### **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: \$13.95 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2014) Class 3 and 4 Tax Rate: \$17.85 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2014)

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

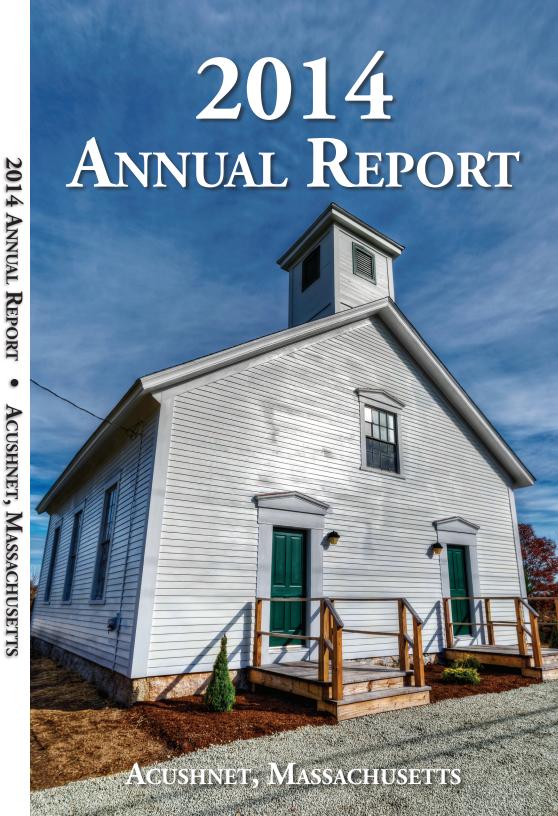


Photo of the Perry Hill Church
Courtesy of Frank Grace,
resident of Acushnet, member of the Historical Committee
and owner of Trig Photography.



### TOWN RECORDS AND REPORTS

of the

### **TOWN OF ACUSHNET**

**MASSACHUSETTS** 

For the

**Year Ending December 31, 2014** 

### TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Fire Department (Emergency)	
Police Department (Emergency)	
Police Department (Business)	
Acushnet Emergency Medical Service (Ambulance)	
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Acusiniet Eniergency Medical Service (Business)	300-990-0233
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	
Health Board	
Park Department	508-998-0285
Planning Board	508-996-6662
Plumbing Inspector	508-998-0225
Russell Memorial Library	
School Business Manager	508-998-0261
Selectmen	
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
Wing Department	500 000 0225

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## In Memoriam 2014

Juliana F. Perry Town Hall Clerk Election Inspector Date of Death – June 14, 2014

Lawrence G. Marshall
Housing Authority
Board of Appeals
School Building Committee
Cable Committee
Date of Death – September 16, 2014

Yvonne Desrosiers
Town Clerk
Treasurer
Collector
Date of Death – October 4, 2014

Girard St. Amand Board of Health Volunteer Fireman Date of Death – November 17, 2014

Every man's life ends the same way. It is only the details of how he lived and how he died that distinguish one man from another.

**Ernest Hemingway** 

### TOWN OFFICERS 2014

### **Town Clerk**

Pamela A. Labonte	Term Expires 2017				
Board of Selectmen					
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Chairman David E. Wojnar Garry L. Rawcliffe	Term Expires 2015 Term Expires 2016 Term Expires 2017				
Board of Assessors					
Marc F. Cenerizio, Chairman Matthew D. Lopes Liberio D. Soares	Term Expires 2017 Term Expires 2015 Term Expires 2016				
Board of Health					
David M. Davignon, Chairman Thomas J. Fortin Robert Medeiros	Term Expires 2015 Term Expires 2016 Term Expires 2017				
School Committee					
David M. DeTerra, Chairman John C. Howcroft Mary Louise Francis (Appointed - September 8, 2014) Douglas M. Coray (Resigned - August 31, 2014) Michelle D. DeTerra Francis R. Kuthan	Term Expires 2017 Term Expires 2015 Term Expires 2016 Term Expires 2016 Term Expires 2016 Term Expires 2017				
<b>Commissioner of Trust Funds</b>					
Marc E. Laplante, Chairman Ivo M. Almeida Leo M. Rousseau	Term Expires 2016 Term Expires 2015 Term Expires 2017				
Trustees of Free Public Library					
Kristen E. Leotti, Chairwoman Jean S. Stripinis Sherry A. St. Jean Bertha Louise Threlfall Henry T. Preston Simonne L. Coutinho	Term Expires 2016 Term Expires 2015 Term Expires 2015 Term Expires 2016 Term Expires 2017 Term Expires 2017				

### **Cemetery Board**

Paul H. Fortin, Chairman	Term Expires 2015
Charlene A. Fortin	Term Expires 2016
Joanne K. Cioper	Term Expires 2017

### Park Commissioners

Michael L. Desrosiers, Chairman	Term Expires 2016
Wayne B. Richmond	Term Expires 2015
Robert St. Jean Jr.	Term Expires 2017

### **Housing Authority**

Rene Racine, Chairman	Term Expires 2016
Lawrence G. Marshall (Passed away - September 16, 2014)	Term Expires 2015
Arthur L. Bergeron (Appointed – October 27, 2014)	Term Expires 2015
Lawrence P. Mulvey	Term Expires 2017
James S. Madruga, Jr.	Term Expires 2019
Nicholas A. Gomes - Governor's Appointee	Term Expires 2018

### **Planning Board**

Marc F. Cenerizio, Chairman	Term Expires 2017
Richard H. Ellis	Term Expires 2015
Mark M. DeSilva, Sr.	Term Expires 2016
Richard P. Forand	Term Expires 2018
Richard A. Ellis	Term Expires 2019

#### Moderator

Robert E. Francis Term Expires 2017

#### Tree Warden

Raymond F. Barlow Term Expires 2017

### **Board of Public Works**

Dissolved by Town Meeting Vote (December 9, 2013)

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Special Legislation (March 14, 2014)

Laffray D. Cabustar Chairman	Torm Euripea 2015
Jeffrey D. Schuster, Chairman	Term Expires 2015
Norman D. Fredette	Term Expires 2015
Philip A. Mello	Term Expires 2016
Matthew Goulet	Term Expired 2014
Vacancy	Term Expired 2014

Name	Office	Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation	<u>Term</u> Expires	Date Sworn In
John P. Abaray, Jr.	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/01/04	5/01/15	5/09/14
Ivo M. Almeida	Commissioner of Trust Funds	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/16/14
Kerrie Almeida	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
Michael G. Alves	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/05/14
Michael G. Alves	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/05/14
Keith A. Ashley	Sergeant - Police Dept.	Appt. 3/10/14	N/A	5/12/14
Catherine L. Audette	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/06/14
Raymond F. Barlow	Tree Warden	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/22/14
Louise Benoit	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/14/14
Arthur L. Bergeron	Housing Authority	Appt. 10/27/14	4/07/15	10/28/14
Gerard A.J. Bergeron	Council on Aging	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/17	6/19/14
Gerard A.J. Bergeron	EMA Director	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/19/14
Constance J. Carr	Beautification Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/07/14
Marc F. Cenerizio	Assessor	Elected 4/7/14	4/03/17	4/10/14
Marc F. Cenerizio	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/23/14
Marc F. Cenerizio	Board of Appeals	Appt. 11/17/14	5/01/15	11/25/14
Marc F. Cenerizio	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/17	5/23/14
Marc F. Cenerizio	Open Space Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/23/14
Marc F. Cenerizio	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/23/14

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Marc F. Cenerizio	Soil Conservation Board (Planning)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/23/14
Joanne K. Cioper	Cemetery Board	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/08/14
Joanne K. Cioper	Election Inspector	Appt. 9/22/14	5/01/15	10/08/14
Michael A. Cioper	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/14/14
Ted Cioper	Conservation Commission	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/17	8/12/14
Lillian R. Contois	Election Warden	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/05/14
Lillian R. Contois	Town Meeting Head Teller	Appt. 7/30/14	6/30/17	9/05/14
Douglas M. Coray	School Committee	Resigned 8/06/14	4/04/16	4/01/13
Ronald T. Cormier	Veterans Agent	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/26/14
Jenny Correira	Election Inspector	Resigned 3/11/14	5/01/14	
Andrea Corrie	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/09/14
Kristie A. Costa	Tax Title Custodian	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
Alan G. Coutinho	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/14
Alan G. Coutinho	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/01/14	5/01/15	5/08/14
Alan G. Coutinho	Parking Clerk	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/14
Alan G. Coutinho	Parking Clerk	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/08/14
Alan G. Coutinho	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/08/14
Alan G. Coutinho	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/08/14

Name	Office	Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation	Term Expires	Date Sworn In
Alan G. Coutinho	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/018/14
Alan G. Coutinho	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/08/14
Charlotte A. Coutinho	Beautification Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/14/14
Simonne L. Coutinho	Election Warden	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/13/14
Simonne L. Coutinho	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/28/14
Dianna Couto	Election Warden	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/09/14
Dianna Couto	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/30/14	6/30/17	9/09/14
Terence W. Cripps	Assistant Animal Control Officer/ Inspector of Animals	Appt. 12/16/13	5/01/14	1/23/14
Terence W. Cripps	Assistant Animal Control Officer/ Inspector of Animals	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	8/15/14
Kevin A.G. Dakin	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/06/14
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	3/17/14
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	Rent Control Board	Appt. 10/7/13	End of Elected Term	3/17/14
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	3/17/14
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	SRTA Representative	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	3/17/14
Nathan P. Darling	Deputy Building Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/10/14
David M. Davignon	Housing Partnership Committee (BOH)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/10/14
Thomas J. DeCosta	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/02/14

