

## ACUSHNET AT A GLANCE

Incorporated: February 13, 1860

Type of Government: Open Town Meeting

Population: 10,293

10,129 (State Census)

Total Valuation:

Class 1 and 2 Tax Rate: \$13.17 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2013)

Class 3 and 4 Tax Rate: \$16.84 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2013)

Registered Voters: 7,276

Total Area: 18 Square Miles

Churches: 6

Public Schools: 2

Parochial Schools: 1

Regional School: 1

Principal Industries:

road surface materials, farming, apple,  
peach orchards, landscape nurseries

4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:

Congressman Joseph Kennedy III

Office: (508) 999-6462 - Office: (617) 332-3920

11TH BRISTOL REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT:

Robert Koczera

Office: (617) 722-2582

2ND BRISTOL SENATORIAL DISTRICT:

Mark C.W. Montigny

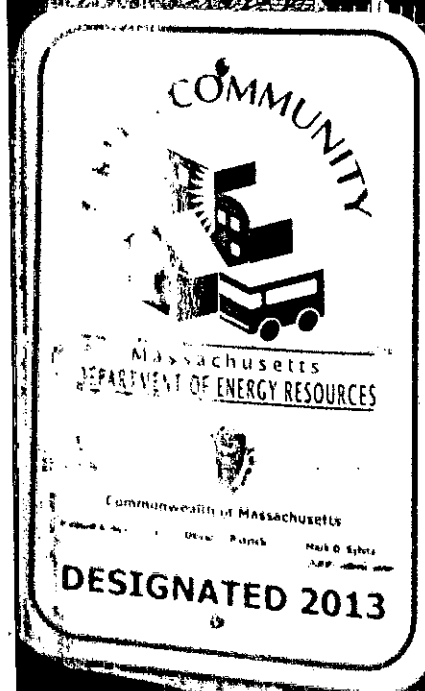
Office: (508) 984-1474 - Office: (617) 722-1440

Annual Election of Officers: 1st Monday in April

Annual Town Meeting: 4th Monday in April

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# 2013 ANNUAL REPORT



ACUSHNET,  
MASSACHUSETTS

The sign in front of the Parting Ways Building shows Acushnet  
has been designated as a Green Community in 2013.

*photo courtesy of James Marot, Building Commissioner/Zoning Officer*



## **TOWN RECORDS AND REPORTS**

of the

## **TOWN OF ACUSHNET**

**MASSACHUSETTS**

For the

**Year Ending December 31, 2013**

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Fire Department (Emergency).....	9-1-1
Fire Department (Business) .....	508-998-0250
Police Department (Emergency).....	9-1-1
Police Department (Business) .....	508-998-0240
Acushnet Emergency Medical Service (Ambulance).....	9-1-1
Acushnet Emergency Medical Service (Business).....	508-998-0235

## TOWN SERVICES

Animal Control Officer.....	508-998-9040
Assessors .....	508-998-0205
Building Department .....	508-998-0225
Board of Public Works, Water/Sewer Department.....	508-998-0230
Cemetery Department .....	508-995-0052
Conservation Commission.....	508-998-0202
Council on Aging.....	508-998-0280
Director of Finance .....	508-998-0220
Emergency Management Agency (Civil Defense) .....	508-998-0295
Gas Inspector.....	508-998-0225
Health Board .....	508-998-0275
Park Department .....	508-998-0285
Planning Board.....	508-996-6662
Plumbing Inspector.....	508-998-0225
Russell Memorial Library.....	508-998-0270
School Business Manager.....	508-998-0261
Selectmen .....	508-998-0200
Superintendent of Schools.....	508-998-0260
Town Collector .....	508-998-0210
Town Clerk .....	508-998-0215
Town Treasurer .....	508-998-0212
Tree Warden .....	508-998-0230
Veteran's Services .....	508-998-0207
Visiting Nurse.....	508-998-0275
Wire Department .....	508-998-0225

## WEB SITE ADDRESS

[www.acushnet.ma.us](http://www.acushnet.ma.us)

## In Memoriam 2013

Gerald L. Toussaint  
Board of Appeals  
Board of Health  
Date of Death – January 25, 2013

Olive M. Laycock  
Historical Society  
Election Inspector  
Date of Death – March 5, 2013

Patricia Picard  
Conservation Committee  
Date of Death – April 9, 2013

Carlton C. Albritton  
Acushnet Elementary Building Needs Committee  
Old Colony School & New Building Committee  
Date of Death – June 26, 2013

Elaine George  
Council on Aging  
Date of Death – December 12, 2013

Individually, we are one drop. Together, we are an ocean.  
Ryunosuke Satoro

**TOWN OFFICERS  
2013**

**Town Clerk**

Pamela A. Labonte Term Expires 2014

**Board of Selectmen**

Leslie Dakin, Jr., Chairman Term Expires 2014  
Kevin Gaspar, Sr. Term Expires 2015  
David E. Wojnar Term Expires 2016

**Board of Assessors**

Marc F. Cenerizio, Chairman Term Expires 2014  
Matthew D. Lopes Term Expires 2015  
Liberio D. Soares Term Expires 2016

**Board of Health**

Robert Medeiros, Chairman Term Expires 2014  
David M. Davignon Term Expires 2015  
Thomas J. Fortin Term Expires 2016

**School Committee**

Francis R. Kuthan, Chairman Term Expires 2014  
David M. DeTerra Term Expires 2014  
John C. Howcroft Term Expires 2015  
Douglas M. Coray Term Expires 2016  
Michelle D. DeTerra Term Expires 2016

**Commissioner of Trust Funds**

Marc E. Laplante, Chairman Term Expires 2016  
Leo M. Rousseau Term Expires 2014  
Vacancy Term Expires 2014

**Trustees of Free Public Library**

Kristen E. Leotti, Chairwoman Term Expires 2016  
Henry T. Preston Term Expires 2014  
Simonne L. Coutinho Term Expires 2014  
Jean S. Stripinis Term Expires 2015  
Bertha Louise Threlfall Term Expires 2016  
Vacancy Term Expires 2015

**Cemetery Board**

Paul H. Fortin, Chairman Term Expires 2015  
Joanne K. Cioper Term Expires 2014  
Charlene A. Fortin Term Expires 2016

**Park Commissioners**

Michael L. Desrosiers, Chairman Term Expires 2016  
James S. Madruga, Jr. (Resigned – April 4, 2013) Term Expires 2014  
Wayne B. Richmond Term Expires 2015  
David R. Souza (Appointed – May 8, 2013) Term Expires 2014

**Housing Authority**

James S. Madruga, Jr., Chairman Term Expires 2014  
Lawrence G. Marshall Term Expires 2015  
Lawrence P. Mulvey Term Expires 2015  
Rene Racine Term Expires 2016  
Nicholas A. Gomes - Governor's Appointee (Appointed 11/8/2013) Term Expires 2018

**Planning Board**

Marc F. Cenerizio, Chairman Term Expires 2017  
Leo N. Coons, Jr. Term Expires 2014  
Richard H. Ellis Term Expires 2015  
Mark M. DeSilva, Sr. Term Expires 2016  
Richard P. Forand Term Expires 2018

**Moderator**

Robert E. Francis Term Expires 2014

**Tree Warden**

Raymond F. Barlow Term Expires 2014

**Board of Public Works**

Jeffrey D. Schuster, Chairman Term Expires 2015  
Dustin T. Cormier (Resigned – September 23, 2013) Term Expires 2014  
Darrin A. Pinto (Resigned – October 29, 2013) Term Expires 2014  
Norman D. Fredette Term Expires 2015  
Philip A. Mello Term Expires 2016  
Matthew Goulet (Appointed – December 9, 2013) Term Expires 2014

**Town Oaths Administrated by Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk "2013"**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Date Sworn In</u>
John P. Abaray Jr.	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/03/13
Frank J. Adesso	Constable	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/09/13
Kerrie L. Almeida	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating - Weigher	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/15/13
Jamie P. Alves	Cultural Council	Appt. 9/11/13	5/01/16	9/17/13
Michael G. Alves	Police Station Building Committee (Police Chief)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	1/17/13
Michael G. Alves	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/06/13
Michael G. Alves	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/06/13
Al F. Amaral	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Al F. Amaral	Police Station Building Committee (At Large)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	1/17/13
Catherine L. Audette	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/13
Louise L. Benoit	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	4/29/13
Gerard A. Bergeron	EMA Director	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	6/11/13
Evelyn L. Bouley	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/06	7/01/13
Evelyn L. Bouley	Old Colony Reg. Voke Tech. School Committee (Acushnet Rep)	4/22/13	4/30/16	7/01/13
Ron Burke, Jr.	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating - Weigher	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Ron Burke, Jr.	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating - Weigher	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Eric N. Cannon	Finance Committee	Appt. 3/11/13	5/01/16	3/14/13

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Connie J. Carr	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/09/13
Marc F. Cenerizio	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/03/13
Marc F. Cenerizio	Open Space Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/03/13
Marc F. Cenerizio	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/03/13
Marc F. Cenerizio	Soil Conservation Board (Planning)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/03/13
Marc F. Cenerizio	Stormwater Review Committee	Appt. 4/02/12	4/03/17	12/03/13
Matthew H. Charbonneau	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Lillian R. Contois	Election Warden	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/29/13
Lillian R. Contois	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 6/30/11	6/30/14	2/25/13
Leo N. Coons, Jr.	Stormwater Review Committee	Appt. 4/06/09	4/07/14	12/04/13
Douglas M. Coray	School Committee	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	4/02/13
Dustin T. Cormier	Board of Public Works	Resigned 9/23/13	4/07/14	4/25/11
Ronald T. Cormier	Veterans Agent	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/06/13
Jenny Correia	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Andrea Corrie	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/06/13
Joseph G. Costa	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/15	7/11/13
Joseph A. Cote	Agricultural Commission	Appt. 11/18/13	5/01/15	12/2/13
Alan G. Coutinho	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---

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Alan G. Coutinho	Parking Clerk	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Alan G. Coutinho	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Alan G. Coutinho	Police Station Building Committee (Town Administrator)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	1/17/13
Alan G. Coutinho	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Charlotte A Coutinho	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	4/29/13
Simonne L. Coutinho	Election Warden	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/17/13
Dianna Couto	Election Warden	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/13
Dianna Couto	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 06/30/11	6/30/14	5/08/13
Kevin A.G. Dakin	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/02/13
Kevin A.G. Dakin	Community Preservation Comm.. Conservation Committee Designee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/02/13
Kevin A.G. Dakin	Conservation Commission	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/02/13
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	Rent Control Board	Appt. 10/07/13	End of Elected Term	---
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	SRTA Representative	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Thomas J. DeCosta	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Thomas J. DeCosta	Police Station Building Committee (At Large)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	1/17/13

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Antone DeMello Jr.	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating - Weigher	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/15/13
Mark M. DeSilva, Sr.	Stormwater Review Committee	Appt. 4/04/11	4/04/16	12/3/13
Louise M. Desroches	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/13/13
Louise M. Desroches	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 2/08/13	6/30/14	2/25/13
Michael L. Desrosiers	Park Commissioner	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	4/09/13
Michelle D. DeTerra	School Committee	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	---
Cathy L. Doane	Police Station Building Committee (Finance Director)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	1/17/13
Jeanne L. Duggan	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/20/13
Richard H. Ellis	Stormwater Review Committee	Appt. 4/05/10	4/06/15	12/3/13
Diane Ferreira	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/28/13
Robert A. Ferreira	Finance Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/20/13
Robert A. Ferreira	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Finance Comm. Rep)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/20/13
David M. Flynn	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/28/13
Jeremy T. Fontes	Police Station Building Committee (Police Dept)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	1/17/13
Donna G. Forand	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/23/13
Donna G. Forand	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/23/13
Lee A. Forand	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	6/18/13

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Richard P. Forand	Planning Commission	Elected 4/01/13	4/02/18	12/04/13
Richard P. Forand	Stormwater Review Committee	Appt. 4/01/13	4/02/18	12/04/13
Carolyn C. Fortin	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Charlene A. Fortin	Cemetery Board	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	4/09/13
Thomas J. Fortin	Board of Health	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	4/02/13
Joanne Fournier	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/13
Nancy A. Francis	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	1/23/13
Geraldine D. Frates	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 4/26/10	5/01/14	---
Kevin A. Gallagher	Forest Warden	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Kevin A. Gallagher	Inspector of Garages	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Kevin A. Gallagher	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Kevin A. Gallagher	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Rent Control Board	Appt. 10/07/13	End of Elected Term	---
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Police Station Building Committee (Selectmen)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---
Lorraine Gentili	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Lorraine Gentili	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 6/30/11	6/30/14	2/25/13
Dorothy F. Gomes	Council on Aging	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/08/13

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Dorothy F. Gomes	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 6/30/11	6/30/14	2/25/13
Nicholas A. Gomes	Housing Authority Governor's Appointee	Appt. 11/05/13	1/29/18	12/27/13
Maria I. Goncalves	Agricultural Commission	Appt. 11/18/13	5/01/16	12/05/13
Alfred Gonsalves	Council on Aging	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	4/29/13
Manuel G. Goulart	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Bus Comm. Rep)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	3/26/13
Manuel G. Goulart	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Bus Comm. Rep)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	6/11/13
Matthew C. Goulet	Board of Public Works	Appt. 12/09/13	Until the next annual election	12/09/13
Theodore Govoni	Herring Warden	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/13	6/27/13
Russell W. Goyette	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Frank C. Grace	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 2/25/12	5/01/14	2/27/13
Frank C. Grace	Historical Commission	Appt. 2/25/12	5/01/14	2/27/13
Christopher Green	Conservation Commission	Appt. 5/08/13	5/01/16	5/14/13
Linda Guilbeault	Council on Aging	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/08/13
Richard E. Gula	Conservation Commission	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	4/30/13
Madeline J. Gwozdz	Historical Commission	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/15	5/21/13
Carole D. Hall	Cultural Council	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/29/13

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Robert W. Hall	Historical Commission	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/21/13
Marie M. Hardy	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/13
Marie M. Hardy	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 6/30/11	6/30/14	2/25/14
William K. Hargreaves	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	4/29/13
Florence R. Hathaway	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/09/13
John C. Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
John C. Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Paulette J. Hudson	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/13
Ed J. Isaac	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Member-at-Large)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	6/11/13
Merilee Kelly	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 1/28/13	5/01/13	1/30/13
Merilee Kelly	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Merilee Kelly	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Merilee Kelly	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Pamela A. Labonte	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Richard J. Lally	Board of Appeals	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/18	5/02/13

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Marc E. Laplante	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	4/09/13
Marc E. Laplante	Commissioner of Trust Funds	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	4/09/13
Marc E. Laplante	Constable	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/07/13
Rick D. Leaver	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating - Weigher	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Raymond F. Leblanc	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Katherine M. Lena	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating - Weigher	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Charles R. Leonard, Jr.	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Lisa A. Leonard	Cultural Council	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	---
Kristen E. Leotti	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	---
Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights and Measures	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights and Measures	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Edward A. Macomber	Cultural Council	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	---
James S. Madruga	Park Commissioner	Resigned 4/04/13	4/07/14	5/04/11
James A. Marot	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
James A. Marot	Enforcement Agent for BOS	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
James A. Marot	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---



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James A. Marot	Police Station Building Committee (Building Inspector)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	1/17/13
James A. Marot	Portable Sign Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
James A. Marot	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Robert Medeiros	Soil Conservation Board (BOH)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/13/13
Philip A. Mello	Board of Public Works	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	4/02/13
Dan M. Menard	Moth Super/Inspector of Pest Control	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Dan M. Menard	Phase II Stormwater Committee	4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Dan M. Menard	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Dan M. Menard	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Dan M. Menard	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Dan M. Menard	Special Police Officer for New Bedford Water Works	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Katherine A. Milligan	Tax Title Custodian	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Catherine L. Mindlin	Asst. Animal Control Officer/Inspector of Animals	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Maria M. Moore	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/28/13
Margaret M. Mota	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	6/18/13
Lawrence P. Mulvey	Community Preservation Comm. (Housing Authority)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/09/13

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Kim M. Natal	Agricultural Commission	Appt. 11/18/13	5/01/15	12/18/13
Mike S. Oliveira	Tilcon Capladi/PJ Keating - Weigher	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/15/13
Maria Otocky	Insurance Advisory Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/28/13
Heidi L. Pelletier	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/28/13
Heidi L. Pelletier	Conservation Commission	Appt. 5/20/13	5/01/15	5/28/13
Victor J. Pereira	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	2/26/13
Victor J. Pereira	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	12/10/13
Everett C. Philla, Jr.	Conservation Commission	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/07/13
Everett C. Philla, Jr.	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/07/13
Faye M. Philla	Election Warden	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/07/13
Faye M. Philla	Town Meeting Teller	2/08/13	6/30/14	2/25/13
Steven M. Pina	Deputy Building Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	6/03/13
Darrin A. Pinto	Board of Public Works	Resigned 10/29/13	4/07/14	4/08/11
Anita L. Poitras	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/13/13
Anita L. Poitras	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 2/08/13	6/30/14	2/25/13
Henry T. Preston	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Joyce A. Reynolds	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	7/11/13
Joyce A. Reynolds	Community Preservation Committee (Historical Commission)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	7/11/13

**Town Oaths Administrated by Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk "2013"**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Date Sworn In</u>
Robert C. Rocha	Open Space Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Leo M. Rousseau	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/06/13
John E. Roy	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	6/12/13
Robert St. Jean	Finance Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/28/13
Robert St. Jean	Police Station Building Committee (Finance Committee)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	1/17/13
Priscilla V. Santos	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/06/13
Christopher T. Saulnier	Cultural Council	Appt. 9/11/13	5/01/16	9/17/13
Liberio D. Soares	Board of Assessor	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	10/08/13
Jeanie G. Soucy	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/30/13
Susanne Y. Sounik	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/06/13
Susanne Y. Sounik	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 6/30/11	6/30/14	2/25/13
David R. Souza	Park Department	5/08/13	Next Annual Election	5/15/13
Norval A. Stanley	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Norval A. Stanley	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Jean S. Stripinis	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 4/1/13	4/04/16	---
Heather J. Sylvia	Council on Aging Director	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/13
Pauline Teixeira	Council on Aging	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/07/13

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Date Sworn In</u>
Pauline Teixeira	Cultural Council	Appt. 7/29/13	5/01/16	8/05/13
Pauline Teixeira	Historical Commission	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/07/13
Bertha L. Threlfall	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 4/1/13	4/04/16	4/16/13
Kelli A. Tomlinson	Constable	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/02/13
Rebekah A. Tomlinson	Animal Control Officer/ Inspector of Animals	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/13
Marybeth Tripp	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/15/13
Pamela G. Tripp	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/28/13
Ralph Urban	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Ralph Urban	Soil Conservation Board Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Herve W. Vandal, Jr.	Constable	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/16	5/03/13
Lori M. Walsh	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Jeannine B. Watts	Cultural Council	Appt. 7/29/13	5/01/16	8/06/13
Stephen L. Watts	Cultural Council	Appt. 7/29/13	5/01/16	8/06/13
Janet M. West	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/21/13
Carol Westgate	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Cynda T. Williams	Agricultural Commission	Appt. 11/18/13	5/01/14	12/06/13
David E. Wojnar	Board of Selectmen	Elected 4/01/13	4/04/16	4/02/13
David E. Wojnar	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---

**Town Oaths Administrated by Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk "2013"**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Date Sworn In</u>
David E. Wojnar	Rent Control Board	Appt. 10/07/13	End of Elected Term	---
Joyce A. Wylie-Scholz	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Norma York	Agricultural Commission	Appt. 11/18/13	5/01/16	12/18/13
Henry S. Young	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Henry S. Young	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---
Henry S. Young	Police Station Building Committee (Planning)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	1/18/13
Filomenia Yuille	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating – Weigher	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	---

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WARRANT  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M.  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS  
To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the Eleventh (11th) day of February, 2013, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

FEBRUARY 11, 2013

WEATHER: Cool & drizzly

LOCATION: Ford Middle School

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:00 P.M.

TIME MEETING RECESSED:

7:02 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 3 – Robert Francis, Moderator

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

Keith Ashley, Police Officer

7:00 P.M.: Meeting opened – Moderator announced the February 11, 2013, Town Meeting postponed until February 25, 2013 at 7:00 P.M., due to the Blizzard of 2013.

7:01 P.M.: Meeting recessed and will reconvene February 25, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. at the Acushnet Middle School Auditorium, 708 Middle Rd., Acushnet.

FEBRUARY 25, 2013

WEATHER: Cool & drizzly

LOCATION: Ford Middle School

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES: Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

TIME MEETING RECONVENED: 7:00 P.M.

TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:14 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 227

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator	Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk
Katherine Milligan, Town Treasurer	Dr. Michael Boucher, Finance Committee Vice Chairman
Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee-Chairman	Cathy Doane, Finance Director
Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator	David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen-Chairman
Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen	Kevin Gaspar, Sr. Board of Selectmen
Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council	

Moderator recognizes Jose Marrello, foreign exchange student from Panama studying at Old Colony Regional Technical Vocational High School.

Moderator: I have an honor tonight as it is not often that I have distinguished guests here and this evening I have a young gentleman, an exchange student from Panama, here to see how a democratic state works. This is Jose Marrello.

Following a round of applause and an introduction of all individuals seated on the stage, the town meeting articles are presented, as follows:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund and implement wage increases for those employees covered by the following union contracts: Town Hall (A.F.S.C.M.E.) (covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015), Fire Department (IAFF, Local #3281) (covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015), EMS (Teamsters Local 59) (covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015), retroactive to July 1, 2012, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$21,129.00, and transfer from the Water Surplus Account \$405.00, and transfer from the Sewer Surplus Account \$325.00 to fund and implement employee wage increases retroactive to July 1, 2012 for the first year of the following union contracts: Town Hall (A.F.S.C.M.E.) (covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015), and Fire Department (IAFF, Local #3281) (covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015).
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this unanimously.

3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to line item # 8230122/515000 (Sick Time Buyback), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$5,000.00)

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash \$5,000.00, for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend its acceptance of Sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, otherwise known as the Community Preservation Act (the "Act"), by accepting the following exemptions from the surcharge of 1 ½ % of the annual real estate tax levy against real property, as permitted under Section (3)(e) of the Act: (1) property owned and occupied as a domicile by a person who would qualify for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in the Town (note that this exemption must be applied for annually); and (2) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of class three, commercial property, and class four, industrial property as defined in section 2A of chapter 59 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article unanimously.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation providing for particular treatment of Solar Farm tax revenues and creating a special capital fund to be funded annually by such revenues all as set forth below; 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, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve such amendments as are within the public purposes of the petition, or take any other action relative thereto.

An Act Relative to Establishment of a Special Capital Fund in the Town of Acushnet

Section 1. Establishment of a Capital Expenditure Fund.

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 53 of chapter 44 of the general laws or of any other general or special law to the contrary, there is hereby established in the Town of Acushnet a capital expenditure fund to which shall be credited without further appropriation real estate and personal property tax revenue from solar farm facilities situated in residential districts in the town, as such districts may be defined from time to time by the town's zoning bylaws (hereinafter "Solar Tax Revenues"). The town treasurer shall be the custodian of the fund, and the deposit and investment of Solar Tax Revenues in such fund shall be in accord with the provisions of section 55 of chapter 44 of the General Laws. Interest earned shall remain with and become part of the fund.

(b) For purposes of this act, the term "solar farm facilities" shall mean real property on which is located multiple arrays of photovoltaic panels that collect and convert sunlight to energy for commercial purposes, regardless of how such facilities are characterized, and the panels and related equipment.

Section 2. Expenditures from the Fund.

(a) Not later than March 15 in any year, the board of assessors shall estimate annual Solar Tax Revenues to be collected in the upcoming fiscal year and notify the board of selectmen of the amount available for appropriation at the annual town meeting, and at any later town meeting held prior to the setting of the tax rate. As with other municipal tax revenues, following the close of the books at the end of each fiscal year, any Solar Tax Revenues not appropriated, and any other monies remaining in the fund shall be reported to the department of revenue; once approved, such fund balance shall be available for appropriation at any time until the close of that fiscal year.

(b) Appropriations from said fund shall be authorized by majority vote at an annual or special town meeting for any purpose related to capital improvements or for the repayment of capital debt. For purposes of this act, "capital improvements" or "capital debt" shall include: acquisition of interests in land, acquisition of tangible assets or the undertaking of capital projects, which assets or projects

shall have a useful life of 5 years or more and a cost of \$10,000 or more and which are not properly categorized as annual operating expenses and shall include the payment of debt service on capital projects, whether such projects were approved prior to or after the effective date of this act. Capital projects shall also include major departmental capital equipment, even if acquired on an annual basis, meeting the useful life and cost requirements of this section.

Section 3. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made Chairman Wojnar to move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
3. Vote: Moderator declares the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Six Million Three Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$6,382,000) or some other amount, to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing a new Town Library/Community Center, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, to determine whether such sum shall be raised by borrowing, appropriation from available funds or otherwise, and if by borrowing, no funds shall be borrowed or expended unless (i) the Town shall have received final approval of a library grant on account of this project from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, or any other similar agency of the Commonwealth, and (ii) the Town shall have voted to exempt the repayment of any bonds or notes authorized to be issued for this project from the limitations imposed by Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (Proposition 2½); and that any borrowing authorized pursuant to this article shall be reduced to the extent of any grants or gifts received by the Town on account of this project, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Library Trustees)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move that the Town appropriates Six Million Three Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$6,382,000), to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally

equipping, and furnishing a new Town Library, including the payment of all costs incidental and related, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(3) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; provided, however, that no amount shall be borrowed or expended pursuant to this vote unless (i) the Town shall have received final approval of a library grant on account of this project from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, or any other similar agency of the Commonwealth, and (ii) the Town shall have voted to exempt the repayment of any bonds or notes authorized to be issued for this project from the limitations imposed by Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (Proposition 2½). The amount authorized to be borrowed by this vote shall be reduced to the extent of any grants or gifts received by the Town on account of this project.

2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a 5 to 1 vote.
3. Vote: Moderator decides on a hand count to ensure no question as to how the vote turns out.

In Favor – East: 75      West: 115 – Total: 190

Against - East: 9      West: 14 – Total: 23

The article passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority. (Town Clerk note – vote did not require a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Finance Committee Chairman St. Jean to move the Town table said article.
2. Vote: The motion passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority.

8:14 P.M. – Motion made to adjourn Special Town Meeting. Motion passes – meeting adjourned.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof fifteen (15) days at the least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.

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David E. Wojnar, Chairman

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Leslie Dakin, Jr., Member

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Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy Attest:  
This 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013

# RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 1, 2013

Register of Voters Eligible to Vote in the April 1, 2013 Election  
Final Day of Registration – March 12, 2013

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Libertarian	Mass Indep. Party	Republican	Inter. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party	Unenrolled	Total
Precinct I	850	5	7		147		1227	2236
Precinct II	801		5	1	218	1	1453	2479
Precinct III	869		12		191		1484	2556
Total	2520	5	24	1	556	1	4164	7271

## CLERK'S REPORT - PRECINCT I

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the Annual Town Election held this day in Precinct I.

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 900 plus 18 Absentee ballots.  
Number of ballots cast from tape 670.  
Number of ballots counted manually 2.  
Number of ballots spoiled 9.  
Number of Provisional Ballots not cast 1.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 236

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla  
Clerk: Pamela Tripp, Carolyn Fortin, Clerks  
Inspectors: Jeanne Duggan, Dorothy Gomes, Susanne Sounik, Janet West,  
Catherine Audette, Carolyn Fortin, Pamela Tripp  
Police Officers: Jeremy Fontes, Ryan Lavoie

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 670.

A true record: Attest:/s/ Pamela Tripp, Carolyn Fortin, Clerks  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

## CLERK'S REPORT - PRECINCT II

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the Annual Town Election held this day in Precinct II.

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 900 plus 18 Absentee ballots.  
Number of ballots cast from tape 692.  
Number of ballots counted manually 2.  
Number of ballots spoiled 11.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 213.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Simonne Coutinho  
Clerk: Diane Ferreira  
Inspectors: Maria Moore, Lorraine Gentili, Donna Forand,  
Joyce WylieScholz, Everett Philla, Marie Hardy  
Police Officers: Derek Cathcart, Philip Adams

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 692.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Diane Ferreira  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

## CLERK'S REPORT - PRECINCT III

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the Annual Town Election held this day in Precinct III.

