Center	22,214.47
Lisa Chase Tripp Trust	353.71
Veterans Memorial	1,611.62
Virginia Lash Library Trust	74,722.11
Imogene Weeks Library	387.16
Westport Citizens' Betterment-Fuel Assistance	508.41
Westport Citizens' Betterment	5,359.33
Wolf Pit School	6,715.07

Total Expendable \$4,191,970.54

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Sylvia Interim Treasurer

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VETERANS' AGENT

I herewith submit my report for 2014 as Director/Agent of Veterans Services.

Cases on hand December 31, 2014 39 Cases on hand December 31, 2013 35

The amount of monies received by Westport resident Veterans and/or Dependents from MGL Ch. 115 entitlements and requests filed through the Department of Veterans' Services equal \$280,840.23. The amount of monies authorized for receipt of reimbursement by the Secretary of the Department of Veterans' Services expended by the Town of Westport for the year 2014 equal \$210,630.17.

For 154 years, since 1861, from its first commitments to the civil war veterans and their spouses and dependents, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has demonstrated solid concern and compassion for those men and women who have displayed sacrifice, valor, and duty when their state and nation called

upon them. It supports a network of services and benefits to help to ensure that none of the nearly 500,000 veterans in the Commonwealth who served or the dependents of those who served will go hungry or become homeless or medically deprived.

After WWII when its membership was overwhelmingly veterans, the Legislature completely reorganized Chapter 115 of the Massachusetts General Law, which formed the basis of today's Veterans' financial and medical benefits system and it established the title of Commissioner, now the Secretary of Veterans' Services.

The Secretary has the responsibility for the proper administration of MGL Ch. 115. In addition to the supporting staff of approximately 44 personnel, most of whom are located in offices next to the State House, Veterans' Service Agents now called Veteran Service Officers (VSO's) carry out the program. They provide assistance in every city and town in the Commonwealth.

The Veterans' Service Agent is a local employee and must be a veteran. It is the Veterans' Agent to whom unemployed, indigent, disabled, ill, injured or otherwise needy veterans and/or their dependents contact to apply for assistance. The Agent interviews the applicant(s) to determine their eligibility. If a veteran qualifies, the agent assists to provide him/her with necessary financial assistance for food, shelter, clothing, housing supplies, and medical care in accordance with a formula, which takes into account the number of his/her dependents and the income and resource assets from all sources. All expenses are paid by the veteran's hometown, and periodically, upon validation of the expenses, the Commonwealth reimburses 75% of those authorized and approved costs. The Commonwealth also assists qualified veterans and dependents in payment of burial expenses for indigent veterans.

It is a modest program, separate from public welfare, but it provides for a veteran's necessary support with the dignity to which he/she is entitled in the view of the sacrifices made in the service of his/her country. Needy dependents of deceased veterans are provided with the same benefits, as would the veteran if the veteran was living.

In addition to the benefits paid through the program described, the Department of Veterans' Services pays an annual annuity of \$2,000 to certain veterans who have suffered permanent disabilities due to enemy action or accident during wartime. Additionally, the Department provides funding for many non-profit veterans' outreach centers and homeless shelters located throughout the Commonwealth. These programs require active veteran participation and are regionally—based service networks.

Massachusetts Veterans' Services has no formal affiliation with the Federal Department of Veterans' Affairs (VA). It has an office at the VA's Regional Office, however, that provides assistance through the Veterans' Service Agents to all veterans and their dependents in applying for VA educational benefits, pensions, home loans, and arrangements for the treatment of service connected illness or injuries.

Furthermore, all veterans meeting certain wartime service-connected disability criteria may be provided with motor vehicle benefits and property tax exemptions. There is also a Veterans preference for state-aided public housing and civil service employment. Low-interest home loans may be available through the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency. Eligible veterans may attend state colleges and universities as full time undergraduate students and receive full tuition waivers. Bonuses are paid to veterans of all wars since WW-I. There are two independent Soldiers' Homes in the Commonwealth.

The Veterans' Service Agents are available to those seeking information or assistance in the area of veterans' benefits and services and can be reached at their city or town halls or town hall annex building. All citizens are encouraged to meet their local Veterans' Service Agent and learn about Veterans' Services and Benefits. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts locally based veterans assistance program is unlike that of any other in the nation. All Massachusetts citizens may be proud of the programs and benefits offered by the Massachusetts Department of Veterans' Services as it strives to give back to the men and women who sacrificed so much to serve our country.

Respectfully submitted

Jerry LeBouef Veterans' Agent

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VETERANS' GRAVE REGISTRATION OFFICER

I herewith submit my report for 2014 as Veterans' Graves Registration Officer.

Appropriated Amounts:	
Upkeep Outlying Private Cemeteries	\$ 960.00
Large Flags, U.S. & POW/MIA Graves	
Flags, Grave Flag Holders	\$ 1,475.00
Transportation, Graves Officer	\$ 205.00
Supplies, Office/Groundskeeping,	\$ 96.00
Bugler Services& Flowers	\$ 254.00

The Veterans' Graves Department provides numerous services assisting veterans, widows and dependents in need. The law requires that all veterans' graves be properly cared for and decorated. It also provides for proper burial of a veteran with financial assistance provided if necessary.

### Resources and information

Department of Veterans' Services, 856 Main Road, Westport, MA 02790 Phone (508) 636-1028

Westport Cemetery Department; 947 Main Road, Westport, MA 02790 Phone (508) 636-1025

#### Massachusetts Veterans' Cemeteries

There are two state veterans' cemeteries in Massachusetts. Agawam: 1390 Main Street Agawam, MA 01001 Phone (413) 821-9500 and Winchendon: 111 Glenallen Street Winchendon, MA 01475 Phone (978) 297-9501 where eligible veterans can be buried at no cost. There will be a nominal fee for the burial of spouses and eligible dependents. Call your local Veterans' Services Agent or DVS for information.

### **VA National Cemetery**

Massachusetts' National Cemetery is located off Connery Avenue in Bourne on Cape Cod, Phone: (508) 563-7113 FAX (508) 564-9946, Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Closed federal holidays except Memorial Day. Visitation Hours: Open daily from dawn to dusk. VA National Cemetery Administration website <a href="https://www.cem.va.gov">www.cem.va.gov</a>.

#### Record Retention

The local Department of Veterans' Services/Veterans' Services Agent provides a repository for local records. Veterans may provide copies of their service records (DD-214) or Separation Documents to their Veterans' Service Agent for safer storage and future reference.

As Veterans Graves Registration Officer I would like to thank our local Veterans Organizations, Ladies Auxiliaries and the many helpful civic organizations. Their support and commitment to our Veterans is greatly appreciated and does not go unnoticed. Thank you to the Westport V.V.A. Chapter # 207 for being present and providing the Honor Guard and Firing Squad at the many ceremonies and burials. Also, thank you all who participated and helped with the decoration and placing of the grave marker American flag next to each of our Veterans' grave sites this past Memorial Day.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry LeBouef

### 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 2014.

Through the combined efforts of our Veterans Organizations, Auxiliary Units, and a Veteran friendly supporting community, many improvements throughout the year were made. American Legion James Morris Post # 145, American Legion Women Auxiliary Unit # 145, Veterans of Foreign Wars W.A.& R. Ouellette Post # 8502, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter # 207 all helped with tremendous enthusiasm toward continuous support throughout the year. All of the Veterans Organizations continue on a daily basis to be successful because of well disciplined approaches, unwavering efforts of membership, and additional supports provided by many in the community. With non-stop determination this combination leads to ensure that organizational objectives and purposes continue being met.

The A.L. Post # 145 held many activities and accomplishes this year. I wish to thank all of its officers for the many countless hours of hard work and dedication; Commander Lino Rego, Senior Vice Commander Tom Flynn, Jr. Vice Commander Al Cote, Finance Officer Tony Moniz, Historian/Adjutant Norm Michaud, Chaplin Emil Fuller, Sergeant at Arms Frank Boback and all the entire membership of the post for your devotion to mutual helpfulness; including participation in our Memorial Day Parade and Veterans Day Ceremonies. We would also like to thank all the other Veterans Organizations for the tremendous loving support throughout the year. We entered a float in July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade Celebrating our 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We sponsored Veterans Appreciation Day. We attended 9/11 Memorial Ceremony in Fall River, MA. We participated in Veterans Day Ceremony and attended Veterans Day Ceremony at WWII Memorial in Fall River, MA. In December there was a children's Christmas party. Every December we sponsor a Christmas party for children ages 1 thru 12. The host in charge of organizing the party is Alfred Lima. The Legion meets every Thursday at 10:00 AM at the Post Headquarters 489 Sanford Road. The first Thursday of every month are designated for the Posts monthly meeting. Every other meeting is considered a Chat Session.

The A.L. James Morris Post # 145 American Legion Women Auxiliary held many activities and accomplishes this year. I wish to thank all of its officers for the many countless hours of hard work and dedication; especially for your devotion to mutual helpfulness and the many accomplishments performed with excellence this year. Thank you to all the American Legion Womens Auxiliary officers and members; The A.L. Women Auxiliary Unit Officers and Members are represented well! Thank you all for attendance and giving honor in the Memorial Day Parade and the Veterans Day Ceremonies. Your enthusiasm and energy in service to our Veterans and Community is unmatched and unparalleled. Thank You!

The VFW Post # 8502 held many activities and accomplishes this year. I wish to thank all of its officers for the many countless hours of hard work and dedication; Commander Joseph J. Aquilia, Senior Vice Commander George Santos, Junior Vice Commander Pete Barlow, Quartermaster Don Davidson, Adjutant Ronald E. Costa, Chaplin Bob Quellette, and all the entire membership of the post for your devotion to mutual helpfulness; including hosting our Memorial Day Parade and participating in Veterans Day celebration. To name just some of the many accomplishments performed with excellence this year the following is of special mention: The Post continues to support a little league baseball and basketball team as well as hosting activities at Christmas. They provide financial asistance to Westport Babe Ruth League, Make a Wish Foundation, Boy Scouts, Wounded Warriors, VFW National Home, Technology Fund, Voice of American, Westport High School Student, Westport Youth Basketball, Council on Aging, Food Baskets during holiday seasons for needy veterans (items purchased locally), VVA Chapter # 207 for vehicle maintenance, local veterans hospitalized (items purchased locally), and Annual Scholarships. They assisted Veterans in giving transportation to the VA Medical Center in Providence and the New Bedford Clinic. There were appreciation days held that were very well received. They also donated generously to many organizations. The VFW Post # 8502 meets at 843 State Road on the third Sunday of the month at 9:30 AM.

The V.V.A. Chapter # 207 held many activities and accomplishes this year. I wish to thank all of its officers for the many countless hours of hard work and dedication; President Justin Latini, Vice President

Arthur Caesar, Treasurer/Secretary Harold F. Tripp Jr., Board of Directors; Don Davidson, Frank Boback, Robert Ouellette, Emile Fuller, Maurice Brousseau and all the entire membership of the post for your devotion to mutual helpfulness; including their participation in our Memorial Day Parade, and hosting Veterans Day Ceremony at Beech Grove Cemetery. To name just some of the many accomplishments performed with excellence this year the following is of special mention: The VVA continues to support the community with its Honor Guard. During the 2014 year, V.V.A. # 207 held several events including providing funerals with military honors for those veterans who have past. Chapter # 207 has provided over 2200 military funerals since its inception in 1985. They participated in several Memorial Day events held throughout Westport. Members also attended local parades on July 4th and Veterans Day. 2014 Events and Fundraisers; March 28th – Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day at Kennedy Park in Fall River. May 16th - Civil War Memorial Service at Oak Grove Cemetery. May 18th - Memorial Day Church Service at St. John's Church. May 26th – Memorial Day Events at the V.F.W. Hall, American Legion Hall, Latessa Square, Fontaine Bridge, and Town Dock Memorial. Participated in the Westport Memorial Day Parade. May 26th - Performed our Annual Memorial Day Observance, honoring KIA and MIA Vietnam Veterans aboard the Battleship Massachusetts. Participated in the Fall River Memorial Day parade June 14th -Participated in the American Legion Post 145 Flag Day flag retirement Ceremony. May 29th -Color Guard participated in the Vietnam Veteran Wall dedication, at Fall River City Hall June 26th - The Color Guard participated in the opening ceremony for Veterans Appreciation Night at Pawtucket Red Sox. June 29th – We held our Clover Drive at Wal-Mart in Fall River. July 4th -Westport parade/Fall River Veteran events starting at Beech Grove Cemetery. August 16th, Veterans Appreciation Day in Westport at the V.F.W. hall at Noon. September 11th - 9/11 Ceremonies at Battleship Cove in Fall River at 9:00 AM September 19th -MIA/POW Recognition Day Ceremonies at Kennedy Park in Fall River. September 20st – Posted Colors at the Naval Seabee Mobile Construction Battalion 12 for their Annual Reunion at Whites of Westport. October 16th - Rededication Ceremony at the Iwo Jima Memorial in Fall River for all WWII Veterans. Killed in Action. (KIA)November 8<sup>th</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Food Drive in Memory of Richard Fiego, one of VVA Chapter 207's fallen members. November 11th –We participated in the Veterans Day Ceremony at Beech Grove Cemetery in Westport. We also marched in the Fall River Veterans Day Parade. Donations Made in 2014: Toys for Tots, Veterans Association of Bristol County's Food Pantry, Project New Hope, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, Narragansett Council, Various Area Veterans Organizations Fundraisers, Infirmed and III Veterans. Chapter 207 is proud to continue to support the Community and all Veteran related endeavors that were undertaken in the Greater Westport area in 2014. We would like to thank the community for all the support you have given us over the years! For all Vietnam Veterans, we meet the second Wednesday of the month. Come and check out one of our meetings. Dinner is at 18:00 hrs. meeting at 489 Sanford Rd starts at 18:30. Hope to see you there! Respectfully submitted, Harry Tripp Jr.