Name	Office	Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation	Term Expires	Date Sworn In
Thomas J. DeCosta	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/02/14
Irene N. Decotis	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/17	5/07/14
Louise M. Desroches	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/06/14
Louise M. Desroches	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/30/14	6/30/17	*
Michael L. Desrosiers	Community Preservation Committee	Resigned 9/04/14	5/01/15	12/28/12
David M. DeTerra	School Committee	Elected 4/07/14	5/01/17	*
Jeanne L. Duggan	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	7/02/14
Jeanne L. Duggan	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 6/30/11	6/30/14	7/02/14
Jeanne L. Duggan	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/30/14	6/30/17	9/09/14
Barbara J. Dupuis	Beautification Committee	Appt. 6/16/14	5/01/15	6/24/14
Richard A. Ellis	Planning Commission	Elected 4/07/14	4/01/19	4/14/14
Diane Ferreira	Election Clerk	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/09/14
Robert A. Ferreira	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Finance Comm. Rep)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/09/14
David M. Flynn	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/20/14
Donna G. Forand	Beautification Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/02/14
Donna G. Forand	Beautification Committee	Resigned 12/01/14	5/01/15	5/02/14
Donna G. Forand	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/02/14

Name	Office	Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation	Term Expires	Date Sworn In
Lee A. Forand	Election Clerk	Resigned 4/14/14	5/01/14	6/18/13
Carolyn C. Fortin	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	9/09/14
Carolyn C. Fortin	Election Clerk	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/09/14
Joanne Fournier	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/21/14
Robert E. Francis	Town Moderator	El;ected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/17/14
Nancy Franco	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
Kevin A. Gallagher	Forest Warden	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	9/26/14
Kevin A. Gallagher	Forest Warden	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/26/14
Kevin A. Gallagher	Inspector of Garages	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	9/26/14
Kevin A. Gallagher	Inspector of Garages	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/26/14
Kevin A. Gallagher	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	9/26/14
Kevin A. Gallagher	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/26/14
Kevin A. Gallagher	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	9/26/14
Kevin A. Gallagher	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/26/14
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/17/14
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Rent Control Board	Appt. 10/7/13	End of Elected Term	3/17/14
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Police Station Building Committee (Selectmen)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	3/17/14
Dorothy F. Gomes	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/09/14

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Dorothy F. Gomes	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/30/14	6/30/17	9/09/14
Nicholas A. Gomes	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/10/14
Manuel A. Goulart	Golf Management & Operational Committee Business Comm. Rep	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/22/14
Edward Govoni, Jr.	Herring Warden	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/30/14
Russell W. Goyette	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	8/13/14
Russell W. Goyette	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	8/13/14
Frank C. Grace	Historical Commission	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/16	*
Carol E. Gravanis	Election Inspector	Appt. 6/02/14	5/01/15	7/02/14
Paul L. Guilbeault	Old Colony Reg. Voke Tech. School Committee (Acushnet Rep)	4/28/14	4/30/17	5/13/14
Marie M. Hardy	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/08/14
Marie M. Hardy	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/30/14	6/30/17	8/13/14
William K. Hargreaves	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/19/14
Florence R. Hathaway	Beautification Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/07/14
Ryan D. Hemphill	Police Dept.	Appt. 10/21/14	N/A	10/21/14
John C. Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	10/01/14
John C. Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	10/01/14

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John C. Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/01/14
Paulette J. Hudson	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	7/25/14
Edward J. Isaac	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Member-at-Large)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/22/14
Eric W. James	Beautification Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/02/14
Merilee Kelly	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/07/14
Merilee Kelly	Energy Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/07/14
Merilee Kelly	Open Space Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/07/14
Merilee Kelly	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/07/14
Merilee Kelly	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/07/14
Merilee Kelly	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/07/14
Merilee Kelly	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/07/14
Francis R. Kuthan	School Committee	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/09/14
Pamela A. Labonte	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	4/17/14
Pamela A. Labonte	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/20/14
Pamela A. Labonte	Town Clerk	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/17/14
Marc E. Laplante	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/07/14
Rick Leaver	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	4/22/13	5/01/14	10/02/14

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Rick Leaver	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	5/01/14	5/01/15	10/02/14
Mary A. Lebeau	Election Clerk	Appt. 3/10/14	5/01/14	3/27/14
Mary A. Lebeau	Election Clerk	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/09/14
Raymond F. Leblanc	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	9/29/14
Raymond F. Leblanc	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/29/14
Charles R. Leonard, Jr.	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	*
Charles R. Leonard, Jr.	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
Lisa A. Leonard	Cultural Council	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	*
Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights & Measures	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	*
Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights & Measures	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	*
Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights & Measures	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
James S. Madruga	Housing Authority	Elected 4/07/14	4/01/19	*
James A. Marot	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/16/14
James A. Marot	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/16/14
James A. Marot	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/16/14
James A. Marot	Energy Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/16/14
James A. Marot	Enforcement Agent for the BOS	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/16/14
James A. Marot	Enforcement Agent for the BOS	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/16/14

Name	Office	Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation	Term Expires	Date Sworn In
James A. Marot	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/16/14
James A. Marot	Portable Sign Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/16/14
James A. Marot	Portable Sign Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/16/14
James A. Marot	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/16/14
James A. Marot	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/16/14
Eric R. McGlynn	Finance Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/17	7/03/14
Robert Medeiros	Board of Health	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/09/14
Robert Medeiros	Shellfish Warden Harbor Master	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/28/14
Robert- Medeiros	Soil Conservation Board (BOH)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/28/14
Nathan P. Melo	Police Dept.	Appt. 10/21/14	N/A	10/21/14
Daniel M. Menard	Housing Partnership Committee (DPW)	Appt. 6/02/14	5/01/15	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Moth Superintendent/ Inspector of Pest Control	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Moth Superintendent/ Inspector of Pest Control	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/01/14

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Daniel M. Menard	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Special Police Officer for NB Water Works	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	10/01/14
Daniel M. Menard	Special Police Officer for NB Water Works	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/01/14
Belinda Michaud	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 2/24/14	3/05/14	2/27/14
Claudio Moco	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/02/14
Maria M. Moore	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/13/14
Margaret M. Mota	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	8/29/14
Michael Oliveira	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/02/14
Maria Otocki	Insurance Advisory Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/16/14
Scott D. Perdigao	Herring Warden Assistant	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	11/12/14
Victor J. Pereira	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
Everett C. Philla, Jr.	Election Warden	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/08/14
Faye M. Philla	Election Warden	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/08/14
Anita L. Poitras	Election Inspector	Resigned 4/29/14	5/01/14	5/13/13
Henry T. Preston	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	4/14/14
Garry L. Rawcliffe	Board of Selectmen	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/14/14
Garry L. Rawcliffe	Rent Control Board	Appt. 5/01/14	Until end of elected term	5/09/14

Name	Office	Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation	<u>Term</u> <u>Expires</u>	Date Sworn In
Garry L. Rawcliffe	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/09/14
Garry L. Rawcliffe	SRTA Representative	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/09/14
Joyce A. Reynolds	Beautification Committee	Resigned 6/12/14	5/01/14	7/11/13
Wayne B. Richmond	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 8/19/14	5/01/15	10/14/14
Robert Rocha, Jr.	Conservation Commission	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/17	5/06/14
Robert Rocha, Jr.	Open Space Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/06/14
Robert Rocha, Jr.	Open Space Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/06/14
Leo M. Rousseau	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/20/14
Leo M. Rousseau	Commissioner of Trust Funds	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/08/14
Hailey E. Roy	Election Inspector	Appt. 10/27/14	5/01/15	10/28/14
John E. Roy	Energy Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
Robert St. Jean, Jr.	Park Commissioner	Elected 4/07/14	4/03/17	4/08/14
Sherry A. St Jean	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 4/07/14	Remainder of term expiring 4/06/15	4/23/14
Priscilla V. Santos	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/02/14
Lynn Sigman	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/19/14
Susanne Y. Sounik	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/12/14

Name	Office	Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation	<u>Term</u> <u>Expires</u>	Date Sworn In
Susanne Y. Sounik	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/30/14	6/30/17	8/12/14
Cheryl L. Souza	Finance Committee	Resigned 5/22/14	5/01/14	8/07/11
Jonathan Souza	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 5/10/10	5/01/11	10/02/14
Jonathan Souza	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	10/02/14
Jonathan Souza	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	10/02/14
Jonathan Souza	Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/02/14
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	*
Norval A. Stanley	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
Jean S. Stripinis	Trustee for Free Public Library		Remainder of term expiring 4/06/15	*
Heather J. Sylvia	Council on Aging Director	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	9/26/14
Thomas M. Sylvia	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/07/14
Thomas M. Sylvia	Soil Conservation Board (BOH)	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/07/14
Kristen E. Tavares	Police Dept.	Appt. 6/03/14	N/A	6/03/14
Rebekah A.Tomlinson	Animal Control Officer/Inspector of Animals	5/01/14	5/01/15	8/15/14
Marybeth Tripp	Election Inspector	Resigned 4/30/14	5/01/14	5/15/13