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Dianna Couto, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 900 plus 13 Absentee ballots.  
Number of ballots cast from tape 638.  
Number of ballots counted manually 5.  
Number of ballots spoiled 6.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 264.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Lillian Contois, Acting Warden  
 Clerk: Lee Forand  
 Inspectors: Andrea Corrie, Priscilla Santos, Russell Goyette,  
 Jennie Correia, Marybeth Tripp, Louise Benoit  
 Police Officers: Derek Cathcart, Phillip Adams

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 638.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Lee Forand  
 Clerk of Election Officers  
 Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

**RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 1, 2013**

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
<b>SELECTMEN (Three Years)</b>				
David E. Wojnar	375	357	334	1066
Michael A. Cioper	289	326	298	913
Blanks	8	11	10	29
Write-Ins: (1)				
Ron Frois			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

<b>ASSESSOR (Three Years)</b>				
Liberio D. Soares	471	459	453	1383
Blanks	200	235	190	625
Write-Ins: (1)				
Gilbert Cabral	1			1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

<b>BOARD OF HEALTH (Three Years)</b>				
Thomas J. Fortin	498	502	479	1479
Blanks	172	191	164	527
Write-Ins: (2)				
Mickey Mouse	2			2
John Mello		1		1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>673</b>	<b>2009</b>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
<b>SCHOOL COMMITTEE (Three Years) Vote for Two</b>				
Michelle D. DeTerra	485	479	470	1434
Blanks	843	874	794	2511
Write-Ins: (14)				
* Doug Coray	14	11	6	31
Tony Cambra	1			1
Any One	1			1
* Douglas Coray		15	12	27
* Douglas Corey		2		2
* Doug Corray		1		1
* Doug Corey		3		3
* Doug Cowray		1		1
* Douglan Cory		1		1
Leo Rousseau		1		1
* Cory			1	1
William K. Hargreaves			1	1
Michael McDermott			1	1
Robert Lanzoni			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1344</b>	<b>1388</b>	<b>1286</b>	<b>4018</b>

*\*Upon unanimous vote of the Board of Registrars, the voter intent was for Douglas M. Coray*

<b>COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS (Three Years)</b>				
Marc E. Laplante	469	473	475	1417
Blanks	201	219	167	587
Write-Ins: (3)				
* Sierra Lima	2	1		3
* Siera A. Lima		1		1
* Sierra A. Lima			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

*\*Upon unanimous vote of the Board of Registrars, the voter intent was for Sierra Aguiar Lima*



	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
<b>COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS</b>				
For remainder of unexpired term ending 4/6/15				
Blanks	666	683	629	1978
Write-Ins: (19)				
Frank Zappa	1			1
Leo Rousseau	1			1
Angelina Villipone	1			1
Somebody Good	1			1
Marko Poolo	1			1
Charlene Fortin	1			1
* Sierra Aguiar Lima		1		1
Marc Laplant		1		1
* Sierra A. Lima		3	6	9
Michael Murray		1	1	2
Thomas Leaver		1		1
Don Lopes		1		1
* Sierra Lima		1	2	3
Brian Pimental		2		2
Simone Coutinho			1	1
Derek Cathcart			1	1
Phil Adams			1	1
David Macado			1	1
Tom Fortin			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

*\*Upon unanimous vote of the Board of Registrars, the voter intent was for Sierra Aguiar Lima*

<b>PLANNING COMMISSIONER (Five Years)</b>				
Richard Forand	469	484	463	1416
Blanks	203	210	180	593
Write-Ins: (0)				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
<b>TRUSTEE OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY (Three Years) (Vote for Two)</b>				
Kristen E. Leotti	472	467	458	1397
Blanks	871	914	825	2610
Write-Ins: (8)				
None	1			1
*Bertha L. Threlfall		2	1	3
* Louise Threlfall		2		2
Paul Fortin		1		1
Mark Ibrahim		1		1
Lianne E. Cory		1		1
David Machado			1	1
William K. Hargreaves			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1344</b>	<b>1388</b>	<b>1286</b>	<b>4018</b>

*\*Upon unanimous vote of the Board of Registrars, the voter intent was for Bertha Louise Threlfall*

<b>TRUSTEE OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>				
For remainder of unexpired term ending 4/6/15				
Blanks	667	685	634	1986
Write-Ins: (21)				
None	1			1
* Louise Threlfall	1			1
Gil Marques Jr.	1			1
Kristen Leotti	1			1
Connie Preston	1			1
* Louise Threlfall		1		1
Kristine Leotti		1		1
Mark Lipsett		1		1
John Golda		1		1
Leo Rousseau		1		1
* Bertha L. Threlfall		3		3

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Lianne E. Cory		1		1
* B. Louise Threlfall			1	1
William K. Hargreaves			1	1
David Machado			1	1
Mrs. Rocha			1	1
Michael Nunes			1	1
Rochelle Copper			1	1
Phillip Adams			1	1
Carl Junier			1	1
Johnny Bernard			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

*\*Upon unanimous vote of the Board of Registrars, the voter intent was for Bertha Louise Threlfall*

<b>PARK COMMISSIONER (Three Years)</b>				
Michael L. Desrosiers	474	473	454	1401
Blanks	194	219	188	601
Write-Ins: (3)				
Everette Hardy	4			4
Paul Soucy		1		1
Paul R. Soucy		1		1
John Romanelli			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

<b>BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS (Three Years)</b>				
Philip A. Melo	478	468	455	1401
Blanks	194	223	188	605
Write-Ins: (3)				
Nathanyl Gomes		1		1
Norm Ferdet		1		1
Dennis Tripp		1		1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

**QUESTION 1:** Shall this Town amend its acceptance of sections 3 to 7, inclusive of

chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body?

This question involves amendment of the Town's acceptance of G.L. c.44B, §§3-7, also known as the Community Preservation Act (the "Act"), under which the Town assesses a surcharge on real property of 1½% of the tax levy, as determined annually by the Board of Assessors. The funds collected under the Act, including the surcharge and an annual distribution of funds from the Massachusetts Community Preservation Trust Fund, are a dedicated source of funds for the three purposes of the Act: open space, including land for recreational use; historic resources; and community housing.

There are several optional exemptions available under Section 3(e) of the Act, none of which were approved by the Town when it originally accepted the Act at the November 18, 2002 Special Town Meeting and the April 7, 2003 Annual Town Election. However, on a motion under Article 3 at the February 25, 2013 continued session of the February 11, 2013 Special Town Meeting, the Town approved adoption of two such optional exemptions as follows: (1) property owned and occupied as a domicile by a person who would qualify for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in the Town (note that this exemption must be applied for annually); and (2) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of class three, commercial property, and class four, industrial property as defined in G.L. c.59, §2A. If approved, the new exemptions would be available beginning in Fiscal Year 2014.

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>QUESTION 1</b>				
YES	291	296	285	872
NO	272	312	277	861
Blanks	109	86	81	276
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

**QUESTION 2:** Shall the Town of Acushnet be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing a new Town Library/Community Center, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto?

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>QUESTION 2</b>				
YES	295	327	309	931
NO	338	330	297	965
Blanks	39	37	37	113
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>2009</b>

Attest:

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

Percentage of Votes Cast 27%

# RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL STATE PRIMARY HELD ON APRIL 30, 2013

Register of Voters Eligible To Vote in the April 30, 2013 State Primary  
Final Day of Registration – April 10, 2013

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Libertarian	MA Indep Party	Republican	Inter. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party	Unenrolled	Total
Precinct I	846	5	7		146		1223	2227
Precinct II	806		5	1	219	1	1449	2481
Precinct III	870		12		190		1480	2552
<b>TOTAL</b>	2522	5	24	1	555	1	4152	7260

## CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT I

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the State Primary held this day in Precinct I.

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 700 plus 11 Absentee ballots. (D=500, R=200)  
Number of ballots cast from tape 0.  
Number of ballots counted manually 228.  
Number of ballots spoiled 3.  
Number of Provisional Ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 479.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla  
Clerk: Carolyn Fortin  
Inspectors: Jeanne Duggan, Dorothy Gomes, Susanne Sounik,  
Pamela Tripp, Catherine Audette, Marie Hardy  
Police Officers: Philip Adams, John Bolarinho

Remarks: Tape total on Clerk's Report reflects "Ballots cast from tape as zero". Due to an error in processing the absentee ballots at all precincts, (absentee ballots marked with incorrect pens reflected "Blank Ballot"), these ballots were forced through using the Number 3 key on the Optech Eagle machines, even though they were marked. To correct this issue at all precincts, all ballots were counted manually, per instruction of the Town Clerk.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 228.

A true record: Attest:/s/ Carolyn Fortin  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

## CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the State Primary held this day in Precinct II.

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Lillian Contois, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 700 plus 11 Absentee ballots. (D=500, R=200)  
Number of ballots cast from tape 0.  
Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 253.  
Number of ballots spoiled 1.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 457.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Lillian Contois, Simonne Coutinho  
Clerk: Diane Ferreira  
Inspectors: Maria Moore, Marybeth Tripp, Jenny Corriera,  
Donna Forand, Joanne Fournier, Everett Philla  
Police Officers: Ryan Lavoie, Gene Robinson

Remarks: Dennis Leclair of Rogerson Avenue came to vote. He is listed as a Democrat. His name was checked off and was handed a Democrat ballot. He didn't want a Democrat ballot and left before we could tell him that he could change his affiliation at the polling place or at the Town Hall.

Tape total on Clerk's Report reflects "Ballots cast from tape as zero". Due to an error in processing the absentee ballots at all precincts, (absentee ballots marked with incorrect pens reflected "Blank Ballot"), these ballots were forced through using the Number 3 key on the Optech Eagle machines, even though they were marked. To correct this issue at all precincts, all ballots were counted manually, per instruction of the Town Clerk.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 253.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Diane Ferreira  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

**CLERK'S REPORT - PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the State Primary held this day in Precinct III.

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Lillian Contois, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 700 plus 5 Absentee ballots. (D=500, R=200)  
Number of ballots cast from tape 0.  
Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 272.  
Number of ballots spoiled 0.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 433.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Dianna Couto  
Clerk: Lee Forand  
Inspectors: Russell Goyette, Andrea Corrie, Louise Benoit, Janet West,  
Paulette Hudson, Priscilla Santos  
Police Officers: Ryan Lavoie, Gene Robinson

Remarks: Tape total on Clerk's Report reflects "Ballots cast from tape as zero". Due to an error in processing the absentee ballots at all precincts, (absentee ballots marked with incorrect pens reflected "Blank Ballot"), these ballots were forced through using the Number 3 key on the Optech Eagle machines, even though they were marked.  
To correct this issue at all precincts, all ballots were counted manually, per instruction of the Town Clerk.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 272.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Lee Forand  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

**RESULTS OF THE STATE PRIMARY HELD ON APRIL 30, 2013**

**DEMOCRATIC RESULTS**

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</b>				
Stephen F. Lynch	93	89	106	288
Edward J. Markey	69	74	84	227
Blanks	0	0	0	
Write-Ins (5)				
Stephen Lynch	1			1
Gabriel Gomez		1		1
Michael Sullivan		1		1
Sullivan		1		1
Gabrial Gomez			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>520</b>

**REPUBLICAN RESULTS**

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</b>				
Gabriel E. Gomez	34	41	42	117
Michael J. Sullivan	26	36	31	93
Daniel B. Winslow	4	10	8	22
Blanks:	1			1
Write-Ins:				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>233</b>

Attest:

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk  
Percentage of Votes Cast 10%

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**WARRANT**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MONDAY, MAY 20, 2013 AT 7:15 P.M.**  
**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS

To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the Twentieth (20th) day of May, at 7:15 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Rain showers

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:

Moderator

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:06 P.M.  
7:25 P.M.

TIME MEETING RECONVENED: 7:48 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 359

LOCATION: Ford Middle School

Approved by Robert Francis,

TIME MEETING RECESSED:

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**THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:**

Robert Francis, Moderator	Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk
Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee Chairman	Cathy Doane, Finance Director
Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator	David E. Wojnar, Selectman
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Selectmen	Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council

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ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to fix salaries and compensation of elected/appointed officers/employees, and to see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for the payment of said salaries and compensation, payment of debt interest, for a reserve fund and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the ensuing twelve (12) month period through June 30, 2014, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**  
**(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)**

1. I move that the Town fix salaries and compensation of elected/

appointed officers/employees, and appropriate funds for the payment of said salaries and compensation, payment of debt and interest, a reserve fund, and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the ensuing twelve (12) month period through June 30, 2014; all as set forth in the budget presented by the Finance Committee, and, as funding therefor, to appropriate from Taxation the sum of \$22,682,360.00, transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$650,189.00, transfer from the Over Lay Surplus the sum of zero, transfer from EMS Reserved Receipt account the sum of \$300,000.00, transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of zero, appropriate from Water Fees the sum of \$1,296,200.00, transfer from Water Surplus the sum of zero, appropriate from Sewer Fees the sum of \$538,034.00, transfer from Sewer Surplus the sum of zero, appropriate from Golf Fees the sum of \$1,384,579.00, and transfer from Golf Contingency the sum of zero.

2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: The Finance Committee voted to unanimously support this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 2013, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a 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, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**  
**(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)**

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town accepts said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: The Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the members of the Cemetery Board to perform work in the Cemeteries and to determine the compensation to be paid to said members, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town accepts said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: The Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into a contract for the expenditure of any funds allotted or to be allotted by the Commonwealth for the construction, reconstruction and improvements of Town roads, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town accept the article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: The Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Library Trustees to sell for the sum of (\$1.00) the discarded books and periodicals of the Russell Memorial Library to the Friends of the Russell Memorial Library, a non-profit library support group, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Library Trustees)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize a revolving fund account pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, §53E1/2 for the Conservation Commission into which monies received by the Town for Conservation Commission Fees, except for fees already allocated to the NOI account (fees received for NOIs and ANRADs), are deposited and from which the Conservation Commission shall expend funds solely for the Conservation Commission activities, not to exceed \$2,500.00 in the fiscal year, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Conservation Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Wojnar that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund for the Conservation Commission as set forth in the warrant.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize a revolving fund account pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, §53E1/2 for the Council on Aging into which monies received by the Town from Council on Aging activities, are deposited and from which the Council on Aging shall expend funds solely for the Council on Aging activities, not to exceed \$15,000 in the fiscal year, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Council on Aging)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund for the Council on Aging as set forth in the warrant.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 8. COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT

To see if the Town will vote to act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2014 Community Preservation Budget and to appropriate or reserve for later appropriation monies from the Community Preservation Fund Estimated Annual Revenues or available funds for the administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, the payment of debt service, the undertaking of Community Preservation

projects and all other necessary and proper expenses for the year, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2014 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION BUDGET

The Community Preservation Committee recommends that the following amounts be appropriated or reserved from Fiscal Year 2014 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues, unless otherwise specified, for Fiscal Year 2014 Community Preservation purposes with each item considered a separate appropriation:

PURPOSE:	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT:
Appropriations:	
Community Preservation Administrative Expenses	\$7,180.00
Reserves:	
Open Space	\$14,362.00
Historic Resources	\$14,362.00
Community Housing	\$14,362.00
Budgeted Reserves	\$108,901.00
Total FY 2014 Budget	\$159,167.00

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town vote to appropriate or reserve from Community Preservation Fund FY2014 estimated annual revenues the sum of \$143,615.00 and from the Community Preservation Fund Balance the sum of \$15,552.00, which sum shall be credited to the Budgeted Reserves line, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee and as set forth in the warrant for Fiscal Year 2014, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: The Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Resources Reserve Account for the preservation of the historic Town owned Fire and E.M.S. Station 2, located on North Main Street, specifically for the replacement of windows and adding blow-in insulation, pursuant to the Community Preservation program, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$6,500.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town transfers from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Resources Reserve Account the sum of \$6,500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Two Dollars from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve Account and Twelve Thousand One Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account for the purpose of repairing and replacing the roof located at the historic Town owned Emergency Management Agency building, located at 14 Thomas Street, Acushnet, pursuant to the Community Preservation program or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$20,000.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Resources Reserve account the sum of \$7,862.00 and from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$12,138.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account for the preservation of historic resources, particularly the relocating and renovating of the historic building located at 60 Main Street in Acushnet, commonly referred to as the "Captain Severance home", to the Sawmill Property located on Mill Road in Acushnet, pursuant to the Community Preservation program, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$60,000.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$60,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: The article passed with opposition.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will approve the establishment by the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District of a so-called "Stabilization Fund" consistent with G.L. Chapter 71, Section 16G½ and as previously approved by the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District.

(Submitted by Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town accepts said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to add to the Town of Acushnet General Bylaws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 3, a new section named "3.3.4 Residential Village District (RV) comprised of permitted uses; uses by special permit; prohibited uses; development standards; and dimensional requirements", the text of which has been placed on file and is available for review at the Town Clerk's office, and further to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Acushnet to include the new Residential Village District (RV) in the manner shown on a map filed and available for review with the Town Clerk, and further

to make such nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of said Bylaws as are necessary to incorporate such additions, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Planning Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town accepts said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Planning Board recommendation by Chairman Marc Cenerizio: Planning Board recommends this article.
4. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s): The article passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section 3.9, A, B, C, **TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTERS**, that would provide as follows, and further to amend the Table of Contents to add Section 3.9, A, B, C, "Temporary Moratorium on Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers:"

Section A. PURPOSE

By vote at the State election on November 6, 2012, the voters of the Commonwealth approved a law regulating the cultivation, distribution, possession and use of marijuana for medical purposes. The law provides that it is effective on January 1, 2013 and the State Department of Public Health is required to issue regulations regarding implementation within 120 days of the law's effective date. Currently under the Zoning Bylaw, a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center is not a permitted use in the Town and any regulations promulgated by the State Department of Public Health are expected to provide guidance to the Town in regulating medical marijuana, including Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers. The regulation of medical marijuana raises novel and complex legal, planning, and public safety issues and the Town needs time to study and consider the regulation of Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers and address such novel and complex issues, as well as to address the potential impact of the State regulations on local zoning and to undertake a planning process to consider amending the Zoning Bylaw regarding regulation of medical marijuana treatment centers and other uses related to the regulation of medical marijuana. The Town intends to adopt a temporary moratorium on the use of land and structures in the Town for Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers so as to allow the Town sufficient time to engage in a planning process to address the effects of such structures and uses in the Town and to enact bylaws in a manner consistent with sound land use planning goals and objectives.

Section B. DEFINITION

"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."

Section C. TEMPORARY MORATORIUM

For the reasons set forth above and notwithstanding any other provision of the Zoning Bylaw to the contrary, the Town hereby adopts a temporary moratorium on the use of land or structures for a Medical Marijuana Treatment Center. The moratorium shall be in effect through November 30, 2014. During the moratorium period, the Town shall undertake a planning process to address the potential impacts of medical marijuana in the Town, consider the Department of Public Health regulations Regarding Medical Marijuana Treatment Facilities and related uses, and shall consider adopting new Zoning Bylaws to address the impact and operation of Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers and related uses.

And that nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the By-Laws of Acushnet; or to take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Planning Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted to support said article with seven members voting in the affirmative and one member voting in the negative.
3. Planning Board recommendation by Chairman Marc Cenerizio: Planning Board recommends this article.
4. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s): The article passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to Amend the Town of Acushnet General Bylaws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 3, by adding: (1) a new subsection named 3.10, Expedited Permitting; (2) a definition of Alternative Energy Manufacturing, Assembling, or Packaging Goods to Section 2.0.; and (3) a new subsection named 3.3.3.9, Alternative Energy Manufacturing Facilities to Section 3.3.3, the text of which has been placed on file and is available for review at the Town Clerk's office, and further to make nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of said Bylaws as are necessary to incorporate such additions, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Energy Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the town move to accept said article as read except for the following changes to the by-law that was filed with the Town Clerk:
  - 1) remove the words "biological" & "chemical" from the section entitled "Research & Development Activities."
  - 2) remove the words "heavy or" from the section entitled "Alternative Energy Manufacturing, Assembling or Packaging Goods."
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Planning Board recommendation by Chairman Marc Cenerizio: Planning Board recommends this article.
4. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s): Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.
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ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, 780 CMR, the "Stretch Energy Code", **including amendments or modifications thereto**, regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, or take any action thereto.

(Submitted by the Energy Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town accept article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Planning Board recommendation by Chairman Marc Cenererizio: Planning Board recommends this article.
4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Finance Committee Chairman St. Jean that the Town transfer from Free Cash \$45,252.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>): Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declared the article passed unanimously.

8:43 P.M. – Motion made to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting. Motion passes – meeting adjourned.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven (7) days at the least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2013.

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Leslie Dakin, Jr., Chairman

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Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member

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David E. Wojnar, Member  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy, Attest:  
This day of May 2, 2013

Kelli A. Tomlinson  
Constable of Acushnet

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**WARRANT**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MONDAY, MAY 20, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M.**  
**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS

To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the Twentieth day of May, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Rain showers  
School

LOCATION: Ford Middle

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES: Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator  
TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:06 P.M. TIME MEETING RECESSED: 7:25 P. M.  
TIME MEETING RECONVENED: 7:26 P.M.  
ATTENDANCE: 359

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THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator	Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk
Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee Chairman	Cathy Doane, Finance Director
Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator	David E. Wojnar, Selectman
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Selectmen	Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council

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ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Six Million Three Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$6,382,000) or some other amount, to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing a new Town Library/Community Center, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, to determine whether such sum shall be raised by borrowing, appropriation from available funds or otherwise, and if by borrowing, no funds shall be borrowed or expended unless (i) the Town shall have received final approval of a library grant on account of this project from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, or any other similar agency of the Commonwealth, and (ii) the Town shall have voted to exempt the repayment of any bonds or notes authorized to be issued for this project from the limitations imposed by Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (Proposition 2½); and that any borrowing authorized pursuant to this article shall be reduced to the extent of any grants or gifts received by the Town on account of this project, or to take any other action relative thereto

(Submitted by Petition)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Resident Gina Lanzoni LaFountain that the Town appropriates Six Million Three Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$6,382,000), to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing a new Town Library/Community Center, including the payment of all costs incidental and related, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(3) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; provided, however, that no amount shall be borrowed or expended pursuant to this vote unless (i) the Town shall have received final approval of a library grant on account of this project from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, or any other similar agency of the Commonwealth, and (ii) the Town shall have voted to exempt the repayment of any bonds or notes authorized to be issued for this project from the limitations imposed by Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (Proposition 2½ ). The amount authorized to be borrowed by this vote shall be reduced to the extent of any grants or gifts received by the Town on account of this project.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: The Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Discussion from the floor: The following individuals spoke in support for the passage of the article: Gina Lanzoni-LaFountain (Resident), Debbie Rock (Fairhaven resident), Leanne Corrie (Resident), Nancy Francis (Community Center & Resident), Roland Gailitis (Resident).
4. Trustees of Free Public Library recommendation by Trustee Kristen Leotti: The Library Trustees continue to support this project and support this article.
5. Vote: Declared passed by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund and implement wage increases for those employees covered by the following union contract: EMS (Teamsters Local 59) (covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015), retroactive to July 1, 2012, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move that the Town confirm previous appropriations made for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to line item #0104423-529000 (Snow Removal, Emergency) to fund expenses incurred in FY 2013, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Three Dollars (\$138,103.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to line item #0105543/577000 (Veterans Benefits), to fund expenses incurred in FY 2013, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$60,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Wojnar to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) to fund line item #0105543/577000 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars for the purpose of replacing 20 sets of firefighter personal protective equipment (Phase 2 of replacing firefighting coats, pants, suspenders), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$33,000)

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of Thirty-Three Dollars (\$33,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Ambulance Reserved Receipts Account the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Dollars for the purpose of replacing two cardiac monitors/defibrillators for the EMS Division, or take any other action relative thereto. (\$51,000)

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Wojnar to move the Town transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Receipt Account the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Dollars (\$51,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 1 of the June 4, 2012, Annual Town Meeting by transferring from the Golf Contingency Fund to increase the FY13 Golf Enterprise budget line items, as follows, or to take any other action relative thereto.

#549050 Food/Beverage	\$6,000.00
#541500 Gasoline	\$8,250.00
#546000 Seed, Topdressing	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
Total	\$15,750.00

(Submitted by the Golf Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Gaspar to move the Town transfer from the Golf Contingency Fund the sum of Fifteen Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$15,750.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Golf Contingency Fund the sum of Ninety Seven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Five Dollars for the purpose of purchasing two mowers, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$97,285.00)

(Submitted by the Golf Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move the Town transfer from the Golf Contingency Fund the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars (\$97,285.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Discussion from the floor:

Question: Nicholas Gomes, Resident: Questions the type of mowers being purchased, and if the two mowers are the same type.

Response: Ed Isaac, Golf Committee, these two mowers are for cutting of the rough, one is roughly a 30" cut mower and the other is roughly a 5' mower.

Question: Nicholas Gomes, Resident: Asks the following questions 1) what the town is currently using for mowers, 2) the cost of the mowers, 3) what the procurement procedure of the mowers will be, will it be conducted in accordance to the Uniformed Procurement Act, Mass General Laws Chapter 30B?

Response: David Flynn, Golf Committee: The mowers are a little larger than Mr. Isaac stated. One specked out is a Toro

Groundskeeper 3500 and the other is a Groundskeeper 4500, specialized for golf courses with 5 hydraulic decks on them. The purchase price for each one is approximately Forty to Forty-Five Thousand (\$40,000.00 to \$45,000.00) a piece. The procurement process has several avenues, one is the Massachusetts State Bid List, and the Golf Committee intends to go through one of those vendors, probably Turf Products which sells Toro Products and it is approved to spend any amount since it is already an awarded Massachusetts state contract.

Question: Nicholas Gomes, Resident: If there is any excess money from the purchase left over, what occurs to that money?

Response: Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator: Any funds that remain after the bid process or go out to the state bid list would be closed out at the end of the year back to the Contingency Fund.

4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars for the purpose of purchasing a used vehicle for the Emergency Management Agency including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$15,000.00)

(Submitted by the EMA Director)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Gaspar to move the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Three Thousand Dollars for the purpose of purchasing a networking printer with duplexing capacity or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$3,000)

(Submitted by the Board of Assessors)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: The Finance Committee voted to support this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Surplus account the sum of One Hundred Twenty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars to Water Department line item #2704450-523000 (New Bedford Water Bills), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$126,838.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move the Town transfer from the Water Surplus Account the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$126,838.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will transfer from line item 2704450 / 511000 Water – Salaries/Director the sum of \$8,362.00 to line item 2704450 / 523000 New Bedford Water Bills, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move the Town transfer the sum of Eight Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars (\$8,362.00) from the line item 2704450/511000 to line item 2704450/523000 for purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars to Gasoline line item #0104422-541500, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$30,000)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted to support this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars for the purpose of purchasing a 20KW Propane Generator for the Department of Public Works Garage or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$9,800.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Wojnar to move the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$9,800.00) for the purpose of said article.
1. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee voted unanimously to support said article.
2. Department of Public Works, Norman Fredette: The generator we have now, I believe, is a 1946 Willys and parts are hard to come by.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Finance Committee Chairman St. Jean that the Town table said article.
2. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd's</sup>) Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares it tabled unanimously.

7:47 P.M. – Motion made to adjourn Special Town Meeting. Motion is seconded. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the Moderator declares the Special Town Meeting adjourned.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven (7) days at the least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2013.

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Leslie Dakin, Jr., Chairman

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Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member

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David E. Wojnar, Member  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy, Attest:  
This day of May 2, 2013

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Kelli Tomlinson  
Constable of Acushnet

**RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN LIBRARY  
DEBT EXCLUSION ELECTION  
HELD ON JUNE 25, 2013**

Register of Voters Eligible To Vote in the June 25, 2013 Election  
Final Day of Registration – June 5, 2013.

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Libertarian	Mass Indep Party	Republican	Inter Third Party	Unenrolled	Total
Precinct I	836	5	6		145		1224	2216
Precinct II	799		5	1	218	1	1454	2478
Precinct III	878		12		189		1474	2553
Total	2513	5	23	1	552	1	4152	7247

**CLERK'S REPORT –PRECINCT I**

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the State Election held this day in Precinct I.

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 957 plus 16 absentee ballots  
Number of ballots cast from tape 845.  
Number of ballots counted manually 4.  
Number of ballots spoiled 3.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 121.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla  
Clerk: Carolyn Fortin  
  
Inspectors: Susanne Sounik, Jeanne Duggan, Louise Desroches,  
Lori Walsh, Catherine Audette  
Police Officers: Turner Ryan, John Almeida

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 845.

A true record: Attest:/s/ Carolyn Fortin  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

**CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the State Election held this day in Precinct II.

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 1000 plus 30 absentee ballots  
Number of ballots cast from tape 833.  
Number of ballots counted manually 6.  
Number of ballots spoiled 3.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 1.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 187.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Pamela A. Labonte (Town Clerk)  
Clerk: Diane Ferreira  
Inspectors: Donna Forand, Andrea Corrie, Paulette Hudson,  
Anita Poitras, Priscilla Santos, William Hargraves,  
Louise Benoit, Janet West  
Police Officers: Gary Moniz, John Almeida, Jeremy Fontes, Turner Ryan  
  
Remarks: Michael J. Sylvia came to vote and the Town Clerk had him  
fill out the Affirmation of Continuance Form because she  
thought he was on the inactive list. He was actually not  
on any list, so he needed to be processed as a Provisional  
Voter.