We wish to thank all that have remembered our Veterans throughout the year. To the Veterans' Groups and their Auxiliaries thank you all for your fine work. From the Department of Veterans' Services regarding participation a big thank you for helping to make successful the 2014 Memorial Day Parade and Veterans Day Ceremonies. I wish to express tremendous gratitude! Thank you to the United States Armed Forces and our military Veterans and their families and to our Veterans Organizations. It is a privilege to be the Veterans' Service Agent of such a great community.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lino Rego, Commander A.L. Post # 145

Joseph J. Aquilia, Commander V.F.W. Post # 8502

Jerry LeBoeuf Veterans' Agent Mary Ann Santos, President A.L. Ladies Auxiliary Unit # 145

Justin Latini V.V.A. Chapter # 207



## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND

The following is a report of the Westport affordable Housing Trust Fund and the Housing Partnership Committee for the year ending December 31, 2014.

### Members

Liz Collins, Chair Elaine Ostroff, Vice-Chair Brian Corey, Jr. Craig Dutra, Selectman Warren Messier James Sabra Nicholas Christ

The Trust continued to make great progress in 2014 due in large part to the funds appropriated from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) in 2012. The ending 2013 balance of funds in the Trust was approximately \$593,825. Although the Trust created a new affordable housing unit, the Subsidized Housing Inventory (SHI) in Westport is still at 3.5%. The Trust's ongoing and future initiatives are designed to respond to the Town's housing needs while preserving and enriching the community's character. Some 2014 highlights of the Trust's activities:

### Housing Assistance Office (HAO)

The office is open to the public on Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The HAO is a place for the public to find information about the work of the Trust and affordable housing programs. The office is staffed by a part-time Housing Specialist and Clerk/Outreach Specialist. The Housing Specialist provides professional services for the implementation and creation of affordable housing programs.

### Housing Opportunity Purchase Program (HOPP)

The HOPP was launched in 2013 and an Affirmative Fair Marketing Housing Plan was then implemented. Eligible low-income households were invited to apply for grants up-to \$105,000.00 each for the purpose of "buying down" the selling price of an existing-market rate home in Westport. The HAO received over 40 inquiries about the program by phone or via e-mail. Ten applications were received and two applicants were able to participate in the program.

In September 2014, a very-low income household, Westport resident, was able to purchase a home with a \$70,000 grant, including \$20,000 set aside for repairs. This home is now included in the Town's SHI and a recorded deed rider will permanently restrict the value of the home. Current funding could support two additional rounds of the HOPP with a grant up to \$125,000.00 each.

### Noquochoke Village

The proposed 50-unit new construction, mixed-income development, will provide a mix of one-bedroom, two-bedroom and three-bedroom units in seven townhouse-style buildings.

In March 2014, The Community Builders (TCB), the designated developer, submitted an application to the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, State Housing Tax Credits, State HOME Funds, State Affordable Housing Trust Funds and Community Based Housing Funds. As is typical for projects in their first application, the project was not funded by DHCD in that March round. TCB was, however, encouraged to apply again in 2015. The Trust and the Board of Selectmen are supporting an application to seek CPA funds in order to secure the inclusion of moderate-income rental housing units at Noquochoke Village. The Trust has supported the project by:

- Covering some of the legal and administrative fees associated with the project.
- Providing staff support and facilitating the communication between the Trust, the Board of Selectmen and The Community Builders.
- Issuing press releases, newsletters, letters to abutters and town boards, and holding community meetings.
- Leading a site visit to a successful affordable housing development in Chatham.

### The Community Partnership at Roger Williams University Partnership (RWU)

The students of the architecture graduate studio of spring 2014 worked with the Trust on a project entitled "In-between Water/Land and the Villages, Affordable Housing Design, Westport, MA". The studio focused on developing site infrastructure and housing for low and moderate income households on townowned parcels. Each student was responsible for designing two projects: (1) Sketch Problem: To develop affordable duplex units on one of the small or medium sized parcels; and (2) Semester Project: To develop 24+ affordable housing units with a community facility and an innovative water treatment system, or living machine, on the Westport Housing Authority Site and on Drift Road (ID# 52-0-22&22A). A comprehensive report of the project, prepared by RWU, is available at the HAO.

### Westport Seed Housing Funding Program (SEED)

In September 2014, the Trust launched the SEED program. SEED seeks applications for funds from qualified project proponents to create multiple new affordable housing units in Westport. Funding will be granted per affordable housing unit created. Four hundred seventeen (417) affordable housing units are needed to meet the state's Chapter 40B 10% goal. On the other hand, DHCD has set incremental thresholds for the production of affordable units in a given year. If 32 or more affordable housing units are developed in a given year, DHCD may certify the town's Housing Production Plan as meeting the regional need for affordable housing for one year. The SEED program seeks to support the town's goal of meeting DHCD's incremental thresholds.

Anyone wishing more details with respect to anything included (or not included) in this report can contact the Chair of the Trust or the Housing Specialist.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Collins, Chair Westport Affordable Housing Trust Fund collinsliz@charter.net or 508-961-8871 Leonardi Aray, AIA Housing Assistance Office Town Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor 774-264-5126 or 617-270-3912 leonardi@larayarchitects.com

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Westport Cultural Council hereby submits its report for the year ending December 31, 2014. The council is currently comprised of the following members:

Council Member		Term Expires
Irene Buck	Communications	07/10/2015
Carolyn Duby	Treasurer	10/28/2019
Judith A. Duval	Member	06/30/3017
Marie Fontaine	Communications	06/30/2017
Trintje Jansen	Secretary	08/02/2017
Colleen B. Kearney	Member	06/30/2017
Ruddick C. Lawrence	Member	06/30/2017
Lucy Tabit	Media Coordinator	10/01/2017
Suzanne Thomlinson	Chair	06/25/2015

### Local Cultural Council Grants for 2014

### Helen E. Ellis Charitable Trust Grant

Greater Tiverton Community Chorus	Christmas Concerts	\$1,528.00
Westport Free Public Library	Puppeteer/ Time Machine	310.00
Westport Land Conservation Trust	Family Concert at Town Farm	2,000.00
Allen's Pond Santuary	Lecture Stone Barn Farm	650.00
Westport Macomber PTO	Author Wkshop/Elem& Mac	2,000.00
Dartmouth Grange	Stage Improvements	1,880.00

Westport River Watershed Alliance	River Day	2,000.00
Dartmouth Community Cable	Public Film for 350 <sup>th</sup>	500.00
Westport Art Group	Exhibit of Student Work	300.00
South Coast Artists	Open Studio Tour	2,000.00
Carol Duby/WES MAC	RISD Trip 4 <sup>th</sup> graders	905.00
Allegro Chamber Players	Family Concert	350.00
Westport Fisherman's Association	Museum Panels	1,000.00

The Westport Cultural Council has awarded fifteen LCC grants totaling \$4,400.00 and eighteen Helen Ellis Grants totaling \$22,723.00 to support worthy programs in Westport that promote education, diversity, and excellence in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences. All grants were awarded by the Massachusetts Cultural Council funds and the Helen E. Ellis Charitable Grant Trust administered by the Bank of America. This year's grant recipients received funds that included programs promoting interpretive, artistic and music programs for children and adults.

During calendar year 2014, WCC saw important recognition and initiatives:

Carol Vidal, long time member and volunteer, was selected to receive the Massachusetts Cultural Council Leadership Circle Award, at the Statehouse in Boston on February 11<sup>th</sup>. This prestigious award recognized two outstanding volunteers leaders from the 329 local and regional cultural councils (LCC's) across the commonwealth. Westport Cultural Council sponsored an open house and reception for Carol on Saturday, February 8, 2014 at the Westport Public Library. Carol Vidal served as chair, secretary and treasurer over her twelve years on the Westport Cultural Council. She was nominated for this award by fellow members and evaluated by a MCC appointed panel.

The Westport Cultural Council presented three documentary films for their third annual Westport Film Series in August. The three films illustrated a compelling environmental issue facing our world today:

**More Than Honey** investigates the global phenomenon of why bees are in danger of extinction. Guest speaker was Wayne Andrews, former Bristol County Mosquito Control Director and Master Beekeeper, Bristol County Beekeepers Association. **Farmageddon**, the story of small farms forced to close included guest speaker Geoffrey Kinder, manager of the 52-acre Round the Bend Farm in Dartmouth, MA. **Tapped** examined the big business of bottled water. Guest speaker was Desa Van Laarhoven, Executive Director of the Marion Institute. All three films were shown at the Dedee Shattuck Gallery, 865 Main Road.

Roger Williams University Community Partnership Center recognized the WCC and provided assistance to look at cultural resources and promote community engagement. RWU students worked with the WCC on a community survey during their fall semester.

Members of the Westport Cultural Council provided leadership for revisions to the Town Master Plan to stimulate public awareness and support for the arts in community life. WCC members organized meetings for the community to revise goals, objectives and actions all submitted at the community forum.

Congratulations to Lucy Tabit. Serving her second term as a member of the Westport Cultural Council, Lucy was recognized by the Standard Times as Westport's Woman of the Year 2014. Lucy was quoted "As a WCC member you get to see all these wonderful programs come to the community and help friends, neighbors and local organizations."

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT PUBLIC ACCESS TELEVISION

The following is a report of the Westport Public Access Television for the year ending December 31, 2014.

The vision of Westport Public Access is that the Public Access and the Government Access channels will be viewed by many of the Town residents for entertainment and to gain knowledge about Westport's past, present and future. It is hoped that these channels will be a valuable resource.

The mission of Westport Public Access Television is to provide programs that are interesting and informative. We provide a full schedule of a wide range of programming. We also offer training to Town residents on how to use the cameras and the production facilities and assist them in getting their shows to the viewers to foster Town pride.

In April 2014 we Installed four remote HD cameras and a control unit in the main Town Hall meeting room.

We installed a new digital audio system using the current ten microphones. A device was installed in the main meeting room in the Town Hall which sends the meetings to the Annex to be recorded on the playback hard drive. This allows for high grade playback. A new playback system was ordered. Three cameras from the big meeting room were moved to the Overflow Meeting Room. One camera was moved to the Annex meeting room.

Plans continued to design the infrastructure for broadcast from Fire Station #1 for Emergency Management and the transition to HD.

In April we began posting videos of the Board of Selectmen meetings on westport.pegcentral.com.

### Channel 192

Channel 192 is the Town of Westport's Public Access Channel. It is offered free of charge for residents to air programs that they have produced. Any Town resident can take advantage of the services regardless of cable television subscription. Cameras and editing facilities are available for use. We have several people who use the airtime on a regular basis. Technology is changing rapidly and production equipment is available to consumers. Producers are using their own equipment and making programs at home or at surrounding area access centers and turning them in for playback.

The channel has a full schedule of programming. We offer close to 20 different programs a day and over the course of a week there are approximately 20 regular program series and many specials. Programming runs usually from 7:00 am – 11:00 pm, 7 days a week. Each show runs several times to allow for our viewers to watch the shows at their convenience. In 2014 we continued to offer programming that is local and community-based. Many programs featured local history and historical figures, environmental issues, community preservation, the arts, travel, nature, social issues, health and safety issues, music, dance, business issues, candidates' interviews, town parades, farmers, fishermen and other topics that reflected life in Westport and beyond. Some of the specific specials that were locally produced include Flag Retirement Ceremony, Duck Derby, Westport Point Neighborhood Association Candidates Night, Westport Cultural Council , Westport Wildlife, Flag Day, Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Veterans Day ceremonies, among others. Program listings are posted on the Town's Website and the Chronicle Newspaper in addition to listings on the Channel 192 Community Bulletin Board.