<u>Name</u>	Office	Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation	<u>Term</u> <u>Expires</u>	Date Sworn In
Pamela G. Tripp	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/09/14
Lori M. Walsh	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	*
Lori M. Walsh	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
Janet M. West	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	8/12/14
Janet M. West	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/30/14	6/30/17	8/12/14
Carol Westgate	Board of Appeals	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/19	8/20/14
Carol Westgate	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	8/20/14
Carol Westgate	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	8/20/14
Cynda T. Williams	Agricultural Commission	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	10/06/14
David E. Wojnar	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	3/17/14
David E. Wojnar	Energy Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	*
David E. Wojnar	Rent Control Board	Appt. 10/07/13	Until end of elected term	3/17/14
Joyce A. Wylie- Scholz	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	5/19/14
Joyce A. Wylie- Scholz	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	5/19/14
Henry S. Young	Energy Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	6/17/14
Henry S. Young	Energy Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/17/14
Henry S. Young	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 4/22/13	5/01/14	6/17/14
Henry S. Young	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 5/01/14	5/01/15	6/17/14

# RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL STATE ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2014

# Register of Voters Eligible To Vote in the November 4, 2014 State Election Final Day of Registration – October 15, 2014

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Libertarian	Mass Indep. Party	Republican	Socialist	Inter Third Party	Unenrolled	Total
Precinct I	816	3	4		150			1240	2213
Precinct II	788		5		222	1	1	1469	2486
Precinct III	855		10	1	194			1504	2564
Total	2459	3	19	1	566	1	1	4213	7263

#### 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 1500 plus 35 Absentee ballots

Number of ballots cast from tape 998.

Number of ballots counted manually 1.

Number of ballots spoiled 22.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 1

Number of Unused ballots returned 513.

#### The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla Clerk: Carolyn Fortin

Inspectors: Jeanne Duggan, Susanne Sounik, Dorothy Gomes,

Marie Hardy, Catherine Audette

Police Officers: Gene Robinson

Remarks: At 6:20 a.m., the blue supply box was opened, and the

padlock was misplaced. A wire lock was placed at the Town

Clerk's Office (#0015278)

At 7:05 a.m. there was a problem with the Optech machine. It would not take a second ballot and the first ballot spit out the back of the machine. Irene Decotis, Registrar of Voters, lifted the machine and flipped the metal cover. It now

worked correctly.

Voter Jeannine Watts questioned the ballot count #252. She claimed that the voting machine count was #252 prior to her inserting her ballot; and that the number count remained at #252 after her inserting her ballot. After an investigation and verification of ballots, the count was deemed accurate.

On November 12, 2014, the Board of Registrars had a meeting to decide Wendy Marinelli's Provisional Ballot and to discuss whether it was going to be accepted. It was denied, because RMV showed that she is registered in New Bedford

On November 14, 2014, after exhausting all avenues to try to balance the tape, tally sheets, and Clerk's Report, we find that the page tally sheets do not agree. The Clerk's Report and tape show 998 voters and one ballot that need to be counted manually for a total of 999 voters. The page tally sheets show a total of 1,000 active voters voting. Therefore, the page tally sheets show one extra voter per Registrar, Irene Decotis.

On November 17, 2014, we received paperwork from the Secretary of State's RMV office stating that Wendy Marinelli did register to vote at the RMV in Acushnet, on May 31, 2013. Therefore, her Provisional Ballot was approved.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 998.

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 Lillian Contois, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 1500 plus 36 Absentee ballots

Number of ballots cast from tape 1099.

Number of ballots counted manually 10.

Number of ballots spoiled 17.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 410.

### The following officers were present:

Warden: Lillian Contois Clerk: Diane Ferreira

Donna Forand, Louise Desroches, Paulette Hudson, Inspectors:

Joanne Cioper, Everett Philla

Police Officers: Kevin Walsh, Keith Ashley

Remarks: At 7:05 a.m. there was a problem with the Optech machine.

> It would not take a second ballot and the first ballot spit out the back of the machine. The Town Clerk lifted the machine and flipped the metal cover. It now worked correctly.

> The bottom lock of case #2 (#0114056) was broken off. It

was replaced with a new lock (# 011424).

Christopher Baptista of 307 Middle Road came to vote. He was not listed in the residence booklet and there was no listing for his address. They suggested for him to stop by the Clerk's Office before going to Precinct II, where he should vote. He stated that he registered at the Registry when he changed his address.

On November 14, 2014, after exhausting all avenues to try to balance the tape, tally sheets, and Clerk's Report, we find that the page tally sheets do not agree. The Clerk's Report and tape show 1,099 voters and ten ballots that need to be counted manually for a total of 1,109 voters.

The page tally sheets show a total of 1,107 active voters and three inactive voters for a total of 1,110 voting. Therefore, the page tally sheets show one extra voter per Registrar, Irene Decotis.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 1,099.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Diane Ferreira

Clerk of Election Officers

Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk Attest:

#### 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 Maria Moore

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 1500 plus 24 Absentee ballots

Number of ballots cast from tape 1034.

Number of ballots counted manually 1.

Number of ballots spoiled 18.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 2.

Number of Unused ballots returned 469.

### The following officers were present:

Warden: Maria M. Moore Clerk: Diana Couto

Inspectors: Andrea Corrie, Priscilla Santos, Russell Goyette,

Cathy Audette

Police Officers: Gene Robinson

Remarks: At 7:05 a.m. there was a problem with the Optech machine.

It would not take a second ballot and the first ballot spit out the back of the machine. Irene Decotis, Registrar of Voters, lifted the machine and flipped the metal cover. It now

worked correctly.

Resident, John Cusson moved to New Bedford ten months ago and came to Acushnet to vote. He was not eligible because it was over the 6 month MA General Law.

At 10:00 p.m., the final count and the tape will not coincide with each other. The reason for this is there was one ballot that was not automatically counted, but had Write-Ins in every race. The arrow was not connected on every race, but the voter intent was there. Therefore, the amount of blanks on the tape was reduced by one, and the Write-Ins were accepted and that ballot was counted manually.

Provisional ballot for Michael Kalisz, Jr. was approved by the Board of Registrars on November 12, 2014. Voter Registration received October 16, 2014, but dated October 15, 2014 and mailed to us from U-MASS Boston. It was received with a stamp and no postmark. According to 950 CMR-57-04 (4), we must accept that Voter Registration up to five days after the cut-off.

On November 12, 2014, a Provisional Ballot for Shanna Plunkett was denied last registration in "2007" in Taunton. She was deleted since you cannot register to vote online at the RMV.

PRECINCT II PRECINCT III TOTAL

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 1,034.