Precinct II and Precinct III borrowed Library ballots from  
one another as they were running low on ballots remaining.  
At 5:50 p.m., Precinct III called the Town Clerk's Office  
stating that both Precinct II and Precinct III needed more  
ballots. Two Hundred additional ballots were delivered to  
both Precinct II and Precinct III.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 833.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Diane Ferreira  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

**CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the State Election held this day in Precinct III.

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 1000 plus 20 absentee ballots  
Number of ballots cast from tape 916.  
Number of ballots counted manually 5.  
Number of ballots spoiled 2.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 97.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Dianna Couto  
Clerk: Lee Forand  
Inspectors: Maria Moore, Everett Philla, Jr., Margaret Mota,  
Pamela Tripp  
Police Officers: Gary Moniz, Turner Ryan, John Almeida

Remarks: A manual ballot was left in a voting booth, but was  
accounted for Abel Correia of 22 Fairway Dr.

Precinct II and Precinct III borrowed Library ballots from  
one another as they were running low on ballots remaining.  
At 5:50 p.m., Precinct III called the Town Clerk's Office  
stating that both Precinct II and Precinct III needed more  
ballots. Two Hundred additional ballots were delivered to  
both Precinct II and Precinct III.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 916.

A true record, Attest:/s Lee Forand  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

**Ballot Question:**

Shall the Town of Acushnet be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition  
two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order  
to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing a new  
Town Library/Community Center, including the payment of all costs incidental and related  
thereto?

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
YES	392	412	472	1276
NO	457	426	444	1327
Blanks		2	5	7
TOTAL	<u>849</u>	<u>840</u>	<u>921</u>	<u>2610</u>

Attest:

Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk  
Percentage of Votes Cast 36%



# RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL STATE ELECTION HELD ON JUNE 25, 2013

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Total	2513	5	23	1	552	1	4152	7247

## CLERK'S REPORT –PRECINCT I

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the State Election held this day in Precinct I.

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 937 plus 13 absentee ballots  
Number of ballots cast from tape 844.  
Number of ballots counted manually 1.  
Number of ballots spoiled 4.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 101.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla  
Clerk: Carolyn Fortin  
Inspectors: Susanne Sounik, Jeanne Duggan, Louise Desroches,  
Lori Walsh, Catherine Audette  
Police Officers: Turner Ryan, John Almeida

Remarks: After much research, we find that the total of 845 voters is being certified. This includes the tape total of 844 voters, which includes the inactive voter plus the one manual counted vote. The tally sheets however, read 845 voters, plus the one inactive vote for a total of 846.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 844.

A true record: Attest:/s/

Attest:

Carolyn Fortin  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

## CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the State Election held this day in Precinct II.

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 1000 plus 24 absentee ballots  
Number of ballots cast from tape 820.  
Number of ballots counted manually 4.  
Number of ballots spoiled 6.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 1.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 193.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Lillian Contois, Simonne Coutinho  
Clerk: Diane Ferreira  
Inspectors: Donna Forand, Andrea Corrie, Paulette Hudson,  
Anita Poitras, Priscilla Santos, William Hargraves.  
Louise Benoit, Janet West  
Police Officers: Gary Moniz, John Almeida, Jeremy Fontes, Turner Ryan

Remarks: Michael J. Sylvia came to vote and the Town Clerk had him fill out the Affirmation of Continuance Form because she thought he was on the inactive list. He was actually not on any list, so he needed to be processed as a Provisional Voter.

Precinct II and Precinct III borrowed State ballots from one another as they were running low on ballots remaining. At 5:50 p.m., Precinct III called the Town Clerk's Office stating that both Precinct II and Precinct III needed more ballots. Two Hundred additional ballots were delivered to both Precinct II and Precinct III.

After careful research, we have decided to certify a total of 826 votes for the Special State Election that was held on June 25, 2013. The tally sheets totaled 825 active voters, plus a provisional ballot that was approved by the Board of Registrars on July 8, 2013, for a total of 826. The tape total

is 820 plus 4 manual counts and the one provisional for a total of 825.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 820.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Diane Ferreira  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

**CLERK'S REPORT - PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the State Election held this day in Precinct III.

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Lillian Contois  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 1000 plus 20 absentee ballots  
Number of ballots cast from tape 892.  
Number of ballots counted manually 3.  
Number of ballots spoiled 3.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 122.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Dianna Couto  
Clerk: Lee Forand  
Inspectors: Maria Moore, Everett Philla, Jr., Margaret Mota,  
Pamela Tripp  
Police Officers: Gary Moniz, Turner Ryan, John Almeida

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 892.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Lee Forand  
Clerk of Election Officer  
Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
<b>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</b>				
Gabriel E. Gomez	370	419	457	1246
Edward J. Markey	447	385	418	1250
Richard A. Heos	14	12	12	38
Blanks	11	9	7	27
Write-Ins:(5)				
Mickey Mouse	1			1
Michael Sullivan	1			1
Alex Knox	1			1
Edward S.			1	1
Albert Rivet		1		1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>845</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>2566</b>

Attest:

Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk  
Percentage of Votes Cast 35%

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**WARRANT**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M.**  
**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS  
To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the Twenty-First (21st) day of October, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Cool, clear and dry                      LOCATION: Ford Middle School  
WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:      Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator  
TIME MEETING OPENED:      7:37 P.M.  
ATTENDANCE: 76

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator	Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk
Kristie Costa, Treasurer/Collector	Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee, Chairman
Cathy Doane, Finance Director	Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator
David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen	Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen	Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote under the Community Preservation Act to appropriate Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) for the purpose of renovating and repairing the historic Perry Hill Church, and, as funding therefor, to transfer and appropriate the sum of Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) originally appropriated under Article #11 of the May 20, 2013, Annual Town Meeting from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account for the purpose of relocating the Captain Severance Home to the Sawmill Property; and further, to return the remaining sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) appropriated under said Article #11 to the Community Preservation Fund FY2014 Budgeted Reserve Account, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Dakin that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean:

The Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by unanimous vote of the committee.

3. Kevin Dakin, Community Preservation Committee Chairman:  
The board unanimously voted to recommend the funding of this article.
4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the unused borrowing authority voted under Article 23 of the October 24, 2011, Special Town Meeting, which authorized the borrowing of \$495,000.00 to purchase a conservation restriction over a parcel of land of approximately 46.6 ± acres owned by the LaPalme Family Nominee Trust as described on Acushnet Assessors Map 24, Lot 145, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean:  
Finance Committee did not consider this article where there was no expenditure of funds.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Phase II Betterment Fund the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) for the purpose of reimbursing the General Fund for debt service expenditures previously incurred, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town transfer from the Sewer Phase II Betterment Fund the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars to fund General Fund Debt Service and other FY14 budget items as voted from taxation under Article One at the May 20, 2013, Annual Town Meeting.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean:  
Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to increase line item # 0101913/517200 Unemployment Compensation, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Dakin that the Town raise and appropriate from Taxation the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Five Dollars (\$3,745.00) to line item # 0102232/511000 for the purpose of implementing a wage increase to the Fire Chief/EMS Director's Salary, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town raise and appropriate from Taxation the sum of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$3,745.00) For the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to reduce line item # 0103320/532200 Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School by Twenty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Seven Dollars (\$20,987.00) as voted under Article 1 of the May 20, 2013, Annual Town Meeting and to reduce accordingly the amount raised and appropriated under Article 1 of the May 20, 2013, Annual Town Meeting, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c. 83, §§16A-16F, inclusive, relative to the collection of sewer rates and charges and the establishment of liens for delinquent charges, and to direct the Town Clerk to file a certificate of such acceptance in Bristol South Registry of Deeds, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Collector)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Dakin that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c.40, §§42A-42F, inclusive relative to the collection of water rates and charges and the establishment of liens for delinquent charges, and to direct the Town Clerk to file a certificate of such acceptance in the Bristol South Registry of Deeds, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Collector)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of this committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Five Thousand Seventy Dollars (\$5,070.00) for the purpose of replacing 3 sets of firefighter personal protective equipment (firefighting coats, pants, suspenders), or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town raise and appropriate from Taxation the sum of Five Thousand Seventy Dollars (\$5,070.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends the passage of this article by unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Eight Thousand One Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$8,125.00) for the purpose of replacing 25 pairs of firefighting boots or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Dakin that the Town raise and appropriate from Taxation the sum of Eight Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$8,125.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean/Vice-Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$29,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing an unmarked police cruiser for the police department, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Police Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town raise and appropriate from Taxation the sum of Twenty Nine Thousand Dollars (\$29,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping one police cruiser for the Police Department, including the payment of all costs incidental or relative thereto.

2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-five Dollars (\$8,455.00) for the purpose of purchasing computer equipment and software, for the police department, as well as for the installation of said equipment and software, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Police Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town raise and appropriate from Taxation the sum of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$8,455.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the purpose of making repairs to the historical signs placed throughout Town, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Historical Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Dakin that the Town raise and appropriate from taxation the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00), to be expended by the Tree Warden, for the purpose of removing diseased trees on various town streets, including all costs incidental and related thereto, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Tree Warden)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town raise and appropriate from taxation the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$5,280.00) for the purpose of purchasing a 2013, Sur-Trac Roller Trailer for the Department of Public Works Highway Department, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town raise and appropriate from taxation the sum of Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$5,280.00) to pay costs of purchasing a 2013, Sur-Trac Roller Trailer for the Highway Department, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Forty Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars (\$46,168.00) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a 2013 Chevy Silverado 3500 Utility Truck for the Department of Public Works Highway Department, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Dakin that the Town raise and

appropriate from taxation the sum of Forty Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$46,168.00) to pay the costs of purchasing and equipping a 2013, Chevy Silverado 3500 Utility Truck for the Highway Department, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto.

2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Two Hundred Thirteen Dollars (\$213.00) to increase Line item# 0101176/534400 for the payment of an unpaid Board of Appeals bill from a prior year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 64 of the General laws, or to take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Appeals)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thirteen Dollars (\$213.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote (requires 9/10<sup>th</sup> vote): Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve for the purpose of preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of the Town-owned Long Plain Museum, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and located on North Main Street, specifically to replace the stainless steel liner, change the piping from the furnace to the chimney, clean the exterior bricks on the roof and remove the blue stone cap pursuant to the Community Preservation program, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve Account the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) for

the purpose of said article.

2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Kevin Dakin, Community Preservation Committee Chairman: The Community Preservation Committee recommends this article unanimously.
4. Vote: The article was passed with opposition.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) from the Community Preservation Fund FY2014 Budgeted Reserve Account for the purpose of preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of the Town-owned Long Plain Museum, listed on the national Register of Historic Places, and located on North Main Street, specifically to add blown-in insulation in the exterior walls and attic, and to replace any broken or damaged clapboards, pursuant to the Community Preservation program, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Dakin that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund FY2014 Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Kevin Dakin, Community Preservation Committee, Chairman: The Community Preservation Committee recommends unanimously, the funding of this article.
3. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
4. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 1 of the May 20, 2013 Annual Town Meeting by transferring from the Golf Contingency Fund sums to increase the FY14 Golf Enterprise budget line items by the following amounts, or to take any other action relative thereto.

546200	Pesticides PGRs	\$20,000.00
588000	Capital Improvements	<u>\$30,000.00</u>
	Total	\$50,000.00

(Submitted by a Golf Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar that the Town transfer from the Golf Contingency Fund the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article by a unanimous vote of the committee.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Acushnet General By-Laws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 3.3.4 Residential Village District (RV), to change the minimum lot width requirement set forth in subsection E(6), and further to delete the strikethrough language and add the underlined language in certain other subsections of Zoning Article VIII, Section 3.3.4, as follows:

- 1) In subsection B(7):  
Private garage or parking for ~~more than~~ four (4) or more cars or more than one (1) truck or commercial vehicle as an accessory use.
- 2) In subsection E(3):  
Minimum Setbacks:
  - (a) Front: Twenty (20) feet
  - (b) Rear: ~~Twenty-five~~ Twenty (20) feet; ten (10) feet for accessory buildings not exceeding 120 square feet in area and swimming pools;
  - (c) Side: ten (10) feet ~~if adjacent to a non-residential district, twenty-five (25) feet if adjacent to a residential district~~
- 3) In subsection E(10):  
All dwelling units must connect ~~Connection~~ to municipal water and sewer.

provided that nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the By-Laws of Acushnet, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by a Planning Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to table the article.
2. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s vote): The article is declared tabled by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority.

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**WARRANT**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M.**  
**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Finance Committee Chairman St. Jean that the Town transfer from taxation the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy Two Dollars \$58,172.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article unanimously.
3. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote): The article declared passed unanimously.

8:15 P.M. Motion made to adjourn Special Town Meeting – motion seconded – motion passes. The meeting is adjourned.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof fifteen (15) days at the least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2013.

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Leslie Dakin, Jr., Chairman

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Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
David E. Wojnar, Member  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy Attest:  
This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2013

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kelli Tomlinson  
Constable of Acushnet

Bristol, SS  
To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the Ninth (9th) day of December, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Cold and Misty  
WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:  
TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:00 P.M.  
ATTENDANCE: 183

LOCATION: Ford Middle School  
Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator	Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk
Dr. Michael Boucher	Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee, Chairman
Cathy Doane, Finance Director	Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator
David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen	Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen	Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council

ARTICLE 1. We the below, listed registered voters/residents of the Town of Acushnet, MA request the Board of Selectmen to call for a Special Town Meeting and have Town Counsel draft the appropriate language for the Town Meeting article. The purpose of the article is to initiate a charter change to eliminate the elected Board of Public Works and place all their duties and responsibilities back under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen.

(Submitted by Petition)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Leslie Dakin, Jr. that the Town table said article and proceed to Article 2 because Article 1 is a petition, an article that is not correct in form.
2. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote): The article passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority vote.



ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation eliminating the Board of Public Works in the Town of Acushnet, as set forth below; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court which are within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve such amendments; or take any other action relative thereto:

#### AN ACT ELIMINATING THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other General or Special Law to the contrary, the Charter of the Town of Acushnet, as on file in the office of the Archivist of the Commonwealth as provided in General Laws Chapter 43B, Section 12, is hereby amended by deleting Section 10 of Chapter 3, Board of Public Works, in its entirety, and the Board of Public Works shall thereupon be abolished.

Section 2. As of the effective date of this Act, the terms of any incumbent members of the Board of Public Works serving as of such date shall immediately terminate.

Section 3. The powers, duties and responsibilities of the Board of Public Works shall be transferred by operation of law to the Board of Selectmen. No contracts or liabilities then in force shall be affected by such abolition and the Board of Selectmen shall in all respects be the lawful successor of the Board of Public Works. The Board of Selectmen may delegate the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Board of Public Works to another entity at its discretion.

Section 4. This Act shall take effect upon passage.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen as Requested by Petition)

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Gaspar that the Town accept said Article as read.
2. Motion made by Michael Cioper that the Town move to use a secret ballot to vote.
3. Vote: The motion fails and there will be no secret ballot.
4. Vote: (2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote required)

In Favor: East: 35/West: 90 – Total 125  
Opposed: East: 14/West: 23 – Total 37

The article passes.

7:50 P.M. – Motion made to adjourn Special Town Meeting, motion was seconded and the meeting is adjourned.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof fifteen (15) days at the least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 18th day of November, 2013.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Leslie Dakin, Jr., Chairman

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Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
David E. Wojnar, Member  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy Attest:  
This 21st day of November, 2013

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kelli Tomlinson  
Constable of Acushnet

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

In April 2013, David E. Wojnar was elected to his 6th term as a member of the Board of Selectmen and Leslie Dakin, Jr. was elected Chairman.

### Buildings

The Town hired Kaestle Boos Architects and CDR Maguire as the Owners Project Manager to oversee the design and building of the new Police Station.

The debt exclusion vote for the new library failed meaning the Town was not able to accept the state grant. The Board and Library Trustees are exploring moving the Library to the Marie S. Howard School now that the Community Center has closed.

### Celebrations

The fourth annual Main Street car show didn't have the best of weather this year but still had many residents in attendance. A live band performed, thanks to the Acushnet Police Association. Hopefully live music will become a part of the annual event.

### Energy

The big news this year is Acushnet achieving Green Community status. As only the second Southcoast Community to receive certification it allows Acushnet many grant opportunities while saving significantly on the Town's energy costs with much more to follow in the future. Also, the Board of Selectmen with Town Meeting's vote were able to get Home Rule Legislation passed at the State House to establish a Solar Revenue Capital Fund. This will guarantee that the increased revenue collected from Solar Farms will not be used for budgetary purposes.

### Historic Renovation

Work continues on the Perry Hill Church. The 1800's style church is one of the oldest buildings in Town it has had its roof repaired and the building made safe. As funding becomes available further repairs are planned.

### Finance

The Town continues to receive clean audit reports. The goal of the audit is to provide the Selectmen and the Town resident's assurance that the information they are receiving from the Finance Team is accurate and factual.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Dakin, Jr., Chairman  
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.  
David E. Wojnar

Alan G. Coutinho, Town Administrator  
Lisa Leonard, Administrative Assistant

## OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

### POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Leslie Dakin, Jr.	2014
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	2015
David E. Wojnar	2016

### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Alan G. Coutinho

### TOWN ACCOUNTANT/DIRECTOR OF FINANCES

Cathy L. Doane

### TOWN TREASURER/COLLECTOR

Kristie A. Costa

### TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN

Kristie A. Costa

### TOWN COUNSEL

Kopelman & Paige

### TOWN INSURANCE BROKER

Hub International Insurance

### POLICE CHIEF

Michael G. Alves

### FIRE CHIEF / EMS DIRECTOR

Kevin A. Gallagher

### ADA COORDINATOR

Alan G. Coutinho

### AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

Cynda Williams      Joseph Cote      Kim Natal  
Maria Gonsalves      Norma York

### ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER/INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Rebekah A. Tomlinson

### ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Terrance Cripps

### BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Connie Carr      Charlotte Coutinho  
Donna Forand      Florence Hathaway  
Carol Charbonneau  
Joyce Reynolds  
Eric James

### BOARD OF APPEALS

Lawrence Marshall	2016
Richard Gula	2017
Richard J. Lally	2018
Carol Westgate	2014
Paul B. Hipolito (Chair)	2015
Kevin Dakin (Alternate)	2014

### BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS

Raymond F. LeBlanc	2016
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### INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

James A. Marot

### DEPUTY BUILDING INSPECTOR

Nathan Darling

### GAS INSPECTOR

Raymond N. LaFrance, Gas Inspector  
(Appointed by Building Commissioner)

### PLUMBING DEPARTMENT

Raymond N. LaFrance, (Acting) Plumbing Inspector  
(Appointed by Building Commissioner)

### WIRE INSPECTOR

Frank Knox

### DEPUTY WIRE INSPECTORS

Thomas DeCosta  
Victor Pereira

### BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE

Leslie Dakin, Jr.	2014
Pamela Labonte	2014
Marc Laplante	2014
Raymond LeBlanc	2014
James A. Marot	2014
Leo Rousseau	2014
Carol Westgate	2014
John Howcroft	2014
Charles Leonard	2014
Norval Stanley	2014

### COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Andre Arsenault (Citizen Member)	2015
Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)	2014
Kevin Dakin (Conservation Commission)	2016
Michael Desrosiers (Park Commissioners)	2015
Karen L. Knox (Citizen Member)	2014
Lawrence Mulvey (Housing Authority)	2016
Heidi Pelletier (Citizen Member)	2016
Joyce Reynolds (Historical Commission)	2016

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Marc C. Brodeur	2015
Kevin Dakin	2016
Everett Philla	2016
Evelyn Bouley	2014
Ted Cioper	2014
Robert Rocha, Jr.	2014
Heidi Pelletier	2014
Christopher Green	2014

## CONSERVATION AGENT

Merilee Kelly

## CONSTABLES

Frank J. Adesso	2014
Marc E. Laplante	2014
Joseph Latimer	2014
Kelli A. Tomlinson	2014
Herve W. Vandal, Jr.	2014

## COUNCIL ON AGING

Marie Hardy	2015
Paulette Hudson	2015
Alfred Gonsalves	2016
Dorothy Gomes	2016
Pauline Teixeira	2016
Irene Bouchard	2016
Gerard Bergeron	2014
Linda Guilbeault	2016

## COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR

Heather Sylvia

## CULTURAL COUNCIL MEMBER

Jeannine Watts	2014
Stephen Watts	2014
Carole Hall	2016
Pauline Teixeira	2014
Dianna Couto	2015
Walter S. Dalton, Jr.	2014
Christopher Saulnier	2016

## ELECTION INSPECTORS

Catherine L. Audette	Louise L. Benoit
Matthew H. Charbonneau	Lillian R. Contois
Jenny Correia	Andrea Corrie
Simonne L. Coutinho, Warden	Dianna Couto, Warden
Louise Desroches	Jeanne L. Duggan
Diane Ferreira, Clerk	Donna G. Forand
Lee A. Forand, Clerk	Carolyn C. Fortin
Joanne Fournier	Dorothy F. Gomes, Clerk
Russell W. Goyette	Marie M. Hardy
William K. Hargreaves	Paulette J. Hudson
Maria M. Moore	Margaret M. Mota
Everett C. Philla, Jr.	Faye M. Philla, Warden
Anita Poitras	Priscilla V. Santos
Joyce A. Wylie-Scholz	Susanne Y. Sounik
Marybeth Tripp	Pamela G. Tripp
Lori M. Walsh	Janet West

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (DIRECTOR)

Gerard Bergeron

## EMPOWERMENT REPRESENTATIVES

David E. Wojnar  
Alan G. Coutinho

## ENERGY COMMITTEE

Alan Coutinho  
Jim Marot  
John Roy  
David Wojnar  
Henry Young  
Merilee Kelly

## ENFORCEMENT AGENT FOR THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

James A. Marot

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Michael Boucher	2015
Susan Delgado	2015
Robert Ferreira	2016
Eric McGlynn	2014
Robert St. Jean	2016
Cheryl Souza	2014
Jacqueline Stanley	2015

### FOREST WARDEN, INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Kevin A. Gallagher

### GOLF MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE

John Abaray, Jr. (Member at Large)	2014
Robert Ferreira (Finance Committee Rep.)	2014
David Flynn (Member at Large)	2014
Manuel Goulart (Business Community Rep.)	2014
Edward Issac (Member-at-Large)	2014

### HERRING WARDEN

Ted Govoni

### ASSISTANT HERRING WARDEN

Scott Perdigao

### HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Joyce Reynolds	2015
Madeline Gwozdz	2015
Pauline Teixeira	2016
Robert Hall	2016
Frank Grace	2014

### HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

Henry Young	2014
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### INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Kevin A. Gallagher

### INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Eric Arruda	2014
Jeremy Fontes	2014
Paul Fortin	2014
Maria Otocky	2014
Sue Picard	2014
John Roy	2014

### LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY COMMITTEE

Al Amaral	Donna Forand	Kristen Leotti	Jim Marot
Henry Preston	Henry Young	Jayne Viveiros	

### MOTH SUPERINTENDENT/INSPECTOR OF PEST CONTROL

Daniel Menard

### O.C.V.R.T.H.S. DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Maurice St. Amand  
Evelyn Bouley  
Leo Coons

### OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Marc Cenerizio	2014
Robert Rocha	2014
Merilee Kelly	2014

### PARKING CLERK

Alan G. Coutinho

### PHASE II STORMWATER COMMITTEE

Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)  
Alan Coutinho (Town Administrator)  
Merilee Kelly (Conservation Agent)  
James Marot (Building Inspector)  
Daniel Menard (Highway Superintendent)  
Tom Sylvia (Board of Health Agent)

### **POLICE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Michael Alves, Police Chief	Al Amaral, Resident
Alan Coutinho, Town Admin.	Tom DeCosta, Resident
Cathy Doane, Finance Director	Jeremy Fontes, Police Officer
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Selectman	James Marot, Building Insp.
Robert St. Jean, Finance Comm.	Henry Young, Planner

### **PORTABLE SIGN COMMITTEE**

James A. Marot

### **PPWG - HARBOR TRUSTEE COUNCIL MEMBER**

Stephen Morrisseau

### **PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATOR**

Leslie Dakin, Jr.

### **REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**

Joseph Costa	2015
Jeannie Soucy	2016
Irene DeCotis	2014

### **SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Michael Alves (Police Chief)	2014
Alan G. Coutinho (Town Admin.)	2014
Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)	2014
James Marot (Bldg. Insp.)	2014
Paul Sylvia (Board of Public Works)	2014

### **SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES**

Theodore Machado

### **SHELLFISH WARDEN/HARBOR MASTER**

### **DEPUTY SHELLFISH WARDEN**

### **SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission Rep.)  
Leslie Dakin, Jr. (Board of Selectmen Rep.)  
Merilee Kelly (Conservation Agent)  
Robert Medeiros (Board of Health Rep.)  
Paul Sylvia (Board of Public Works Rep.)  
Tom Sylvia (Soil Conservation Board Inspector)

### **SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER OF NEW BEDFORD WATER WORKS**

Dan Menard

### **S.R.P.E.D.D. - J.T.P.G. MEMBERS**

Henry Young

### **S.R.T.A. ADVISORY COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Leslie Dakin, Jr.

### **STREET NAME COMMITTEE**

Michael Alves (Police Chief)  
Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)

### **TILCON CAPALDI CLOSURE PLAN COMMITTEE**

Raymond LeBlanc  
David E. Wojnar

### **VETERANS' AGENT, DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES**

Veterans Burial Agent for Indigent Soldiers & Sailors  
& Veterans Grave Officer (C115 S7 & 9)

Ronald Cormier

### **(TILCON CAPALDI) WEIGHER**

Kerrie Almeida	2014
Ron Burke	2014
Antone DeMello	2014
Rick Leaver	2014
Katherine Lena	2014
Mike Oliveira	2014
Johathan Souza	2014

## BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Acushnet:

The current Board of Assessors is: Marc Cenerizio, Chairman, Matthew Lopes, Member and Liberio Soares, Member. The office staff consists of Kelly A. Koska, M.A.A., Principal Assessor, and Suzanne Picard, Senior clerk.

Liberio Soares won a second term as a Board member in 2013 unopposed. He will serve the Board for another three years. Congratulations to him on his victory

Fiscal 2014 (assessments as of January 1, 2013) is revaluation year for the Town of Acushnet. Full fair cash values for this tax cycle were determined through the analysis of arms length sales that took place from June 2011 through December 2012. Residential property owners will see their actual assessments reflect this timeframe. The Department of Revenue, Bureau of Local Assessments, historically requires communities to complete a revaluation every three years. Acushnet successfully completed the revaluation process successfully in 2014 and is entering in to the renewal of the 10-year cyclical inspection process. The cyclical inspection process is also a statutory requirement by the Department of Revenue for communities to successfully execute. This process is done on a year-to-year perpetual basis.

Fiscal 2014 was also the fifth year executing QUARTERLY tax billing for the Town of Acushnet. Taxpayers received their FIRST and SECOND quarters PRELIMINARY bills on July 1, 2013. The preliminary tax run was committed based on the current value of the real property multiplied by the Fiscal 2013 tax rates. The Fiscal 2013 ACTUAL tax commitment executed successfully, and taxpayers received their mailing including the THIRD and FOURTH quarter installment coupons on December 31, 2013. As a reminder the actual billing statements do have the newly certified assessment information listed on them as well at the current year's newly approved tax rate by the Department of Revenue. Quarterly tax billing has been a beneficial change in assisting the Town meet its financial obligations timely as well as providing annual uniform bill dates for the taxpayers.

The Assessors' office generated \$154,358 in new growth. This amount was approved by the Department of Revenue on October 21, 2013. These funds were available for the Special Town Meeting on October 21, 2013. This increase in growth for the tax base this year is reflective of the solar farm personal property being taxed for the first time this fiscal year.

The tax rate for FY 2014 reflects a 25% shift. This translates in to the real properties classified as commercial or industrial and personal property paying a 25% higher rate than those that are residential. By statute, this decision is rendered by the Board of Selectmen with a recommendation from the Board of Assessors.

The Fiscal 2014 apportioned installments for the Phase II Sewer betterment were added to the ACTUAL tax bills for those taxpayers who were assessed this improvement by the Board of Public Works. Taxpayers can also pay down on their remaining balances throughout the year. They can also pay off the betterment completely at any time. If they plan to do so, a written request should be submitted to the Assessors' office in order for the

proper interest due to be calculated and committed to the Collector's office.

The Board of Health tie-in loans apportioned installments for Fiscal 2014 were also committed. As of Fiscal 2014, 92 accounts remain on this loan betterment program. The staff in the Assessors' office is available to answer any questions property owners may have regarding this loan or other special assessments.

The Board of Assessors wishes everyone continued good health and best wishes for the 2014.