Organizations represented in 2014 included the Westport Historical Society, Westport Point Neighborhood Association, Massachusetts Medical Society, Family Service Association, Bristol County Sheriff's Office, Bristol Community College, Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School, Diocese of Fall River, Christian Life Church, United Way and many others.

Our bulletin board features community notices from area non-profit organizations, and other messages of interest to the community. Area organizations, churches, as well as, Town Departments use the Bulletin Board extensively to inform the public about events and notices. Messages to be posted can be sent to us by mail, fax or e-mail.

### Channel 190

Channel 190 is the Town's Government Access Channel. We currently present gavel-to-gavel coverage of the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, Community Preservation Committee, Energy Committee, Finance Committee, Planning Board and the Westport Historical Commission meetings on a regular basis. We continued recording and airing of committee meetings including Agricultural Commission, Beach Committee, Board of Assessors, Board of Health, Capitol Improvement Planning Committee, Economic Development Task Force, Water Resources Committee, Harbor Advisory Committee, Landings Commission, Personnel Board, Recreation Commission, Board of Registrars and Shellfish Advisory Committee. Other meetings and specials aired during 2014 were the Annual Town Meeting, Local Candidates' Forums, Master Plan Visioning and others.

Archives are kept of the meetings. Program listings are posted weekly on the Town's Website and the Chronicle Newspaper in addition to listings on the Channel 190 Community Bulletin Board.

Camera operators producing these meetings and programs included George Cataldo, Darleen Marsland, Edwin Horkey, Maria J. Carvalho and Valerie Bain.

The Channel 190 bulletin board features messages of interest to the community. It is used by Town Departments to inform the public about events and notices. Messages to be posted can be sent to Community Bulletin Board, Town Hall Annex, 856 Main Road or to the Board of Selectmen's office.

To find out more, contact us by any of the following ways.

Phone/Fax (508) 636-1038

Address: Town Hall Annex

856 Main Road

Westport, MA, 02790

Respectfully submitted.

Valerie Bain

**Public Access Cordinator** 

E-Mail: Cable@Westport-MA.gov

**Hours:** 9:30 am – 3:30 pm Monday – Friday These hours may vary and other times

by appointment.



## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WESTPORT WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The following is a report of the Westport Water Resources Management Committee for the year ending December 31, 2014.

The Westport Water Resources Management Committee (WRMC) was established by the Board of Selectmen. WRMC combined the work of a number former committees. Those committees included the Water and Sewer Committee, Ponds Committee, Stormwater Committee, and the Estuaries Committee. The goal of WRMC is to work toward consensus on water related issues affecting Westport. Those issues include, drinking water, fresh water, stormwater, nitrogen management, and infrastructure options.

The WRMC meets normal on the third Wednesday of the month and all meetings are cover by local cable and shown Charter cable television station 191. All minutes of the meetings, as well as other related documents, are also available on the Town of Westport website under Water Resources Management Committee.

The Committee consist of 9 members, including one member from each of the 5 voting districts. In addition, there are also representatives from the Agricultural Commission, Board of Health, Highway Department, and the Westport River Watershed Alliance. The individuals on the committee are: Richard Barresi (Precinct A), William Burns (Precinct B), William Harkins (Precinct C), Antone Vieira (Precinct D), Maury May (Precinct E), Jay Tripp (Ag Com), James Walsh (Board of Health), Chris Gonsalves (Highway Department), and Thomas Schmitt (Westport River Watershed Alliance).

Stormwater remediation projects throughout the Town have been a major focus in 2014. WRMC has also reached out to the Planning Board and Board of Health to help develop and/or adjust regulations relating to stormwater and construction of developments and related stormwater road requirements.

WRMC has and continues to spearhead the low interest loan funding opportunities to help residents repair fail septic systems.

A more detail description of all the WRMC activities in 2014, can be found on the Town of Westport website under Westport Water Resources Management Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Antone C. Vieira Jr., Chairman

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WHARFINGER

The following is the Wharfinger's report for the year ending December 31, 2014.

Revenue generated into the Enterprise Fund from the 31 commercial fishing vessels that tie at the Town Dock is \$24,048.00 for the 1002 feet of space used. The money collected pays the dock expenses and the money owed to the Town for the Wharf Restoration project. This year will complete our obligation to the town for that project. Also this year we have replaced several planks or decking and have filled in some small holes in the asphalt portion of the Dock. I will be repairing a spot that the cement came lose in, that currently has a metal plate on for safety. The intention from this point forward is to earmark the money we annually paid the Town back as money for any future projects or work on the dock. In other words, we may not need to borrow from the Town if the fund is adequate for the jobs matching percentage, whenever that may be at that time.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Sherman



### **WESTPORT COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**



2014 TOWN REPORT



# Annual Report of the WESTPORT COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

### **All Schools & Departments**

### 2013-2014

### Westport School Committee

<u>Member</u>	Residence	Term Expires
Carolina Africano	65 Union Avenue	2015
Antonio Viveiros	20 Sandpiper Drive	2015
Michelle Duarte	25 Longwood Drive	2016
Melissa Pacheco	18 Dias Avenue	2016
Nancy Rioux	17 President Street	2017
Michael P. Sullivan	1380M Drift Road	2014

Regular School Committee meetings are usually held on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month and are open to the public. The School Administration Offices are open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout the school year and 7:30 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 <u>less than three months</u> in a kindergarten setting will be required to follow the same entrance criteria.



# ANNUAL TOWN REPORT Westport Community Schools 2013 - 2014

### <u>Superintendent of Schools – Town Report Introduction</u>

The Superintendent of Schools implements the programs, policies and budget developed by the School Committee and is responsible for the leadership and management of the School Department. The Annual Report provides an opportunity to highlight the major district and school accomplishments and events of the year. It has been a year filled with great successes, achievements and a few challenges.

In April 2014, the School Committee said good-bye to Mr. Michael Sullivan and welcomed Ms. Nancy Rioux to the committee. Dr. Ann Marie Dargon assumed the role of Superintendent of Schools in October of 2013. Alec Ciminello became the Principal of the Macomber School, David Thomas became the Interim Principal of the Westport Elementary School and in January of 2014, Christine Staskiewitcz became the Acting Principal. Carolyn Pontes became the Interim Principal of the Middle School and Kelly Chouinard became the Assistant Principal. The leadership at Westport High School continued with Cheryl Tutalo as Principal and Karen Antonelli as the Assistant Principal. Jason Pacheco was hired as the Athletic Director. Additionally, Ann Harkin, the Special Education Director retired and Elaine Santos was hired to replace her.

Secretary of Education, Dr. Matthew Malone visited in June touring the Westport Middle School. The District also submitted a Statement of Interest application to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA).

This year we continued to work on initiatives and refine our practices in teaching and learning. Our focus this year continued with aligning all curriculums and instructional practices to the new MA frameworks and standards including the Common Core for Literacy and mathematics. Teachers in all schools worked to understand the process and connect instructional practice along with concrete standards. They created defined assessments to help move our students' academics forward with clear benchmarks

for understanding. In addition, we aligned our English Language Learner (ELL) program with new curriculum that is in direct alignment with the World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA) standards.

All areas of curriculum work collaboratively with the technology department to use the current and emerging technology. We utilized a joint approach to defining and implementing online assessments and learning programs, such as Achieve 3000 and OdysseyWare. These programs align with our curriculum, thus provide students opportunities to learn while applying technology skills that promote necessary skills for success. School Brains was purchased as our Student Management System and the district started its own Facebook page.

Each schools' Data Team worked collectively to assess and provide feedback for locally created assessments that support the work of the District-Determined Measures for all content areas. Teachers have administered the first round of District Determined Measures and are working on parameter setting using the data collected.

Our goal continues to empower all students to achieve at his or her highest potential in a safe, orderly school environment. The dedicated and highly competent administrators, faculty and staff strive to achieve excellence. Parents and schools work together to develop the future leaders and citizens of an ever changing world. Thank you for the continuous support the Westport community provides for public education. We look forward to working with you as we continue to excel in preparing our students to be successful, contributing global citizens.

## Westport Community Schools 2013-2014 School Attending Children Reported to the Department of Education\*\*

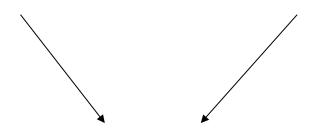
Alice Macomber School	Westport Community Schools	Vocational Technical Regional Schools	Collaborative and Home Schools	In-State Public Schools	In-State Private and Parochial Schools	Charter Schools	Out-of- District Public Schools	Out-of-State Private and Parochial Schools	Grand Total
**Pre-Kindergarten	79	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	79
•	108	0	1	1	17	0	0	5	132
Kindergarten	187	0	1	1	17	0	0	5	211
Total		U			1/	U	U	3	
Westport Elementary School	125	0		5	13	0	0	3	150
Grade 1			4	-	+ -		+		
Grade 2	143	0	4	0	25	0	0	3	175
Grade 3	118	0	3	2	21	0	0	3	147
Grade 4	127	0	1	0	24	0	0	3	155
Total	513	0	12	7	83	0	0	12	627
Westport Middle School									
Grade 5	132	0	1	3	22	2	0	2	162
Grade 6	131	0	3	1	35	3	0	5	178
Grade 7	163	0	4	0	26	3	0	4	200
Grade 8	116	0	1	1	31	1	0	4	154
Total	542	0	9	5	114	9	0	15	694
Westport High School									
Grade 9	91	40	3	0	38	0	0	2	174
Grade 10	90	32	2	1	46	0	0	1	172
Grade 11	93	41	1	1	53	0	0	6	195
Grade 12	106	36	2	2	35	0	0	1	182
Total	380	149	8	4	172	0	0	10	723
Grand Total	1622	149	30	17	386	9	0	42	2255

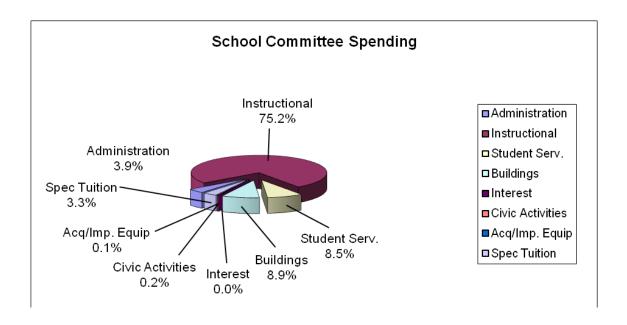
<sup>\*\*</sup>Pre-kindergarten enrollment information is not reported to the Department of Education, but it is included here.



### **FISCAL 2014 ACTUAL EXPENDITURES**

	FY 14
	Expended
Expenses by School Committee	
1000 Administration	620,510
2000 Instructional	11,929,993
3000 Student Services	1,341,875
4000 Buildings	1,413,090
5000 Interest	0.00
6000 Civic Activities	34,555
7000 Acquisition/Improvement Equipment	11,354
9000 Special Needs Tuition	<u>521,949</u>
Total School Committee Appropriation	15,873,326

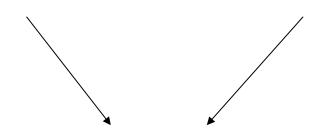


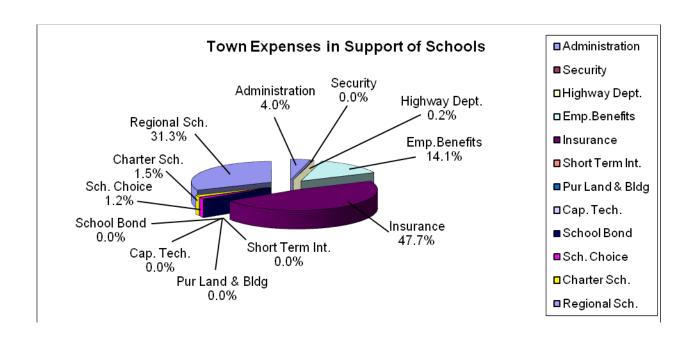




Expenses by Town Hall	
1000 Administration	175,098
3600 Security	0
4000 Highway Department	7,500
5100 Employee Benefits	613,398
5200 Insurance	2,075,167
5450 Short Term Interest	0
7200 Purchase Land & Buildings	0
7350 Capital Technology	0
8000 School Bond	0
9100 Tuition - School Choice/MASS Schools	53,355
9120 Tuition – Charter Schools	65,059
9500 Regional Schools	<u>1,364,943</u>
Total Expenses by Town Hall	\$4,354,520

**Total Town/School Expenses** \$20,227,846





Federal & State Reve 2012-2013	nues
Federal Grants	Revenue Awarded
SPED 94-142 Evaluation & Therapy	386,027
Title I	191,907
Title IIA – Teacher Quality	54,786
SPED Program Improvement	7,172
Race to the Top	86,318
Total Federal Grants	726,210
State Grants	Revenue Awarded
Academic Support Serv SY	10,700
Academic Support Serv Summer	4,500
Collaborative HS Partnership-SY	13,858
Collaborative HS Partnership-	
Summer	25,600
SPED Early Childhood	16,323
EC SPED Program Improvement	2,900
Full Day Kindergarten	60,573
Total State Grants	134,454
Private Grants	
Community Foundation of	
Southeastern Massachusetts	
WHS Piano Program	2,084
WHS AP Training GFRDC Educational	5,530 16,200
Westport Cultural-Yellow Bus	10,200
(WHS, WES, MAC)	1,049
Total Private Grants	24,863
Total Federal & State & Private	



**Grants** 

945,527

Revolving Account Balances	
As of December 1, 2014	
School Day Care Revolving	24,236
Use of School Property Revolving	7,310
Reimbursement Lost Supplies/Materials Revolving	3,730
Student Athletic & Activities Revolving	57,513
Adult & Continuing Ed./Community School Revolving	52,096
Insurance Claims Revolving	0
School Choice Revolving	0
Scholarship Revolving	15,596
Telephone E-Rate Revolving	3,702
Transportation Reimbursement Revolving	<u>41,230</u>
Total Revolving Accounts	205,413

ALICE A. MACOMBER PRIMARY SCHOOL
Alec Ciminello, Principal
2013-2014

### General Statement

We all share in the ongoing investment to ensure that our children successfully meet educational standards in the early grades. Essential in a good plan is providing, facilitating, and initiating meaningful and authentic opportunities and experiences to help children understand the world in which they live and grow. Young children learn best through active participation and experience. High-quality early childhood education is not just an ideal; it's an essential investment. Missed opportunities can put children behind and create barriers to achievement that can last through high school.