A true record, Attest:/s Dianna Couto

PRECINCT I

Clerk of Election Officers

Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<u> 101AL</u>
SENATOR IN				
<b>CONGRESS</b>				
Edward J. Markey	639	610	574	1823
Brian J. Herr	320	442	421	1183
Blanks	40	57	39	136
Write-Ins: (3)				
Brian Herr	1			1
Edward Markey			1	1
Blanks			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>
	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
GOVERNOR &				
<b>LIEUTENANT</b>				
<b>GOVERNOR</b>				
Baker and Polito	413	561	525	1499
Coakley and	498	462	423	1383
Kerrigan	470	402	423	1303
Falchuk and	27	22	22	71
Jennings				
Lively and Saunders	28	25	37	90
McCormick and				
Post	14	20	12	46
Blanks	19	18	16	53
Write-Ins: (3)				
No confidence	1			1
Pope Francis		1		1
Baker and Polito			1	1
TOTAL	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT III	<u>TOTAL</u>
ATTORNEY GENERAL				
Maura Healey	598	566	533	1697
John B. Miller	351	475	434	1260
Blanks	51	67	67	185
Write-Ins: (3)				
Me		1		1
Blanks			1	1
John Miller			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>
	PRECING	CT I PRECING	CT II PRECINC	TIII TOTAL
SECRETARY O	<u>F</u>			
STATE William Francis				
Galvin	620	614	580	1814
David D'Arcange	elo 295	376	350	1021
Daniel L. Factor	38	50	44	132
Blanks	44	69	61	174
Write-Ins: (2)				
Blanks	3			3
David D'Arcan	gelo		1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>
	PRECIN	CT I PRECIN	CT II PRECINCT	TOTAL
TREASURER				
Deborah B. Goldl	berg 554	512	496	1562
Michael James Heffernan	342	463	421	1226
Ian T. Jackson	34	40	38	112
Blanks	69	94	79	242
Write-Ins: (2)				
Blanks	1		1	2
Deborah Goldb	erg		1	1
TOTAL	1000	1109	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
<b>AUDITOR</b>				
Suzanne M. Bump	530	503	462	1495
Patricia S. Saint Aubin	356	462	448	1266
MK Merelice	31	36	36	103
Blanks	81	108	89	278
Write-Ins: (2)				
Blanks	2			2
Patricia St. Aubin			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>
	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
REPRESENTATIVE				
IN CONGRESS				
William Richard Keating	609	569	564	1742
John C. Chapman	351	475	428	1254
Blanks	40	65	43	148
Write-Ins: (1)				
John Chapman			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
SENATOR IN				
GENERAL COURT				
Mark C. Montigny	775	796	786	2357
Blanks	206	305	236	747
Write-Ins: (31)				
Bozo	1			1
Tom Fortin	1			1
Everett Hardy III	1			1
Ralph Urban	1			1
Tony Cambra	1			1
Anyone else	1		1	2
Lucky	1			1
Frank Knox	1			1
Disgrace	1			1
Richard Lunn	1			1
M. Faria	1			1
Blanks	8		2	10
Gail Manchester		1		1
Mickey Mouse		1		1
Laura Mitchell		1		1
Gail Man		1		1
Shane Geamd		1		1
Kevin Halle		1		1
Me		1		1
Space Ghost		1		1
Mark Montigny			1	1
Nancy Viveiros			1	1
N. Mark			1	1
Ron Jeremy			1	1
Charles Leonard			1	1
Anybody But			1	1
John Saunders			1	1
Barkley Fife			1	1
Peter Pereira			1	1
David Wojnar			1	1
Zack Monticello			1	1
TOTAL	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
REPRESENTATIVE				
IN GENERAL				
COURT				
Robert M. Koczera	761	799	789	2349
Blanks	223	306	241	770
Write-Ins: (16)				
M. Faria	1			1
Bozo	1			1
Ralph Urban	1			1
Anyone else	1			1
Paul Corbett	1			1
Lucky	1			1
Blanks	10		1	11
Me		1		1
Kevin Halle		1		1
Paul Trahan		1		1
Jim		1		1
Robert Koczera			1	1
Joe Nobody			1	1
Sorry Bub			1	1
Zack Monticello			1	1
Ron Jeremy			1	1
TOTAL	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>DISTRICT</b>				
<u>ATTORNEY</u>				
C. Samuel Sutter	763	802	793	2358
Blanks	219	302	233	754
Write-Ins: (21)				
Bozo	1			1
Tom Fortin	1			1
Ralph Urban	1			1
Anyone else	1			1
Davinchi	1			1
Anyone	1			1
Lucky	1			1
Paul Walsh	1		1	2
Blanks	10		1	11
Mickey Mouse		1		1
Christopher Markey		1	1	2
Kevin Halle		1		1
Bill Belechick		1		1
Me		1		1
Chris Markey			1	1
Nancy Viveiros			1	1
Gene Robinson			1	1
Jon Darling			1	1
Anybody But			1	1
Ron Jeremy			1	1
Samuel Sutter			1	1
TOTAL	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
COUNCILLOR				
Joseph C. Ferreira	732	742	735	2209
Blanks	260	361	287	908
Write-Ins: (21)				
Tony Cambra	1			1
Ralph Urban	1			1
Tom Fortin	1			1
Anybody else	1			1
Christopher	1			1
Bozo	1			1
Paul Barrett	1			1
Blanks	1		5	6
Kevin Halle		1		1
Ron Matton		1		1
Walter Moniz		1	2	3
Other		1		1
Me		1		1
Robert Ferreira		1		1
Nancy Viveiros			1	1
Johnny Bernard			1	1
Jon Sladewski			1	1
Mike Kelly			1	1
Esquire				
Zack Monticello			1	1
Ron Jeremy			1	1
Joseph Ferreira			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

<u>]</u>	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
REGISTER OF				
<b>PROBATE</b>				
Gina L. DeRossi	757	772	763	2292
Blanks	229	335	268	832
Write-Ins: (12)	1			1
Bozo Tom Fortin	1 1			1
	_			-
Ralph Urban	1			1
Anyone else	1			1
Anybody else	1			1
Lucky	1			1
Blanks	8		2	10
Me		1		1
Kevin Halle		1		1
Nancy Viveiros			1	1
Ron Jeremy			1	1
Gina DeRossi			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>
	PRECINO	CT I PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
COUNTY				
<b>TREASURER</b>				
Christopher T. Saund	lers 755	773	765	2293
Blanks	233	334	263	830
Write-Ins: (14)				
Bozo	1			1
Tom Fortin	1			1
Ralph Urban	1			1
Anyone else	1			1
Lucky	1			1
Blanks	7		2	9
Me		1		1
Kevin Halle		1		1
Christopher Saund	ers		1	1
Jack Shit			1	1
Nancy Viveiros			1	1
Wayne Richmond			1	1
Alan Coutinho			1	1
Ron Jeremy			1	1
TOTAL	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
COUNTY				
<b>COMMISSIONER</b>				
John Thomas	741	753	740	2234
Saunders				
Blanks	246	354	288	888
Write-Ins: (13)				
Bozo	1			1
Nancy Moniz	1			1
Ralph Urban	1			1
Tony Cambra	1			1
Anyone else	1			1
Lucky	1			1
Blanks	7		4	11
Kevin Halle		1		1
Me		1		1
John Saunders			1	1
Richard Richmond			1	1
David Wojnar			1	1
Ron Jeremy			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

#### **OUESTION 1**

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

#### SUMMARY

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

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

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

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
YES	469	518	497	1484
NO	442	490	447	1379
BLANKS	89	101	92	282
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

#### **QUESTION 2**

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

#### **SUMMARY**

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

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

The proposed law would increase the minimum handling fee that beverage distributors must pay dealers for each properly returned empty beverage container, which was  $2\frac{1}{4}$  cents as of September 2013, to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  cents. It would also increase the minimum handling fee that bottlers must pay distributors and dealers for each properly returned empty reusable beverage container, which was 1 cent as of September 2013, to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  cents. The Secretary of EEA would review the fee amounts every five years and make appropriate adjustments to reflect changes in the consumer price index as well as changes in the costs incurred by redemption centers. The proposed law defines a redemption center as any business whose primary purpose is the redemption of beverage containers and that is not ancillary to any other business.

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

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

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

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

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

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

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
YES	197	198	173	568
NO	781	885	840	2506
BLANKS	22	26	23	71
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

### **OUESTION 3**

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

#### SUMMARY

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

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

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

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

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

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
YES	261	327	302	890
NO	716	759	718	2193
BLANKS	23	23	16	62
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

#### **OUESTION 4**

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

#### SUMMARY

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

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

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

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

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

Employers could require certification of the need for sick time if an employee used sick time for more than 24 consecutively scheduled work hours. Employers could not delay the

taking of or payment for earned sick time because they have not received the certification. Employees would have to make a good faith effort to notify the employer in advance if the need for earned sick time is foreseeable.

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

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

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

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

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

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

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
YES	586	623	591	1800
NO	386	456	422	1264
BLANKS	28	30	23	81
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>1000</u>	<u>1109</u>	<u>1036</u>	<u>3145</u>

Attest:

Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk Percentage of Votes Cast 43%

### RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 7, 2014

#### Register of Voters Eligible to Vote in the April 7, 2014 Election Final Day of Registration – March 18, 2014

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Libertarian	Mass Indep Party	Republican	Socialist	Inter 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party	Unen	Total
Precinct I	831	5	4		152			1235	2227
Precinct II	806		5	1	214	1	1	1463	2490
Precinct III	867		11		191			1504	2574
Total	2504	5	20	1	557	1	1	4202	7291

#### **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 800 plus 14 Absentee ballots.

Number of ballots cast from tape 244.

Number of ballots counted manually 4.

Number of ballots spoiled 6.

Number of Provisional Ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 560

#### The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla Clerk: Carolyn Fortin

Inspectors: Jeanne Duggan, Catherine Audette, Susanne Sounik,

Janet West, Dorothy Gomes, Paulette Hudson, Marie Hardy

Police Officers: Gene Robinson

Remarks: ---

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 244.

A true record: Attest:/s/ Carolyn Fortin, Clerk

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 Lillian Contois, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 800 plus 13 Absentee ballots.

Number of ballots cast from tape 287.

Number of ballots counted manually 1.

Number of ballots spoiled 3.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 522.

#### The following officers were present:

Warden: Lillian Contois Clerk: Diane Ferreira

Inspectors: Andrea Corrie, Joyce Wylie-Scholz, Russell Goyette,

Pamela Tripp

Police Officers: David Correia, Jeremy Fontes

Remarks: ---

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 287.

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 Lillian Contois, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 800 plus 5 Absentee ballots.

Number of ballots cast from tape 307.

Number of ballots counted manually 0.

Number of ballots spoiled 2.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 496.