TAX SUMMARY	FY 2013	FY 2014
Total Amount to be raised	\$ 28,262,209.72	\$ 28,511,489.74
Total estimated receipts from other revenue sources	\$ 14,307,187.00	\$ 14,066,491.00
TAX LEVY	\$ 13,955,022.72	\$ 14,444,998.74
VALUE BY CLASS	FY 2013	FY 2014
Single Family (101)	\$ 826,298,200.00	\$ 809,177,400.00
Condominiums (102)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2 & 3 Family (104 & 105)	\$ 38,665,500.00	\$ 37,765,300.00
Multi Family (111-125)	\$ 5,733,600.00	\$ 5,635,700.00
Vacant land (130-132,106)	\$ 30,336,900.00	\$ 28,479,600.00
Others (103,109, Res mixed use)	\$ 49,429,541.00	\$ 46,159,143.00
Commercial (3**)	\$ 29,775,419.00	\$ 30,288,897.00
Chapter 61, 61A, 61B	\$ 1,694,358.00	\$ 1,446,702.00
Industrial (4**)	\$ 24,295,640.00	\$ 22,077,360.00
Personal Property	\$ 29,591,783.00	\$ 30,798,783.00

TAX RATE FY 2014 (rate/\$1000 of value)

Residential = \$ 13.95      Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property = \$ 17.85  
(125% shift)

AVERAGE ASSESSED VALUE SINGLE FAMILY HOME      \$ 250,520.00

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Cenerizio, Chairman  
Matthew Lopes, Member  
Liberio Soares, Member  
ACUSHNET BOARD OF ASSESSORS

## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS 2013

#### BIRTHS:

In Acushnet	1
In other Municipalities	65
<b>Total</b>	<b>66</b>

Resident	66
Non-Resident	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>66</b>

Male	27
Female	39
<b>Total</b>	<b>66</b>

#### MARRIAGES:

In Acushnet	8
In other Municipalities	31
<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>

Resident Bride and Groom	22
Resident Groom	1
Resident Bride	4
Non-Resident Bride and Groom	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>

#### DEATHS:

In Acushnet	19
In other Municipalities	56
<b>Total</b>	<b>75</b>

Resident Deaths - Female	30
Resident Deaths - Male	43
Non-Resident Deaths - Female	1
Non-Resident Deaths - Male	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>75</b>

Attest:

**Pamela A. Labonte**  
Town Clerk

## TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk's Office primarily provides information and keeps records for the residents of Acushnet. The Town Clerk is the administrator of all elections and a Registrar of Voters. The additional services provided by this office are copies of vital records; voter registration; dog licenses; marriage intentions; business certificates; raffle permits; zoning, and general bylaws; town meeting article certifications, archival and genealogy research.

2013 was another unanticipated busy year in the Town Clerk's Office. On top of the already scheduled Annual Town Election, Annual Town Meeting and anticipated two Special Town Meetings, another three additional Special Elections and two Special Town Meetings were held.

### 2013 Elections & Town Meetings\*

Special Town Meeting	February 11 <sup>th</sup>
Annual Town Election	April 1 <sup>st</sup>
Special State Primary Election	April 30 <sup>th</sup>
Annual Town Meeting	May 20 <sup>th</sup>
Special Town Meeting	May 20 <sup>th</sup>
Special State Election	June 25 <sup>th</sup>
Special Town Election (Library)	June 25 <sup>th</sup>
Special Town Meeting	October 21 <sup>st</sup>
Special Town Meeting	December 9 <sup>th</sup>

*\*All 2013 election results and town meetings can be found within this Town Report.*

### 2013 Initiatives:

- March 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Town Clerk's Office participated in the Annual Town Rabies Clinic located at the Town Barn organized by Rebekah Tomlinson, Animal Control Officer. Dr. Christine Gaumont and staff of the Acushnet Animal Hospital were onsite and administered rabies shots while the staff of the Clerk's Office issued the annual dog licenses.
- June marked the fifth year of extended Tuesday evening hours until 8:00 p.m. for the Town Clerks' Office. This has proved beneficial for residents applying for marriage licenses, dog licenses, and all other Town Clerk related business.
- In July, as Town Clerk, I officially graduated from the annual municipal clerk program at Plymouth State Institute in New Hampshire, the third year of a three year program of the New England Municipal Clerk Institute (NEMCI) to become a New England certified Town Clerk. Final certification is anticipated in 2014.
- A special thank you to Sue Soucy and students of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School for their hard work in scanning all town reports, making them easily accessible and restorable in the event of a disaster. This initiative was an important step in maintaining the integrity of historic town documents for generations to come.



- The Annual Town Census/Street Listing was mailed to over 5,000 households in early January with a second mailing in March. This resulted in the town's updated population and verified voter registration rolls, with the 2013 Annual List of Residents published in July.

#### 2013 Additional Comments:

- A special "thank you" to Lillian Contois for officially taking over as warden of Precinct II. She is doing a great job and I look forward to working with her for many years to come.

#### 2014 Initiatives:

- Update and recodify the Town of Acushnet By-laws. This will entail adding all adopted or amended zoning articles and creating a consistent flow throughout the book.
- At the October 22, 2012, Special Town Meeting, the voters approved \$50,000 from Community Preservation Funds to complete the final phase of the records management project. This project was scheduled to begin in 2013 but was delayed due to the unexpected elections and town meetings. It will be sent out to bid in 2014 and will include scanning and microfilming of all historical and vital records held under the supervision of the Town Clerk.
- Continue scanning in the Town Clerk's Office more recent birth, marriage and death records not deemed historical records for Community Preservation Funds. This will be followed by binding all hardcopies in archival books.

Below is a recap of Dog Licenses issued for each respective calendar year:

Dog Licenses Issued	2013	2012	2011	2010
Individual	1722	1745	1774	1708
K (3-4 Dog Kennel)	94	95	94	80
KK (5-15 Dog Kennel)	15	13	12	14
KKK (15+ Dog Kennel)	2	3	2	2

#### Financial Update:

Below is a recap of fees collected in the Town Clerk's Office:

General Ledger Accounts	FY2013 Revenue	FY2012 Revenue	FY2011 Revenue	FY2010 Revenue
Dog Licenses	\$20,498	\$20,754	\$21,181	\$17,770
Business Certificates	\$2,240	\$1,245	\$1,580	2,640
Town Clerk Fees*	\$6,993	\$7,429	\$3,185	10,245
Town Clerk Late Fees	\$4,146	\$1,867	\$3,185	3,600
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$33,877</b>	<b>\$31,295</b>	<b>\$33,621</b>	<b>\$34,255</b>

\* Includes fees for vital records certified copies, marriage intention applications, by-law & resident books, copies, etc.

#### In Conclusion:

The successes and accomplishments of the Town Clerk's Office in 2013, not only relied on leadership, but that of the hard work, dedication and support of the staff, Rachel Charbonneau, Nancy Clerc and Irene Decotis. A special thank you goes out to Rebekah Tomlinson, Animal Control Officer. Since becoming town clerk in 2008, she has worked diligently with the clerk's office enforcing the dog licensing by-laws of the town. This is no more apparent than with the increase in revenue in dog licensing, citations issued and late fees. I feel so very fortunate having each of them assist me in serving the residents of the Town of Acushnet.

In addition, I would also like to thank all others that made 2012 another successful year, including all department heads, appointed and elected officials and EMA volunteers. These are all dedicated and hardworking individuals that make it a pleasure working together for the greater good of the residents of Acushnet.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela A. Labonte  
Town Clerk

**TREASURER**

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash  
July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013

**Balances per Reconciled Bank Statements**

Bristol County Savings Bank	Money Market	600,213.92
Bristol County Savings Bank	General CD	1,000,424.74
Bristol County Savings Bank	Depository Account	1,816,312.12
Bristol County Savings Bank	CPA Account	579,321.08
Bristol County Savings Bank	School Lunch	645,616.43
Bristol County Savings Bank	Stabilization	1,536,744.32
Bristol County Savings Bank	Collectors' Account	231,178.75
Bristol County Savings Bank	Lockbox Account	495,814.78
Cape Cod Five	Sewer Account	1,320,395.80
Cape Cod Five	Money Market	886,471.73
Citizens Bank & Trust	Investment Account	1,056.45
Citizens Bank & Trust	Money Market	5,242.58
Rockland Trust	Money Market	161,681.50
Rockland Trust	Payroll Account	3.02
Rockland Trust	Golf Course	762,429.02
Rockland Trust	Sewer Account	383,004.37
Rockland Trust	Vendor Account	18.20
UNIBANK	Online Account	1,197,023.96
		<u>11,622,952.77</u>
Cash on Hand		2,150.00
Bartholomew Various Town Trusts		593,120.82
Bristol County & Trust Various Town Trusts		374,768.97
Bristol County & Trust Planning Board		<u>81,395.11</u>
<b>Total of All Cash and Investments for the Town</b>		<b><u>\$12,674,387.67</u></b>

I hereby certify that the foregoing schedule, setting forth the total cash in the custody of the Treasurer, is in agreement with the general ledger controls and the Auditors Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristie A Costa  
Treasurer

**RECEIPTS**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2013**

**GENERAL FUND****PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES**

Prior Years	\$	(37,070.00)
2012		1,532.00
2013		492,961.00
Total Personal Property Taxes	\$	<u>457,423.00</u>

**REAL ESTATE TAXES**

Prior Years	\$	199.00
2012		172,101.00
2013		13,055,538.00
Total Real Estate Taxes	\$	<u>13,227,838.00</u>

**TAX LIENS REDEEMED**

Prior Years	\$	105,659.00
Total Tax Liens Redeemed	\$	<u>105,659.00</u>

**TAX LIENS FORECLOSED**

Prior Years	\$	-
Total Tax Liens Foreclosed	\$	<u>-</u>

**MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES**

Prior Years	\$	2,492.00
2010		2,305.00
2011		7,963.00
2012		199,213.00
2013		905,820.00
Total Motor Vehicle Excise	\$	<u>1,117,793.00</u>

**PENALTIES AND INTEREST**

Personal Property Tax	\$	998.00
Real Estate Tax		44,768.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		45,439.00
Tax Liens Redeemed		39,032.00
Total Penalties and Interest	\$	<u>130,237.00</u>

**RUBBISH**

Rubbish Revenue	\$	2,467.00
Liens		-
Total Rubbish	\$	<u>2,467.00</u>

## FEES

Police Detail	\$	2,788.00
Bldg. Dept. Fees/Violations		600.00
Cable		1,677.00
Lien Certificates		17,250.00
Town Clerk Late Fees		4,146.00
Non - Renewal Motor Vehicles		9,660.00
Boarding		3,030.00
Constable		140.00
Total Fees	\$	39,291.00

## OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

Assessors	\$	35.00
Selectmen		-
Treasurer		-
Collector		64.00
Town Clerk		6,993.00
Conservation		-
Planning Board		4,125.00
Appeal Board		1,700.00
Police		1,107.00
Fire		4,262.00
Building		351.00
Weights & Measures		395.00
Board of Health		32,285.00
Library		762.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		4,530.00
Total Other Departmental Revenue	\$	56,609.00

## LICENSES

Business	\$	2,240.00
Drain Layers		1,600.00
Liquor		10,300.00
Victuallers		3,275.00
Amusement		2,450.00
Motor Vehicles		1,200.00
Constable		50.00
Dog		20,498.00
Total Licenses	\$	41,613.00

## PERMITS

Oil Burner	\$	330.00
Building		39,295.00
Electrical		27,892.00
Gas		6,410.00
Board of Health		12,800.00
Plumbing		6,456.00
Soil Removal		1,650.00
Gun		5,100.00
Street Opening		817.00
Trench		330.00
Total Permits	\$	101,080.00

## FINES AND FORFEITURES

Dog	\$	7,285.00
False Alarms		50.00
Library		3,880.00
Building Violations		-
Parking		290.00
Total Fines and Forfeitures	\$	11,505.00

## SALES OF INVENTORY

Cemetery Lots	\$	200.00
Total Sales of Inventory	\$	200.00

## STATE SHARED REVENUE

Abatements to the Blind	\$	875.00
Abatements to the Elderly		23,594.00
Abatements to Veterans		37,026.00
Abatements to Surviving Spouse		350.00
Veterans Benefits		144,244.00
Highway Funds		-
Additional Assistance		-
Lottery Funds		1,282,445.00
Court Fines		1,600.00
Registry Fines		3,670.00

Other State	34.00
School Chapter 70	6,088,327.00
Tuition Revenue	-
School Transportation	-
Charter School Reimb	-
Police Career Incentive - Quinn Bill	-
Total State Shared Revenue	\$ 7,582,165.00

#### REIMBURSEMENTS

Medicare D Reimbursement	\$ 45,931.00
Municipal Medicaid Reimbursement	78,026.00
Bullet Proof Vests Reimbursement	-
FEMA Disaster Reimbursement	16,416.00
Total Reimbursements	\$ 140,373.00

#### EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS

Interest on Investments	\$ 14,006.00
Total Earnings on Investments	\$ 14,006.00

#### INTERFUND TRANSFERS

From Enterprise Funds	\$ -
From Special Revenue Funds	426,000.00
From Trust & Agency Funds	-
Total Interfund Transfers	\$ 426,000.00

#### TOTAL GENERAL FUND

\$ 23,454,259.00

#### SCHOOL LUNCH FUND

\$ 319,168.00

#### HIGHWAY CHAPTER 90

\$ 430,785.00

#### SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Animal Gift Fund	\$ 830.00
EECBG Sub-Grant	-
Cable Ed & Gov. Access	10,000.00
P.E.G. Access	79,104.00
Emer. Mgt. Perform Grant	2,750.00
Police SCAT Grant	-
Law Enforcement Trust	6,526.00
SETB Support Incentive Grant	32,342.00
Gov. Highway Safety Grant	676.00
SETB 911 Training Grant	-
COA Strong Woman Grant	2,408.00
FEMA Disaster Recovery	23,589.00
Police Gift Fund	-
Library LIG/MEG/NRC	10,960.00

Library Gift Fund	100.00
Public Library Fund Grant	-
LSTA Fed. Library Grant	-
Celebrations Gift Fund	-
Partingways Beautification	-
Title V	3,220.00
Arts Lottery Council	3,875.00
Council On Aging Grant	16,310.00
Council On Aging Gift Fund	4,691.00
Council On Aging - Chair Yoga Grant	1,443.00
Council On Aging Revolving Fund	2,304.00
Notice Of Intent - Conservation	3,598.00
Conservation Restriction Fund	18,653.00
Conservation Revolving Fund	2,372.00
E.M.S. Fund	420,174.00
One Time Gift Fund	-
Insurance Reimbursement	4,325.00
Outside Ads	-
Fed. Asst. To Firefighters	-
FEMA Grant	-
SRPEDD Homeland Security Grant	782.00
Sept 11 Memorial Gift Fund	10,698.00
Fire S.A.F.E Grant	4,625.00
Fire Safety Equipment Grant	-
Fire Department Gift Fund	-
Veterans Memorial Park Gift Fund	-
Park Dept. Gift Fund	4,530.00
Long Plain Museum Repair Grant	-
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	53,907.00
Sewer Phase 2 Betterment	423,966.00
Community Policing Grant	-
ARAW Grant	4,600.00
Elections - Extended Polling	2,367.00
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 1,155,725.00</b>

#### SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Title I	\$ 83,454.00
ARRA - Title I	-
Title II P.L. 94-142	262,290.00
Federal ARRA IDEA Grant	-
Early Childhood Grant	6,560.00
Early Childhood SPED ARRA	-
Drug Free School	-
Ford Middle School Fund	21,181.00
School Building Rental	32,621.00
Elementary School Fund	19,367.00

Early Childhood Sped #298	3,000.00
Teacher Quality in Education	27,469.00
Enhanced Education	-
Non - Resident Tuition Revolving Fund	-
Race to Top Grant	41,405.00
Education Jobs Grant	5,108.00
SPED Program Improvement Grant	7,626.00
SPED Circuit Breaker	174,509.00
Full Day Kindergarten Program	-
Kindergarten Enhancement Grant	45,008.00
Preschool Program	33,069.00
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 762,667.00</b>

**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND**      **\$ 159,092.00**

**WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**      **\$ 1,220,183.00**

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS**      **\$ 500,000.00**

**SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**      **\$ 498,246.00**

**GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND**      **\$ 1,337,912.00**

**TRUST FUNDS**

Contributions	\$ 7,988.00
Transfers	53,691.00
Interest & Earnings on Investments	15,466.00
<b>TOTAL TRUST FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 77,145.00</b>

**GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS**      **\$ 29,915,182.00**

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES  
FISCAL YEAR 2013**

	<b>FY 2013 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2013 EXPEND.</b>
<b>RESERVE FUND 1110</b>		
F.B. Reserve Fund	\$ 39,162.00	0.00
Total Reserve Fund	39,162.00	0.00
<b>TOWN MEETING 1113</b>		
Town Meeting / Election	14,944.00	14,913.00
Total Town Meeting	14,944.00	14,913.00
<b>MODERATOR 1114</b>		
Salary	700.00	700.00
Supplies	145.00	0.00
In - State Travel	133.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	90.00	0.00
Total Moderator	1,070.00	700.00
<b>SELECTMEN 1122</b>		
Stipends - Selectmen	14,175.00	14,175.00
Salaries - Town Administrator	100,691.00	100,691.00
Salaries - Clerical	64,561.00	64,561.00
Salaries - Special Project Manager	9,617.00	9,617.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,980.00	1,634.00
Longevity	1,172.00	1,172.00
R & M Vehicles	750.00	87.00
Special Article - Police Feasibility Study	35,000.00	33,250.00
Special Article - Historical	0.00	0.00
Special Article - DEP Site Assessment	200.00	0.00
Special Article - Equip Move	1,000.00	0.00
Engineering Fees	10,000.00	7,546.00
Telephone	2,500.00	2,366.00
Comm. - Reverse 911	8,500.00	7,525.00
Communications - Advertising	5,054.00	4,477.00
Office Supply	1,594.00	1,223.00
Training & Testing	400.00	336.00
Town Report / Warrant	4,000.00	4,000.00
Meeting Expenses	100.00	88.00
Travel	500.00	397.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	1,600.00	1,600.00
Total Selectmen	263,394.00	254,745.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE 1131</b>		
Salaries - Clerical	2,025.00	946.00
Office Supplies	150.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	400.00	200.00
Total Finance Committee	2,575.00	1,146.00

#### FINANCE DIRECTOR 1133

Salaries - Director of Finance	11,867.00	11,867.00
Total Finance Director	11,867.00	11,867.00

#### TOWN ACCOUNTANT 1135

Salaries - Town Accountant	74,334.00	74,334.00
Salaries - Accounting Clerk	34,027.00	33,567.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	9,909.00	9,909.00
Longevity	1,100.00	1,100.00
Auditing	23,000.00	23,000.00
GASB 45 Valuation	8,300.00	8,300.00
Telephone	1,199.00	1,047.00
Office Supplies	1,300.00	1,300.00
Travel	601.00	601.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	200.00	160.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Special Article - GASB 45 Implementation	0.00	0.00
Special Article - GASB 34	11,993.00	500.00
Total Town Accountant	165,963.00	153,818.00

#### ASSESSORS OFFICE 1141

Stipends - Assessors	7,700.00	7,700.00
Salaries - Assistant Assessor	52,222.00	52,222.00
Salaries - Clerical	34,530.00	34,335.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	941.00
Longevity	800.00	800.00
Telephone	800.00	661.00
Printing & Binding	180.00	180.00
R & M Office Equipment	175.00	130.00
Communications - Advertising	200.00	0.00
Training & Testing	800.00	660.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
Plot Plans	1,489.00	1,489.00
Reg. Deeds/Probate	200.00	150.00
Office Supplies	800.00	683.00
Travel	500.00	220.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	300.00	245.00
Management Consulting	5,000.00	5,000.00
Software Expense	3,000.00	3,000.00
Cama License Fee	6,800.00	6,700.00
Special Article - Verizon	14,000.00	11,428.00
Special Article - Printer	3,000.00	2,916.00
Triennial Certification	24,500.00	24,500.00
Total Assessors	157,996.00	153,960.00

#### TOWN TREASURER 1145

Salaries - Town Treasurer	63,019.00	63,019.00
Salaries - Clerical	35,044.00	35,043.00
Salaries - Overtime	500.00	486.00
Longevity	300.00	300.00
Legal - Land Court	15,583.00	6,099.00
Loan Expense	2,500.00	1,500.00
Telephone	1,200.00	1,022.00
Communications - Advertising	500.00	0.00
Reg. Deeds / Probate	1,000.00	982.00
Office Supplies	2,200.00	1,990.00
Postage	27,500.00	27,285.00
Travel	1,200.00	1,028.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	680.00	380.00
Bonding	675.00	675.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Town Treasurer	151,901.00	139,809.00

#### TOWN COLLECTOR 1146

Salaries - Town Collector	47,725.00	47,725.00
Salaries - Clerical	33,543.00	33,543.00
Salaries - Temporary	3,000.00	2,549.00
Salaries - Overtime	200.00	76.00
Longevity	1,000.00	1,000.00
R & M Office Equipment	0.00	0.00
Tax Bills	2,500.00	1,920.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
Telephone	800.00	490.00
Communications - Advertising	2,000.00	1,112.00
Registry Recording	2,000.00	1,284.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	998.00
Travel / Meals	1,000.00	662.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	140.00	135.00
Bonding	1,100.00	1,100.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Town Collector	96,008.00	92,594.00

#### TOWN COUNSEL 1151

Legal - Land Court	60,000.00	53,786.00
Total Town Counsel	60,000.00	53,786.00

#### DATA PROCESSING 1155

Salaries - System Administrator	4,548.00	4,548.00
Internet Services	7,932.00	7,932.00
Internet Hardware Lease	2,388.00	2,388.00
Contracted IT Support	7,366.00	6,970.00
Records Archiving	900.00	900.00
Wiring Expense	0.00	0.00
R & M Copiers	5,250.00	3,871.00
R & M Other	2,000.00	2,000.00
Software Maintenance	54,928.00	54,928.00
Photocopier Supplies	2,300.00	2,207.00
Software Expense	0.00	0.00
Backup Software	189.00	0.00
Antivirus Software	0.00	0.00
Other Supplies	2,011.00	1,952.00
Training	0.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	6,000.00	5,814.00
Special Article - Computer Server	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Munis Training	9,200.00	3,705.00
Total Data Processing	105,012.00	97,215.00

#### TOWN CLERK 1161

Salaries - Town Clerk	28,510.00	28,510.00
Salaries - Clerical	59,885.00	58,755.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,200.00	1,115.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	656.00
Longevity	215.00	215.00
R & M Office Equipment	500.00	500.00
Vital Statistics	800.00	0.00
Telephone	750.00	486.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,518.00	1,397.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
Special Article - Prior Year Bills	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Dog License Program	1,251.00	0.00
Travel	1,800.00	1,642.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	385.00	295.00
Bonding	100.00	100.00
Additional Equipment	1,000.00	299.00
Dog Licenses	650.00	544.00
Special Article - Vital Records	0.00	0.00
Special Article - CD ROMS	929.00	0.00
Software Expense	900.00	710.00
Total Town Clerk	101,393.00	95,224.00

#### REGISTRAR OF VOTERS 1163

Salaries - Temporary	14,173.00	14,173.00
Voting Program Movers	13,858.00	12,860.00
Street Voting / Census	1,800.00	1,774.00
Office Supplies	1,591.00	1,436.00
Travel	400.00	145.00
Total Registrar Of Voters	31,822.00	30,388.00

#### CONSERVATION 1171

Salaries - Agent	35,066.00	35,066.00
Salaries - Clerical	17,064.00	16,807.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	398.00
Longevity	300.00	300.00
Telephone	500.00	236.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Training & Testing	1,000.00	0.00
Total Conservation	54,930.00	52,807.00

#### SOIL BOARD 1172

Salaries - Inspector	1,000.00	1,000.00
Office Supplies	50.00	50.00
Total Soil Board	1,050.00	1,050.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
<b>PLANNING BOARD 1175</b>		
Salaries - Agent	5,771.00	5,771.00
Salaries - Clerical	11,892.00	11,885.00
Town Planner	31,364.00	31,364.00
Training & Testing	0.00	0.00
Communications - Advertising	311.00	311.00
Other Purchase - Serv. Recording	200.00	68.00
Reg. Deeds / Update Maps	25.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,790.00	1,697.00
Master Plan Supplies	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Zoning By-Law Edits	4,687.00	31.00
Total Planning Board	56,040.00	51,127.00
<b>BOARD OF APPEALS 1176</b>		
Salaries - Clerical	2,000.00	483.00
Special Article - Prior Year Bills	0.00	0.00
Communications - Advertising	2,000.00	569.00
Office Supplies	150.00	108.00
Total Board of Appeals	4,150.00	1,160.00
<b>TOWN HALL COMPLEX 1192</b>		
Salaries - Maintenance	35,940.00	35,940.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,000.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	2,650.00	287.00
Longevity	0.00	0.00
Energy	40,000.00	32,217.00
R & M Building & Grounds	15,605.00	15,186.00
Custodial Services	16,500.00	15,045.00
Supplies	4,500.00	3,491.00
Special Article - Generators	0.00	0.00
Special Article - A.D.A. Requirement	2,059.00	0.00
Total Town Hall Complex	118,254.00	102,166.00
<b>BY - LAWS 1197</b>		
Office Supplies	300.00	60.00
Total By - Laws	300.00	60.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT 2210</b>		
Salaries - Police Chief	98,230.00	98,230.00
Salaries - Permanent	1,002,488.00	999,654.00
Salaries - Dispatch	81,475.00	81,475.00
EMD - Stipends	23,900.00	23,900.00
Salaries - Overtime	339,231.00	339,231.00
Longevity	8,500.00	8,500.00
Clothing Allowance	13,400.00	12,991.00
Vehicle Maintenance	10,645.00	10,645.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	8,800.00	8,800.00
Software Maintenance	9,640.00	9,640.00
Telephone	4,250.00	3,995.00
Training & Testing	1,500.00	1,500.00
Office Supplies	2,250.00	2,250.00
Meals	500.00	500.00
Other Supplies - Hardware / Lockup	20,140.00	20,035.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	2,390.00	2,390.00
Special Article - Computer Server	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Copy Machine	6,498.00	5,917.00
Special Article - Bullet Proof Vests	7,700.00	0.00
Special Article - Police Cruisers	1,215.00	0.00
Special Article - Police Radios	0.00	0.00
Equipment	32,000.00	32,000.00
Total Police Department	1,674,752.00	1,661,653.00
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT 2220</b>		
Salaries - Fire Chief	80,420.00	80,420.00
Salaries - Permanent	162,250.00	162,250.00
Salaries - Callmen	82,757.00	81,494.00
Overtime	53,214.00	53,214.00
Longevity	2,100.00	2,100.00
Clothing Allowance	962.00	962.00
Energy	10,317.00	10,211.00
R & M Building & Grounds	0.00	0.00
R & M Equipment	10,014.00	10,014.00
R & M Vehicles	9,434.00	9,408.00
Software	695.00	695.00
Radio Repairs	481.00	481.00
Medical Exams	100.00	100.00
Telephone	2,885.00	2,650.00
Training / CPR / First Aid	2,400.00	2,400.00
Office Supplies	408.00	408.00



	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	619.00	619.00
Special Article - Firefighters Equip	33,000.00	0.00
Special Article - Fire Protective Equip	19,500.00	19,500.00
Special Article - Fire Radio Pagers	4,728.00	4,728.00
Special Article - Fire Helmets	2,720.00	2,720.00
Special Article - Fire St #3 Apron	10,000.00	0.00
Fire Alarm Inspection	1,500.00	1,491.00
Total Fire Department	490,504.00	445,865.00

#### EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 2232

Salaries - Director	11,088.00	11,088.00
Salaries - Permanent	332,106.00	327,611.00
Salaries - EMT	5,228.00	4,937.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	8,001.00	8,001.00
Salaries - Overtime	16,038.00	16,038.00
Longevity	400.00	200.00
Clothing Allowance	1,500.00	1,277.00
Energy	12,350.00	10,670.00
R & M Buildings & Grounds	500.00	356.00
R & M Equipment	2,650.00	2,590.00
Physicals	150.00	0.00
Telephone	2,475.00	2,187.00
Training & Testing	940.00	940.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	987.00
Supplies	500.00	437.00
Software Expense	4,650.00	4,650.00
Vehicle Supplies & Maintenance	5,100.00	4,831.00
Medical & Surgical Supplies	16,734.00	16,653.00
Oxygen	1,360.00	1,209.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Quality Assurance Program	15,100.00	15,100.00
Special Article - EMS Training	1,200.00	0.00
Special Article - 2 Cardiac	51,000.00	47,610.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	10,091.00	7,975.00
Additional Equipment	300.00	203.00
Total Emergency Medical Services	500,461.00	485,550.00

#### BUILDING DEPARTMENT 2241

Salaries - Building Inspector	55,548.00	55,548.00
Salaries - Commissioner	5,436.00	5,436.00
Salaries - Clerical	13,593.00	13,593.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,400.00	1,144.00
Salaries - Overtime	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Wire Inspector	10,902.00	10,902.00
Salaries - Deputy Wire Inspector	650.00	525.00
Salaries - Deputy Building Inspector	500.00	50.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
Salaries - Gas / Plumbing Inspector	8,740.00	8,740.00
Salaries - Deputy Gas / Plumbing Inspector	600.00	210.00
Longevity	300.00	300.00
Training & Testing	600.00	535.00
R & M Equipment	450.00	331.00
Telephone	800.00	469.00
Office Supplies	921.00	843.00
Vehicle Supplies	500.00	29.00
Special Article - Prior Year Bill	0.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	500.00	130.00
Total Building Department	101,440.00	98,785.00

#### SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES 2244

Salaries - Permanent	1,017.00	1,017.00
Additional Equipment	50.00	0.00
Total Sealer Of Weights & Measures	1,067.00	1,017.00

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY 2291

Energy	3,572.00	3,572.00
R & M Equipment	1,701.00	1,700.00
R & M Building & Grounds	652.00	652.00
Telephone	405.00	391.00
Internet Services	885.00	883.00
Maintenance & Supplies	500.00	496.00
Software Expense	489.00	489.00
Disaster Fund	578.00	578.00
Travel	75.00	75.00
Special Article - Generator	2,750.00	2,750.00
Special Article - Computer Equipment	66.00	66.00
Special Article - Used Vehicle	15,000.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	1,200.00	1,200.00
Total Emergency Management Agency	27,873.00	12,852.00

#### ANIMAL CONTROL 2292

Salaries - Director	37,506.00	37,506.00
Longevity	500.00	500.00
Clothing Allowance	110.00	110.00
R & M Equipment	1,000.00	950.00
Telephone	900.00	692.00
Boarding Services	1,000.00	967.00
Training & Testing	125.00	125.00
Emergency Vet. Services	500.00	500.00
Office Supplies	50.00	48.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	50.00	50.00
Special Article - New Vehicle	24,700.00	24,426.00
Total Animal Control	66,441.00	65,874.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
<b>FORESTRY 2294</b>		
Salaries - Tree Warden	600.00	600.00
Tree Removal	3,568.00	3,568.00
Tree Planting	100.00	0.00
Other Supplies	100.00	95.00
Special Article - Tree Removal	6,000.00	5,213.00
Total Forestry	10,368.00	9,476.00

#### MISCELLANEOUS 2699

Beautification	1,000.00	970.00
Shellfish Warden / Harbor Master	100.00	0.00
Herring Inspector	100.00	0.00
Acushnet Cultural Council	2,500.00	2,415.00
Safety Committee	100.00	0.00
Housing Partnership	100.00	0.00
Buzzards Bay Comm.	633.00	633.00
Total Miscellaneous	4,533.00	4,018.00

#### OLD COLONY REGIONAL SCHOOL 3320

Regional School Tuition	1,750,226.00	1,750,226.00
Total Old Colony Regional School	1,750,226.00	1,750,226.00

#### ACUSHNET SCHOOL DEPARTMENT 3325, 021

Expenses	12,363,717.00	12,118,494.00
Special Article - Detention Pond	10,000.00	9,500.00
School Renov. Bond Principal	120,000.00	120,000.00
School Renov. Bond Interest	60,840.00	60,840.00
Total Acushnet School Department	12,554,557.00	12,308,834.00

#### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 4422

Salaries - Director	24,062.00	20,901.00
Salaries - Permanent	146,029.00	131,572.00
Salaries - Superintendent	55,182.00	55,182.00
Salaries - Clerical	11,847.00	8,850.00
Salaries - Part-Time Clerk	14,203.00	14,203.00
Salaries - Overtime	6,900.00	6,092.00
Longevity	100.00	100.00
Clothing Allowance	4,500.00	4,500.00
Energy	17,000.00	14,911.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
R & M Building & Grounds	4,000.00	3,479.00
R & M Equipment	30,000.00	20,539.00
Rentals & Leases	16,000.00	6,081.00
Engineering Fees	6,000.00	4,000.00
Telephone	2,000.00	1,188.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	317.00
Police Details	6,000.00	2,765.00
Training & Testing	1,500.00	508.00
Office Supplies	1,750.00	1,320.00
Gasoline	110,000.00	99,184.00
Personnel Safety Supplies	1,100.00	1,036.00
Road Materials	105,500.00	80,690.00
Travel	100.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships / Licenses	400.00	226.00
Additional Equipment	7,500.00	5,870.00
Equipment Lease	20,086.00	20,085.00
Special Article - Barn Generator	9,800.00	0.00
Special Article - Vibrating Roller	1,350.00	175.00
Special Article - Dump Truck	10,000.00	9,830.00
Total Highway Department	613,909.00	513,604.00

#### SNOW REMOVAL / ICE CONTROL 4423

Snow Removal Emergency	163,103.00	163,103.00
Total Snow Removal / Ice Control	163,103.00	163,103.00

#### STREET LIGHTS 4424

Energy	60,000.00	52,333.00
Total Street Lights	60,000.00	52,333.00

#### SEMASS 4431

Salaries - Permanent	19,845.00	19,062.00
Curbside Pick-Up	35,000.00	16,932.00
Incinerator - SEMASS	123,252.00	78,403.00
Heavy Pick-Up	9,300.00	6,610.00
Rubbish Removal	431,000.00	417,683.00
R & M - Buildings	1,200.00	691.00
Training & Testing	1,500.00	755.00
Communications - Advertising	3,000.00	0.00
Total SEMASS	624,097.00	540,136.00

#### CEMETERY 4491

Salaries - Temporary	5,464.00	5,464.00
R & M Equipment	650.00	625.00
R & M Building & Grounds	400.00	289.00
Office Supplies	5.00	0.00
Building Repairs/Maintenance	225.00	0.00
Total Cemetery	6,744.00	6,378.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
<b>HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICES 5510</b>		
Stipends - Board	9,774.00	9,774.00
Salaries - Sanitarian	58,870.00	58,870.00
Salaries - Clerical	34,664.00	34,550.00
Salaries - Temporary	33,667.00	33,559.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,207.00	1,207.00
Longevity	1,700.00	1,700.00
Clothing Allowance	100.00	93.00
R & M Vehicles	115.00	115.00
Physician	900.00	150.00
Prof. Public Health Agency	13,000.00	13,000.00
Telephone	530.00	453.00
Communications - Advertising	398.00	398.00
Training & Testing	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	750.00	749.00
Photocopier Supplies	493.00	469.00
Travel	50.00	36.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	137.00	100.00
Additional Equipment	200.00	200.00
Total Health Inspection Services	156,555.00	155,423.00

#### COUNCIL ON AGING 5541

Salaries - Director	33,276.00	33,276.00
Salaries - Temporary	11,422.00	10,765.00
Salaries - Janitorial	5,945.00	5,945.00
Energy	8,300.00	7,841.00
R & M Building & Grounds	3,157.00	3,125.00
R & M Vehicles	960.00	218.00
Telephone	1,000.00	495.00
Alarm Services	700.00	180.00
Internet Services	720.00	720.00
Office Supplies	400.00	374.00
Building Supplies	700.00	563.00
Nutrition	5,507.00	4,062.00
Total Council On Aging	72,087.00	67,564.00

#### VETERANS 5543

Salaries - Agent	17,899.00	17,899.00
Telephone	300.00	234.00
Training & Testing	195.00	0.00
Training / Public Awareness	165.00	0.00
Office Supplies	450.00	298.00
Dues / Subscription / Membership	35.00	0.00
Veterans Benefits	252,000.00	245,987.00
Total Veterans Benefits	271,044.00	264,418.00

#### LIBRARY 6610

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
Salaries - Director	53,659.00	53,659.00
Salaries - Asst. Director	33,265.00	33,143.00
Salaries - Technicians	46,530.00	45,823.00
Salaries - Custodian	11,685.00	11,005.00
Longevity	848.00	846.00
Energy	7,494.00	7,447.00
R & M Building & Grounds	2,100.00	2,056.00
R & M Office Equipment	500.00	478.00
Tech. Support	1,432.00	1,432.00
Telephone	900.00	686.00
Education	675.00	405.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Sail Expenses	11,459.00	11,459.00
Office Supplies	2,150.00	2,148.00
Children Ed. Supplies	375.00	343.00
Other Supplies	29,550.00	29,550.00
Travel	400.00	360.00
Total Library	203,022.00	200,840.00

#### RECREATION 6630

Energy	6,000.00	5,343.00
Service & Maintenance	2,200.00	2,200.00
Telephone	296.00	216.00
Internet Services	804.00	804.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Summer Youth	7,999.00	7,964.00
Office Supplies	50.00	21.00
Hardware	1,300.00	1,300.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Other Supplies	300.00	298.00
Total Recreation	18,949.00	18,146.00

#### PARK 6650

Salaries - Permanent	16,145.00	16,145.00
Contracted Services	10,950.00	10,950.00
R & M Equipment	500.00	292.00
Trash Removal	150.00	133.00
Restroom Supplies	175.00	175.00
Park Materials	2,900.00	2,900.00
Total Park	30,820.00	30,595.00

#### HISTORICAL COMMISSION 6691

Energy	3,650.00	3,563.00
R & M Building & Grounds	350.00	342.00
Telephone / Alarm	1,500.00	1,472.00
Special Article - Historic Inventory	78.00	0.00
Special Article - Historical Signs	500.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	0.00	0.00
Total Historical Commission	6,078.00	5,377.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
<b>CELEBRATIONS 6692</b>		
Road Race	1,500.00	1,500.00
Holidays	2,000.00	1,235.00
Events	1,000.00	55.00
Total Celebrations	4,500.00	2,790.00

#### RETIREMENT OF DEBT 7710

Long Term Debt - Fire Engine	30,000.00	30,000.00
Long Term Debt - Parting Ways	20,000.00	20,000.00
Total Retirement of Debt	50,000.00	50,000.00

#### INTEREST 7751

Long Term Debt Interest	7,590.00	7,590.00
Short Term Debt Interest	0.00	0.00
Total Interest	7,590.00	7,590.00

#### COUNTY ASSESSMENTS 8830

County Tax	108,812.00	108,812.00
Total County Assessments	108,812.00	108,812.00

#### STATE ASSESSMENTS 8850

Special Education	0.00	0.00
School Choice Tuition	25,000.00	0.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	9,500.00	8,900.00
Mosquito Assessment	33,137.00	33,137.00
Air Pollution Assessment	2,809.00	2,809.00
RTA Assessment	28,234.00	28,234.00
SRPEDD	1,664.00	1,664.00
Total State Assessments	100,344.00	74,744.00

#### PENSIONS 1911

Bristol County Retirement	935,879.00	923,368.00
Social Security	0.00	0.00
Medicare	152,000.00	151,349.00
Total Pensions	1,087,879.00	1,074,717.00

#### WORKERS COMPENSATION 1912

Fringe Benefits / Charges	100,000.00	93,020.00
Total Workers Compensation	100,000.00	93,020.00

#### UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION 1913

Fringe Benefits / Charges	20,000.00	2,433.00
Total Unemployment Compensation	20,000.00	2,433.00

#### HEALTH INSURANCE 1914

Blue Cross / Blue Shield Health Insurance	1,499,659.00	1,282,283.00
CRA / Flexible Benefits Plan	4,000.00	2,030.00
Special Article - Consultant Services	4,500.00	0.00
Total Health Insurance	1,508,159.00	1,284,313.00

#### LIABILITY INSURANCE 1945

Fire / Police Insurance	23,164.00	19,803.00
Liability Insurance	150,110.00	124,635.00
Total Liability Insurance	173,274.00	144,438.00

#### TRANSFERS 9999

Transfers To Capital Project Funds	500,000.00	500,000.00
Transfers To Special Revenue Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Enterprise Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Trust & Agency Funds	58,691.00	58,691.00
Total Transfers	558,691.00	558,691.00

#### TOTAL GENERAL FUND

\$	24,565,710.00	23,572,150.00
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#### SEWER DEPARTMENT 6004440

Salaries - Superintendent	14,970.00	10,767.00
Salaries - Permanent	14,069.00	7,224.00
Salaries - Clerical	11,437.00	8,848.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	4,526.00	4,056.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	5,957.00	5,899.00
Salaries - Overtime	6,496.00	1,602.00
Longevity	100.00	100.00
Fringe Benefits - Health / Vacation	7,500.00	5,797.00
Clothing Allowance	950.00	638.00
Energy	9,500.00	8,047.00
Service & Maint. Equipment	3,000.00	748.00
R & M Vehicles	2,000.00	535.00
R & M Building & Grounds	1,000.00	472.00
Software Maintenance	1,500.00	347.00
Maintenance of System	60,718.00	7,274.00
Sewer Pumping - New Bedford	370,000.00	360,793.00
Telephonic	1,500.00	1,500.00
Legal Expense	11,550.00	11,486.00
Engineering Fees	1,000.00	0.00
Training & Testing	600.00	32.00
Gasoline	1,000.00	649.00
Office Supplies	350.00	50.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
Sewer Bills	1,100.00	997.00
Postage	1,250.00	625.00
AMR Service Agreement	2,690.00	2,690.00
Travel	100.00	0.00
Upgrading System	2,000.00	0.00
Special Article - R & M Sewer	3,770.00	0.00
Special Article - Radio Read System	222.00	44.00
Additional Equipment	1,000.00	727.00
Subtotal	541,855.00	441,947.00

#### RETIREMENT OF DEBT 6007440

Long Term Debt Principal	0.00	0.00
Long Term Debt Interest	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00

#### TRANSFERS 6009999

Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Special Revenue Funds	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00

**TOTAL SEWER DEPARTMENT \$ 541,855.00 441,947.00**  
FROM SEWER USERS' FEES

#### WATER DEPARTMENT 2704450

Salaries - Director	35,669.00	31,669.00
Salaries - Permanent	71,805.00	71,805.00
Salaries - Superintendent	2,814.00	2,814.00
Salaries - Clerical	11,609.00	8,848.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	11,229.00	11,226.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	4,527.00	4,056.00
Salaries - Overtime	18,268.00	14,259.00
Longevity	100.00	100.00
Fringe Benefits - Health / Vacation	14,000.00	14,000.00
Clothing Allowance	1,700.00	1,527.00
Energy	3,000.00	2,695.00
New Bedford Water Bills	800,000.00	798,623.00
R & M Building & Grounds	2,000.00	1,234.00
R & M Vehicles	3,000.00	2,555.00
Software Maintenance	100.00	0.00
Maintenance Of System	1,000.00	820.00
R & M Trenches	3,000.00	0.00
Rentals & Leases	1,000.00	147.00
Legal Expenses	5,000.00	5,000.00
Engineering Fees	9,100.00	9,000.00
Telephone	1,000.00	279.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
Training & Testing	2,700.00	840.00
CCR Reports	3,000.00	0.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	317.00
Police Details	2,500.00	352.00
Gasoline	5,000.00	2,595.00
Office Supplies	1,300.00	1,255.00
Water Bills	2,390.00	2,390.00
Postage	2,900.00	2,822.00
AMR Service Agreement	5,460.00	5,460.00
Water Testing	8,000.00	5,490.00
P.W. Supplies / Equipment	8,000.00	5,996.00
Travel	250.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships / Licenses	550.00	513.00
Upgrading System	1,000.00	0.00
Additional Equipment - New Meters	4,000.00	3,257.00
Special Article - Radio Read Meters	10,106.00	489.00
Special Article - Cross Survey	1,490.00	1,118.00
Subtotal	1,059,567.00	1,013,551.00

#### RETIREMENT OF DEBT 2707450

Long Term Debt Principal	52,940.00	52,940.00
Long Term Debt Interest	154,051.00	154,051.00
Subtotal	206,991.00	206,991.00

#### TRANSFERS 2709999

Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Transfers to Special Revenue Fund	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00

**TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT \$ 1,266,558.00 1,220,542.00**  
FROM WATER USERS' FEES

#### GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND 6606650

Salaries - Director	58,242.00	58,242.00
Salaries - Superintendent	85,144.00	85,144.00
Salaries - Head Professional	32,736.00	32,736.00
Salaries - Clubhouse Employees	47,384.00	42,553.00
Salaries - Assistant Superintendent	44,813.00	44,813.00
Salaries - Maintenance Employees	140,858.00	136,692.00
Salaries - Collector	4,427.00	4,427.00
Fringe Benefits - Maintenance Employees	15,000.00	8,632.00
Longevity	800.00	800.00
Energy	11,100.00	11,097.00
Energy - Maintenance	7,600.00	7,532.00

	FY 2013 APPROP.	FY 2013 EXPEND.
R & M Building & Grounds	3,850.00	3,816.00
R & M Equipment	7,000.00	6,435.00
R & M Equipment - Maintenance	10,100.00	10,005.00
Rentals & Leases	44,000.00	43,073.00
Rentals & Leases - Maintenance	9,500.00	9,392.00
Legal Expenses	0.00	0.00
Telephone	4,000.00	3,575.00
Telephone - Maintenance	2,100.00	1,732.00
R & M Irrigation - Maintenance	4,000.00	3,946.00
Communications - Advertising	15,990.00	15,218.00
Training & Safety - Maintenance	1,710.00	1,708.00
Uniforms	1,500.00	1,360.00
Uniforms - Maintenance	1,500.00	1,427.00
Gasoline	36,250.00	35,769.00
Supplies - Golf Shop	22,000.00	21,361.00
Seed / Topdress / Orn. - Maintenance	10,000.00	9,791.00
Fertilizer - Maintenance	38,100.00	37,796.00
Pesticides - Maintenance	60,290.00	60,185.00
Food Supplies	60,060.00	60,043.00
Other Supplies	6,500.00	5,754.00
Supplies - Maintenance	8,000.00	7,665.00
Travel	500.00	431.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships / Licenses - Club	1,000.00	1,000.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships / Licenses - Maint.	1,000.00	1,000.00
Insurance	11,638.00	11,638.00
Additional Equipment	46,000.00	45,348.00
Special Article - 2 Mowers	97,285.00	92,419.00
Capital Projects	52,518.00	26,472.00
Subtotal	1,004,495.00	951,027.00
<b>DEBT SERVICE 6607650</b>		
Long Term Debt Principal	315,000.00	315,000.00
Long Term Debt Interest	175,397.00	175,397.00
Subtotal	490,397.00	490,397.00
<b>TRANSFERS 6609999</b>		
Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND</b>	<b>\$ 1,494,892.00</b>	<b>1,441,424.00</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 27,869,015.00</b>	<b>26,676,063.00</b>

	FY 2013 EXPEND.
<b>OTHER EXPENDITURES</b>	
<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS</b>	
Computer Project	0.00
EMS Building	0.00
Partingways Building Project	0.00
Fire Station Roof Renovation	2,679.00
Police Station	22,909.00
CPA Land Purchase	0.00
Water Independence - Phase II	0.00
Water Improvements - Phase III	0.00
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND</b>	<b>25,588.00</b>
<b>CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS</b>	
Crack Sealing	0.00
Gammons Road	0.00
Middle Road	278,322.00
Middle/Barksdale Pav	152,462.00
Peckham Road	0.00
Lake Street Guardrails	0.00
<b>TOTAL CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS</b>	<b>430,784.00</b>
<b>SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	
School Lunch	315,794.00
Full Day Kindergarten	0.00
Preschool Program	17,148.00
Other Grants & Funding	850,879.00
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>1,183,821.00</b>

**FY 2013  
EXPEND.**

**SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

Animal Gift Fund	2,072.00
EECBG Sub - Grant	0.00
Building Maintenance Fund	0.00
Community Preservation Fund	267,451.00
Community Development Grant	0.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access Studio	19,292.00
Peg Access	42,536.00
Lake Street Guardrails Grant	1,620.00
D. A. R. E. Grant	0.00
Police Grant	0.00
SCAT - Southcoast Anti-Crime	0.00
Cops In Shop Grant	0.00
Law Enforcement Trust	6,985.00
SRPEDD - Homeland Security Grant	782.00
Gov. Highway Safety Grant	676.00
SETB Training Grant - 911	32,342.00
SETB Support Incentive Grant	0.00
Private Organization Grant - Police	0.00
Emergency Mgt. Performance Grant	6,200.00
EMA Cert Grant	2,930.00
Fire S.A.F.E. Grant	4,626.00
Police Reimbursable	0.00
Firefighter Equipment Grant	0.00
Council On Aging Grant	16,310.00
Council On Aging Building Grant	0.00
Council On Aging Gift Fund	5,537.00
Council On Aging Walmart Gift Fund	0.00
Council On Aging Van Gift Fund	0.00
Council On Aging - Chair Yoga Grant	1,595.00
Council on Aging - Strong Women Grant	2,978.00
Council On Aging Revolving Fund	2,234.00
Library - CD Antitrust Settlement	0.00
Library Building Grant	0.00
LIG / MEG / NRC	17,896.00
Library Gift Fund	59.00
Public Library Fund Grant	0.00
BOH - Pher H1N1 Grant	0.00
BOH - Data Filing Grant	0.00
SMHG Health Reimbursement	0.00
One Time Gift Fund	0.00
911 Memorial Gift Fund	7,953.00
Arts Lottery Council	3,385.00
Title V - Receipts Reserved App.	5,436.00

**FY 2013  
EXPEND.**

ARAW Grant	3,739.00
Celebrations Gift Fund	210.00
Conservation Revolving Fund	1,113.00
BBAC Grant - Conservation	18,653.00
Park Department Gift Fund	3,235.00
Sewer Phase II Betterment	343,398.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	31,188.00
Notice Of Intent	2,182.00
Buzzards Bay Watershed Grant	0.00
Buzzards Bay Garden Club Grant	135.00
Storm water Assessment Grant	0.00
Elections / Extended Polling	2,367.00
E.M.S. Fund	351,000.00
Insurance Reimbursements	3,623.00
Parting Ways Beautification	0.00
Outside Ads	0.00
Fire Department Gift Fund	310.00
Vet. Memorial Park / Celebration Gift Fund	180.00
FEMA Grant	23,589.00
Subtotal	<u>1,235,817.00</u>

**TRANSFERS 1592740**

Transfers to General Fund	<u>75,000.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>75,000.00</u>

**TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**\$ 1,310,817.00**

**TRUST FUNDS**

Various	<u>8,793.00</u>
<b>TOTAL TRUST FUNDS</b>	<u>8,793.00</u>

**STABILIZATION FUNDS**

Transfers to General Fund	<u>0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL STABILIZATION FUNDS</b>	<u>0.00</u>

**GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS**

**29,635,866.00**

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
GENERAL FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 4,006,939.00
Receivables:	
Personal Property	18,540.00
Real Estate	198,217.00
Tax Liens	405,092.00
Taxes In Litigation	-
Motor Vehicle Excise	122,999.00
Vets. Benefits Receivable	166,951.00
Tax Foreclosures	266,829.00

**TOTAL ASSETS** \$ 5,185,567.00

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 496,000.00
Other Liabilities	191,724.00
Accrued Salaries-Teachers	391,074.00
Allow. for Abatements & Exemptions 2008-2012	901,645.00
Tailings	-
Due to Firearms Record Fund	-
Fire Dept. Comp. Time	6,005.00
Deferred Revenue:	
Real Estate and Personal Property	(684,889.00)
Tax Liens	405,092.00
Tax Foreclosure	266,829.00
Motor Vehicle	122,999.00
Vets. Benefits Receivable	166,951.00

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** \$ 2,263,430.00

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances-Prior Year	\$ 242,799.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	1,983,897.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	695,441.00

Fund Balance Reserved for School Debt Reduction

**TOTAL FUND EQUITY** \$ 2,922,137.00

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY** \$ 5,185,567.00

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance



**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 594,489.00
CPA Surcharge Receivable	1,412.00
Tax Liens Receivable	<u>2,584.00</u>

**TOTAL ASSETS** \$ 598,485.00

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 2,973.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Liens	2,584.00
Deferred Revenue CPA Surcharge	<u>1,412.00</u>

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** \$ 6,969.00

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrance - Prior Year	\$ 402,903.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Open Space	1.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Historic Preservation	5,601.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Community Housing	105,234.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	15,552.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>62,225.00</u>

**TOTAL FUND EQUITY** \$ 591,516.00

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY** \$ 598,485.00

Attest:  
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Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 3,122,011.00
Cash on Hand	500.00
Receivables:	

E.M.S. 369,766.00

Title V Loan Program:

Apportionment Added to Tax	
Comm. Interest Added to Tax	-
Apportionment Not Yet Due	12,972.00

Sewer Tie In Loan Program:

Apportionment Added to Tax	652.00
Comm. Interest Added to Tax	83.00
Apportionment Not Yet Due	198,053.00
Def. Sewer Loan - Prin. Added to Tax	1,320.00
Def. Sewer Loan Comm. Interest	495.00
Def. Sewer Loan Not Yet Due	-

Sewer Phase 2 Betterment Program:

Betterment Added to Tax	4,584.00
Comm. Interest Added to Tax	2,520.00
Betterment Not Yet Due	2,489,037.00
Def. Sewer PH2 Bett. Prin Added to Tax	12,377.00
Def. Sewer PH2 Bett. Comm. Interest	6,470.00
Def. Betterment Not Yet Due	-
Privilege Fee Not Yet Due	-
Tax Title Receivable	<u>58,685.00</u>

**TOTAL ASSETS** \$ 6,279,525.00

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 13,531.00
Deferred Revenue:	
EMS	369,766.00

Title V Loan Program:

Def. Rev. Apportionment Added to Tax	-
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	-
Def. Rev. Apportionment Not Yet Due	12,972.00

Sewer Tie In Loan Program:

Def. Rev. Apportionment Added to Tax	652.00
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	83.00
Def. Rev. Apportionment Not Yet Due	198,053.00
Def. Rev. Def. Swr. Ln. Prin. Add to Tax	1,320.00
Def. Rev. Def. Sewer Loan Comm. Interest	495.00
Def. Rev. Def. Sewer Loan Not Yet Due	-

Sewer Phase 2 Betterment Program:

Def. Rev. Betterment Added to Tax	4,584.00
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	2,520.00
Def. Rev. Betterment Not Yet Due	2,489,037.00
Def. Rev. Def. Swr. PH2 Prin. Add To Tax	12,377.00
Def. Rev. Def. Swr. PH2 Comm. Interest	6,470.00
Def. Rev. Def. Betterment Not Yet Due	-
Def. Rev. Privilege Fee Not Yet Due	-

Deferred Revenue Tax Title	58,685.00
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**TOTAL LIABILITIES****\$ 3,170,545.00****FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved For Encumbrances	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved For Expenditures	300,000.00
EECBG Energy Grant	224.00
ARAW Grant	5,715.00
Community Development Grant	-
Building Maintenance Fund	898.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access Studio	9,057.00
D.A.R.E. Grant	231.00
Police SCAT Grant	-
Peg Access	218,739.00
Police Reimbursable	-
Law Enforcement Trust	1,895.00
Fire S.A.F.E.	3,412.00
Library LIG/MEG/NRC	21,089.00
COA Strong Woman Grant	42.00
Library Info Grant	5.00
Library Gift Fund	254,369.00
Library Building Grant	13.00
Board Of Health	64.00
Title V Receipts Reserved	35,106.00
Arts Lottery Council	3,428.00
BOH Pher H1N1 Grants	-
Celebrations Gift Fund	393.00
COA Van Gift Fund	-
Notice Of Intent	19,056.00
Conservation Revolving Acct	1,502.00

## Vets Memorial/Celebrations Gift Fund

E.M.S. Fund	5,002.00
Empowerment Fund	326,628.00
Downtown Steering Committee	1,873.00
C.O.A. Buzzards Bay Garden Grant	5,654.00
C.O.A. Building Fund	123.00
Insurance Reimbursement	-
Animal Gift Fund	1,268.00
FEMA Grant	762.00
LIB CD Antitrust Grant	-
Fed. Assist To Firefighters	185.00
Sewer PH 2 Betterment	-
Sewer Tie-In Reserved Receipts	1,495,024.00
Park Department Gift Fund	376,433.00
COA Gift Fund	1,503.00
Council On Aging Grant	201.00
COA Revolving Fund	-
Lake Street Guard Rails Grant	405.00
Long Plain Museum Repair Grant	14,990.00
Stormwater Assessment Grant	-
Fire Department Gift Fund	-
Fire Safety Equipment	1,058.00
Cops In Shops Grant	-
COPS - Private Org Grant	1,599.00
Police Gift Fund	-
LSTA - Library Grant	50.00
Sewer-Tie In Admin Grant	-
Ambulance Task Force Grant	639.00
Field Equipment Gift Fund	193.00
Parting Ways Beautification	-
Sept 11 Memorial Gift Fund	50.00
SMHG Health Reimbursement	6,438.00
Coastline Chair Yoga Grant	-
EMA Cert Grant	44.00
EMPG Grant	(2,930.00)
	(3,450.00)

**TOTAL FUND EQUITY****\$ 3,108,980.00****TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY****\$ 6,279,525.00**

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
SCHOOL LUNCH**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Petty Cash	100.00
Cash - Unrestricted Checking	\$ 38,007.00

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 38,107.00</b>
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**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 4,527.00
Due to Mass. - Meals Tax	50.00

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 4,577.00</b>
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**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	-
Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 33,530.00

<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 33,530.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 38,107.00</b>
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Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash	\$ 503,068.00
SPED Circuit Breaker Due from Commonwealth	-

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 503,068.00</b>
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**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 12,284.00
Accrued Teacher Salaries	8,023.00

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 20,307.00</b>
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**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Current Year	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	2,289.00
Undesignated Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	-
Title I	-
Title II	-
Title II - PL 94-142	36,998.00
Early Childhood Grant	-
Drug Free	-
School Building Rentals	77,959.00
Tuition Revenue	58,361.00
Early Child SPED ARRA	-
Ford Middle School Fund	17,700.00
Elementary School Fund	14,719.00
Tech Lighthouse	385.00
Teacher Quality In Education	36.00
Enhanced Education	-
Full Day Kindergarten	35,811.00
Full Day Kindergarten Grant	-
ARRA Education Jobs Grant	-
SPED Improvement Grant	1,591.00
Tuition Revolving Fund	7,738.00
Federal ARRA IDEA Grants	-