Giving children the right start greatly enhances their opportunities to succeed. Strong early learning leads to less remediation throughout the education system, which benefits students and families during the children's school years and beyond. Well-designed, high quality programs can support the development of higher level thinking skills that help children learn how to learn.

### School Programs

In the 2013-2014 school year, all preschool and kindergarten classes were located at the Alice A. Macomber Primary School, 154 Gifford Road. The Macomber School housed five Full-Day Kindergarten classrooms, five sessions of preschool and a multi-age special education classroom. Children at the Macomber School were allowed to be successful with classroom experiences geared to their natural level of development. The Macomber School uses a developmentally appropriate curriculum, as well as learning materials specifically geared to this age group, allowing children to reach their greatest potential. This approach is consistent with the fundamentals of child development and emphasizes the belief that all children can learn.

In 2013-2014, parents enrolled their children in the preschool program for three half-day sessions or two full-day sessions per week. A sliding-fee scale for the preschool was available as one of our Early

Childhood initiatives. The preschool program had 80 students enrolled. Children identified with special needs were entitled to attend the program free of charge, and programs were developed to meet the individual needs of each child. The school budget, Coordinated Family and Community Engagement Grant #391, Early Childhood Special Education Grant #262, and tuition fees supported the preschool program.

Full-day kindergarten has been in place since FY 2000 and continues to be a positive and welcoming environment for our young students. Services were offered by a part time reading specialist and a part time Title I paraprofessional to approximately 38 at-risk students. In 2013-2014, the kindergarten program had an average of 119 students enrolled. The school budget, Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Grant #701, and Title I funds collectively supported expenses for full-day kindergarten.

Daily lessons and school-wide activities for the preschool and kindergarten programs were developed to meet the criteria and benchmarks set forth by the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks standards and support NAEYC guidelines. The content of the curriculum reflected a balance of all areas of learning offered in an integrated manner and reflected the holistic nature of how young children learn and develop.

### Parents and Community

Connections with local partners provided our community schools with a rich and continuous source of service and support. The Alice A. Macomber Primary School attempted to promote partnerships and increase parent participation in many ways, which included: encouraging parents to volunteer time at school; supporting an active PTO; and participating as an active member of the School Council. Our outreach efforts continued to explore the expansion of our partnerships with community based organizations that included Fall River Public Schools' Early Childhood Services, the Fall River Head Start and Early Intervention Programs, Westport High School's internship program, Lees Supermarket, and the Westport Police and Fire Departments.

Outreach efforts during the 2013-2014 year included a series of parent workshops, curriculum evenings, family nights, and programs that encouraged 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

High-quality programs, such as the one provided at the Macomber School, provided learning experiences that keep instruction grounded in children's interests and are developed around themes that unite learning in several disciplines. Teaching strategies at the Macomber School reflected the knowledge that young children are active learners, drawing on direct physical and social experiences to construct their understanding of the world around them.

Children approach learning with their curiosity, motivation to learn, and pride in accomplishments. The goal of the Early Childhood Team had been to develop instructional and non-instructional activities that provided a nurturing and supportive school experience for the young learners in our care. In 2013-2014, students used a reading and math series based on the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. They also used Fundations as the program for teaching phonological/phonemic awareness as well as for phonics and spelling in our kindergarten classrooms. A successful pilot of the "Go Math" program in the 2012-2013 school year, supported full implementation of "Go Math" program in the 2013-2014 school year. This is a comprehensive math program with is aligned to the Common Core. The Preschool used the "Letter People" and "Read it Once Again" programs which provided a comprehensive curriculums that promoted and established an early literacy based foundation for the development of basic skills which included cognitive, fine motor, gross motor, speech/language, daily living, and social skills. At the Macomber School a curriculum committee (Early Childhood Curriculum Committee), made up of teachers from the Macomber and Westport Elementary Schools, the Macomber administrator and district curriculum administrators met monthly to discuss curriculum, transition, and supportive initiatives. The

aim of the committee was to offer a child-centered learning environment with a curriculum that is both age-appropriate and individually appropriate. Additional technology equipment, including hardware and software, was purchased again this year to support curriculum instruction.

#### Success Indicators

Professional development opportunities for staff at both the school level and at the system level were successfully planned and implemented. As a result, grade-level teams as well as cross-grade-level teams developed lessons that met both NAEYC standards and the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks objectives. These lessons have provided students with access to high-quality instruction and have been instrumental in improving students' success rates. Professional Development in developing and identifying DDMs for Pre-School and Kindergarten was ongoing throughout the year. Common assessments aligned with Common Core Curriculum and Teaching Strategies Gold were also developed in both grade levels. Teachers collaborated on objectives established for Development and Learning in anticipation of the MKEA requirements mandated by Mass DESE.

### **Extracurricular Programs**

Lees Supermarket monthly events, PTO sponsored events, and various evening special events were offered throughout the year. Lees sponsored our Beach Party in the Winter, WESMAC PTO sponsored a visiting author, Judith Jango Cohen as well as a Puppet Workshop and corresponding Marionette Performance.

### **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 Alice A. Macomber Primary School, goals were to maintain and enhance educational quality; to continue positive momentum and enhance public relations; to create greater academic and co-curricular opportunities for students; and to continue to obtain alternative funding sources. 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

We know that children want to learn. We know that each and every child is capable of learning. We know that growing and learning and aspiring require support and encouragement in the early years. The challenges now facing the early childhood community are immense, yet we cannot allow these obstacles to deter us in our advocacy on behalf of young children and families. 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 Christine Staskiewicz, Acting Principal 2013 – 2014

### **General Statement**

Westport Elementary School places student achievement and success as the basis for every change and initiative. Again this year, we have reviewed the data of our MCAS (Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System) results and utilized them to assess curriculum and student achievement. We are utilizing year-long data from our formally adopted math program "Go Math" as well as assessing student reading levels four times during the course of the year. As a result, Westport Elementary School has developed an action plan for improved student success on a class by class basis. We remain committed to the philosophy that all children can achieve success.

There are 6 classrooms in grade one, 7 classrooms in grades two, 6 classrooms in grade three, and 6 classrooms in grade four.

### Student Achievement

### I. Go Math Benchmark Test

Go Math Benchmark Tests were administered to all students at the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year, the middle of the year, and at the end of the year. The results, which displayed good growth, are as follows:

Grade	Beginning Year	Mid-Year	End of Year	<b>Growth Points</b>
1	58 %	75 %	87 %	29 %
2	66 %	75 %	89 %	24 %
3	43 %	66 %	82 %	40 %
4	40 %	53 %	74 %	34 %
Overall	52 %	67 %	83 %	32 %

### II. MCAS Test Results

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System was given to students in grade 3 and 4. Grade 3 completed Reading and Mathematics while grade 4 completed testing in English Language Arts (including a long composition), and Mathematics. The test results will help the school assess growth during the next school year and the effectiveness of the district curriculum.

GRADE/ TEST	ADVANCED/ ABOVE PROFICIENT	PROFICIENT	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	WARNING/ FAILING
3 READING	16%	47%	27%	9%
3 MATHEMATICS	44%	34%	15%	7%
4				

ELA	12%	44%	34%	11%	
4 MATHEMATICS	20%	35%	37%	9%	

Westport Elementary School will continue to align teaching strategies that enable our students to utilize critical thinking skills and rely less on rote learning and memorization. We have increased expectations of student writing through teacher directed curriculum revision and hope to be able to adopt a consistent Writing program for grades k through 6. Westport Elementary School remains committed to providing the most current strategies and training to prepare our students for success.

### Curriculum

Teaching and Learning is the focus of all school improvement. Many hours have been dedicated to aligning our curriculum to the Common Core. Comprehensive development of Tier 2 Instruction, providing intervention and small group instruction for targeted students, has been implemented. This school year an intervention block has again been assigned to each grade level. All students receive tiered instruction during this 30-40 minute block. The school is continuing to utilize a standard based report card aligned to the Common Core, grade level benchmarks are being established, and units of study are being developed.

The **Go Math** curriculum formally adopted in Sept. 2012 has positively impacted student growth particularly in Math MCAS in grade 3. Seventy-nine percent of our students scored advanced or proficient compared to the state average of sixty-nine percent. These students are the first group to have had three years of the program.

Westport Elementary School will continue to strive for excellence in teaching and equitable opportunities for learning. We are committed to the continued development of a vision, programs, and policies that ensure the common purpose of improving achievement for all students.

WESTPORT MIDDLE SCHOOL Carolyn Pontes, Interim Principal 2013 – 2014

### General Statement

Westport Middle School continues to grow in a rigorous direction academically. With the addition of new programs, our school is continuing to progress towards excellence. Westport Middle School students continued to participate in two competitive academic events, Massasoit League Spelling, and Math Competitions which are held twice during the school year. Our eighth grade class continues to visit and participate in the Science program offered at the Christa McAuliffe Space Center at Framingham State College with thanks to the middle school parent group. Our entire seventh grade went to see A Christmas Carol at the Trinity Repertory Company. Eighth graders also traveled to the University of Massachusetts to participate in an interactive "Hour of Code" and the Seventh graders received a similar program at the school this December. The 6<sup>th</sup> graders continued their educational trip to Patriot Place while the 5<sup>th</sup> grade traveled to the New England Aquarium.

The New England League of Middle Schools visited in April and gave a productive and positive report.

Westport Middle School was complimented on the strong curriculum and enthusiastic, dedicated staff. Some recommendations were implementing teaming back for the following year and putting into place a true middle school model. Both of these suggestions have been accomplished.

Students in Grade 6 piloted the mathematics PARCC assessment through technology, while grades 7 & 8 did the same with English Language Arts.

The drama club put on a wonderful 2 day presentation of the production Seussical Jr. We presented 2 chorus concerts in the winter and spring as well as 2 band concerts. Field day, Washington DC for the the 8<sup>th</sup> graders, and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance also continued to be a great success.

A decision was made by the school committee to transfer the 5<sup>th</sup> grade to the Elementary School for the school year 2014-2015.

### Staffing

The staff of the Westport Middle School includes the following: one (1) principal, one (1) assistant principal, one (1) guidance counselor, one (1) school adjustment counselor, one (1) nurse, two (2) full-time office staff, thirty-eight (38) classroom teachers (includes regular education and special education teachers), one (1) library media specialist, one (1) paraprofessional, eight (8.5) teaching assistants, and one (1) campus supervisor.

### Curriculum

A focus of this year's curriculum was to expand into a more rigorous math program. This was accomplished by purchasing a new math program for all four grade levels. These programs have proven to be more aligned with the common core as well as being much more challenging for the students. We also were able to field two eighth grade Algebra classes with a total of 48 students participating in the program. A math intervention teacher was also added to the program to assist students with difficulties.

The continued focus of our curriculum work was to expand the written curriculums to include units of study with challenging performance tasks at all grade levels and subject areas. Literacy support continued through incorporating reading and writing in the content areas of mathematics, social studies and science as well as English language arts. Support in the form of tutoring was provided to many of our students struggling in reading.

The Middle School also offers our students assemblies on bullying prevention, fire and health safety, career day programs with several speakers, theatre, and several other programs.