#### The following officers were present:

Warden: Lillian Contois Clerk: Mary Lebeau

Inspectors: Maria Moore, Priscilla Santos, Donna Forand,

Louise Desroches

Police Officers: David Correia, Jeremy Fontes

Remarks: ---

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 307.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Lee Forand, Mary Lebeau (Clerk-in-Training)

Clerk of Election Officers

Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

#### RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 7, 2014

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>MODERATOR</b>				
(Three Years)				
Robert E. Francis	196	212	240	648
Blanks:	52	75	65	192
Write-Ins: (3)				
Teddy Lipsett		1		1
<b>Bud Pimental</b>			1	1
Alan Coutinho			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>843</u>
	PDECINCEI	PDE CINCE II	PDECIMAT III	TOTAL
	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
TOWN CLERK				
(Three Years)	102	22.4	252	670
Pamela A. Labonte	193	234	252	679
Blanks: Write-Ins: (5)	52	54	53	159
	1			1
Mary Smith	1			1
Joe Costa	1			1
Frank Knox	1			1
A. Coutinho			1	1
Alan Coutinho			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>843</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>SELECTMEN</b>				
(Three Years)				
Paul Levasseur	95	116	146	357
Garry L. Rawcliffe	149 4	167 4	155	471
Blanks: Write-Ins: (4)	4	4	2	10
Pam Labonte		1	1	2
	4	1		
Pamela A. Labon	te		1	1
Pamela Labonte			1	1
Mike Chopier			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>843</u>
	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
<u>ASSESSOR</u>				
(Three Years)	40.5	• • • •	2.42	
Marc F. Cenerizio Blanks:	195 53	209 79	242 65	646 197
Write-Ins: (0)	33	19	03	197
TOTAL	248	288	307	843
TOTAL	<u>240</u>	200	<u>307</u>	<u>045</u>
	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
BOARD OF				
<u>HEALTH</u>				
(Three Years)	•••	201	•••	<b></b>
Robert Medeiros Blanks:	203 45	204 84	230 76	637 205
Write-Ins: (1)	43	04	70	203
Bud Pimental			1	1
TOTAL	248	288	307	843
TOTAL	240	200	<u>307</u>	<u>045</u>
	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
<u>SCHOOL</u>				
<b>COMMITTEE</b>				
(Three Years)_				
(Vote for Two)	171	212	220	(11
David M. DeTerra Francis R. Kuthan	171 159	212 171	228 198	611 528
Blanks:	165	193	188	546
Write-Ins: (1)	100	175	100	2 10
Mike Cioper	1			1
TOTAL	496	576	614	1686
	<u></u>	<u>5.5</u>	<del></del>	

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS (Three Years)				
Leo M. Rousseau Blanks: Write-Ins: (2)	178 70	199 89	213 92	590 251
John Roy I. Almeida			1 1	1
TOTAL	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	307	1 <b>843</b>
	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	TOTAL
COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS (for remainder of unexpired term ending 4/6/15)	<u>F</u>		<u></u>	
Blanks: Write-Ins: (13)	244	284	292	820
Ivo Almeida	2		9	11
Frank Knox	1			1
Charlene Fortin	1			1
Michael Murray		1		1
Ivo Almeida		1		1
John Golda		1		1
Nicholas Gomes		1		1
Simone Coutinho			1	1
Tom Fortin			1	1
Diane Barlow			1	1
Tony Cambra			1	1
Gary Rawcliff			1	1
Ivo Almeida			1	1
TOTAL	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>843</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
PLANNING				
COMMISSIONER				
(Five Years)				
Blanks:	237	276	293	806
Write-Ins: (15)				
* Rick Ellis	5	2	9	16
Tom DeCosta	1			1
Jennifer Lanzone	2			2
Darrin Pinto	1			1
Dawn Giampo	1			1
Charlene Fortin	1			1
* Richard Ellis Jr		5		5
William A. Krause		1		1
Dawn Lopes		1		1
Nicholas A. Gomes		1		1
* Richard A. Ellis		1	2	3
Jennifer Lanzoni		1		1
Norvala Stanley			1	1
Robert Medeiros			1	1
John Roy			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>843</u>

<sup>\*</sup>Upon unanimous vote of the Board of Registrars, the voter intent was for Richard A. Ellis

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>CEMETERY</b>				
<b>BOARD</b>				
(Three Years)				
Joanne K. Cioper	181	207	238	626
Blanks:	65	80	68	213
Write-Ins: (4)				
Frank Knox	1			1
Charlene Fortin	1			1
Andrew Coray		1		1
James Madruga			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>843</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
TRUSTEE OF				
FREE PUBLIC				
<b>LIBRARY</b>				
(Three Years)				
(Vote for Two)				
Simonne L.Coutinho	181	199	235	615
Blanks:	310	364	375	1049
Write-Ins: (9)				
Frank Knox	1			1
Al Robichaud	1			1
*Henry Preston	2	5	2	9
Steve Watts	1			1
*Henry T. Preston		5		5
Mark Ibraham		1		1
Lianne Cory		1	1	2
Pam Labonte		1		1
Sherrie St. Jean			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>576</u>	<u>614</u>	<u>1686</u>

<sup>\*</sup>Upon unanimous vote of the Board of Registrars, the voter intent was for Henry T. Preston

#### PRECINCT I PRECINCT II PRECINCT III TOTAL

TRUSTEE OF FREE				
PUBLIC LIBRARY (for				
remainder of unexpired				
term ending 4/6/15)				
Blanks:	243	277	302	822
Write-Ins: (13)				
Mrs. Coutinho	1			1
Jennifer Lanzoni	1			1
Henry Preston	2	2		4
William Bertell	1			1
Maria Oticki		1		1
Constance Preston		1		1
Lianne C. Cory		1		1
Henry T. Preston		5		5
Derp		1		1
Sherrie St. Jean			2	2
Lianne Cory			1	1
Diane Ferreira			1	1
Michael.McDermot			1	1
TOTAL	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u> 307</u>	<u>843</u>

	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
<u>PARK</u>				
<u>COMMISSIONER</u>				
(Three Years)	100	100	225	62.4
Robert St. Jean, Jr. Blanks:	189 58	198 88	237 70	624 216
Write-Ins: (3)	36	00	70	210
Everett Hardy	1			1
Thomas DeCosta		1		1
Mickey Mouse		1		1
TOTAL	<u>248</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>843</u>
	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>HOUSING</b>				
<u>AUTHORITY</u>				
(Five Years) James S. Madruga,	169	174	204	547
0 1				
Blanks: Write-Ins: (5)	77	113	101	291
Frank Knox	1			1
Derek Catnheart	1			1
Anyone but		1		1
Richard Threlfal			1	1
Michael J. Coutinho	)		1	1
TOTAL	<u>248</u>	<u> 288</u>	<u> 307</u>	<u>843</u>
	PRECINCT I	PRECINCT II	PRECINCT III	<b>TOTAL</b>
TREE WARDEN				
(Three Years)	106	•••	0.40	6.40
Raymond F. Barlow Blanks:	196 52	209	243 64	648
Write-Ins: (0)	32	79	04	195
TOTAL	248	288	307	843
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Attest:				

Percentage of Votes Cast 11.6%

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

### TOWN OF ACUSHNET

#### WARRANT

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MONDAY, MAY 12, 2014 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 at 708 Middle Road in said Acushnet, Monday, the Twelfth (12th) day of May, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Warm & Clear LOCATION: Ford Middle School

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES: Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:00 P.M.
TIME MEETING RECESSED 7:21 P.M.
TIME MEETING RECONVENED: 7:23 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 212

#### THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator

Kristie Costa, Treasurer/Collector

Dr. Michael Boucher, Finance Committee
Vice Chairman

Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen Chairman

Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council

Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

Cathy Doane, Finance Director

Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator

David E. Wojnar, Selectman

Garry L. Rawcliffe, Selectman

ARTICLE 1. 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 2014, 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 Gaspar the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of One Hundred Forty One Thousand, One Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars (\$141,165.00) and transfer from the Overlay Surplus the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Five Dollars (\$24,505.00) totaling One Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand, Six Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$165,670.00) for the purpose of said article.

- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended passage of this article.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

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

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe the Town transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended passage of this article.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) to make repairs, upgrades, or modifications to the Marie S. Howard School, and any other Town owned buildings, or to take other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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

- Motion made by Selectmen Wojnar that Town transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) 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 4. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 1 of the October 12, 2004 Special Town Meeting authorizing the borrowing of \$650,000.00 pursuant to G.L. c.44B to provide for the acquisition of the property commonly known

as "White Woods Project", shown as Assessors Map 17, Lots 13 and 22B, and further to rescind the vote under Article 26 of the April 25, 2005 Special Town Meeting appropriating \$55,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund and the vote under Article 24 of the April 24, 2006 Special Town Meeting appropriating \$100,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund to acquire said property, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar the Town accept said article as read.
- Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended the passage of this article unopposed.
- 3. Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe to table said article.
- 4. Vote (requires a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote): The article (motion) to table passes by a two-thirds majority.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to upgrade the Town's G.I.S. (geographic information system), or to take other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Conservation Commission)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar the Town transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to purchase two computer work stations, or to take other action relative thereto

(Submitted by the Police Department)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe the Town transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) 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 7. To see if the Town will vote transfer the unused balance of the amounts approved under Article 25 of the October 21, 2013 Special Town Meeting for Fire Boots (line item 0102220/585507) for the purpose of purchasing firefighting protective equipment, or to take other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire/EMS Department)

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

- Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town transfer the unused balance in the amount of One Thousand Forty-Six Dollars and Thirty-Four Cents (\$1,046.34) approved under Article 25 of the October 21, 2013 Special Town Meeting for Fire Boots (Line Item 0102220/585507 for the purpose of purchasing firefighting protective equipment.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Receipt Fund the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) and transfer from available funds the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) for the purchase and equipping of a new utility / brush firefighting truck, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire/EMS Department)

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

Motion made by Selectman Wojnar the Town transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Receipt Fund the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) and transfer from the Overlay Surplus the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) totaling One Hundred

Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the purpose of said article.

- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Receipt Fund the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000.00) for modifications to the overhead garage doors at Station #3 (60 Middle Road), or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire/EMS Department)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe the Town transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Receipt Fund the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000.00) 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 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Seventy Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Dollars (\$73,740.00) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a CAT 257D Multi Terrain Loader for the Department of Public Works Highway Department or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

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

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar the Town transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand, Seven Hundred Forty Dollars (\$73,740.00) for the purpose of said article.
- Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The
  Finance Committee did not recommend this article, at this time, due
  to the fact, that they would like to turn some money back to the town;
  however; they could revisit this article at the fall town meeting if more
  funds are available at that time.
- 3. Vote: The article fails with opposition.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of

Thirteen Thousand and Five Dollars (\$13,005.00) for the repairs needed on the Town Fuel Pumps at the Department of Public Works Garage or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar the Town transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of Thirteen Thousand, Five Dollars (\$13,005.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Surplus account the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) for the repairs on the three pump stations or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe the Town transfer from the Sewer Surplus Account the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to transfer from the Water Surplus Account the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Five Dollars (\$355.00) to line item #2704450/521000 DPW/Water Division for the payment of an unpaid electric bills 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 Department of Public Works)

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar the Town transfer from the Water Surplus Account the sum of Three Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$355.00) for the purpose of said article.
- Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote (requires a 9/10<sup>th's</sup> vote): The article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Three thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing office furniture and décor for the Assessors' Office or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Assessors')

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

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar the Town transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee did not recommend passage of this article.
- 3. Vote: Article 14 fails with opposition.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Four Dollars (\$1,294.00) for the purpose of replacing and installing new carpeting in the Town Clerk's Office or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

- Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe the Town transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of One Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars (\$1,294.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee did recommend the passage of this article, due to the fact, that with the current carpeting in the office it is a safety and possible liability issue.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Three Dollars (\$1,263.00) for the purpose of purchasing and replacing the Town Clerk's Office desk or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

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

- Motion made by Chairman Gaspar the Town transfer from the Overlay Surplus the sum of One Thousand, Two Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars (\$1,263.00) for the purpose of said article.
- Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee did recommended passage of this article unopposed, due to the fact, that there was a current safety issue with the existing desk that is in that office now.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Three Hundred Seventy Five Dollars (\$375.00) for the purpose of replacing and installing three (3) window blinds in the Town Clerk's Office or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar the Town transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$375.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: The article declared passed with opposition.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand One hundred Dollars (\$3,100.00) from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve Account and Twenty One Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$21,900.00) from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account for the purpose of upgrades and improvements at the Historic Town owned, Emergency Management Building/ Former Civil Defense Building including insulation and sheetrock to make the building more efficient pursuant to the Community Preservation program or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$25,000.00)

## (Submitted by the Community Preservation Commission) FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve Account the sum of Three Thousand, One Hundred Dollars (\$3,100.00) and transfer from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of Twenty-One Thousand, Nine Hundred Dollars (\$21,900.00) totaling Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Community Preservation Committee recommendation by Chairman Kevin Dakin: Community Preservation Committee, unanimously, recommends the funding for this article.
- 4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account for the purpose of providing additional funding to complete the exterior repair on the Historic Town owned, Perry Hill Church pursuant to the Community Preservation program or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Commission)

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

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- Community Preservation Committee recommendation by Chairman Kevin Dakin: The Community Preservation Committee, unanimously, recommends the funding of this article.
- 4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Fifty Two Dollars (\$3,052.00) from the Community Preservation Fund Open Space Reserve Account for the purpose of purchasing and installing 6 bike racks strategically located on various Town owned properties including Pope Park, The Parting Ways Building.

and Riverview Park, \$1,670.00 of which shall be reimbursed by the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (S.R.P.E.D.D.), pursuant to The Community Preservation Program or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Commission)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe the Town transfer and from the Community Preservation Fund Open Space Reserve Account the sum of Three Thousand, Fifty-Two Dollars (\$3,052.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- Community Preservation Committee recommendation by Chairman Kevin Dakin: The Community Preservation Committee, unanimously, recommends the funding of this article.
- 4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account for the purpose of replacing 3 doors, repairing and repainting the porch and purchasing materials for and installing a handicap accessible ramp at the Historic Acushnet Grange #285 and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a Community Preservation Act Grant Agreement with the Grange #285 for such purposes, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to receive from the Grange #285 a Historic Preservation Deed Restriction on said property, or to take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Commission)

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar the Town transfer from the from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the purpose of said article and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to receive from the Grange #285 a Historic Preservation Deed Restriction on said property.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- Community Preservation Committee recommendation by Chairman Kevin Dakin: Community Preservation recommends the funding of

this article unanimously.

4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to 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)

- Motion made by Finance Committee, Vice Chairman Boucher, that the Town table said article.
- 2. Vote (requires a 2/3<sup>rd's</sup> vote): Seeing no one opposed, Article 22 is tabled, unanimously.

7:54 P.M. - Motion made to adjourn Special Town Meeting. Motion is seconded. Vote: The motion passes, and the Special Town Meeting is declared 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 you're your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this <u>14th</u> day of <u>April</u> , 2014.	
	Kevin Gaspar, Sr.,
	Chairman
	David E. Wojnar,
	Member
	Garry L. Rawcliffe, Member
	Garry E. Rawenne, Weinber
	BOARD OF SELECTMEN
A True Copy, Attest: This <b>24</b> <sup>th</sup> day of <b>April</b> , <b>2014</b>	
This 24 - day of April, 2014	
Kelli Tomlinson	
Constable of Acushnet	

#### TOWN OF ACUSHNET WARRANT

# SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M. (CONTINUED TO NOVEMBER 3, 2014) 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, located at 708 Middle Road in said Acushnet, Monday, the Twenty-Seventh (27th) day of October, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

OCTOBER 27, 2014 WEATHER: Clear & Cool

LOCATION: Ford Middle School ATTENDANCE: 56

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES: Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

At 7:18 P.M., due to a lack of quorum, the Moderator announced the meeting is continued to 7:00 P.M., November 3, 2014 at Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium located at 708 Middle Road.

NOVEMBER 3, 2014 WEATHER: Clear & Cool

LOCATION: Ford Middle School

ATTENDANCE: 142

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES: Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:00 P.M. TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:14 P.M.

#### THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator Kristie Costa, Treasurer/Collector Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee, Chairman Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk
Dr. Michael Boucher, Finance Committee,
Vice-Chairman
Cathy Doane, Finance Director
David E. Wojnar, Selectman

Garry L. Rawcliffe, Selectman

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Phase II Betterment Fund the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars for the purpose of reimbursing the General Fund for debt service expenditures incurred, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$75,000.00)

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

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

- Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town transfer from the Sewer Phase II Betterment Fund the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) to fund General Fund Debt Service and other FY2015 budget items as voted from taxation under Article One, at the May 12, 2014, Annual Town Meeting.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars for the purpose of adjusting line item 0101192/511000 Salaries Custodian or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$1,239.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars (\$1,239.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee supports this article, unanimously.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Three Hundred Dollars to fund line item 0105541/519000 Council on Aging Longevity or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$300.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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

1. Motion made by Chairman Rawcliffe, the Town vote to raise and

- appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate net premium paid to the Town by the purchaser of bonds or notes issued for the construction of the Town's new Police Station (the "Project") authorized under a vote of the Town passed October 22, 2012 (Article 3), excluded from Proposition 2 ½, so called, on December 10, 2012, and to use such premium to pay costs of the Project, and to reduce by such premium the remaining amount authorized to be borrowed for the Project, 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 Chairman Gaspar that the Town vote to appropriate One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$140,000.00) which sum represents net premium paid to the Town by the purchaser of bonds or notes issued for the construction of the Town's new Police Station (the "Project") authorized under a vote of the Town passed October 22, 2012 (Article 3), excluded from Proposition 2 ½, so called, on December 10, 2012, and to use such premium to pay costs of the Project, and to reduce by such premium the remaining amount authorized to be borrowed for the Project.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee supports this article by unanimous vote.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed, unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars to enter into an agreement with Virtual Town Hall; Seven Thousand Five Hundred of which is a one-time charge for web design, content development and training; Two Thousand Dollars of which is the annual charge for secure hosting, support, maintenance and updates or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$9,500.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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

 Motion made by Selectmen Wojnar, the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$9,500.00), for the purpose of said article.

- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars to fund and implement wage increases retroactive to July 1, 2014 for those employees covered by the following Union Contract: Laborers District Council Local Union 1249, covering the term of July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2015, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$18,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$14,400.00) from taxation and transfer the sum of Two Thousand Four Hundred (\$2,400.00) from Water Surplus Account and transfer the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred (\$1,200.00) from the Sewer Surplus Account for the purpose of said article.
- Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee supports the passage of this article by unanimous vote.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Two Thousand One Hundred Dollars to line item 0101135/530550 GASB 45 Valuation, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$2,100.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$2,100.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee supports this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to grant the Board of Selectmen authority to research, develop and participate in a contract, or contracts, to aggregate the electricity load of the residents and businesses in the Town and for other related services, independently, or in joint action with other municipalities, retaining the right of individual residents and businesses to opt-out of the aggregation, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar, the Town accept said article as read.
- Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee supports this article by unanimous vote.
- 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 One Hundred Eleven Dollars for the payment of an unpaid Emergency Management bill from a prior year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 64 of the General Laws, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$111.00

(Submitted by the Emergency Management Director)

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe, the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$111.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee supports this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote (requires a 9/10<sup>th's</sup> vote): Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars for vehicle exhaust removal systems at Fire Stations #1 and #3, as a 5% match of Federal grant of \$50,350.00 for such purposes, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$2,650.00)

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

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

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar, the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,650.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee supports this article by unanimous vote.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Ninety Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Two Dollars for the purpose to cover the salary and non-salary costs associated with the hiring of three full-time officers for the police department, or take any other action relative thereto. (\$93,852.00)

(Submitted by the Police Chief)

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

- Motion made by Selectmen Wojnar, the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$93,852.00) for the purpose of said article, and authorize the Town Accountant, in consultation with the Town Administrator, to allocate such funds among appropriate accounts.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee supports this article unopposed.
- 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 Thirty Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Six Dollars for the purpose of purchasing a marked police cruiser for the Police Department, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$36,656.00)

(Submitted by the Police Chief)

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

 Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe, the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$12,378.00) and transfer from Free Cash the sum of Twenty Four Thousand Two Hundred SeventyEight Dollars (\$24,278.00), for the purpose of purchasing and equipping one police cruiser for the Police Department, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto.

- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee supports this article by a unanimous vote.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transferring from available funds or by borrowing an amount not to exceed One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars for the purpose of replacing and upgrading a golf course irrigation pump system and irrigation controllers, including all related and incidental costs thereto, and that such borrowing is to be repaid in the first instance by the Town's golf enterprise fund, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(\$130,000.00)

(Submitted by the Golf Committee)

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

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town vote to appropriate One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000.00) for the purpose of replacing and upgrading a golf course irrigation pump system and irrigation controllers, including all related and incidental costs thereto, and to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000.00) under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, which borrowing is to be repaid in the first instance by the Town's Golf Enterprise Fund.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee supports this article unopposed.

Vote (2/3<sup>rd's</sup> vote required) In Favor: East: 33/West 46 – Total 79

Opposed: East: 4/West: 9 – Total 13

79 in favor/13 opposed: The article passes by a 2/3<sup>rd's</sup> majority.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds from the Golf Contingency Fund the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars to line item 6606650/574400 Insurance, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$1,250.00)

(Submitted by the Golf Committee)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town vote to transfer from the Golf Contingency Fund the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,250.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee supports this article by a unanimous vote.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article 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 Hundred Dollars for the purpose of making repairs to the historical signs placed throughout Town, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$500.00)

(Submitted by the Historical Commission)

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

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee supports this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Acushnet General Bylaws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 2.2, and the Town of Acushnet Zoning Map, to extend the boundary of the Business Village (BV) district to include the land within 300 feet of the western line of South Main Street from Lawson Avenue to the Fairhaven Line, as shown on the map placed on file with the Town Clerk, and further that nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the Bylaws of Acushnet, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Planning Commission)

- Planning Commission recommendation by Commissioner Richard Forand: The Planning Commission supports this article.
- 2. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town amend the Town

of Acushnet General By-Laws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 2.2, Business Village District (BV), and approve Article 16 as set forth in Warrant

- 3. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee recommends the passage of this article unopposed.
- 4. Vote  $(2/3^{rd's})$  vote required: The article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Acushnet General Bylaws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 2.1 and 2.2, and the Town of Acushnet Zoning Map, to create a new Industrial District, I-1, off of South Main Street, and to insert a new section in Section 3 of said Zoning Article VIII establishing specifications for permitted uses, prohibited uses, development standards and dimensional requirements in the I-1 district, the new district and proposed specifications being shown more particularly on a map and text placed on file with the Town Clerk, and further that nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the Bylaws of Acushnet, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Planning Commission)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town amend the Town of Acushnet General By-Laws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 2.1 and 2.2, to create a new Industrial District, I-1, and approve Article 17 as set forth in the Warrant.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee supports this article unopposed.
- 3. Planning Board recommendation by Commissioner Richard Forand: The Planning Commission fully supports this article and supports the passage of the article.
- Vote (2/3<sup>rd's</sup> vote required): 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 Three Thousand Dollars from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Preservation Category under the Community Preservation Program for the purpose of installing the previously purchased windows funded by the Town under the Community Preservation Act at the Town-owned, Fire and E.M.S. Historic Station 2, Located on North Main Street, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$3,000.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Commission)

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe that the Town vote to transfer from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Preservation Category the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee supports this article by a unanimous vote.
- Community Preservation recommendation by Community Preservation
  Committee Member Larry (Lawrence) Mulvey: The CPA voted
  unanimously to bring this article and the next two to town meeting.
- 4. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars from the Community Preservation Fund Open Space Category under the Community Preservation Program for the purpose of starting a pollinator garden to benefit the bees, butterflies, and other pollinators of the Town garden with public signage at the entrance of the Town-owned River Valley Golf Course, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$2,000.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Commission)

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

- Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town vote to transfer from the Community Preservation Open Space Category the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee supports this article unopposed.
- 3. Community Preservation recommendation by Community Preservation Committee Member Larry (Lawrence) Mulvey: This will create a butterfly garden at the opening of the golf course, which has always been a sore spot. A pollinator of gardens suggested a butterfly garden, and it will be a beautification of the area.
- 4. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance under the Community Preservation Program for the rehabilitation of the historic Acushnet Grange #285, specifically to replace three doors, repair and repaint the porch and install a handicap accessible ramp, which building is the subject of an historical preservation agreement between the Town and the Acushnet Grange #285 whereby the Town holds an historic preservation restriction that benefits the Town of Acushnet residents, or to take any

action relative thereto. (\$15,000.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Commission)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town vote to transfer from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance 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 supports this article by a unanimous vote.
- 3. Community Preservation Committee recommendation by Community Preservation Committee Member Larry (Lawrence) Mulvey: The grange is in need of real bad repairs. The Community Preservation Committee was unsure if this was an allowable expense and researched the list of approved uses by the state. The State approved the use and the funds will be used to make it handicap accessible.
- 4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Two Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars for the purpose of replacing the photocopier in the Town Clerk's Office, or to take any action relative thereto. (\$2,195.00)

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

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

- Motion made by Selectmen Rawcliffe that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,195.00 for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Dr. Boucher: The Finance Committee supports this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars for the purposes of updating and codifying the Town of Acushnet General By-Laws, Zoning By-Laws, Accepted General Laws and Special Acts of Legislation, or to take any action relative thereto. (\$10,900.00)

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

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

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar move that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$10,900.00, for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: The Finance Committee supports this article by a unanimous vote.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 23. 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 Chairman St. Jean to table said article.
- 2. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, Article 23 is declared passed unanimously.

8:16 P.M. – Motion made to adjourn the 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 **6th** day of **October**, 2014.

	Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Chairman
	David E. Wojnar, Member
	Garry L. Rawcliffe, Member
A True Copy Attest: This <b>9th</b> day of <b>October</b> , 2014	BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Marc Laplante	
Constable of Acushnet	

### TOWN OF ACUSHNET

#### WARRANT

#### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MONDAY, MAY 12, 2014 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 at 708 Middle Road in said Acushnet, Monday, the Twelfth (12th) day of May, at 7:15 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Warm & Clear LOCATION: Ford Middle School

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES: Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:22 P.M.
TIME MEETING RECESSED: 7:23 P. M.
TIME MEETING RECONVENED: 7:55 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 212

#### THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator
Kristie Costa, Treasurer/Collector
Dr. Michael Boucher, Finance
Committee Vice Chairman
David E. Wojnar, Selectman
Garry L. Rawcliffe, Selectman

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, 2015, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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

 Clerical correction due to a misprint on page two (in the front of the FY 2015 Operating Budget Article 1 book): The Town Accountants Salary line item should read \$129,379.00, the Expense line item should read \$35,400.00 and the Capital Overlay should read zero. The total is the same (\$164,779.00). Additionally, on page three under Town Collector, the Salaries line item should read \$101,065.00, the Expense line item should read \$9,925.00 and the Capital Overlay should read zero. The total is the same (\$110,990.00).

- 2. 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 outlavs of the several town departments for the ensuing twelve (12) month period through June 30, 2015, all as set forth in the budget presented by the Finance **Committee, and, as funding therefor,** to appropriate from Taxation the sum of \$23,233,082.00, transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$939,495.00, transfer from the Over Lay Surplus the sum of Ø, transfer from EMS Reserved Receipt account the sum of \$300,000.00, transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of Ø, appropriate from Water Fees the sum of \$1,304,890.00, transfer from Water Surplus the sum of Ø, appropriate from Sewer Fees the sum of \$501,316.00, transfer from Sewer Surplus the sum of Ø, appropriate from Golf Fees the sum of \$1,393,388.00, and transfer from Golf Contingency the sum of Ø. (Finance Committee)
- 3. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article unanimously.
- 4. Vote: Article 1 passes with opposition.

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, 2014 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)

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town accept said article as read.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is 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 Wojnar that the Town accept said article as read.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared 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 Rawcliffe that the Town accept said article as read.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, 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 entity whose purpose is to support the Library, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town accept said article as read.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The

Finance Committee recommends passage of this article unopposed.