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
LONG TERM DEBT ACCOUNT GROUP**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Amounts to be Provided for Payment of Bonds \$ 9,281,800.00

**TOTAL ASSETS** \$ 9,281,800.00

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Capitalized Lease Obligation	\$ 56,325.00
Sewer Phase II Bonds	\$ 3,593,634.00
School Renovation Bond	1,375,000.00
Bonds Payable Fire Truck	100,000.00
Partingways Building Bonds	-
Water Main Bonds - Phase I	598,246.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase II	1,615,234.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase III	1,380,553.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	530,202.00
Title V Bonds	<u>32,606.00</u>

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** \$ 9,281,800.00

**FUND EQUITY**

CPA - White Woods Authorized	\$ (650,000.00)
Sewer Tie-In Program Authorized	(7,422.00)
LaPalme Conserv. Restrict. - Auth.	(495,000.00)
Police Station - Authorized	(5,238,814.00)
CPA - White Woods Unissued	650,000.00
LaPalme Conserv. Restrict. - Unissued	495,000.00
Sewer Tie-In Program Unissued	7,422.00
Police Station - Unissued	<u>5,238,814.00</u>

**TOTAL FUND EQUITY** \$ -

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY** \$ 9,281,800.00

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

Preschool Program	51,540.00
SPED Circuit Breaker	174,509.00
Race to the Top	2,728.00
Non - Smoking Grant	<u>397.00</u>

**TOTAL FUND EQUITY** \$ 482,761.00

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY** \$ 503,068.00

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
TRUST FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 2,458,989.00
Due from Resident	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 2,458,989.00</b>

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 50.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$ 107,267.00
Haydon Flower	-
Haydon - Candage Flower	495.00
Instructive Nursing	11,912.00
Leo/Ruth Jackson Flower	-
Omey/Cottle Flower	19,528.00
Travis/Ellis Flower	3,001.00
Charles Beals Library	7,088.00
Albert Leconte Library	3,552.00
Allen/Rhoda Russell Library	10,378.00
Russell Library Maintenance	7,905.00
F. Sowa Library	13,025.00
Long Plain School	6,897.00
W.G. Owen Art Week	1,460.00
Russell Protestant Poor	58,253.00
Russell Town Hall	12,198.00
Sylvia P. Manter School	58,668.00
Henry H. Rogers School	15,108.00
Russell Public Schools	43,344.00
E. C. Burt School Library	4,777.00
Ruth Tabor Scholarship	8,915.00
Long Plain Meetinghouse	10,852.00
Meetinghouse Restoration	158,093.00
A. Fluegal Board Of Health	1,889.00
RN Swift 1	11,714.00
RN Swift 2	609.00

Conservation	1,933.00
Parting Ways Green Trust Fund	13,265.00
Retirement	188,062.00
Accumulated Sick Time	5,696.00
Stabilization	1,536,744.00
Golf Course Farm Land	136,311.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	-

**TOTAL FUND EQUITY** **\$ 2,458,939.00**

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY** **\$ 2,458,989.00**

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
AGENCY FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 122,847.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 122,847.00</b>

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 53.00
Braley Hill Estates	688.00
Erin Heights	417.00
Deep Brook Estates #4	13,865.00
Farm Pond Estates	1,026.00
Forestdale Estates	-
Maple Ridge Estates	81.00
Maple Ridge Estates #2	3,734.00
Davis Farm Estates	381.00
DaCosta Estates	6,680.00
Tripp Estates	642.00
Edgewood Estates	2,750.00
Gendron Estates	789.00
Edgewood Acres #2 Escrow	50,612.00
Lucy/Winston Street	112.00
Perry Hill Church Legal Fund	40,083.00
Police Reg Radio Network	114.00
Outside Details - Police	820.00

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 122,847.00</b>
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**FUND BALANCE**

Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	\$ -
Undesignated Fund Balance	-

<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 122,847.00</b>
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Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ -
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ -
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Stormwater Mendall Road	\$ -
Gammons Road	-
Main Street	-
Fairway Drive	-

<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
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Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$	231,266.00
Receivables:		
Water Charges		330,392.00
Tax Title		227.00
Water Liens Added to Tax - 2013		670.00

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>562,555.00</b>
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**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$	74,196.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title		227.00
Deferred Revenue Water Charges		330,392.00
Deferred Revenue Water Liens		670.00

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>405,485.00</b>
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**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbs. - Current Year	\$	-
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbs. - Prior Year		10,239.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures		-
Undesignated Fund Balance		146,831.00

<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>157,070.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>562,555.00</b>
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Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$	307,059.00
Receivables:		
Sewer User Charges		170,246.00
Tax Title		232.00
Sewer Connection		-
Sewer Liens Added to Tax - 2013		802.00
Machinery & Equipment		5,650.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Machinery & Equipment		(5,650.00)
Infrastructure		5,753,984.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Infrastructure		(1,079,748.00)
Vehicles		10,293.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Vehicles		(10,293.00)
Construction in Process		-

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,152,575.00</b>
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**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$	37,180.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title		232.00
Deferred Revenue Sewer User Charges		170,246.00
Deferred Revenue Sewer Liens		802.00
Net Fixed Assets		4,674,236.00

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,882,696.00</b>
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**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances - Current Year	\$	-
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances - Prior Year		57,393.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures		-
Undesignated Fund Balance		212,486.00

<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>269,879.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,152,575.00</b>
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Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 435,478.00
Land Acquisition	1,637,100.00
Land Improvements	1,541,655.00
Allow. for Depreciation - Land Improvements	(986,367.00)
Land Improvements Interest	798,862.00
Land Improvements Non-depreciable	2,835,910.00
Buildings	285,523.00
Allow. for Depreciation - Buildings	(125,569.00)
Machinery and Equipment	1,089,529.00
Allow. for Depreciation - Machinery & Equipment	(630,668.00)
Construction in Process	-
Amounts to be Provided for Payment of Bonds	4,438,151.00

**TOTAL ASSETS** \$ 11,319,604.00

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 12,505.00
Bonds Payable	4,125,000.00
Taxes Due to Massachusetts	-
Outing Deposits	5,090.00
Gift Certificates	15,841.00
Gift Cards	30,156.00
Capitalized Lease Obligation	313,151.00
Net Fixed Assets	6,445,975.00

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** \$ 10,947,718.00

**FUND EQUITY**

Contributed Capital	\$ 500,000.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	-
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	-

Fund Balance Designated - P/Y Revenue Shortfall  
Undesignated Fund Balance

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(128,114.00)

**TOTAL FUND EQUITY**

\$ 371,886.00

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

\$ 11,319,604.00

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance



**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 533,201.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 533,201.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 22,909.00
B.A.N. Payable	-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 22,909.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Current Year	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	489,591.00
Police Station	(12,500.00)
Computer Account	-
EMS Building	-
Water Infiltration - Phase II	-
Parting Ways Bldg. Project	17,226.00
Fire Station Roof Renovation	15,975.00
Capital Project Bonded Equipment	-
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 510,292.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 533,201.00</b>

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
GOVERNMENTAL FIXED ASSETS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Land Acquisition	\$ 1,689,257.00
Land Improvements	5,294,407.00
Buildings	33,976,944.00
Machinery & Equipment	2,132,553.00
Infrastructure	20,655,367.00
Vehicles	1,868,021.00
Construction in Process	117,907.00
Accumulated Depreciation	(29,340,252.00)

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 36,394,204.00</b>
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**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ -
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 36,394,204.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 36,394,204.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 36,394,204.00</b>

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

## ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of Dogs Picked Up Unrestrained (Brought to the Shelter)	17
Number of Dogs Claimed	11
Number of Dogs Transferred & Adopted	5
Number of Dogs Euthanized	1
*Number of Kennels Inspected	16
Number of Cats/Kittens Brought to the Shelter (Released to Owner)	2
Number of Cats Adopted	0
Number of Cats Euthanized/Hit by M.V. or Injured	17
Number of Dead Animal Picked Up (Including Deer)	1,017
Number of Complaints Investigated	2,417
Number of Hearings by Selectmen	0
Number of Citations Issued	300
Number of Court Hearings	94
Mileage	4,094
Animal Gift Fund Donations	\$708.61

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson  
Animal Inspector

## ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Total Number of Quarantines	31
Number of Dogs Quarantined	19
Number of Cats Quarantined	12
Number of Rabies Investigated	3
Number of Rabies Investigated – Positive	0
Number of Rabies Cases – Negative	3
Number of Rabies Cases – Unsatisfactory	0
Number of People Who went for Rabies Vaccine	0
*Animals Were Unavailable for Quarantine	
Number of Barn Inspections	90
Number of Oxen Inspected	2
Number of Cattle Inspections (incl. Dairy, Bulls, Heifers & Calves)	167
Number of Horses, Ponies & Minis Inspected	142
Number of Sheep Inspected	180
Number of Goats Inspected	150
Number of Chickens Inspected	796
Number of Turkeys Inspected	17
Number of Rabbits Inspected	229
Number of Swine Inspected	6
Number of Peacocks Inspected	2
Number of Guinea Hens Inspected	8
Number of Waterfowl Inspected	153
Number of Swans Inspected	0
Number of Pheasants Inspected	39
Number of Geese	4
Number of Llamas	0
Number of Alpacas	3
Number of Donkeys	4

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson  
Animal Inspector

## BOARD OF HEALTH

### Board Members

Robert Medeiros, Chairman  
Thomas J. Fortin, Inspector  
David M. Davignon, Clerk

### Office Staff

Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk  
Wanda L. Hamer, Senior Clerk  
Ralph Urban, Health Agent (Retired)  
Thomas Silvia, Health Agent

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet,

### Nursing Health Care Programs:

Blood Pressure Screenings were held by the Community Nurse and Hospice Care of Fairhaven every Wednesday from 9:00 am to 10:00 am at the Council on Aging Building at 59 ½ South Main Street. The Community Nurses followed up with 12 communicable diseases that were reported to the Board of Health Office.

In January, the Department of Public Health recommended that any Board of Health with remaining flu vaccine hold another flu clinic because of the severity of the influenza season. The Board held a Flu Clinic on January 16<sup>th</sup> at the Council on Aging. The remaining 50 doses were administered.

The Annual Flu Clinic was held on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Council on Aging Building. A total of 210 flu shots were administered. This year the Department of Public Health supplied the Board with 320 doses of flu vaccine. The Board held the 2<sup>nd</sup> flu clinic on November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Council on Aging. A total of 52 flu shots were administered. Accommodations were made for residents who needed assistance by the Board of Health staff and the Community Nurse & Hospice Care Staff.

### Inspections:

Septic System Installations	49	Mobile Home Parks	7
Title V	49	Food Service	81
Septic System Abandonments	27	Complaints	65
Soil Evaluations	170	Housing	22
Percolation Tests	48		

### Permits:

Septic System Repairs	34
Septic System New Const.	15
Food Service	45
Stable	30

### Total Receipts

Permit Fees	\$40,156.25
Mobile Park Fees	\$ 8,856.00
Health Clinic Donations	\$ 839.00

**Total** **\$49,851.25**

Board of Health Meetings	17
Septic Plans Reviewed	55
Homeland Security Meetings Attended	12
Steering Committee Meetings Attended	5
Informational Meetings Attended	8

### EASTERN EQUINE ENCEPHALITIS (EEE)/ WEST NILE VIRUS (WNV)

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health held several conference calls with Local Boards of Health regarding the severity of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and West Nile Virus (WNV). In early September, the Department of Public Health moved Acushnet into High Risk for EEE and WNV. Health Agent, Thomas Silvia notified the School Superintendent about restricting all outdoor activities between the hours of dusk to dawn. Also, a reverse 911 message was sent to all Acushnet residents warning them of the risk, to wear mosquito spray and long sleeves and to curtail outdoor activities.

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:

Amy Palmer, Emergency Planner for Bristol County continually works with the Board of Health regarding Emergency Dispensing Sites (EDS). Amy assists the Board and staff with planning in the event of a disaster, outbreak or shelter requirements. The Town's Emergency Dispensing Site is located at the Albert Ford Middle School located at 708 Middle Road. This site is registered with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The State has now established new guidelines regarding EDS quarterly drills, these drills are State mandated and required to be performed by the Board of Health. It keeps all personnel involved with the EDS site updated and informed and allows Amy to review the test drill and write up an evaluation regarding the process and procedure if an actual emergency were to occur in Town.

An exercise was conducted on February 7, 2013 at the Ford Middle School to test the Town's ability to set up and open an emergency dispensing site within 24 hours of notification. The drill examined aspects of traffic, parking, transportation and management.

On the following dates the Board of Health conducted mandatory call down drills under the direction of Amy Palmer. The quarterly drills were conducted using the Home Health Alert Network (HHAN) system. All results were compiled and sent to the Department of Public Health to meet the State mandates.

February 28, 2013  
June 5, 2013.  
September 5, 2013.  
December 6, 2013.

In June, Ralph Urban, Health Agent retired after serving the Town since 2006. The Board and Staff wish Ralph a long and joyous retirement!

On June 17<sup>th</sup>, the Board welcomed newly hired Health Agent, Thomas Silvia.

The Board and staff will sadly miss Gerald Toussaint who passed away on January 25, 2013. Mr. Toussaint served on the Board of Health from April 4, 1994 until his resignation/retirement on July 15, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Acushnet Board of Health

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

The Town of Acushnet is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. SRPEDD (pronounced sir-ped) is the regional agency serving twenty-seven cities and towns in southeastern Massachusetts dealing with common issues facing our region, such as economic development, growth and land development, transportation, environment, municipal partnerships, and general planning for the future. SRPEDD is governed by a Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members and at large members. We are funded by federal and state grants and local assessments. For 2013, the Town of Acushnet paid \$1664.24 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 16.15 cents per capita

Local citizens serving at SRPEDD included the following:

SRPEDD Commission: Henry Young

Joint Transportation Planning Group: Henry Young and Merilee Kelly

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

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

and Land Use Corridor Plan. Projects included zoning bylaw amendments, assistance with developing planning documents and renderings of possible future development under project proposals.

- SRPEDD continued as the designated sub-fiduciary agent to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council and the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) for the Southeast Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council serving 96 communities and the Wampanoag Nation in 6 counties in southeastern Massachusetts. The Council has awarded more than \$25.4 million in federal homeland security funds since 2004.
- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic counting program (including speed surveys and vehicle classification, and 35 intersection turning movement counts) and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 100 traffic counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD worked with the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to evaluate the impact of proposed slot parlors in Plainville and Raynham.
- An extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. Every year new computerized "data layers" are added to the system
- SRPEDD operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.
- In cooperation with UMass Dartmouth, the Southeastern Massachusetts Council on Sustainability sponsored several workshops throughout the year.
- SRPEDD provides technical planning to two regional transit authorities, SRTA and GATRA, including: route evaluations, rider surveys, performance standards and federal reporting.
- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 365 signalized intersections in the region. This includes geometry, traffic volume, crash rate, signal timing and operational characteristics.
- SRPEDD continued its affiliation with the South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation, which makes loans to small businesses for expansion.
- In addition, technical assistance was provided to the Town of Acushnet in the following areas:
  - o Provided a map that was used to support a rezoning initiative.
  - o Assisted with the completion of a Village Smart Growth Plan.
  - o Provided the town with a completed application for the Compact Neighborhood designation for the Residential Village District, one of the smart growth initiatives identified in the Village Smart growth Plan.

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.

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Building Department issued 424 permits and collected \$ 55,093.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2012. The estimated value of work was \$ 11,092,553.00

Date	Permits	Fees Collected	Estimated Value of Work
January 2013	18	1,816.00	206,656.00
February	18	1,145.00	190,275.00
March	31	2,993.00	680,530.00
April	46	4,764.00	799,927.00
May	45	6,030.00	1,063,297.00
June	35	3,675.00	364,238.00
July	39	4,462.00	1,004,163.00
August	54	2,981.00	503,612.00
September	43	7,817.00	1,237,428.00
October	42	3,352.00	587,757.00
November	31	3,224.00	776,911.00
December	22	2,128.00	525,444.00
<b>Subtotals</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>44,387.00</b>	<b>7,940,238.00</b>
Certificate of Occupancy	15	Included with building permit fees	N/A
Certificate of Inspection	17	750.00	N/A
Mechanical Permits	7	350.00	N/A
Sheet Metal Permits	15	400.00	N/A
Trenching Permits	9	350.00	N/A
Zoning Permits	8	Included with building permit fees	Included in monthly value fees
Zoning Inquiries	4	200.00	N/A
<b>Totals</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>46,437.00</b>	<b>7,940,238.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,

James Marot, Building Commissioner  
 Nathan Darling, Deputy Building Inspector  
 Brigitte M. Benoit, Senior Clerk

## BUILDING PERMITS

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The following permits were issued for the annual year ending in December 2013.

<u>Structures</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Additions	12
Chimney	4
Commercial	6
Decks	23
Demolitions	8
Doors	13
Dwelling	21
Garage	7
Insulation	18
Miscellaneous	20
Pool	13
Renovations	28
Roof	92
Shed	13
Siding	30
Signs	1
Solar	24
Temporary Structures	2
Windows	54
Woodstoves	35
<b>Totals</b>	<b>424</b>

Respectfully submitted,

James Marot, Building Commissioner  
Nathan Darling, Deputy Building Inspector  
Brigette M. Benoit, Senior Clerk

## WIRING DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Wiring Department issued 201 permits and collected \$13,920.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2013.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Permits</u>	<u>Fees Collected</u>
January 2013	7	520.00
February	12	700.00
March	14	900.00
April	11	700.00
May	15	945.00
June	22	1,695.00
July	15	1,190.00
August	30	2,005.00
September	14	960.00
October	21	1,220.00
November	23	1,725.00
December	17	1,360.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>13,920.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Marot, Building Commissioner  
Frank Knox, Wire Inspector  
Thomas De Costa, Deputy Inspector  
Brigette M. Benoit, Senior Clerk

## PLUMBING DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Plumbing Department issued 109 permits and collected \$7,541.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2013.

Date	Permits	Fees Collected
January 2013	4	176.00
February	3	232.00
March	7	451.00
April	6	296.00
May	10	785.00
June	10	869.00
July	7	592.00
August	12	944.00
September	14	851.00
October	20	1,262.00
November	9	655.00
December	7	428.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>7,541.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Marot, Building Commissioner  
Raymond LaFrance, Plumbing Inspector  
William Alphonse, Deputy Plumbing Inspector  
Brigitte M. Benoit, Senior Clerk

## GAS DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Gas Department issued 138 permits and collected \$7,910.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2013.

Date	Permits	Fees Collected
January 2013	8	910.00
February	3	125.00
March	8	435.00
April	7	285.00
May	14	555.00
June	13	765.00
July	11	735.00
August	14	845.00
September	15	925.00
October	16	835.00
November	15	810.00
December	14	685.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>7,910.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Marot, Building Commissioner  
Raymond LaFrance, Gas/Plumbing Inspector  
William Alphonse, Deputy Gas/Plumbing Inspector  
Brigitte M. Benoit, Senior Clerk

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

In the year 2013 the Zoning Board of Appeals received 9 applications. Of those 9 applications 3 of them were for variances, 5 of them were for special permits, and 1 of those applications was withdrawn. The board granted 7 cases and denied 1 case.

Botelho Real Estate – 11/4/13 – Variance -- Granted  
D.W. White Construction – Withdrawn  
Norman Desrosiers – 9/9/13 – Special Permit – Granted  
Nathanyl Gomes -- 7/1/13, 8/5/13, 9/9/13 --Special Permit – Granted  
John Lienard – 5/6/13 – Special Permit – Granted  
Melanie Stone – 11/4/13 – Variance – Granted  
Town of Acushnet – 11/4/13 – Variance – Granted  
P.J. Keating – 5/6/13 – Special Permit – Granted  
St. Francis Xavier School – 9/9/13 – Special Permit – Denied

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Brodeur  
Zoning Board of Appeals Secretary

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### Objective:

The Acushnet Conservation Commission is a seven member board established to administer the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131 Section 40) and collaborate with various town departments on wetland issues. Wetland resource areas are protected because they serve the following public interests:

- Protection of public and private water supply
- Replenishment of groundwater supply
- Flood control and storm damage prevention
- Pollution prevention
- Provide habitat for fisheries, shellfish and wildlife

The Commission works to acquire and manage passive and recreational open space as well as encourage conservation and agricultural preservation restrictions.

### Conservation Commission Town Hall office hours:

- Monday- Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Appointments are strongly advised, especially after noon

The Conservation Commission holds its public hearings every second and fourth Wednesday night of the month at 7:00 pm in the Acushnet Town Hall Meeting Room located at 122 Main Street.

Regular site inspections are conducted by the Commission on Saturday mornings as necessary.

### 2013 Filings under MGL Chapter 131 Section 40:

- Notices of Intent – 16
- Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation -1
- Requests for Determination of Applicability -19
- Requests for Certificate of Compliance -10
- Site Visits - 26

### Commission Membership:

Early in the spring this year the Commission endured a tragedy. Commission member Patricia Picard died suddenly of a heart attack. She was a longtime member of the Commission and devoted to our cause. We planted a River Birch tree in her honor at the River View Park, next to the one we planted in her husband Paul's honor a few years ago. We will miss you, Patty.

We have also added some new members to the Commission this year. Chris Green, the local middle school principal, and Heidi Pelletier, a local daycare provider and part-time naturalist, have joined our ranks and are adding their expertise to our Commission. We appreciate their input on our board.



As of December 2013, the Conservation Commission and staff included:

Robert Rocha, Chairman  
Ted Cioper, Vice Chairman  
Marc Brodeur, Member  
Kevin Dakin, Member  
Everett Philla, Member  
Chris Green, Member  
Heidi Pelletier, Member

Merilee Kelly, Agent  
Karen Amarello, Senior Conservation Clerk

Respectfully submitted,

Merilee Kelly, Agent  
Acushnet Conservation Commission

## COUNCIL ON AGING

Heather J. Sylvia, Director  
Pauline Teixeira, Chairman of the Board  
Gerard Bergeron, Vice Chair  
Paulette Hudson, Secretary  
Marie Hardy, Board of Directors  
Alfred Gonsalves, Board of Directors  
Linda Guilbeault, Board of Directors  
Dorothy Gomes, Board of Directors

The Acushnet Council on Aging (COA) and Senior Center is open, and staffed, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The majority of staff positions (receptionists, meal servers, Meals on Wheels delivery driver) are funded through Coastline Elderly's Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). SCSEP is a paid job-training program that provides a bridge to employment for mature workers.

Our long standing programming includes congregate meals, Meals-on-Wheels, Cribbage, Mahjong, Scrabble, Diabetic Toe Nail Care, Hand and Foot, Bingo, Line Dancing, Serving Health Insurance Needs of Everyone (SHINE), Needle Arts, Red Hat Society, *Single Gals on the Go* (a social group for single, low income women over the age of 70), Pitch and much more. The Senior Center also maintains an onsite food pantry which is accessible to low income Acushnet residents (please call for guidelines).

Our *Friends of the Acushnet Elderly* group is very active with their fundraising efforts and meets quarterly. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Acushnet Police Association who funds, or helps offset the cost, of many of our special events.

Our new programs in 2013 include, hand massage and manicures by students from Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, dental cleanings and screenings, Lovely Ladies Learning to Eat Healthy, Left, Right, Center (a dice game of chance), and free mystery craft projects every other month.

In 2013, Officer LouAnn Jenkinson, Family Resource Officer, from the Acushnet Police Department, continued her role as the COA's Outreach Worker. In this position, she is responsible for the outreach work geared towards frail and homebound residents who are unable to travel to the Senior Center site. This can, and does, include delivering supplies from the COA's food pantry, nursing home and hospital visits. In February, Officer Jenkinson was the overnight point person responsible for the emergency shelter at the Senior Center which was opened for 2 ½ days during Blizzard Nemo.

In April, Irene Bouchard, long time Board of Directors member, retired from her position. Later that month we welcomed Linda Guilbeault to the Board. Ms. Guilbeault is also past President of the *Friends of the Acushnet Elderly*.

In May, the Council on Aging began sponsoring a Chair Yoga program at Presidential Terrace. This one hour per week exercise class is open only to residents of Presidential Terrace and is funded by a grant from the Association for the Relief of Aged Women of New Bedford (ARAW).

Since the closing of the Community Center in June, many organizations and groups have begun to utilize the Council on Aging building. We now proudly host meetings and events for The Acushnet Youth Athletic Association (AYAA), Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts. The Police Department and Association also hold trainings and fundraisers onsite as well as the flu clinics sponsored by the Acushnet Board of Health.

In September we received notification of grant approval from Coastline Elderly's Title III program to help support the Strong Women, Strong Bones exercise class, instructed by Karen Corcoran. Geared towards those living with osteoporosis and osteoarthritis, this group meets Monday and Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Senior Center building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather J. Sylvia, Director

## CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Cultural Council successfully recruited five new volunteers which brings us to a total of eight active members. Applications were received for the current cycle and funds were allocated for several projects. Funding from the Massachusetts Cultural Council was increased this period but we still were not able to satisfy all requests.

Submitted by,

Walter S. Dalton, Jr.

Members:

Carol Hall

Diana Couto

Pauline Teixeira

Jeanine Watts

Stephen Watts

Christopher Saulnier

Jamie Alves

## PUBLIC WORKS

Dan Menard - Director DPW  
Christine York - Senior Clerk  
Kelli Tomlinson - Senior Clerk

### Highway Department

Paul Fortin  
Thomas Menard  
Peter Fortin  
Peter Westgate

### Water/Sewer Division

John Westgate - Water Superintendent  
Matthew Tripp  
Cam Barlow  
Eric Abreau

### Acushnet Recycling Center

Peter Boutin

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Highway Division has continued to improve drainage and roadways throughout the Town. The following is a list of major projects completed.

- Drainage improvement on Frank St and Perry Hill Rd and started Gammons Rd.
- Repaired collapsed catch basins and manholes throughout town.
- Asphalt patch roads where needed and repair berms throughout town.
- Regrade and compacted dirt roadways
- Clean catch basins in Town.
- Updated and improved Recycling Center and chip, brush, plowing and sanding.

### Water and Sewer Division

The Water Department continues to replace old meters and fix problems with the radio reading systems MTU's. Maintenance of Systems is still ongoing. It consists of vacuuming of gate boxes, exercising valves, flushing hydrants. We had one main break and 12 service leaks and replaced 3 hydrants.

The Sewer Division continues to maintain the three pump stations. It includes cleaning of the wet wells, replacing worn valves and cleaning of pumps and checking valves.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Schuster, Chairman  
Dustin Cormier, Vice Chairman- resigned  
Darrin Pinto, Member- resigned  
Norman Fredette, Member  
Phil Mello, Member

## FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT

### Members of the Acushnet Fire and EMS Department

#### EMS Division

##### Chief of Department

Kevin A. Gallagher, EMT-Paramedic, I/C

##### EMT Paramedics (Fulltime)

Richard Gunter  
Michael Mentzer  
Brian Donohoe

##### EMT Paramedics (Part-Time)

Priscilla Braley  
Shawn Samanica  
William Rodriques  
Valarie Andrade-Higgins  
Paul Correia

Jeff Dupuis  
Phil Sarvaria  
Laurie Gonsalves  
Andrew Lavoie  
James Baptiste

##### EMT Basics (Part-Time)

Wendy Ashworth  
Alan Bowen  
Michael Coffey  
Matthew Morrisseau  
Adam Hebert

I/C: Massachusetts certified Instructor / Coordinator

## ***Fire / Rescue Division***

### Chief of Department

Kevin A. Gallagher, CFO, FOII, \*\*

### Career Firefighters

Eric Arruda, EMT-Paramedic  
Thomas Farland, EMT-Paramedic  
Paul Frysinger, EMT-Paramedic

### Call Deputy Chief

James Knox

### Call Captains

Michael Rothwell, FFI

Gerard Bergeron

George Pimental

### Call Lieutenants

Paul Martins, FFI/II, FOI

David Makuch

Brian Monte, FFI/II

### Call Firefighters

Wayne Pimental

Jeffrey Krupa

Peter Giampa, FFI/II

Mark Pinhancos, FFI/II

James Baptiste, FFI/II, EMT-Para.