### MCAS Test Results

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System was given to students in grades 5-8 in the spring of 2014. Only grades 5 and 8 were assessed in science and all grades were assessed in English Language Arts and mathematics. Students in grade 7 students also completed a long composition assessment. The tests completed help the school assess growth during the next school year and the effectiveness of the district curriculum. Specific targeted instruction to students is then provided by staff the following school year.

	ADVANCED		PROFICIENT		NEEDS IMPROVEMENT		WARNING/ FAILING	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
Grade 5 ENGLISH/LANG. ARTS	19%	9%	46%	48%	25%	32%	10%	10%
Grade 5	21%	18%	38%	44%	30%	19%	12%	18%

MATHEMATICS								
Grade 5 SCI & TECH/ENG	14%	12%	37%	41%	39%	40%	10%	7%
Grade 6 ENGLISH	22%	16%	57%	47%	17%	27%	5%	10%
Grade 6 MATHETICS	30%	22%	33%	31%	26%	29%	11%	18%
Grade 7 ENG/LANG. ARTS	6%	13%	76%	68%	16%	13%	2%	5%
Grade 7 MATHEMATICS	17%	16%	40%	35%	29%	30%	14%	19%
Grade 8 ENG/LANG ARTS	18%	12%	74%	81%	5%	5%	3%	2%
Grade 8 MATHEMATICS	20%	18%	34%	42%	30%	27%	15%	13%
Grade 8 SCI & TECH/ENG	4%	8%	39%	42%	50%	44%	7%	5%

Overall, the Westport Middle School had 56% of the students score proficient or better in math with a 45% student growth rate. In English Language Arts 74% of students scored proficient or better with an average of 55% growth rate. Science was taken by both 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, 52% of our students scored proficient or higher. Grade 5 was equivalent to the state and grade 8 has exceeded the state for the third consecutive year.

Grade 7 ranked in the top 25% of the state for ELA and grade 8 in the top 15%. Grade 7 was ranked third by the Boston Globe out of 22 local districts and grade 8 ranked first!

The decrease in math scores for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade was due to a variety of reasons. This was the first year students were tested using the Common Core from 2011 which is a much more rigorous curriculum. Along with this came the departmentalization of teachers which was a new structure for students. Fifth graders went from a one teacher team to having 4 different teachers. Realigning of teams will help in this area.

The Westport Middle School has already implemented programs to enhance student learning and success at standardized testing. Through several intervention groups in both the areas of literacy and mathematics, we should be able to achieve a good level of improvement in these areas. Along with the designing of curriculum units, teachers have also formulated District Determined Measures to monitor student success and a data room has been created to have a current and visual monitoring program for student improvements in all academic areas.

It is important to be cognizant of the fact that no one standardized testing instrument is indicative of a student's overall performance. Rather, a district and school collection of formative and summative assessment data must be regularly monitored to evaluate effectiveness of curriculum. Other assessments that are employed by the Westport Middle School are Gates-Macginitie (Reading), Series Benchmark Tests (Math) and, reading lexile scores with Achieve3000, used by the fifth and sixth graders. We will also be starting the Aimsweb program used by the Elementary School to monitor progress and growth through data and visible charts.

### After School and Other Student Activities

Students continue to be able to participate in several exciting after school programs. The following activities were offered this year:

Art Club

Baseball Soccer Boys' and Girls' Basketball Softball

Cheering Collector's Club
Chess and Strategy Club Spelling Team
Choral Club Stage Band
Drama Club Student Council
Field Hockey Talent Show
Homework Assistance Yearbook

Math Team Bridge Club (In conjunction with the Elementary School

Our music program included over 100 students who participated in our chorus and band programs. Our band marched in Westport's Memorial Day Parade and also performed at halftime during a Providence Bruins game. We also saw an extremely successful and well received production by our drama club of *Seussical, The Musical* led by our drama instructor, Elizabeth Cote. Over sixty students acted, sang, or were behind the scenes to make the show a success. Adjunct to the music program we held our Talent Show at the end of the year; over seventy students participated and worked behind the scenes. In addition to the after school activities, we have continued the grade competition between the students in the school. The culmination of this competition was a variety of student activities including a pizza party, and a day of dancing provided to the seventh grade students in late June. These activities were made possible through the School Climate Committee. This committee is also responsible for coordinating the school's Annual Field Day, which has quickly become the most popular one-day program for the entire student body. We enjoyed our annual eighth grade trip to Washington, D.C. during the last weekend in May. Over one hundred students and approximately 25 chaperones visited various educational points of interest in our nation's capitol and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Washington D.C. trip is funded through the Westport Middle School Association (WMSA) and parents.

# Parents and Community

The WMSA has provided our school with many opportunities that enhance both the cultural and academic learning of our students. Included in these are a Camfel bullying program, several beneficial field trips, a fossil program brought to the school, and many other events that add to the benefit of our student population. They have made it possible for our children at the school to have every educational opportunity available to them.

The WMSA, in conjunction with members from the community, sponsored the Annual Pancake Breakfast, which is always a huge success! This year we added the component of a very successful and entertaining craft fair with 25 vendors. More than 200 people attended this function, giving the school another opportunity to interact with community members to demonstrate all of the wonderful offerings the school has! We also added a program from the community called "Eyes on Owls" that provided a live owl show in the auditorium during the breakfast.

Finally, the Westport Middle School Council, made up of teachers, parents, and a community liaison, spent many hours developing a comprehensive School Improvement Plan, dress code, and student handbook all that will be implemented for the 2014-2015 school year.

# **Closing Statement**

The Westport Middle School continues to be proud of the areas that we have made improvement in. Accomplishments can be seen in academic areas and other opportunities that are offered. As a school community, we continue to grow. We continue to develop the educator evaluation system as well as an advisory program that will be offered for the 2014-2015 school year. The curriculum used in the school is

current and aligns with the common core along with our district determined measures. We maintain high, rigorous expectations and standards that are successful in our society today. This allows us to be competitive with other local schools as well as schools throughout the state.

## WESTPORT HIGH SCHOOL Cheryl Tutalo, Principal 2013 - 2014

# **Opening Statement**

In December 2013, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) officially notified Westport High School that it has been awarded continued accreditation. The Committee on Public Secondary Schools was impressed with many of the programs and services and commended the following:

- The implementation of new courses and programs to support students success that reflect the school's core values and beliefs
- The widespread use of data from school wide common assessments to guide improvements to the school's written curriculum
- The practice of teachers shadowing students to reflect on curriculum, instruction and assessment
- The variety of practices utilized by teachers including formative assessments to enhance instructional practices and improve student learning

Westport High School must submit a required Two Year Progress Report on October 1, 2015 in which we will respond to the recommendations from NEASC.

The results of this visit guarantee continued accreditation for Westport High School for the next ten years.

Thirty-one seniors qualified for the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship. This scholarship, which recognizes high academic achievement on the MCAS tests, entitles the student to four years of free tuition at a state or community college.

## School Program

The student enrollment was 379. This consisted of 114 seniors, 85 juniors, 90 sophomores and 90 freshmen. Class size ranged from 10 to 29. Our staff consisted of 37 classroom teachers, 1 Library/Media specialist, 4.5 teaching assistants, .5 job coach, 3 para-professionals, 2.5 clerks, 1 executive secretary, 1 campus supervisor, 1 nurse, 2 guidance counselors, 2 school adjustment counselors, 1 Director of Athletics/Activities, 1 Assistant Principal and the Principal.

# MCAS Test Results

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System was given to students in grades 9 and 10. Grade 10 students completed English Language Arts and math assessments; grade 9 completed the science assessment. Students need to score proficient or higher in ELA and math which is one requirement for earning a high school diploma. Students who fail the tests are given several opportunities to demonstrate mastery of standards before graduation through their Educational Proficiency Plan (EPP).

	ADVANCED	PROFICIENT	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	WARNING/ FAILING
10 ENG/LANG/ARTS	23	52	5 (meets diploma requirement with EPP)	2
10 MATHEMATICS	29	31	18 (meets diploma requirement with EPP)	3
9 SCI & TECH/ENG	9	34	29 (meets diploma requirement)	3

Westport High School's mission is to educate all students to become 21st century learners, to seek and value knowledge, and to emerge as productive citizens in a global community. As technology and globalization combine to create situations of constant innovation, the traditional skills of reading, writing and arithmetic will be supplemented with more up-to-date skills in technological literacy, creative thinking, critical thinking, collaboration and communication. Westport High School remains committed to focusing on teaching particular skills that will help students survive and thrive not only at the workplace, but also in personal life.

### Success Indicators

91 percent of the graduating class of 2014 indicated that they would be continuing their education. 63 percent planned to attend a four-year college. 28 percent will attend a two year college or attend a technical school and 9 percent will enter the work force. This year's graduates received over \$85,150.00 in scholarships at the annual awards night. Scholarships were supported by community organizations, local businesses and local citizens.

80 students participated in the Advanced Placement (AP) Exams in May.

# **Athletics**

The 2013 - 2014 school year was another successful year for Westport High Schools' athletic teams. There were several bright spots as four of our varsity teams qualified for MIAA tournament play. The boys soccer team returned to tournament play by going 8-5-3 overall, with a Mayflower Athletic Conference record of 3-2-3. The soccer team defeated Pope John Paul II 3-1 in the first round, before falling 5-0 to West Bridgewater in the quarterfinals. The golf team struggled to a 2-8 record in the MAC, finishing with a 4-12 overall record, but did see Matt Murphy qualify for the states as an individual entry. Matt shot a very respectable round of 83 to finish in 36<sup>th</sup> place out of 89 entries. The WHS field hockey team finished with a 2-12-2 overall record, while the volleyball team narrowly missed the tournament with a 9-11 overall record. Thirteen WHS student-athletes participated in our co-op football program, which allows our boys to play football at Bishop Connolly High School, while 4 girls' soccer players chose to do the same.

The winter season proved to be the most successful as both the boys and girls basketball teams qualified for tournament play. The boys team finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the MAC with an 8-2 record, and finished 15-7 overall. The team made a great run in the Division 3 tournament, winning consecutive games over Norton, Rockland, and Old Rochester, before losing to Cardinal Spellman in the South Sectional Finals at UMass Boston. The girls basketball team finished the MAC with a 6-4 record, and went 12-10 overall. The girls managed to win one playoff game at Bristol Aggie, before falling in the quarterfinals to West Bridgewater. Our 12 member cheerleading squad did a good job energizing the crowds at our home basketball games all winter.

The spring sports season at WHS only saw one of our four teams qualify for state tournament play. The boys tennis team enjoyed a perfect 6-0 MAC record, finishing 15-1 overall. The boys' tennis team

defeated Hanover in the state tournament, before losing to Pope John Paul II in the South Sectional Semifinal. Girls' tennis finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the MAC with a 4-2 record, but struggled with a tough non-league schedule, finishing 4-12. WHS' baseball team finished the regular season 8-14, and went 5-5 in the MAC. The softball team improved to a 6-16 overall record, and went 4-6 in the MAC. Three more WHS student-athletes chose to play co-op lacrosse at Bishop Connolly, while 5 participated in spring track.

# Student Activities

During the 2013-2014 school year approximately 200 students participated in our student activities program. Club offerings included: Student Council, School Committee Delegates, Senior-Junior Prom Committee, National Honor Society, International Exchange Club, Newspaper Club, Math Club, Drama Club, Yearbook Club, Art Club, SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions), Advocats, Concert Choir and Concert Band. Under the guidance of dedicated advisors our students enjoyed many memorable moments throughout the school year.

Our students and staff participated in numerous fundraisers and events which included: Homecoming Dance, Halloween Costume Dress-up Day, Spirit Week, Tripp Family Scholarship Run, Walking with Jane, Memorial Garden clean up, and Senior-Junior Prom. Our students sold "Villager" newspapers, carnations, water bottles, pizza cards, yearbooks, and school spirit items and clothing. In addition, the Advocats worked diligently to provide assistance to those in need throughout the Town of Westport. They sponsored food drives, volunteered at soup kitchens, the Senior Center and the Westport Schools during various holidays. The Advocats also ran a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, and their very own Spartan Race as a fundraiser for the many activities that the group participated in. It should be noted that the WHS school community was very generous throughout these drives. Members of SADD sponsored our annual Health Fair. Also, in the spring of 2014, the International Exchange Club hosted a group of Japanese students. Our Homecoming Dance was well attended again, with over 200 students and their guests in attendance at White's of Westport. We had over 180 students attend the juniorsenior prom at Rachel's Lakeside. The WHS Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 22 new members in April of 2014. The guest speaker for the Induction Ceremony was National Honor Society Teacher of the year, Arlyn Bottcher. Throughout the year, NHS members offered free tutoring to many students, and sold candy canes at Christmastime, and Pay it Forward bracelets to raise funds for their ceremony.