Michael Mentzer, EMT-Paramedic

Scott Salter, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

Andrew Corrigan, FFI/II

Matthew Morrisseau, FFI/II, EMT Basic

Brian Donohoe, FFI/II, EMT Paramedic

Michael Coffey, FFI/II, EMT-Intermediate

Zachery Stupalski, FFI/II

Matthew Tripp

Donald Crocker

Peter Rawcliff

Kathryn Johnson, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

Michael Leger, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

Andrew Lavoie, EMT-Paramedic

Adam Hebert, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

### Dispatcher

Diane Barlow

### Recruits

Jarryd Allain  
Nicholas Charpentier  
Nathan Dandurand

Key: FFI Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One  
FFI/II Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One & Two  
FI1 Massachusetts Certified Fire Instructor Level One  
FOII Massachusetts Certified Fire Officer Level Two  
CPR1 Certified CPR Instructor  
\*\* Massachusetts Fire Service Commission Accredited Fire Chief  
CFO Chief Fire Officer designation by The Commission on Professional Credentialing

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Acushnet Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) continues to provide trained support services to many town departments – including Police, Fire, EMS and the Department of Public Works (DPW). A strictly volunteer agency, the Acushnet EMA coordinates emergency and disaster relief efforts at the local level under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) as well as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

During 2013, members of the Acushnet EMA continue to maintain the Acushnet EMA Headquarters located at 14 Thomas Street and to utilize this location as the town's Emergency Operations Center or EOC. Through software that we have to track the number of volunteer hours worked by the volunteers of Acushnet EMA, our volunteers have completed over 1400 hours of volunteer community service to the town of Acushnet and the AEMA. At the FEMA dollar rate of volunteer service of \$15.00 dollars per hour, this would equate to over \$21,000 dollars of total donated work given to the town of Acushnet and its residents. We continue to have the designation from the Eastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) of being a sub-regional command center for their organization, meaning Amateur Radio volunteers within AEMA would help staff the AEMA with Ham Operators for weather related and communication emergency incidents in Southeast Massachusetts based on ARES leadership discretion.

We started the year with two training sessions in January 2013 with First Aid and CPR Training and a training session on Emergency Preparedness for Individuals with Disabilities training. We also conducted an additional CPR class at the end of December and conducted a training on the handling of sheltering animals within town shelters. A significant number of our AEMA volunteers participated in these training classes. We also have 7 AEMA members that are now trained CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) members and the Acushnet EMA is now registered with FEMA and Citizen Corps as having a CERT team.

We continue to have access to the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Web EOC program, public safety and Amateur Radio communications resources. AEMA provided services to backup Public Safety with weather related incidents to block off streets if an accident or tree damage occurred and to provide auxiliary support to Eastern Massachusetts ARES as the ARES sub-regional command center. The AEMA supported Acushnet Police, Fire and DPW for the response of the February 2013 Blizzard that impacted the town on Friday February 8th-Saturday February 9th, 2013. During the Blizzard's impact on the town, AEMA opened a town shelter at the Acushnet Council of Aging for several days during and after the blizzard due to widespread power outages in the town and supported blocking off roads and clearing tree damage caused by damaging winds and heavy wet snow to keep major roads open to residents in coordination with police, fire and DPW. AEMA HQ was also staffed to provide an Amateur Radio communications link for South Coastal Massachusetts, Cape Cod and between AEMA, MEMA and the National Weather Service in Taunton. Weather and damage reports for the town of Acushnet and surrounding areas were relayed to MEMA and NWS Taunton via Amateur Radio. The generator purchased for the

AEMA in 2012 via a grant was utilized during the blizzard given the widespread power outages that affected the town including the AEMA.

The town based activities for the past year include providing lighting at town events and traffic control at planned activities such as the Acushnet town Clean-up, the Fairhaven-Acushnet Little League Parade, Acushnet Car Show, the Labor Day Road Race, Apple Peach Parade, Halloween Parade, and Christmas Light Illumination and Sing-A-Long at Acushnet Fire Station 1. We also provided mutual aid support for the town of Fairhaven for their Fathers Day Road Race.

This year the town received a grant to purchase a new Kenwood TS-2000 HF Amateur Radio for the Acushnet EMA HQ. Director Bergeron worked with the town's grant writer and AEMA Operations Officer Ed Caron to submit this grant into FEMA and acquired this FEMA grant to obtain the HF Radio. On a separate grant, several UHF portables were purchased to upgrade the utilization of communications on the Acushnet EMA frequency. In addition, the location of the Acushnet EMA repeater is in the process being moved to the NStar tower in the town and that will enhance the communications coverage of the Acushnet EMA UHF radio system.

The AEMA as the Eastern Massachusetts ARES Sub-Regional Command Center also activated during the Boston Marathon Terrorist Bombing Incident on Monday April 15th, 2013. Amateur Radio Operators were active during the Boston Marathon to support general public service event communications for supply and ambulance/medical requests across the start line, course and finish line as in past years. When the bombings occurred, a potential need for additional Amateur Radio Operators existed and Amateur Radio operations at the Boston Marathon were extended in time and responsibilities to support communications to evacuate the course and finish line of runners and to assist those injured at the finish line. The AEMA served as a net control center to gather additional Amateur Radio personnel for the Boston Marathon if required by running resource nets via Amateur Radio and to provide situational awareness information not only to the Amateur Operators involved in supporting the Boston Marathon but other agencies as well. Despite being approximately 50 miles away from the incident, the AEMA, in its role as Eastern Massachusetts ARES Sub-Regional Command Center, played an important role during the Marathon tragedy and this was noted in several national Amateur Radio and communication publications.

Finally, it is noted that the AEMA remains licensed as an agency station for the Navy-Marine Corps Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS) under MARS call-sign NNN0GPN and Operations Officer Ed Caron continues to support testing via the MARS system. In November 2013, a National Army MARS Drill was supported out of the AEMA under Eastern Massachusetts ARES and Navy-Marine Corps MARS where the AEMA communication capabilities were sufficient to gather New Bedford Airport ATIS (Automatic Terminal Information Service) information via radio reception versus via Internet or telephone. This could be important in the event of a widespread phone and Internet outage. The support from AEMA for this drill was recognized in national Amateur Radio and MARS publications. Ed Caron also supports the regular monthly tests of the MEMA Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES) and ARES Nets from

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

the AEMA HQ facility where all communication capabilities of the AEMA are tested.

I would like to personally thank the many members of the Acushnet Emergency Management Agency who give freely of their time based solely on their interest in giving something back to their community. Thank you to the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator for their continued support, and a very heartfelt thank you to the residents of the town of Acushnet for supporting your local Emergency Management Agency.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerard A. Bergeron; Director

To the officials and residents of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 2013.

On behalf of the men and women of the Acushnet Police Department I would like to thank the residents again for their continued support for a new Police Station. The Police Station Building Committee hired CDR Maguire as the Owner's Project Manager for the Town. CDR Maguire represents the Town's interest through all phases of this project.

The Police Station Building Committee, CDR Maguire and the Architects, Kaestle and Boos Associates have been busy completing the Design and Development, various site tests and permitting this year. This part of the process took one year to complete and the Police Station project will go to bid on or about January 14, 2014. The new Police Station should be completed sometime in early 2015.

The Acushnet Police Department has begun to use Social Media as a tool to communicate with our residents, business owners and the public. The Department is currently using Facebook and Twitter with plans to expand our presence online. Facebook and Twitter were especially useful during the February Blizzard in 2013. Officers on patrol were able to post pictures and road closures in real time to help keep people informed during the storm. Thousands of people from not only Acushnet but also all over the world looked at our page with multiple pages viewed during the peak of the storm. Social Media has given the Department an up to date way to share press releases with residents and has given the public a new way to interact with the Department to share tips, suggestions and comments. You can find us on Facebook at ACUSHNET POLICE DEPARTMENT or on Twitter @AcushnetPD.com.

The Acushnet Council on Aging (COA) continues to successfully work in conjunction with the Police Department's Family Resource Officer, Louann Jenkinson. Officer Jenkinson is assigned to the COA between eight and sixteen hours per month to meet with residents. She assists with PACE (fuel assistance) and SNAP (food stamps) applications, Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP); which helps identify and investigate Medicare/Medicaid fraud and makes visits to the home bound elderly who are at risk for social isolation.

In most cases an elder will not reach out and ask for help because they are too proud or see any assistance as "charity" which makes this collaboration so important to identify these elders and to provide assistance for them. In her position as family resource officer, she is responsible for the outreach work geared towards frail and homebound residents who are unable to travel to the Senior Center site. This can, and does, include delivering supplies from the COA's food pantry. In February, Officer Jenkinson was the overnight point person responsible for the emergency shelter that was opened for 2 ½ days during Blizzard Nemo. In March of 2013, she completed a 13-hour training on Domestic Violence Risk Assessment and Management for Elders.

The number of cases the Acushnet Detective Division had targeted narcotic sales, sexual

assault cases and cyber crimes have remained steady. The number of housebreaks increased sharply in the fall. Multiple groups of individuals were arrested and charged and by Mid December the numbers of reported housebreaks had dropped considerably. The best way you as a resident can help us is simply get to know your neighbors. This way you will be able to determine what is suspicious in your neighborhood and reported immediately as it is happening. In the majority of these cases residents observed suspicious activity but did not realize it or report it. Please help us to help you.

Officer Phillip Adams has been promoted to a full-time Police Officer and he will graduate from the Plymouth Police Academy in February 2014. Officer Adams will be replacing one of the three open full-time vacancies the Police Department has had since 2006. This promotion was made possibly by the collaboration between the Acushnet School Committee and the Board of Selectmen. This will allow the Town will fill the School Resource Officer position that we have been without since 2008. The School Resource Officer position will be filled by Officer Paul Melo once Officer Adams graduates from the Police Academy.

On behalf of the entire police department I would like to thank the Selectmen, Town Officials and residents that have supported us throughout the year

Following is a list of activities and the current staff of the department.

#### OTHER ACTIVITIES

Calls for Service	6931
209A/HPO Requested	20
209A Violated	21
Abandoned Vehicle	0
Accidental Injury	1
Administrative Duties	98
Alarm Calls	467
Ambulance	760
Animal Complaint	179
Arrests	217
Assault/simple	18
Assist Other Police Department	112
B&E motor vehicle	13
B&E	79
Death/Accidental	0
Death/Natural, unattended	2
Directed Patrols	90
Disabled Motor Vehicles	51
Disorderly, disturbing peace	34
Disturbance, noise complaint	88
Domestic Disturbance	90
Domestic Disturbance, verbal	29

DUI	13
E911 hang up/abandoned	84
E911 Test call	41
Elder Affairs	32
Family Resource	2
Fire runs	18207
Fireworks	13
Follow up to prev. call	198
Forgery/Counterfeiting	1
Found Items	43
Fraud/Bad checks	41
Harassment	41
Home Invasions	0
Humane calls/Injured animal	89
Hunting violations	2
Illegal Dumping	11
Impounded Dogs	2
Items returned to owner	20
Drugs, possession/distribution	12
Liquor law violation	0
Larceny	47
Littering	5
Loitering/Curfew	1
Lost items	10
Mental Investigation	4
Missing Person-adult	7
Missing Person-child	6
Murder/Manslaughter	0
M.V recoveries	2
M.V. stolen	3
Neighbor Problems	53
Notifications	64
Offenses Against the family	1
Open Windows/Door	11
Parking Complaints	27
Person Assist	476
PC (Sec 12 & Sec35)	17
Phone calls, annoying	18
Police Information	192
Prisoner Transport	64
Probate/civil complaints	3
Rape	1
Robbery	1
Runaway	2
Road/Safety Hazards	112
SAIN sexual assault of a child	8

Search Warrant Executed	4
SEMLEC Activation	16
Sex Offenses/not rape	3
Shots fired	14
Stolen Property	23
Summons Service	93
Suicide/Attempted Suicide	17
Suspicious Person	95
Suspicious m.v.	204
Suspicious investigation	231
Threats	29
Traffic Accidents	213
Traffic Accidents/hit & run	35
Traffic non-moving	64
Traffic Violations	1105
Trespassing	9
Unwanted Person	11
Vandalism	52
Wire Down/Power Outage	53
Vandalism/destruction of property	79

#### MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

##### CHIEF OF POLICE

Michael G. Alves

##### SERGEANTS

Thomas L. Carreau  
Christopher R. Richmond  
Gary S. Coppa  
John A. Bolarinho

##### FULL TIME OFFICERS

Paul J. Melo Louann Jenkinson  
James D. Costa Keith A. Ashley  
Michael A. Matton Derek W. Cathcart  
Jeremy T. Fontes Steven Soqui  
Gary L. Rousseau Kevin Walsh  
Danny B. DeAmaral

#### PART TIME OFFICERS

Michael J. Nunes	John Almeida Jr.
Gene W. Robinso	Jason Matton
	Philip Adams
	Ryan Lavoie

#### DISPATCHERS

Jolene M. Olivier  
Susan M. Nocon  
Laurent R. St. Jean

Sincerely,

Michael G. Alves  
Chief of Police



## PLANNING COMMISSION

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Planning Commission respectfully submits the following report for the calendar year 2013:

The Planning Commission generally held regular meetings on Thursday a month, on a date agreed upon by the members, beginning at 6:30 PM. Regular meetings are held in the Planning Department office on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Parting Ways Building. Public hearings and on-site meetings were posted in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, and most meetings have been televised.

The public is always invited to attend the public meetings. In past years, the Planning Commission was able to receive last minute submissions at their meetings. This has been negated due to a change in the Open Meeting Laws requiring a posting of the complete agenda for every department more than 48 hours before the meeting. If your business is not on the agenda before the posting time, we regretfully cannot hear you. You will be directed to get on the agenda for the next meeting.

The Planning Department has had another busy year of community service. We have moved forward on several strategic initiatives including the creation of the Residential Village (RV) district in the historic downtown area. This new district allows smaller lot size development, which is compatible with the historic downtown development pattern. The Planning Department also was successful in passing the Green Communities By-Law which established modern, "green" development guidelines in support of sustainable design and construction in Town. This was an essential component for the Town to receive a "Green Community" designation by the State of Massachusetts; enabling the Town to compete for grant funding in support of energy efficient municipal infrastructure projects. Both of these initiatives are aligned to goals of the Acushnet Master Plan. The Planning Department was also successful in passing a "Marijuana Moratorium" to temporarily restrict the operation of marijuana dispensaries in Town. The 18 month moratorium will allow proper assessment and regulation development of this new By-Right land use in the State of Massachusetts.

Acushnet is also an active participant in regional planning. Our Town Planner is a Commissioner of the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD), a member of the SRPEDD Joint Transportation Planning Group and a member of the MBTA Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force. The Town Planner is a LEED AP which is an important credential for the Planning Department to maintain in-house as municipal energy and environmental requirements become more complex. The Town Planner also serves on the Acushnet Public Safety Building Committee, Acushnet Alternative Energy Committee and the Acushnet Housing Partnership. Additionally, we are thankful to Ms. Donna Ellis who provides invaluable service to the Planning Commission. With over eighteen years of public sector experience, Ms. Ellis ensures that the day-to-day actions of the Planning Commission are conducted in strict accordance with the ever changing requirements of Massachusetts General Laws, which govern our operations.

Respectfully submitted,

The Planning Commission  
Marc Cenerizio, Chairman  
Richard Ellis  
Richard P. Forand  
Leo Coons, Jr  
Mark DeSilva

Henry Young, Town Planner

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
STATE RECLAMATION AND MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD  
BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT  
140 NORTH WALKER STREET \* TAUNTON, MA 02780  
Tel: (508) 823-5253 \* Fax: (508) 828-1868**

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

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

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

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

During the time period January 1, 2013– December 31, 2013 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project:

- Sprayed over 9,094.7 acres
- Treated 45.2 acres with *B.t.i.* & .04 acres with Altosid in 34 locations for mosquito larvae
- Received 264 requests for spraying
- Cleared and reclaimed 5,266 feet of brush
- Treated 720 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](http://www.bristolcountymosquitocontrol.com) to

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer E. Dacey  
Superintendent

**Bristol County Mosquito Control Commissioners:**

Arthur F. Tobin, Chairman  
Gregory D. Dorrance  
Joseph Barile  
Christine A. Fagan  
Robert F. Davis

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

We had a good year at the Long Plain Museum and The Friend's Quaker Meetinghouse. We had a lot of visitors from outside of the area as far away as Texas, Pennsylvania, and Georgia. The Commission would like to be able to have more events at the Meetinghouse, such as birthday parties, or small weddings. There was a wedding at the meetinghouse in August, with a trolley car bringing the guests in for the wedding.

We do not have water available at the Meetinghouse and need to rent a port-a-john for each event. Our Town fathers had the selectmen's meeting here in September which has become a yearly event.

We have had meetings regarding the carriage house to be built at the meetinghouse and at this time we are going to have the students at Old Colony High School do the construction. It will be a project for 2014.

The other project is the Perry Hill Church where the roof has been replaced with all new beams inside of the church. Other work to be completed will be the belfry and painting and replacing the doors and repairing the siding. Our next plan is to get the Church on the National Historic Register and add a new sign out front.

Kevin Dakin chairman from the CPC has a vision for a Cultural Center at the Perry Hill Church. The Historical Commission endorsed his idea. We also have had brochures made for the meetinghouse and the Whaling Captains homes here in Acushnet. A thanks to Doreen Roy who designed the whaling brochure. A plaque was made for the meetinghouse in memory of the Quaker Lady who left an endowment for the care of the Quaker Meetinghouse it is placed inside of the Meetinghouse.

The Quaker Meetinghouse is in need of work on the exterior of the building, so next spring 2014, we will have to get estimates for repair and painting then we need to replace the shutters that are in total disrepair. The interior of the building also needs painting.

Concerts are set up for May, June, and July and we want to have one at the meetinghouse and one at the museum, depending on the weather or we will have them at the Council on Aging. Thanks to the Mass Cultural Grant program we are able to have these concerts that are free to the public.

The Historical Commission has received another \$500.00 from Town Meeting to place historical signs throughout town. Total of seventeen historical signs have been replaced including our cemetery signs. Some of them never had signs. Thanks to Town Meeting approval of funds, we have almost completed this project.

The Long Plain Museum had all new lighting added to the exterior of the museum. They are LED lighting and are very bright. Cost was covered by the Acushnet Historical Society who oversees the museum.

The Long Plain Museum has added a new liner fitted in the chimney because the inside of chimney was deteriorating. Tootle Chimney did a good job all in one day and it is safe to use the furnace which is always a worry.

The Long Plain Museum is also having blown-in insulation added to the attic and all exterior walls to save on heating oil. These funds were from the CPC and we thank them very much.

Many thanks to Leo Tuttle an eighty five year young gentleman who lovingly takes care of the grounds at the Long Plain Museum. He does an amazing job cutting the grass and the cleanup in the spring and fall.

We have a very active Historical Commission here in Acushnet and are always looking for new members interested in the history of Acushnet and preserving it.

We are also trying to add more buildings to the National Historic Register and also Historic Districts.

The annual Apple/Peach Festival was held on the grounds of the Long Plain Museum on September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 2013.

The History of Acushnet book, we are limited on the quantity of the history book, and the Ancient Cemetery books are still available, we also have postcards and Acushnet maps at the museum, call Pauline 508-961-7843.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline Teixeira-Chairperson  
Joyce Reynolds-Recording Secretary  
Madeline J. Gwozdz  
Robert Hall  
Frank Grace  
Acushnet Historical Commission



## PARK DEPARTMENT

To the good townspeople of Acushnet, we submit to you the following report for the calendar year ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013.

In March Park Supervisor Don Camara and Assistant Jerry Boucher, kicked off the activities at Pope Park with a mighty cleanup effort. Once again they and their crew have done a tremendous job keeping up the appearance of the park.

In April, newly re-elected Park Commissioner Michael Desrosiers started a new 3 year term. He has managed and been involved in many projects over the years, and the board looks forward to his continued involvement. Also in 2013, James Madruga resigned to concentrate on other commitments. We greatly appreciated Jim's views and experience and will solely miss his input. Taking over for Jim was David Souza a life-long resident of Acushnet. He has provided great insight into things the board can address going forward.

Once again, Catherine Jason ran her six week summer youth program, with 195 Acushnet children attending the program in any given week. This very successful program allows children access to adult supervised crafts and sporting activities for two hours each weekday morning during the summer. With budget cuts that limited her funding, Cathy has managed to keep this great program going. It truly is a benefit to the entire town. Thanks, Cathy!

Plans are moving forward to establish the Veterans Memorial at the head of Pope Park, with Tom DeCosta and the Veterans Memorial Park Committee informing us that plans as of the end of the year have been finalized and work is hopefully going to begin in 2014.

Once again the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) and the residents of Acushnet allowed us to acquire funding in May to fix issues on Champions Field, build new dugouts and to begin updating the Little League complex. With assistance from the Town Administrator Alan Coutinho, the Park Department secured services provided by Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School and carpentry shop teacher, Stu Norton. They provided the labor to build the dugouts and have done an outstanding job with it, and we would like to extend a heart-felt thank you to him and his students. This project should be completed in early spring 2014.

In closing the Park Board would be remiss in not thanking the residents of Acushnet for having the foresight and patience to allow us to rebuild and maintain Pope Park as the jewel that it is. We as a board, continue to be highly motivated in making the appropriate improvements and to provide proper maintenance to Pope Park, in the hope that it maintains its rightful place as the center of outdoor activity in the town.

We greatly appreciate the continued support of the residents of Acushnet, and look forward to providing you with a park that all of you can be proud of in 2014.

Respectfully yours,

Acushnet Park Board  
Michael Desrosiers- Chairman  
Wayne Richmond  
David Souza

## ACUSHNET RIVER VALLEY GOLF COURSE

As stated last year we reduced our outing rates to successfully draw in more outings this season. It is great to be able to communicate the success we are having at Acushnet River Valley. We are pushing forward this season introducing new marketing strategies updating our website and interacting on the internet via Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. All of these build upon the brand that Acushnet River Valley is setting forth to achieve. We will be able to interact via texting directly to customers providing the necessary information in order to open up this line of communication. Our Season Passholder promotion continues to be a successful self marketing program continuing to grow each season. We decided to maintain the current price structure for our season pass & include promotional incentives for purchases made in off peak season months!

This is one of our strongest characteristics in managing the golf course, aggressive marketing and continued flexibility to adapt to current market conditions and demands. We are increasing our rounds played by promoting off peak specials; this will assist in creating a revenue stream in unused times and create new customers that will become loyal supporters of our golf course. As the economy continues to grow our value rates will drive customers to continue playing Acushnet River Valley.

Economic fear is the new normal, the stock market has been rising for 6 years now and people are still unsettled about the last recession. We have found our niche in the golf market arena – we are the affordable comfort for this area. *We offer every basic necessity required for someone to enjoy a recreational round of golf without the guilt of overspending or feeling like they didn't get what they were expecting.* Our strongest assets are the golf course layout, consistent excellent conditions, and a cooperative, user friendly, customer service oriented staff.

Through the years our staff has developed into becoming a draw for customers to return by engaging them into common conversations and learning about them. Our course offers something that most golf courses don't, personality. We have grown to develop a loyal customer base that elect to bring their family, friends and business clients to Acushnet's golf course because they know they will be treated as guests should be treated. We are proud of this customer perception and value it, driving us to maintain our relationship to exceed expectations.

We have sacrificed and maintained a strict budget plan and I am proud to say Acushnet River Valley is one of the few succeeding in this economic climate. We have always believed and held true to our vision of providing the best possible experience for a fair price. In doing so, we have earned the respect and loyalty from a very large market area. *I would like to thank the team of Acushnet River Valley staff for representing the town with exceptional dedication in achieving our objectives to offer outstanding professional customer service.* Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Przybyszewski

## RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The mission of the Russell Memorial Library is to provide free and open access to innovative library services, delivered in an efficient and effective manner that will:

- Provide the materials, programs, and services needed to meet recreational needs.
- Provide the materials, tools, and assistance needed to help students succeed in a formal educational program.
- Provide a safe, inviting, and neutral public space that helps to address the need of people to meet and interact with others in their community and to participate in public discourse about community issues.

The six-member Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library has the custody and management of the library and all related property. The Board typically meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 6 P.M. in the library meeting room.

Jayne Z. Viveiros, Director B.A. Stonehill College, M.S.L.I.S. Simmons College.  
Denise Charland, Assistant Director; Victoria Allard, Sandra Medeiros, & Pauline Prudhomme, Library Technicians; Cindy Souza, Page; Diane Fuller, Custodian.

The Library at 88 Main Street is open year round:

Monday and Wednesday	10-8
Tuesday and Thursday	1-8
Saturday	9-3
Telephone	(508) 998-0270
Fax	(508) 998-0271
Website	<a href="http://www.sailsinc.org/acushnet">www.sailsinc.org/acushnet</a>

To obtain a library card, please present positive identification and proof of address. A child may have a card with parental permission when able to print his/her name. No card is required to use materials and services within the library, except the library computers.

The Library offers books, videos, audio books, newspapers, magazines, music CDs, Internet access, on-line databases, and personal assistance using technology at no cost. Printers, a copy machine, and a fax machine are available to the public for a small fee. When not in use, the Meeting Room is available to municipal and community organizations who need a place to meet.

The Library is a full voting member of the SAILS Library Network. Through SAILS, library patrons have access to the collections of over 60 libraries. In addition to the automated system, SAILS provides professional cataloging services, technical support, and continuing education. The SAILS system allows users with an internet connection to search the catalog, reserve materials, check on holds, items out, and even renew from home.

The Library is also a member of the Massachusetts Library System (MLS), a division of the state library system. MLS provides delivery of materials between libraries, regional

reference and inter-library loan service, on-line databases, staff training, Summer Reading materials, and professional consultants at no charge to the library.

The library maintained state certification in 2013. Required: a Director with a Master's Degree in Library Studies from an accredited institution and certification by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners; a minimum of 40 hours open per week; a minimum of 16% of the total budget expended on materials; a municipal appropriation that increases by 2½% each year over a 3 year average. Certification entitles Acushnet residents to borrow materials from other Massachusetts libraries and qualifies the Town to apply for state aid and state grants to libraries – these elements allow the library to provide residents with a wider variety of materials, and also assist the library in providing additional services.

Free children's programs support emerging literacy. Story Time uses books, songs, crafts, and finger plays to teach listening skills, develop attention span, exercise fine motor skills, and foster a love of books. Summer Reading encourages children to read during the summer, reinforcing the skills gained during the school year.

The library also holds programs for adults. A Knitters Circle meets twice a month, led by staff member Denise Charland. A Reader's Group meets once a month to discuss a book selected by the members. We are grateful to Jean Stripinis, for the many hours that she volunteers as program leader. All are welcome to join these groups.

Most programming and all special events are made possible by the generous donation of money and time from the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library. We are grateful to them for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. We thank the businesses, organizations, and individuals who fund our summer reading program, The Parting of the Ways Beautification Committee for plantings and holiday decorations and the many library patrons who donate time and materials.

The Board of Trustees also thanks the citizens of Acushnet, Town officers, and other Town departments for their support throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Simonne Coutinho  
Kristen Leotti, Chair  
Henry Preston  
Jean Stripinis  
Louise Threlfall

## VETERAN'S SERVICES

### STATISTICAL REPORT 2013

Active Borrowers .....	4,260
Children's Programs Held .....	23
Attendance, Children's Programs .....	952
Adult Programs Held .....	66
Attendance at Adult Programs .....	563
Computers for Public Use .....	5
Public Internet Access .....	4
Meeting Room Use .....	148

#### Materials Holdings (Number of items)

Books .....	24,527
Periodical subscriptions .....	98
Video/DVDs .....	2,249
Audio .....	679
Children's eBooks .....	407
Adult eBooks .....	5,429
Downloadable Audio .....	3,754

#### Circulation (Times Borrowed)

Books .....	28,629
Periodicals .....	4,202
Video/DVD .....	11,567
Audio .....	1,831
Miscellaneous (equipment, museum passes, etc) .....	359
Children's eBooks .....	3,836
Adult eBooks .....	894
Downloadable Audio .....	391

**Total Items circulated .....** 51,709

To the residents and town officials of Acushnet, I submit the following report for Department of Veteran Services.

The purpose of this position is to provide assistance for military veterans and their families in matters relating to their rights and benefits under various government programs for the Town of Acushnet. The incumbent Veteran Service Officer establishes support programs for financial, medical, educational and vocational matters. Work is generally performed in the second floor office of Town Hall during varied days of the week to accommodate phone requests of veterans. Meetings with veterans are held throughout the town, at people's homes, hospitals, and other veteran facilities.

It is my duty to make regular contact with recently discharged veterans as well as those having served their country in past wars and conflicts. Contacts are also made in person, by telephone, in writing, and by e-mail to Department of Veteran's Services employees in the Boston office as well as local contact with VFW and American Legion Posts in Town.

The Veteran Services Officer manages all benefit applications and investigates and approves disbursements of monies and benefits under applicable governing laws and regulations. He assists veterans or their spouses in obtaining service records (DD-214), and assists them in the preparation of various applications and documents pertaining to their health or financial welfare, such as Chapter 115 Veterans Benefits, allowances, state bonuses, G.I. loans and burial allowances. He assists veterans in the preparation of various applications and documents pertaining to their seeking compensation for such health problems they may have developed while serving their country, such as exposure to Agent Orange or PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder).

It is the responsibility of the Town's Veterans Service Officer (VSO) to prepare and submit appeal cases for veterans and their dependents, and appear before the Board of Veterans' Appeal on their behalf. The VSO acts as liaison between State and U.S. representatives on behalf of veterans and their dependents.

As VSO, I assist the veteran in finding ways to arrange transportation for disabled or ill veterans to and from VA hospitals or other health care providers. I also serve as Power of Attorney for veterans who request this service when researching and processing their cases to the Rating Review Board of the Department of Veteran Services.

It is the duty of the VSO to perform administrative work necessary to prepare payroll vouchers, billing and related finance and supply duties in-house. The VSO must keep abreast of developments and changes each year by the State Veterans Service Office, as well as keeping abreast of current changes in Massachusetts General Laws and Federal Laws.

I am responsible for assisting the VFW and Legion with flag memorials, and to organize and/or assist with recognition celebrations within the Town of Acushnet. I am available to answer any veterans' questions or requests, or those of their widows, simply by contacting

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

my office. The majority of VSOs in the state are full time (40 hrs. wk) with several working 10 to 20 hrs./week.

As the present position of VSO in Acushnet is a "part time" due to the Towns' population, it is generally my policy to be in my office at the Town Hall Mondays from 8-12 p.m. and Thursdays 11-2 p.m. to work on submitting monthly town payment vouchers to veterans and or their widows, as well as being available for office visits. Variables occur each month, therefore a "set" amount of hours per week is not practical. The hours are to be determined by the requirements of the work load and could vary occasionally.

I am also required to file each month, Town / State reimbursement documents and forms (Chapter 115-Veterans Benefits) of monies paid out by the Town to Veterans or their widows. The State of Massachusetts, Department of Veterans Services, reimburses each city/town in Massachusetts, 75% of all monies paid out by the Town's VSO to Veterans and or their widows. Massachusetts is the only State in the country that does this.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald T. Cormier  
Veterans Service Officer

April, 2013 marked the 39<sup>th</sup> year of service to the Town of Acushnet, providing low income housing to elderly and handicapped individuals.

In fiscal 2008, the Authority was awarded Community Preservation Funds to research the land owned by the authority, but not yet developed. The goal of the Acushnet Housing Authority is to develop the land in order to provide Acushnet with additional Housing to meet the needs of its present and future elderly population. We are currently working with the different town boards to keep this project moving forward.

The Authority also received Capital Improvement Funding. The first phase of funding received allowed us to replace windows in buildings one and two. The Second phase of funding has allowed us to complete two more buildings, and are currently working on our fifth building. Our Capital improvement plan is in place and will continue to allow us to do improvements into fiscal 2017

In 2013 we received a health and safety grant which allowed us to repave the walkway in front of our Community Center.

The Bristol County Sheriff's Office inmate program has been a success for the Acushnet Housing Authority. Some of the jobs that they have completed are painting our outside porches (front and back), power washing our brick buildings, and shoveling snow on our walkways. In Fiscal 2013 we have had 12 projects completed by this program.

The Garfield St. facility opened its' doors in 1992 and continues to work successfully. The Authority is in the Third year of the new contract with the Department of Mental Health and their vendor Fellowship Health Resources. A new contract was developed with DMH and DHCD to ensure open communication between departments, the vendors and the leasing Housing Authorities. The new contract is working well for all parties in the Town of Acushnet. This year we have completed painting the entire inside of the home, and replaced some appliances

The Board of Commissioners and staff of the Acushnet Housing Authority appreciates everyone who assists the Authority in providing safe and secure housing to the elderly and handicapped who have chosen Acushnet to remain their hometown.

Respectfully submitted,

Rene Racine, Chairman  
Lawrence Mulvey, Vice Chairman  
Lawrence Marshall, Treasurer  
James Madruga  
Nicholas A. Gomes, State Appointee to the Board  
Lynn Sigman, Executive Director  
Deborah Pelletier, Administrative Assistant  
Michael Cioper, Maintenance Mechanic

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

The Department of Weights and Measures ensures that equity and fairness prevail in the marketplace between the buyer and seller and enforces all laws, ordinances and regulations relating to the accuracy of weighing and measuring devices used by local business establishments. These include taxi meters, gas station pumps, home heating oil truck meters, hospital and health clinic scales, truck scales, factory and pharmacy scales, and scales for the tipping of solid waste.

The Department of Weights and Measures enforces Massachusetts General Laws and regulations relating to the accuracy of weighing and measuring devices that weigh, measure, or count commodities offered for public sale. The department also seals or condemns devices tested, and performs such work in accordance with state laws and regulations and municipal ordinances, subject to review through reports and periodic checks by the State Division of Standards. Additionally the department inspects prepackaged food and merchandise to ensure compliance with weight, measurement and count requirements, and for proper labeling as to weight, measure and extended prices. It also investigates complaints on measuring devices or those not conforming to legal standards, checks hawkers and peddlers for possession of licenses, and inspects weighing and measuring devices used by these vendors. The Department also advises merchants on packaging and labeling of goods.

This Department uses Handbook 44, Specifications, Tolerances, and other Technical Requirements for Weighing and Measuring Devices, promulgated by the National Institute of Standards and Technology, of the United States Department of Commerce, and further promulgated by the Massachusetts Division of Standards.

Sealing fees collected and submitted to the Town Treasurer amounted to \$689.00

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore Machado, Sealer

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS

I am delighted to offer the annual report on the state of public education in the Town of Acushnet for the year 2013.

### School Committee:

The school committee is the governing board of the town's public school system. In Acushnet, the committee is a five-member board elected to three overlapping terms. Current members of the Acushnet School Committee are:

Frank Kuthan, Chairman  
Michelle DeTerra, Secretary  
David DeTerra

John Howcroft, Vice-Chairman  
Douglas Coray

In April 2013, Michelle DeTerra and Douglas Coray were re-elected to three-year terms.

The school committee maintains several subcommittees. Members that make up these subcommittees are as follows:

- Budget Subcommittee- David DeTerra (Chair), John Howcroft
- Negotiations Subcommittee- Douglas Coray (Chair), Frank Kuthan
- Policy and Evaluation Subcommittee- Michelle DeTerra (Chair), Frank Kuthan

The Facilities Maintenance and Energy Conservation Subcommittee was formally dissolved and is no longer a subcommittee of the school committee; however, a Facilities Maintenance and Energy Conservation Committee was created in its place. This new committee retains the same functions as the subcommittee; however, it now meets during the workday and only has one school committee member on it.

Additionally, the school committee maintains other positions as follows:

- Old Colony Vocational Appointment Committee- David DeTerra, John Howcroft, Michelle DeTerra
- Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative Representative- Frank Kuthan

### Districtwide:

There were no changes to the Acushnet Public Schools Central Office in 2013.

As of October 1, 2013, there were 992 students PK through grade 8 enrolled in the Acushnet Public Schools. This figure is 16 students more than what was reported for the same date in 2012. The student enrollment for the Albert F. Ford Middle School decreased by 5 students (461 to 456), and the enrollment for the Acushnet Elementary School increased by 21 (515 to 536). The percentage of low income students decreased for the first time since October 2005, when the low income population was at 11.4%. The current low income population, which includes the number of students who receive free and reduced lunch, was 24.4% as of October 2013. Several students were enrolled in schools in the Old Rochester Regional and Freetown-Lakeville school districts as a part of school choice.

Acushnet does not maintain a high school. As a result, Acushnet sends its students to several



area high schools, which include Bristol County Agricultural High School, Fairhaven High School, New Bedford High School, and Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School. All but the latter high school is accounted for in the school department's budget. As of the first tuition billings, 12 students were enrolled at Bristol County Agricultural High School, 183 students were attending Fairhaven High School, and 85 students were enrolled at New Bedford High School.

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) is administered annually to students in Massachusetts in accordance with the Education Reform Law of 1993. These state tests are designed to measure performance based on the learning standards in the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks and serve as one measure of accountability for students, schools, and districts.

The 2013 MCAS scores were positive and comparable to surrounding districts. There were several highlights. In mathematics, when accounting for proficiency, Acushnet's school-level MCAS scores were at least five percentage points above the state average for each grade level in the district. Overall, these scores are by far the highest mathematics scores ever achieved by Acushnet students. In fact, the eighth grade scores were higher than every surrounding school district. The new mathematics programs and aligned curriculums at the elementary school and middle school, and the additional time on task at the seventh and eighth grade level appear to have helped contribute to these positive results. In English Language Arts (ELA), when accounting for proficiency, the school-level MCAS scores were at least five percentage points above the state average for three of the six grade levels: grades three, four, and eight. The literacy and Response to Intervention initiatives continue to pay off at the elementary level.

Overall, the percentage of students who attended the Acushnet Public Schools and scored a 220 (needs improvement) or higher was equal to or greater than the state average for all of the 14 MCAS tests administered. This was the seventh straight year that Acushnet students met this benchmark. In addition, the percentage of students who attended the Acushnet Public Schools and scored a 240 (proficient) or higher was equal to or greater than the state average for 12 of the 14 MCAS tests in 2013. This was a decrease of one from 2012 when 13 of 14 tests were equal to or greater than the state average.

Another means of reporting MCAS results has to do with student growth. The median Student Growth Percentile (SGP) measures how much student performance in a given school or district has improved from one year to the next relative to their academic peers (other students statewide with similar MCAS test score histories). According to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), high growth is defined as growth in a subject at or above the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile, typical growth is between the 40<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> percentile, and low growth is below the 40<sup>th</sup> percentile. Of the 10 MCAS tests that student growth percentile can be calculated for, students who attended the Acushnet Public Schools achieved at or above the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile in 8 of the tests. This is an improvement from the previous year, when students scored at or above the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile on 7 out of 10 tests.

The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), the most recent reauthorization of the Elementary

and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), is the principal federal law affecting education from kindergarten through high school. The main goal of NCLB is to help all students reach proficiency in ELA/reading and mathematics by 2014. At one time, NCLB provided useful feedback on district and school performance; however, the rising number of districts and schools judged inadequate under NCLB, both in Massachusetts and across the nation, led the United States Department of Education (USDOE) to invite states to seek flexibility from NCLB's requirements. In November 2011, the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) submitted a flexibility waiver request to the USDOE, and the waiver was approved in February 2012.

As a result of the NCLB Flexibility waiver, Massachusetts uses an accountability measure known as the Progress and Performance Index (PPI), which combines information about narrowing proficiency gaps, student growth, graduation and dropout rates into a single number. This index replaces Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), which measured progress towards all students achieving proficiency by 2014, with the more realistic goal of reducing the proficiency gaps in half, as measured by PPI, by 2017.

With AYP, data was reported out for all subgroups and if a school didn't meet the benchmark in any one subgroup for two years in a row, then it didn't achieve AYP. With PPI, the data is reported for all subgroups and for a high needs subgroup made up of all subgroups. The high needs subgroup, along with the aggregate is used to calculate PPI.

All districts, schools, and groups with sufficient data are assigned an annual PPI based on two years of data. Annual PPI indicates progress from one year to the next. Cumulative PPI represents a trend over time. It is a metric on a scale of 0 to 100 with the target goal being a score of 75. The cumulative PPI score is based on an average of its annual PPIs over the most recent four year period, with the most recent years weighted the most.

All of the NCLB accountability status labels have been eliminated and replaced with accountability and assistance levels. The cumulative PPI scores, which are based on a four-year trend of annual PPI scores, along with another metric which measures a school's overall performance on PPI indicators relative to other schools in the same grade span, help to classify schools into accountability and assistance levels.

There are five accountability and assistance levels for schools. Level 1 represents the highest performing, while Level 5 represents the lowest performing. Schools are designated as Level 1 if they meet a target PPI of 75 or better for the aggregate and for the high needs subgroup and are not in the bottom 20 percent of schools serving similar grades. Level 2 schools are schools that are also not in the bottom 20 percent of schools serving the same or similar grades but have not met a target PPI of 75 or better. Level 3 schools are classified as such because they are in the bottom 20 percent of all schools serving the same or similar grades. Level 4 and 5 schools are a subset of Level 3 schools that are declared by the Commissioner of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to be the lowest performing schools in the state.

AES achieved the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile when looking at the school's overall performance relative

to other schools in the same grade span and a PPI of 93 and 91 for the high needs subgroup and aggregate. This was an improvement from 2012, when AES achieved the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile and a PPI of 84 and 83 for the high needs subgroup and aggregate. As a result, AES was once again designated as a Level 1 school, which is the highest possible rating.

FMS achieved the 55<sup>th</sup> percentile when looking at the school's overall performance relative to other schools in the same grade span and a PPI of 57 and 60 for the high needs subgroup and aggregate. This was an improvement from 2012, when FMS achieved the 49<sup>th</sup> percentile and a PPI of 60 and 57 for the high needs subgroup and aggregate. As a result, FMS was once again designated as a Level 2 school.

A district is generally classified into the level of its lowest-performing school. As a result, the district is Level 2 because the lowest rating of the schools in the district equals a Level 2 at FMS.

The district continued its data analysis process in 2013. Teams of teachers at both schools once again met to identify student weaknesses for different student populations and subject areas. Action plans were developed based on the data in order to address these student weaknesses. These action plans were compiled into the annual Data Analysis Report unveiled in December 2013. The information in this report influences school and district improvement plans and school budgets.

Curriculum Instruction Assessment (CIA) committees continued to meet twice per month to discuss and revamp curriculum, evaluate instruction and assessments, as well as analyze data with the goal of improving student achievement. These collaborative meetings have proven to be an important part of enhancing classroom practice.

There was once again a plethora of professional development opportunities provided by the district to teachers and paraprofessionals in 2013. Workshops were offered on the following topics: the Edline grading program, the BaselineEdge teacher evaluation program, the District Curriculum Accommodation Plan, Crisis Prevention Institute training, narrative writing, Keys to Vocabulary, and the Work Sampling Assessment System.

Acushnet is a Race to the Top district, so it is required to align its ELA and mathematics curriculums to the new Common Core curriculum standards. Teachers in both schools have worked diligently to fully align this curriculum to the new state standards before the Common Core's full implementation beginning with the 2013-2014 school year.

In 2013, all educators who have licenses through the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education were in the process of being evaluated consistent with the new state Board of Education evaluation regulations. An Evaluation Working Group continues to meet in order to monitor implementation of this initiative.

The Acushnet Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) continued to play an important role in the success of our schools in 2013. Members of the PTO continued to donate many hours of their time volunteering for school functions and organizing and administering PTO-sponsored events. Their fundraising efforts continued to provide the district with monies

for field trips, extracurricular activities, and special events for Acushnet students. Sarah Gomes was once again re-elected as PTO president.

The Acushnet School Committee's Policy Subcommittee worked diligently to revise, create, and eliminate district policies in 2013.

Several school committee policies were revised. These policies are as follows: ADDA CORI Requirements; BC Reorganization of the Acushnet School Committee; BDF Advisory Committees to the School Committee; BEDF Voting Method; BIA New School Committee Member Orientation; FD Energy Management Conservation; IA Instructional Goals; IGAE Health Education; IGBHA English Language Education Program; IGD Curriculum Adoption; IGDB Student Publications; IICA-E Permission Slip For Field Trip; IICA-EI Field Trip Request Form; IJJ Textbook Selection and Adoption; KG-E4 Application For The Use of School Facilities; JFABD Homeless Students Enrollment Rights and Services; and KBG Reproduction of Public Records.

Several new school committee policies were adopted, including: BBA School Committee Powers and Duties; BBAA School Committee Member Authority; BBBE Unexpired Term Fulfillment; BDB School Committee Officers; BG School Committee Policy Development; BHE Use of Electronic Messaging By School Committee Members; BIBA School Committee Conferences, Conventions, And Workshops; and BK School Committee Memberships.

Policy IFD Curriculum Adoption was the one school committee policy that was eliminated in 2013.

**Albert F. Ford Middle School:** There have been several changes at the Albert F. Ford Middle School (FMS) over the past year.

With regards to personnel, two mathematics teachers were replaced due to resignations. Ms. Kayla Cadorette was hired to teach mathematics in the seventh grade, while Peter Gallagher was hired to fill the fifth grade position.

Digits, the new mathematics program for grades six through eight, and enVision, the mathematics program for grade five, was purchased for use beginning with the 2012-2013 school year. These programs immediately paid dividends as all of the grade levels scored at least five percentage points above the state average when accounting for proficiency. Both of these programs have strong technology components and require the utilization of interactive whiteboards for instruction and strongly encourage the use of the Internet for homework. This new mathematics series allows for individual skill development and provides students with remediation of skills and processes needed as they move further into the 21st century.

The reconfiguration of the ELA department was finalized in 2013, as the sixth grade ELA and reading classes were combined. This reconfiguration allows for more cohesive instruction across a single curriculum framework and more integration of these topics. The

fifth grade ELA and reading classes were combined in the prior year. In addition, new ELA arts textbooks that are fully aligned to the new Common Core Standards were purchased in 2013.

FMS has continued to utilize the Accelerated Math and Accelerated Reader programs as adjuncts to the curriculum and continues to regularly assess students in mathematics and reading in all grade levels by using the Star Mathematics and Star Reading assessment systems. These assessments provide valuable data in order to help identify students in need of reading and mathematics remediation.

FMS continued to utilize a "Team Time" period to provide small group instruction to remediate students exhibiting difficulty in a given subject. The groups are flexible and are altered according to need and student proficiency. In addition to twice-weekly grade level meetings to evaluate student progress teachers meet by subject area twice-monthly to address curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

Following the lead of the elementary school, FMS instituted Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS). PBIS is a systematic and research-based approach to school-wide behavior. Through PBIS, FMS teaches and supports positive behavior for all students and staff. This prevention-based and data-driven framework is designed to minimize problem behaviors and promote a climate of greater productivity, safety, and learning.

Lastly, FMS added a Distance Learning Lab (DLL). This DLL is a computer lab equipped with web-enabled cameras and display devices that provide access to presenters and experts from around the world. This DLL can be used to enhance professional development offerings for teachers and provide virtual field trips to students.

#### **Acushnet Elementary School:**

The 2012-2013 school year marked the fourth year of the Acushnet Elementary School (AES) Response to Intervention (RtI) initiative. RtI is a process, which includes the provision of systematic, researched-based instruction and intervention. It also includes specific literacy support for all students based on data. Screening occurs three times a year where collected data is used to place students in appropriate interventions. Additional data points that also inform interventions include: Star Reading grading equivalents and Reading Street Benchmarks. The RtI intervention occurs daily for approximately 45 minutes and represents the most intensive period of the literacy block. Students who are identified as "at risk" or "some risk" are monitored more frequently in order to better provide for their instructional needs. In 2012, AES expanded this initiative to include mathematics in first grade.

AES implemented a new core mathematics program called enVision during the 2012-2013 school year. This program is utilized by grades K-4 and by the fifth grade at FMS. In the first year of this program, it has proved to be effective, as third and fourth grade mathematics MCAS scores were 15 and 16 percentage points above the state average. These scores were by far the highest mathematics scores for these grade levels that Acushnet students have ever attained.

In response to weaknesses in Reading Street in writing, AES purchased the Empowering Writers program for use in grades 1-4. This program has also been adopted by the fifth grade. Empowering Writers is a complete writing curriculum methodology that is research-based, aligned to the Common Core Curriculum Standards, and can be applied to narrative, expository, and persuasive or opinion writing. The teachers use published literature to define specific skills through modeling, guided practice, and application.

The 2013-2014 school year marks the second year of the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) initiative. A Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) Steering Committee continues to meet at AES to gather data and monitor and develop this program. The committee comprises a cross section of school stakeholders (teachers, parents, and administrators) and focuses on improving student academic and behavioral outcomes, ensuring all students have access to the most effective and accurately implemented instructional and behavioral practices and interventions possible. PBIS provides an operational framework for achieving these outcomes.

Curriculum Instruction and Assessment (CIA) meetings are held twice monthly, once as a vertical team for each core subject area and another as a whole staff. These meetings directly influence classroom instruction by collectively sharing ideas, looking at student data, and evaluating and altering curriculum and assessment practices. The main focus of these meetings will be to develop District-Determined Measures (DDMs) and to incorporate Empowering Writers into the curriculum.

The 2013-2014 school year, marked the second year of universal full-day kindergarten and an expanded preschool. All kindergarten students were once again able to take advantage of a full-day schedule and curriculum at no cost, while the preschool once again made up four classes versus only two available classes during the 2011-2012 school year. The rationale for the expansion of these early learning opportunities is grounded in research, which has consistently shown that early intervention and support leads to stronger academic achievement and social/emotional growth.

Lastly, four new staff members were hired for the 2013-2014 school year. New staff members include: Amanda Sullivan, occupational therapist, Jennifer Tincher, assistant principal-district curriculum coordinator, and two preschool teachers, Brianne Kierstead and Rachel Robidoux.

#### **Special Education:**

The Acushnet Public Schools expanded the Integrated Preschool to respond to the demand for the program during the 2012-2013 school year. In the past, certain students were not admitted to the program due to a lack of slots. The 2012-2013 school year marked the first time that all students whose parents applied to the program for their children gained admittance. The expansion added two additional classes which allowed more preschool aged children to participate in an early childhood learning experience that will better prepare them for academic and social success. The additional preschool classroom, taught by a second preschool/special education certified teacher, provided programming for students identified with disabilities, as well as students without disabilities who serve as model peers. Eligibility for special education is based upon formal assessments completed

by the preschool teachers and follows federal and state mandates. Even with the preschool expansion, there was still a small waiting list for the 2013-2014 school year; however almost all of the students wait-listed were eventually afforded slots.

The Preschool Coordinator for the district is the Director of Special Education who attends quarterly regional 'Early Childhood meetings, and participates in seminars sponsored by The Department of Early Education and Care. The Director of Special Education is currently in the process of submitting Level 1 certification criteria for the Massachusetts Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS). QRIS is a method to assess, improve, and communicate the level of quality in early care and education and after-school settings; this includes preschool classrooms. Level 2 certification will follow shortly thereafter. The district has a state QRIS facilitator to assist with the certification efforts at no cost. This rating will become necessary to secure future preschool grant funding.

In December of 2012, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) conducted the onsite portion of the district's scheduled Coordinated Program Review (CPR) of the special education department. Areas audited were: Special Education Student Record Review and Document Review, Civil Rights Document Review, Staff Record Review and English Language Learner (ELL) programs. In May of 2013, the final results of the CPR were provided to the district. These results were quite favorable with commendations from the state on impeccable student record file keeping. The auditors also supported the shift in providing Extended Year Services (Summer Program) to only those students whose data results indicate that substantial regression would occur without summer services. As such, these services are written into students' individual educational plans, thereby requiring the district to provide transportation for these students during the five week Summer Program. The CPR auditors did report on minor special education findings, including the lack of parent involvement with the Parent Advisory Council. The Corrective Action Plan was written to target inventive ways to encourage more family input, such as providing child care for parents who attend PAC meetings. In addition, the CAP recommended an independent special education program review. Acushnet complied with this recommendation by contracting with Walker Partnerships who conducted this evaluation in October of 2013, with the final report to be made available in 2014. The CAP was accepted by the DESE and the first progress report was submitted in September 2013 to reflect documentation of corrective steps taken by the special education department. Two more progress reports will be submitted for this current school year. In addition, the ELL portion of the CPR was found to be an area requiring the revision and implementation of procedures and the current plan, particularly as the district prepares for the Rethinking Equity and Teaching for English Language Learners (RETELL) initiative for the 2014-2015 school year.

The state special education reimbursement program, commonly known as the circuit breaker program, was started in FY04 to provide additional funding to districts for high-cost special education students. The threshold for eligibility is tied to four times the state average foundation budget per pupil as calculated under the chapter 70 program, with the state paying up to 75 percent of the costs above the threshold. The district once again carried forward this reimbursement as is recommended by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and Department of Revenue. This practice is encouraged in

order to guard against unexpected special education cost increases or circuit breaker reimbursement drops. The state's Special Education Circuit Breaker program includes a provision that allows districts to claim for extraordinary relief when claimable special education costs exceed 125% of the previous year's claimed costs. Acushnet was not eligible for extraordinary relief in FY13.

READS Collaborative accepted the Acushnet School District as a trial member for the 2012-2013 school year with the intention of Acushnet becoming a full member by 2013-2014. However, Acushnet has not yet been designated as a full member because the state has not approved the changes to the collaborative agreement. Therefore, Acushnet will once again be a trial member for the 2013-2014 school year. Educational collaboratives exist in order to provide specialized instruction and support to students who need a substantially separate setting that can't otherwise be provided through in-district programs. This is particularly true of Acushnet's district as students with low-incidence disabilities often do not warrant the set up and maintenance of specialized programs. Districts that are members of educational collaboratives pay lower tuition rates than non-member districts. As a part of this trial membership, the district is eligible for member fees for tuitions and services as if it were a member, which will save the district tens of thousands of dollars per year. Obtaining full membership will depend on a vote of member school committees and on various actions required of the Acushnet Superintendent and Director of Special Education. These requirements include regular attendance at upper and middle management meetings, as well as contracting for a certain number of assessment services through the collaborative. Thus far, the district has complied with these requirements.

Acushnet continues to be a member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative (SMEC). Frank Kuthan continues to be the Acushnet School Committee's representative to SMEC, while the Director of Special Education continues to serve as a member of the SMEC Steering Committee, a group that discusses and proposes programs that would be beneficial to the students of collaborative member districts. Through SMEC, the district continues to employ a part-time school psychologist. A portion of direct speech/language, occupational and physical therapy services, as well as assessments are also contracted through the collaborative.

The district's four substantially separate classrooms continue to meet the needs of students with special needs within our district and provide alternatives to sending students to costly out of district special education placements. These classrooms are a focus of the CPR and have provided programming for students in need of a small group and highly structured setting.

The Acushnet-Fairhaven Special Education Parent Advisory Council met each quarter during the 2012-2013 school year to review special education regulations and discuss areas of interest and concern to the parents. Topics of meetings included: 1) annual presentation of rights and regulations 2) presenters for helpful parent tips 3) seeking parent input relative to professional development topics to be provided by the district as mandated by federal government 4) ideas to promote maintenance of skills at home during the summer months.

The special education department has met with the building administrators to refine procedures related to Child Find, or the steps educators take to address academic, social and emotional needs of students. The director and special education staff have participated in conferences and workshops in areas such as social thinking curriculum, behavioral and emotional concerns, iPad training, and WIAT achievement test administration.

Lastly, team meetings continue to be held to discuss eligibility, planning, programming, and progress of special education students, on an annual and as needed basis. In addition, school-wide special education staff meetings continue to be held monthly, while task force meetings have been held as topics and issues emerge. Some of the topics for these meetings included transitional services for students, preschool assessment and curriculum, and establishing protocols for identifying the need for formal assessment. Special education staff have been trained to administer the Wechsler Individual Achievement Test as a supplement to the cognitive testing conducted by the district's newly contracted school psychologist. This will reduce costs while affording students the opportunity to be evaluated by familiar educators, and the WIAT is more closely aligned to the WISC-IV which is used to develop cognitive profiles, and provides more accurate data for student educational planning.

#### **Budget and Grants:**

In May, Town Meeting appropriated \$12,572,985 for the school department for its FY 2014 budget. This budget was a 2.38% increase from the prior fiscal year.

The district applied for and is slated to receive NCLB entitlement grants from the federal government totaling \$103,012 in FY14. This is a decrease of \$12,146 from the previous year's final allocation. These entitlement grants consist of Titles I and IIA. Title I monies make up the largest portion of the NCLB entitlement grants. This grant pays for a Title I teacher that helps to provide reading skill development to low achieving students at the elementary school, professional development in literacy and writing, writing curriculum, and a tutoring program. Title IIA (Teacher Quality) funds are used to help support professional development for teachers and paraprofessionals and the district's mentoring program.

The Director of Special Education applied for and received several grants for FY14. The Special Education Entitlement Grant - 240 supplemented the district's special education program in FY14 by \$242,721, which is a decrease of \$14,439 from the previous fiscal year. Acushnet once again received monies from the Department of Early Education and Care's Early Childhood Special Education Grant - 262 to supplement the preschool program. The allocation from this grant was \$6,241 and \$319 less than the previous fiscal year. The Special Education Program Improvement Grant - 274 was once again issued in FY14; however, the allocation of \$4,197 was far less than the \$11,930 that was appropriated through this grant in FY12. The monies for this grant help to fund professional development related to special education. Lastly, the district is slated to receive \$2,900 from the 298 Early Childhood Special Education Program Improvement grant. This is a relatively new grant that will be used to bolster early childhood special education.

The district applied for one competitive grant from the state; the Quality Full-Day Kindergarten Grant. This grant helps to support the full-day kindergarten program by offsetting salary and supply costs. The \$45,008 allocation was the same amount as the final allocation for the previous fiscal year.

Lastly, Massachusetts was one of the winning states in the national Race to the Top competition, funded by the U.S. Department of Education to promote reform in four areas: standards and assessments, great teachers and leaders, school turnaround and data systems. FY14 is year four and the final year of this grant. Some of the projects that Acushnet participated in over the four year period of the grant include: implementing a statewide evaluation framework; aligning curriculum to the Common Core Curriculum Standards; strengthening climate, conditions, and school culture; participating in National Institute for School Leadership (NISL) training for principals; creating near-real-time access to data in Education Data Warehouse by implementing the Schools Interoperability Framework (SIF); and implementing one or more components of the statewide teaching and learning system.

Respectfully submitted,

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