# Parents and Community

The parent association of Westport High School has a new name Westport High School Parent Association (WHSPA) and enjoyed another successful year. WHSPA also continued to sponsor scholarships for deserving seniors. The Athletic and Music Boosters continue to support and enhance the opportunities in sports, music and drama. The Westport Education Foundation has provided financial assistance for many of our academic enrichment opportunities.

### Closing Statement

Students at Westport High School continue to receive the best possible education through the day to day efforts of the staff, parents and community. On-going fiscal support is necessary in order to maintain this level of educational and extracurricular programs.



# 2013-2014 PROFILE WESTPORT HIGH SCHOOL

### **ADMINISTRATION**

Dr. Ann Dargon, Superintendent	Ext. 4002
Elaine Santos, Special Education	Ext. 4011
Cheryl Tutalo, Principal	Ext. 4202
Karen Antonelli, Assistant Principal	Ext. 4203

### **COUNSELING STAFF**

Marie Fallows, Guidance Counselor	Ext. 4212
Mary Jo Medeiros, Adjustment Counselor	Ext. 4215
Melissa Plourde, Adjustment Counselor	Ext. 4211
Leslie Ruel, Guidance Counselor	Ext. 4213

### **SCHOOL INFORMATION**

Comprehensive 4-year public high school

Enrollment: 370

Faculty: 40 (12.5 students/1 faculty) (100% of teachers licensed in teaching assignment)

Accreditation: New England Association of Schools and Colleges

CEEB Code: 222-360

Westport High School is located approximately 60 miles south of Boston and serves the south coast community of Westport, MA. Westport is a town of farms, of beautiful scenery, of people who live from the water, of small businesses and of homes. Each of these aspects of the community is characterized and strengthened by the superb natural resources to be found within the town's borders.

#### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

# COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TEST RESULTS

Writing: 494

509

48

Total credits to graduate: min. of 140 (2013-2014)

English: 20 credits % of seniors taking SAT: 68% Social Studies: 15 credits % attending 4-year college: 63% Math: 20 credits % attending 2-year college: 28%

Science: 15 credits

Comprehensive

Health/PE: 10 credits
World Language: 5 credits
Government: 2.5 credits
Computer Literacy: 2.5 credits

56.2% received scores of 3 or better

# A.P. TESTS RESULTS MEAN SAT SCORES

 (2013 – 2014)
 (2013 - 2014)

 78 students took121 exams
 School State Nation

 14.9 % received scores of 5
 Verbal: 509 515 496

 18.2 % received scores of 4
 Math: 508 529 514

# **SENIOR PROJECT**

Graduation requirement of an independent, topic-oriented research project culminating with an oral presentation.

#### GRADE POINT AVERAGE SCALE

<u>Grade</u>	<u>)</u>	AP	Н	CP	<u>Gra</u>	<u>de</u>	AP	Н	СР
A+	100	5.5	5.0	4.5	C+	81	3.6	3.1	2.6
	99	5.4	4.9	4.4		80	3.5	3.0	2.5
	98	5.3	4.8	4.3		79	3.4	2.9	2.4
Α	97	5.2	4.7	4.2		78	3.3	2.8	2.3
	96	5.1	4.6	4.1	С	77	3.2	2.7	2.1
	95	5.0	4.5	4.0		76	3.1	2.6	2.0
A-	94	4.9	4.4	3.9		75	3.0	2.5	1.9
	93	4.8	4.3	3.8	C-	74	2.9	2.4	1.9
	92	4.7	4.2	3.7		73	2.8	2.3	1.8
B+	91	4.6	4.1	3.6		72	2.7	2.2	1.7
	90	4.5	4.0	3.5	D+	71	2.6	2.1	1.6
	89	4.4	3.9	3.4		70	2.5	2.0	1.5
	88	4.3	3.8	3.3		69	2.4	1.9	1.4
В	87	4.2	3.7	3.2		68	2.3	1.8	1.3
	86	4.1	3.6	3.1	D	67	2.2	1.7	1.2
	85	4.0	3.5	3.0		66	2.1	1.6	1.1
B-	84	3.9	3.4	2.9		65	2.0	1.5	1.0
	83	3.8	3.3	2.8	F	64	0.0	0.0	0.0
	82	3.7	3.2	2.7		63	0.0	0.0	0.0

CLASS RANK is calculated by using a weighted system based on the academic rigor of the course; all courses are included in determining a student's rank in class.

G.P.A. is weighted using English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies and World Languages only.

### **INSTRUCTIONAL LEVELS**

- AP <u>ADVANCED PLACEMENT</u>: Designed for students who excel in a particular subject and have demonstrated exceptional ability and motivation to do advanced work. Students are expected to successfully participate in the College Board Advanced Placement examination at the end of the course.
- H <u>HONORS:</u> Designed for students whose academic performance has been reflective of very strong ability, laudable motivation and strong work habits. Research projects, writing activities that challenge critical thinking skills and independent study will be a fundamentally important part of this achievement that challenge critical thinking presented in depth and at an accelerated pace.
- CP <u>COLLEGE PREPARATORY:</u> Designed for students with average ability who are planning to further their education upon graduation at two or four-year institutions of higher learning. Regular homework assignments and an emphasis on the fundamental academic skills of reading, writing, and computing are the cornerstones of this instrumental level.

COLLEGE PREPARATORY	<u></u>
Algebra I	Government
Algebra II	Guitar
Biology	Human Body Systems
CAD	Intro to Accounting
Chemistry	Intro to Art
Chorus	Journalism
College Business Math	Marine Science
Computer Applications	Multimedia
	Algebra II Biology CAD Chemistry Chorus College Business Math

#### **HONORS**

Honors Algebra I Honors Algebra II

Honors Anatomy/Physiology

Honors Biology
Honors Chemistry
Honors English 9
Honors English 10
Honors Geometry
Honors Physics
Honors Portuguese 3
Honors Portuguese 4
Honors Pre-calculus
Honors Spanish 3
Honors Spanish 4
Honors U.S. History I
Honors U.S. History II

Honors World History \*BCC English

\*BCC Foreign Language

\*BCC Mathematics

\*BCC Science

\*BCC Social Studies

Concert Band
Creative Writing
Current Issues
Digital Music
Digital Photography
Drawing and Painting

English 9 English 10 English 11 English 12

Environmental Science Film as Literature Film as Literature

Geometry

Personal Finance Physical Science Portuguese 1 Portuguese 2 Pre-Calculus Psychology Sociology Spanish 1 Spanish 2 Tech Fluency US History 1 US History 2

Web Design

World History

\*Dual Enrollment

American University of Paris

Assumption College

Berklee School of Music

Bridgewater State University

Bristol Community College

Clark University

Colby-Sawyer College

Connecticut College

Curry College

Dean College

Drexel University

**Emmanual College** 

Endicott College

Fairfield University

Fitchburg State University

Florida Institute of Technology

Framingham State University

Full Sail University

Hampshire College

Lasell College

Lees-McCrae College

Lesley University

Massachusetts College of Art

**MCPHS** 

Montserrat School of Art

New England Tech

Nichols College

Northeastern University
Pacific University-Oregon

Providence College

Quinnipiac University

Regis College

Rhode Island College

Roger Williams University

**Rutgers University** 

Salve Regina University

**SCAD** 

Seattle University

Stonehill College

Suffolk University

University of Connecticut
University of Delaware

University of Mass-Amherst

University of Mass-Boston

Univ. of Mass-Dartmouth

University of Mass-Lowell

University of New England

University of New Hampshire

University of New Haven

University of North Florida

University of Rhode Island

University of South Florida

University of Tampa

University of Vermont

University of West Florida

Wentworth Institute of Technology

Western New England

Wilson College

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Worcester State

# WESTPORT HIGH SCHOOL **Graduation Exercises** Class of 2014

Class Valedictorian Julia Valeri

Kimberly Abgrab & Katrina Turick Class Salutatorian

Class President Melinda Tripp

Dr. Ann Marie Dargon Certification of Class

#### \*= National Honor Society

Allison Theresa Abgrab\* Kimberly Marie Abgrab\*

Anais Adorno Veni Aquiar

Rebekah Catherine Amaral-Peterson

Andrea Rose Arruda Emily Ehteram Azadnia\* Jacob Andrew Bailey\* Austin Charles Barboza Candice Lee Barboza Kate-Lyn Mary Blackwell Chelsea Marie Brasil Collin Alexander Cabral Evan Peter Kyle Callahan Evan Thomas Canepa Alessia Carrara

Sydney Jean Carreiro Kristina Elizabeth Carrington Alyssa Brooke Constantino\*

Jack Morse Cordeiro Brianna Noel Correia Shelby Rae Costa\* Jared William Cote Nicole Brooke Dasilva Amalia Katherine Davis\* Kennedy Irene Demello\* Joshua Elliott Dennis Joseph Jesse Desrosiers Laura Bethany Destremps\* Thomas George Driscoll\* Blake Peter Estrela

Jessica Rose Faria\* Angela Maria Farias\* Fletcher Elliot Ferreira\* Karyssa Marie Frazer Sydnie Michael Gagnon Jacob John Girard\* Aaron Cy-David Grace Rebecca Lynn Grant Brendan Nathan Hall Alexander Mark Halliwell\* Richard Paul Hartnett\*

Catie Jayne Catherine Holewka

Marissa Lee Homsi\* Sarah Elizabeth Hutchings Dominique Alexandria Joaquim\*

Brandon Andrew Kirby Jordan Lee Kirby

Rebecca Jane L'Heureux\* Adam Daniel Lariviere Mitchell Dain Leary David Mark Leite\* Aaron James Lessard Jordan Caleb Louis\* Michael Robert Machado Georgios Machairas\* Joseph Andrew Madeira Aaron Raymond Manchester

Shyann Martin

Simon Alexander Mauck Ariel Mariah Mello Chloe Ann Mendes Eleanor Ann Minnehan Courtney Brianna Moniz Brandon Romano Moura Courtney Lynn Mulcahy Matthew Rvan Murphy Jeffrey Dylan Napert\* Jessica J Nunes

**Brittany Marie Margues** 

Lindsey Miriam Pacheco Casi Elizabeth Pavao Madison Nicole Pelland\* Tabitha Alyssa Pereira Anthony James Perry Shelby Makayla Perry Edward Andrew Phillips IV Olivia Jane Pimentel

Paul Jeffrey Oliver

**Dosia Destiny Pontes** Alison Michelle Provost Nicole Renee Raposo Scott Mark Raudonaitis Katlyn Lee Rego\* Linda Ponte Reis Jeremy Kevin Rioux Nicholas Almy Rosa\* Jacob Thomas Salva

Gavin Anthony Sherman Ryan Louis Sikorsky

Shawn Silva

Christopher James Silvia\*

**Dylan Simoes** 

Alexandra Christine Souza\* Justin Michael Strollo

Tyler James Teague Jamie Russell Teasdale Connor John Toth\* Joseph Harold Trent Melinda Ellen Tripp\* Katrina Rose Turick\*

Evan Michael Turick\* Julia Katherine Valeri\* Marc Steven Weaver\*

Katy Elizabeth Weizman Emma Elizabeth Wilkinson\* Courtney Michelle Williams

Jane Aubree Winters Thomas Daniel Yeargin\* Lexie Jean Young

Ethan Bailey Young-Kershaw

# **Book Awards**

Harvard Book Award Elliot Drabble

Wellesley Book Award Danielle Simoes

University of Pennsylvania Book Award Jacob Mingola

Samantha M. Medeiros Chad Willard St. Michael's Book Award

Assumption College Book Award Elizabeth Broadbent

<u>Scholarships</u>					
Head of Westport Fire Association	\$1,000	Kathlyn Rego			
Lions Club of Westport (Harold S. Wood)	\$3,200	Katyln Rego			
Community Service Memorial Fund	\$500	Angela Farias and Joseph Madeira			
Westport Arts Group	\$500	Jane Winters and Lexie Young			
Westport Fair Scholarship	\$500	Fletcher Ferreira and Emma Wilkinson			
Westport Women's Club	\$500	Alexandra Souza, Katrina Turick and Katy Weizman			
Grimshaw-Gudewicz Scholarship	\$450	Anais Adorno, Emily Azadnia, Sydney Carreiro, Brianna Correia, Shelby Costa, Jared Cote, Amalia Davis, Joshua Dennis, Laura Destremps, Thomas Driscoll, Karyssa Frazer, Richard Hartnett, Marissa Homsi, Aaron Lessard, Georgios Machairas, Brittany Marques, Courtney Moniz, Lindsey Pacheco, Casi Pavao, Alison Provost, Chris Silvia, Alexandra Souza, Justin Strollo, Tyler Teague, Melinda Tripp, Courtney Williams, Thomas Yeargin, Lexie Young			
Westport Music Boosters-Peter Habib	\$1,000	Katrina Turick			
Westport Music Boosters-Jane Dufault	\$750 \$500	Alexander Halliwell Aaron Lessard and Evan Turick			
Tripp Family Scholarship	\$300	Jacob Bailey, Aaron Lessard, Scott Raudonaitis, Ryan Sikorsky, Dylan Simoes, Tyler Teague, Connor Toth, Katy Weizman, Emma Wilkinson			
Clyde T. & Yvonne Salisbury Memorial Scholarship	\$450	Andrea Arruda, Joseph Madeira, Marc Weaver			
Mid City Steel Scholarship	\$1500	Thomas Driscoll			

Betsy Taber Scholarship	\$1000	Alison Abgrab, Brianna Correia, Evan Turick, Thomas Yeargin
Luther Bowman Scholarship	\$900	Kimberly Abgrab, Richard Hartnett, Nicholas Rosa, Katrina Turick
Potter Funeral Service	\$500	Melinda Tripp
Janice Migneault Memorial Scholarship	\$500	Melinda Tripp
WHSPA – Westport Parent's Group	\$250	Alyssa Constantino, Alison Provost, Marc Weaver, Jane Winters
Matthew T. Benoit Memorial Scholarship	\$1000 \$750	Richard Hartnett Nicholas Rosa, Melinda Tripp, Katy Weizman
	\$500	Julia Valeri
Raposa Foundation Scholarship	\$500	Anais Adorno, Laura Destremps, Jordan Louis, Georgios Machairas, Madison Pelland, Connor Toth
Chelsea Ann Ponte Scholarship	\$1000	Melinda Tripp
Jane Dybowksi Scholarship	\$4000	Emma Wilkinson
Westport Historical Society	\$250	Angela Farias
Van Sloun Foundation Sylvan Scholarship	\$4000	Fletcher Ferreira
Alfred Lewis Memorial Scholarship	\$500	Angela Farias, Jeffrey Napert, Courtney Williams
Sydney Hathaway Journalist Scholarship	\$250	Brianna Correia
Domingos – Silva Scholarship	\$2,000	Angela Farias, Alexander Halliwell, Joseph Madeira



# SPECIAL EDUCATION Elaine Santos, Director of Special Education 2013 - 2014

The Special Education Department provides specialized instruction and related services, such as speech, therapy, to eligible students who reside in Westport. When a student is determined eligible for special education, an individual education program (IEP) and placement proposed are by the district. The parent, or student if s/he is 18 years old, must accept the proposed plan before services can be provided.

Special education services are required by law to be provided in the most appropriate, least restrictive educational setting. In Westport, the least restrictive setting is the regular education classroom where students with and without disabilities learn side-by-side, working individually and in groups. In this setting, called inclusion, special education students may be taught by special and/or regular educators, sometimes supported by a supervised teaching assistant or paraprofessional.

In some cases, the IEP team has determined that the student can only be educated if s/he is removed from the regular to a special education classroom for instruction. Depending on the severity of the educational disability, a student may be removed for varying portions to an entire day. For these students, special education services may be provided in and/or out of the regular education classroom. When students are removed to a special education setting for instruction, special education staff teaches them.

A small number of students have disabilities that require services that cannot be provided within the district. These students usually attend specialized special education schools or programs that are so intensive or of such low incidence that it is more appropriate and cost effective for the district to pay tuition to a school outside of the district rather than to develop its own program.

The frequency and duration of any time a student receives special education services are defined in the IEP, the student's Individual Education Program. In addition, any time the student is separated from the regular education setting a statement justifying the removal and describing its benefit must be written in the IEP.

On July 1, 2013, the Student Management System recorded **258** special education students. This enrollment included 15 students placed in schools outside of Westport. The district has a legal obligation and moral commitment to provide services in the least restrictive environment and within the Westport Community whenever possible.

A history of students in out-of-district placements is as follows:

July 1, 2009	July 1, 2010	July 1, 2011	July 1, 2012	July 1, 2013	July 1, 2014
21	16	15	15	15	15 (projected)

The individual schools within the district continued to provide and improve upon the development of high quality special education programming and staffing.

The Macomber Primary School contains classrooms for preschool and kindergarten students and has maintained a stability of programming and services during the 2013 – 2014 school year. Students receive their initial educational experiences in a nurturing environment where they are taught to interact with other students and adults, to follow rules and work within a classroom setting, and to develop social skills through play and structured activities. A major focus of the curriculum is the development of language, with a particular emphasis on language processing skills which are vital to all learning. A majority of general education teachers are dually certified in regular and special education. This expertise allows staff to provide individualized interventions as needed within the general education setting while monitoring learning and progress based on developmental norms.

There is one classroom which educates students with severe disabilities. An integral part of this program is the use of two inclusion models. One takes a traditional approach of integrating students into the general education classrooms as social and academic skills develop. The other is a reverse inclusion model which brings a small number of nondisabled students into the classroom several days during the week to provide structured exposure to social interactions and readiness activities with typically developing peer models.

The Westport Elementary and Middle Schools provide special education services in small group and inclusion models in and out of the general education classrooms. Substantially separate classes address severe multiple disabilities. Staff supported mainstream integration are available as those students are able to meet mainstream expectations. This approach allows the most challenged students to take the advantage of exposure to the regular curriculum and peer socialization, interactions and relationships, while receiving individualized and specialized instruction or small group support in accordance with their IEPs.

At Westport High School, special education students receive their instruction in inclusion or substantially separate settings. Substantially separate classes are available to more severely disabled students as determined by the student's IEP Team. The RISE (Raising Individual Student's Expectations) classroom provides prevocational programming in the classroom and in-district or supported community-based sites for students who can apply skills to those settings. All students take one class per semester in the general education setting with support. The Focus classroom is a multi-faceted program which includes direct special education services within the small group setting, as well as supportive services within the inclusion classroom for at risk students. This program targets practicing respectful behaviors, being a productive member of the high school community, and improving academic skills.

The Westport Special Needs Advisory Group (WePac) is in the process of being reestablished. The WePac should play an important role as a link between the special needs office and the parents of special needs students and interested Westport residents. During the 2013 – 2014 school year the council met four times, which included the annual training on regulations. The special education office will continue to ensure that the WePac is an active council to support all students with disabilities in the Westport Community Schools.

# TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT Robert Nogueira, District Network Administrator 2013 - 2014

Technology has become a vital part of educating the students of Westport Community Schools as they are prepared to be responsible digital citizens. Our Instructional Technology and Curriculum are aligned with the Massachusetts State Frame Works and the Common Core.

This past year a milestone was reached as we completed a four year project to equip every classroom with 21<sup>st</sup> century technology including Projectors, WIFI and Inter Active White Boards in Grades Pre K to Twelve. With this technology instructional delivery is engaging and empowering allowing our facility and students to explore beyond the confines of the classroom. The project was primarily funded through grants from the Greater Fall River Development Corporation, Westport Educational Foundation, and donations from community, parents, and business groups.

Google App's for Education is now being vertically aligned throughout the district and continues to supplements our students' learning. This great online learning environment is provided at no cost to schools and has opened opportunities that would not otherwise exists with the current funding level.

Through funding from the Town Cable Monies we were able to do a much needed Public Broadcast Station upgrade. This upgrade, when complete, will allow our students to write, direct and produce awarding winning content to be show cased on our local station as well as the web.

This past spring, a small portion of our students took part in the PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) on-line based testing which in some form will replace the current MCAS (Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System) testing. The pilot testing went very well and provided valuable insight into the future technology needs.

As we look toward the future, additional funding will be needed beyond the current levels to maintain and advance our Technology and Schools as a whole. This investment will yield future dividends as we give our students the greatest gift of all, an education.

# STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES Michelle A. Rapoza, Student Services Coordinator 2013 - 2014

The Westport Community Schools' student transportation program provides three types of service: regular school bus transportation, specialized van transportation for students with special needs, in compliance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 71B, and individualized service plans for homeless students, in compliance with the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

# Regular School Bus Transportation

The district offers school bus transportation to all students who are residents. Transportation for students in grades K-6 is *paid entirely* by funds from the annual school budget. Grade 7 through 12 students purchase bus passes, entitling them to transportation to and from school for the entire school year. For students who rode the bus every day, the cost to them was \$1.89 per day; bus pass fees helped make transportation costs manageable. Grades 9 through 12 bus passes for the 2013-2014 school year cost \$200 per student or a maximum of \$375 per family. nGrades 7 through 8 bus passes for the 2013-2014 school year cost \$175 per student or a maximum of \$375 per family. Fees are waived for students whose family incomes meet Federal guidelines set for the National School Lunch Program.

School bus transportation was provided by Amarai's Bus Company of Westport, MA, this was year three of a three contract. The company maintains a yard and dispatch office in the town and runs 15 bus routes in two tiers, carrying high school and middle school students from 6:30-7:30 a.m. and transporting elementary school and kindergarten students from 7:30-8:30 a.m. nThe system takes students home after school in the same way. Each bus carries between 55 and 77 students with 2 to 3 students to a seat based on age and size of child; the district provided school bus service to about 889 students, with average daily route ridership about 56% of students. We are charged at a rate of 15 routes @ 181.00 X 180 days, includes performance bond, for a total Regular Education Transportation cost of \$488,700.00 (3nd year of a 3 year contract. Routes are designed for maximum fuel efficiency while ensuring that no route is more than one hour in length.

# **Special Needs Transportation**

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 71B helps ensure that children with disabilities receive equal opportunities for education. The law requires towns to provide disabled school-age children with accessible transportation to and from local schools or special schools outside the town, where children can access special services and accommodations. The state reimburses the local school district for **some** of these special transportation costs. Special needs transportation in Westport was provided by Whaling City Transit of Westport, MA. During the year, the district utilized five specially-equipped vehicles as well as specially-trained drivers and monitors to transport **30** students to Westport schools and other public, private and collaborative schools in the region. Many special needs students attend classes year-round and on weekends.

# <u>Transportation For Homeless Students</u>

The federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) regulations require school districts to arrange transportation and cover or share coverage of the costs for homeless students who may no longer be able to live in the school district but still want to complete the school year in their community. Westport schools paid or shared the cost of transportation services for 7 homeless students in the 2013 - 2014 school year. This mandate to transport homeless is declared an unfunded mandate by the state auditor.

# Transportation Financial Report Fiscal Year 2013 - 2014

Transportation Salaries and Support Services	\$69,188.00
Regular Education Transportation Expenditures Regular School Bus Transportation Transportation for Homeless Students Other Expenses	\$445,765.00 433,382.00 12,721.00 2,760.00
Special Education Transportation Expenditures Special Needs Transportation (provided by the district) Special Needs Transportation (reimbursements to parents) Sped Salaries & Support Services	\$355,163.00 349,380.00 5,783.00 0.00
Total	\$870,116,00



FOOD SERVICES
Michelle A. Rapoza, Student Services Coordinator
2013 - 2014

The Westport Community Schools' food services program is completely self-supporting, generating revenue through meal, vending sales, reimbursements from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and the Massachusetts Department of Secondary & Elementary Education (DESE). Revenues fund all day-to-day operations, finance the replacement of aging equipment and cover the costs of implementing new technology in food service operations; including computerized point-of-sale systems at four schools.

All Westport schools participate in the National School Lunch Program, providing nutritionally balanced, low-cost or free lunches to Westport children during the year. School districts participating in the lunch

program receive cash reimbursement and donated commodity foods from the USDA for each meal they serve. In return, schools must serve lunches that meet Federal nutrition requirements and they must offer free and reduced-price meals to eligible children.

Children with family incomes below 130 percent of the poverty level are eligible for free meals. Those between 130 and 185 percent of the poverty level are eligible for reduced-price meals. During the year, our schools served 57,239 free and reduced-price lunches putting the percentage of Free and Reduced lunches at 27% of the total student enrollment. Applications for free or reduced-priced meals are available throughout the year. The privacy of students who receive these meals is protected; their participation is anonymous. Meal costs at Westport Schools are slightly *lower* than state and national averages: lunch at the high school and middle school is \$2.25 and \$2.00 at the elementary school and kindergarten. Reduced-price meals are \$0.40.

Although school lunches must meet Federal nutrition requirements, decisions about what specific foods to serve and how they are prepared are made by our local school food services staff. All meals meet the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Each meal provides at least one-third of the recommended daily allowances for protein, Vitamin A, Vitamin C, iron, calcium and calories. Our schools actively support local growers through SEMAP's "Buy Fresh Buy Local" consortium, buying fresh and/or organic produce.

During the year, our 16-member staff served 166,438 meals. Staff members participated monthly in food and industrial safety training, and all food preparation facilities and recordkeeping procedures were inspected monthly by a private compliance contractor. Facilities were also inspected at least two times by the Board of Health. Most staff members are ServeSafe and CPR certified.

Vending sales at Westport Schools are confined to healthy, reduced-calorie snacks and beverages that meet the nutritional guidelines of our Wellness Policy. The school district is a partner with Pepsi Beverages Company, the exclusive provider of our bottled water, fruit and vegetable juices (our schools do not offer any soda products to students or products that contain splendor products at the Macomber, Elementary or Middle Schools). This is the third year of a 3 year contract.

# Food Services Financial Report Fiscal Year 2013-2014

Beginning Balance	\$ 44,931.00
Revenues	687,506.00
Sales	472,391.00
State and Federal Reimbursement	213,132.00
Adult Meals Sales Tax	1,983.00
Expenditures	(643,907.00)
Salaries	319,858.00
Food	242,930.00
Supplies and Materials	69,770.00
Equipment	11,349.00
Ending Balance	\$88,530.00
# of free lunches # of reduced lunches	
341 92	

# SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL 2013 - 2014

# **District Administration and Programs**

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ann Marie Dargon

School Business Officer (0.4 FTE)

Marc Dupuis

Executive Secretary for the Superintendent Karen Augusto

Director of Special Education Elaine Santos

Student Services Coordinator (Transportation/Nutrition)

Michelle Rapoza

Executive Assistant for Data Administration Michelle Fredericks
Instructional Technology Specialist Supervisor Michael Purdy
Academic Grants Coordinator - Title I (0.3 FTE) John DeFusco

Executive Assistant for Business Services

Melissa Sousa

Business Services Assistant for Accounts Payable Sheila Kenyon
Business Services Assistant for Payroll Lucy Hassey

Executive Assistant for Human Resources Michelle Fredericks

District Clerk (Transportation/Nutrition/Technology)

Executive Secretary for Special Education

Helena Neves

Pamela Bruns

Student Services Supervisor

John Phelan

Supervisor of Custodians & Facilities Kimberly Ouellette

Pyschologist Sarah Gates

Supervisor of Maintenance & Facilities Michael Duarte

Maintenance & Facilities Bradley Freitas

Maintenance & Facilities Helper Peter Sarza

District Courier/Custodian

District Custodian

District Custodian

Paul Malenfant

District Clerk (Curriculum, Testing, Professioanl Development/ESL)

Suzanne Lemar

District Network Administrator Robert Nogueira

District Computer Systems Administrator Edward Newcomer

School Resource Officer (Town)

Robert Reed

Nurse Leader, stipened not an FTE

Communications Support Teacher assistant

Heidi Charest

Behavior Teacher

Sandra Mauk

Physical Therapist

Jessica Randall

Blind & Visually Impaired Teacher Mariesa Mills

Nurse (0.6 FTE) Christine Trethewey

English Language Learners Teacher (0.5 FTE)

Ann Hathaway

English Language Learners Teacher (0.5 FTE)

Anarolino DeSousa

School Physician

Dr. Doppis B. College

School Physician Dr. Dennis R. Callen

# Westport High School

Principal Cheryl Tutalo
Assistant Principal Karen Antonelli

Athletic & Activites Director Jason Pacheco

Director of Guidance Kathy Belanger **English Teachers** Thomas Clark Regina Mercer Jessica Brittingham Christina Borges Nicole Bell-Dias Long Term Substitute English Teacher **Matthew Shivers** Math Teachers Shannon McGuire Debra August Matthew Girard Laura Charette Michael King Social Studies Teachers Sheldon Thibodeau Norman Abrahamson Katherine Silva Gustin Cariglia Rebecca Meshes Science Teachers Arlyn Bottcher Nicholas Hunt **Daniel Harrington** Gregg Surd Paul Korchari Ann DeFrias World Language Teachers Caroline Pavao Edneuza Farias **Business Teachers** Kevin Clark **Chester Millett Special Education Teachers Christina Borges** Paul Bornstein Julie Moisiades Jessica Thompson Christopher Sardinha Melissa Cordeiro Reading Teacher Amanda Rowley Teacher Assistants Kimberly goncalo Sharon Skov Juline Douyon Kimberly Perry Derek DaSilva Paraprofessionals Patricia Sommer Annette DeGagne Music Teacher Samuel Costa Amanda Howland Library Media Specialist **Bridget Buckless** Health & Physical Education Teachers Celia Daluz

Gary Parziale
Jessica Raimondi

Art Teachers Scott Frost

Morgan Bozarth Claudia Gonzalez

Guidance Counselors Leslie Ruel

Marie Fallows Melissa Plourde

School Adjustment Counselors Melissa Plourde
Mary-Jo Medeiros

Speech Language Pathologist (0.5 FTE)

Occupational Therapist

Nurse

Sandra Alpoim-Raposo

Cristine Morrissette

Susan Walinski, R.N.

Campus Supervisor Joseph Kenyon

In School Suspension Teacher Assistant

Exectuive Secretary to the Principal

Michelle Cairol

School Clerk Vivian Sa

Special Education Clerk

Guidance Clerk

Alexandra Moniz

Madeline Bednarz

Food Service Manager

Food Service Staff

Angela Meredith

Holly Moreau

Terry Fitzsimmons

Custodian - Day

Custodians - Night

Janet Pacheco

James Pacheco

Anthony Furtado

Maurice steiblin

Casey Jones

# Westport Middle School

Interim PrincipalCarolyn PontesInterim Assistant PrincipalKelly ChouinardAthletic & Activates Director (0.2 FTE)Matthew Kampper

English Teachers

Thomas Flanagan

Matthew Shunney
Jacqueline Hinckley
Patricia Robichaud

Nancy Tripp William Bernier Jonathan Bernier Erin Connolly

Math Teachers Lauren Driscoll

Elizabeth Teixeira Courtney Daly Martha Delpape

Mary-Catherine Santos

Judith Jennings
Christine Carlisle
Ryan Struthers

Social Studies Teachers

Deborah Janik Amanda Tetzloff Amy Dubois Michael Ponte Justen Walker

Science Teachers

Trisha Paiva Nicole Pereira Holly Pacheco Susanne Theriault

Peter Holt

**Special Education Teachers** 

Dianne Pereira Dianne Comeau Judy Gilbert Andrea Medeiros Jeanne Rivard Ann Clark Christa Davison Mary-Ann Duval

**Reading Support Teachers** 

Nancy Tripp Patricia Robichaud

Math Specialist **Teacher Assistants**  Sue Ubiera Colleen Kublin Carol Beaupre

Wendi Charbonneau Elizabeth Karam Robin Sullivan Paula Mello Jodi Williams

Kathleen Cummings Tammy Pimental Madeline Lesieur Jaime Soares Elizabeth Cote **Christopher Nunes** 

Music Teacher

Scott MacDonald Amy Teixeira

Matthew Kampper Alicia McGuire Sherry Michael

**Art Teachers Guidance Counselors** School Adjustment Counselors Sheri Teague

Sandra Alpoim-Raposo

Speech Language Pathologist (0.5 FTE) Nurse

Health & Physical Education Teachers

Diane DaPonte, R.N. Kristina Silvia

Campus Supervisor Exectuive Secretary to the Principal

Brian Petrin Amy Arruda Alexandra Moniz

School Clerk

Linda Souza

Special Education Clerk Food Service Manager

Library Media Specialist

Food Service Staff Ronda Pereira

Laura Nascimento Nubia Nascimento Karen Arruda

Custodian - Day John Richard

Custodians - Night Michael Concepcion

Patricia Sulyma Robert Caeton

Westport Elementary School

**Special Education Teachers** 

Interim Principal David Thomas

Assistant Principal Christine Staskiewicz
First Grade Teachers Stacey Duquette

Robin Morin Andrea Willard Elizabeth Dunn Leah Holmes Andrea Chaves

Second Grade Teachers Jennifer Merchant

Erin Connors Donna Edwards Jodi Ferreira Aimee Rapoza

Elizabeth Williamson Janice Weissinger

Third Grade Teachers Paul Tetrault

Jennifer Fitton Andrew Cottrill Jillian Davenport Julie Morrotti

Fourth Grade Teachers Kelly Araujo

Elizabeth Chouinard

Shelley Rego Cheryl Guild Kara Raposo Jacqueline Potvin

Leah Holmes

Catherine Howland Melissa Avila

Jessica Cushing Linda Ferreira Renee Rego Jennifer Lauriat

Remedial Reading Teachers Leah Chesney

Amanda Melo Ingeborg DeFusco

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Kristen Shott Ann Hathaway Remedial Math Teacher Stephanie Church

> Derbra Darkow Susan Martin Nadine Fournier Michelle Scott Janet Vachon

Paraprofessionals Mary Anne Vincellette

> Carol Nadeau Crystal Carriero Vicky Darcy Donna Bedard Jeanine Deveau **Sherry Amaral** Lucy Cordeiro Marlo Dennis

Music Teacher Library Media Specialist Susan Viveiros Health & Physical Education Teachers Nancy Kim Mercier

Art Teachers Carol Duby

**Guidance Counselors** Elizabeth Bacchiocchi

Psychologist Kendra Rocco

Speech Language Pathologist Stephanie Cournoyer Occupational Therapist (0.5 FTE) Ginger Cameron Nurse Nicole Machado, R.N.

Licensed Practical Nurse Mary Ann Kelly Campus Supervisor Debra Quinn

**Bridget Kaegel** Martha Faria Marybeth Carney

School Clerk Patricia Amaral Special Education Clerk Suzanne Lemar Food Service Manager Janice Carvalho Food Service Staff Maria Fatima Silva

Sherrie Giovannini Lucia Ferreira Lori Deston

Custodian - Day Custodians - Night Michael Caeton Maral Sousa

# Alice A. Macomber Primary School

Exectuive Secretary to the Principal

Teacher Assistants

Alec Ciminello Principal Special Education Supervisor (0.2 FTE) Elisabeth Harrington Kindergarten Teachers

Michelle Thomas Karen Lavenda Jennifer Medeiros Melissa Parker

### Integrated PreKindergarten Teachers

Multi-Age Special Education Teacher Reading & Math Specialist English Language Learners Teacher (0.2 FTE) Teacher Assistants

# Paraprofessionals

Music Teacher (0.3 FTE)

Physical Education Teacher (0.3 FTE)
Art Teacher (0.3 FTE)
School Adjustment Counselor (0.8 FTE)
Speech Language Pathologist
Occupational Therapist (0.5 FTE)
Nurse
Exectuive Secretary to the Principal
School & Special Education Clerk
Food Service Manager
Food Service Staff
Custodian - Day
Custodians - Night

Rachel Lambauer Jennifer Bettencourt Karen Salva Karen Sigman Elizabeth Abdow Carolyn Lavalley Arnolino DeSousa Lindsey Silva Jennifer Lavoie Susan Harding Stephanie DuCharme Cheryl Estrella **Christine Dias** RachelFortier Claudette Alberto Sherri Lees Amanda Howland Gary Parziale Claudia Gonzalez Elisabeth Harrington Lynn Volk Ginger Cameron Tracy Pereira Judy Oliveira Diane Charette Rose Sutcliffe Heidi Pierce Mark Thiobdeau

Raymond Cambra



# **MUNICIPAL DIRECTORY**

TOWN OFFICES	
Assessors, Board of	508-636-1012
Board of Health	508-636-1015
(Transfer Station: Open - 8:30 a.m. to	o 3:00 p.m.
Closed - Tuesday, Wednesdays & Ho	-
	to 3:00 p.m. Friday, Saturday & Sunday)
Board of Selectmen	508-636-1003
Building Department (Wire, Gas & Plumbing)	508-636-1035
Cable Public Access Office	508-636-1038
Cemetery Department	508-636-1025
Conservation Commission/Soil Board	508-636-1019
Highway Department	508-636-1020
Housing Assistance Office	774-264-5126
Planning Board	508-636-1037
Registrar of Voters	508-636-1001
Tax Collector	508-636-1010
Town Accountant	508-636-1040
Town Administrator	508-636-1150
Town Clerk	508-636-1000
Town Treasurer	508-636-1007
Zoning Board of Appeals	508-636-1003
PUBLIC SAFETY (BUSINESS NUMBERS)	
Dog Officer	508-636-1115
Emergency Management	508-672-0721
Fire Department - Central Village	508-636-1110
Fire Department - Briggs Road	508-672-0721
Harbormaster	508-636-1105
Police Department (Non-Emergency)	508-636-1122 or 508-636-1123
Shellfish Warden/Wharfinger	508-636-1105
State Police (Dartmouth)	508-993-8373
<u>HUMAN SERVICES</u>	
Citizens for Citizens	508-672-2221
Council on Aging/Senior Center	508-636-1026
Housing Authority	508-675-2039
Senior Social Day Care Program	508-636-1027
Town Library	508-636-1100
Town Nurse	508-636-1030
Veteran's Office	508-636-1028
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	
Administration Building	508-636-1140
Alice A. Macomber School	08-678-8671
Superintendent of Schools	508-636-1137
Westport Elementary School	508-636-1075
Westport High School	508-636-1050
Westport Middle School	508-636-1090
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