3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared 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 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)

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund for the Conservation Commission as set forth in the warrant.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Conservation recommendation by Chairman Robert Rocha: The Conservation, also, supports this article unanimously.
- 4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

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 \$15,000.00 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)

- Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund for the Council on Aging as set forth in the warrant.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund account pursuant to

MGL Chapter 44, \$53E1/2 for the Park Department into which monies received by the Town from Park Department activities, are deposited and from which the Park Commissioners shall expend funds solely for Park Department activities, not to exceed \$12,500.00 in the fiscal year, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Park Commissioners)

# FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town authorize a revolving fund for the Park Department as set forth in the said warrant.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommends this unopposed.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

#### ARTICLE 9. COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT

To see if the Town will vote to act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2015 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, 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 2015 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION BUDGET

The Community Preservation Committee recommends that the following amounts be appropriated or reserved from Fiscal Year 2015 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues unless otherwise specified, for Fiscal Year 2015 Community Preservation purposes with each item considered a separate appropriation:

<b>PURPOSE:</b>	AMOUNT:
Appropriations:	
Community Preservation Administrative Expenses	\$7,544
Reserves:	
Open Space	\$15,090
Historic Resources	\$15,090
Community Housing	\$15,090
Budgeted Reserves	\$160,307
Total FY 2015 Budget	\$213,121

#### (Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

# FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe that the Town appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation Fund FY 2015 estimated annual revenues the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Dollars (\$150,896.00) and from the Community Preservation Fund Balance the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$62,225.00), as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee and as set forth in the Warrant for FY 2015 expenses, with each item considered a separate appropriation.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (160,000.00) from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account and Eleven Thousand Dollars (11,000.00) from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve Account for upgrades and improvements to the Historic Marie S. Howard School, as part of a project for the relocation of the Russell Memorial Library to this building pursuant to the Community Preservation Program or to take any action relative thereto. (\$171,000.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Commission)

# FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar, the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00) and from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve Account the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00) for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. The Community Preservation Committee unanimously recommends the funding of this article.
- 4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Acushnet General Bylaws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 3, by inserting a new section named "3.3.X Industrial (I-1) and (I-2) comprised of permitted uses; uses by special permit; allowed uses; development standards; and dimensional requirements and further to amend the Zoning Map to rename this residential district the Industrial (I-1) and (I-2), the full text of which and the related map is on file with the Town Clerk, and further 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 the Planning Commission)

# FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- Motion made by Chairman Gaspar, the Town amend The Town of Acushnet General By-Laws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 3, by inserting a new section named "3.3.X Industrial (I-1) and (I-2)" comprised of permitted uses; uses by special permit; allowed uses; development standards; and dimensional requirements and further to amend the Zoning Map to rename this residential district the Industrial (I-1) and (I-2).
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommended the article unopposed.
- 3. Planning Board recommendation by Chairman Marc Cenerizio: Planning Board recommends this article.
- 4. At the request of Henry Young, Town Planner, the Moderator is willing to make an editorial change to remove all reference of the I-1 District if there are no objections. After asking if there are any objections, the Moderator declares: Hearing no objections, the editorial change is made and Article 11 is voted without any reference to I-1.
- 5. Planning Board Recommendation by Chairman Marc Cenerizio: Planning Commission recommends taking out I-1.
- 6. Vote (2/3<sup>rd's</sup> vote required): Seeing no one opposed, the article is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Acushnet General Bylaws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 3.3.X, Industrial (I-1) and (I-2), to insert a new use, Medical Marijuana Dispensaries as a permitted use by special permit; with development standards; and dimensional requirements, the full text of which is on file with the Town Clerk, and further 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 the Planning Commission)

# FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- Motion made by Selectman Wojnar, the Town amend the Town of Acushnet General By-Laws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 3.3.X, Industrial (I-1) and (I-2), to insert a new use, Medical Marijuana Dispensaries as a permitted use by special permit; with development standards; and dimensional requirements as set forth in a handout entitled Article 12.
- Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed and find this to be an additional revenue source to the town.
- 3. Planning Board Recommendation by Chairman Marc Cenerizio: The Planning Commission recommends this article.
- 4. Henry Young, Town Planner, requests deleting all reference of the I-1 District from Article 12. The Moderator is willing to make an editorial change to remove any reference of I-1 if there are no objections. After asking if there are any objections, the Moderator declares: Hearing no objections, so be it. (The editorial change is made and the Article 12 is voted without any reference to I-1.)
- 5. Vote (requires  $2/3^{rd's}$  vote): The article passes by a  $2/3^{rd's}$  majority.
- 6. The Moderator is requested by Darren Klein, Town Council, to clarify I-1 and I-2. The Moderator states: I-1 is down by Keating and I-2 is off of Freetown. There will be nothing at Keating because it was all taken out of the article. The only place these articles deal with is Freetown.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Acushnet General Bylaws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 3.3, with respect to vehicle parking, connection to municipal sewer and water, side yard setback, rear yard setback and minimum lot width, the full text of which is on file with the Town Clerk, , and further 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 the Planning Commission)

# FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

 Motion made by Selectman Rawcliffe, the Town amend the Town of Acushnet General By-Laws, Zoning Article VIII, Section 3.3, with respect to vehicle parking, connection to municipal sewer and water, side yard setback, rear yard setback and minimum lot width as set forth in a handout entitled Article 13

- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unopposed.
- 3. Planning Board recommendation by Chairman Marc Cenerizio: Planning Commission recommends this article.
- 4. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd's</sup> vote): Article 13 declared passed by a 2/3<sup>rd's</sup> majority.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Acushnet General Bylaws, Zoning Article VIII, Floodplain Overlay District, by replacing Section 7.2, with the following:

The Floodplain District is herein established as an overlay district. The District includes all special flood hazard areas within the Town of Acushnet designated as Zone A and AE on the Bristol County Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) issued by the Federal Emergency Management of Agency (FEMA) for the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program. The map panels of the Bristol County FIRM that are wholly or partially within the Town of Acushnet are panel numbers 25005C0293F, 25005C0294F, 25005C0377F, 25005C0381F, 25005C0382F, 25005C0384F, 25005C0392F, 25005C0403F, 25005C0411F dated July 7, 2009; and panel numbers 25005C0383G dated July 16, 2014. The exact boundaries of the District may be defined by the 100-year base flood elevations shown on the FIRM and further defined by the Bristol County Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report dated July 16, 2014. The FIRM and FIS report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the Town Building Official and Conservation Commission.

And further to amend the Zoning Map accordingly as it is in Section 2.2 of Zoning Article VIII, and to allow 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 the Planning Commission)

# FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- Motion made by Chairman Gaspar, the Town vote to amend the Town
  of Acushnet General By-Laws Zoning Article VIII, Floodplain Overlay
  District, and revise the zoning map accordingly; make the other revisions
  set forth in the warrant under Article 14 and accept the article as read.
- Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee did not make a recommendation on this article, as it is a non-spending article.

- 3. Planning Commission recommendation by Chairman Marc Cenerizio: Planning Commission recommends this article.
- 4. Vote (requires  $2/3^{\text{rd's}}$  vote): The article passes by a  $2/3^{\text{rd's}}$  majority.

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:

- 1. Motion made by Vice Chairman Boucher that the Town table said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: The Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.
- 3. Vote: (requires 2/3<sup>rd's</sup> vote): Seeing no one opposed, Article 15 is tabled unanimously.

8:55 P.M. - Motion made to adjourn Annual Town Meeting. Motion is seconded. The motion passes, and the Annual Town Meeting is declared 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 14th day of April, 2014.

	Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Chairman
	David E. Wojnar, Member
	Garry L. Rawcliffe, Member BOARD OF SELECTMEN
A True Copy, Attest: This <b>24</b> <sup>th</sup> day of <b>April</b> , <b>2014</b> _	
Kelli Tomlinson	

Constable of Acushnet

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

In April 2014, Garry L. Rawcliffe was elected to his 1st term as a member of the Board of Selectmen and Kevin Gaspar, Sr. was elected Chairman.

After Town Meeting vote and a charter change FY15 marks the first year the Board of Selectmen resumed responsibility for the Department of Public Works. The Board is initially keying on major water/sewer issues residents are facing.

#### **Buildings**

After some initial delay, construction of the new police station is under way. Anticipated completion is still Fall 2015.

The conversion of the Marie S. Howard School to the Acushnet Public Library is underway. The project is being accomplished with in-house staff and the students from Old Colony well below the original estimated cost.

#### **Celebrations**

The fifth annual Main Street car show was held the Thursday before Labor Day with perfect weather and record crowds. The Acushnet Police Association once again provided live music but the stars of the show were the classic cars.

#### Energy

The Town continues to reap the benefits of having Green Community status. The projects funded by our first grant are nearly completed with \$100,000.00 used to accomplish lighting upgrades at our schools and the remaining \$54,225.00 is being used for upgrades at the conversion of the Marie S. Howard School to the Acushnet Library.

#### **Historic Renovation**

Work continues on the Perry Hill Church. The 1800's style church is one of the oldest buildings in Town. The Historical Committee held its first open House to highlight to residents all the work accomplished to date. 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,
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Chairman
David E. Wojnar
Garry L. Rawcliffe
Alan G. Coutinho, Town Administrator
Lisa Leonard, Administrative Assistant
Amanda Baptiste, Part-time Admin. Assistant

# OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OFSELECTMEN

#### POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	2015
David E. Wojnar	2016
Garry L. Rawcliffe	2017

#### 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 (resigned)	Charlotte Coutinho (resigned)
Donna Forand (resigned)	Florence Hathaway (resigned)
Joyce Reynolds (resigned)	
Eric James	

#### **BOARD OF APPEALS**

Marc Cenerizio	2015
Richard Gula	2017
Richard J. Lally	2018
Carol Westgate	2019
Paul B. Hipolito (Chair)	2015
Kevin Dakin (Alternate)	2015

#### BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS

Raymond F. LeBlanc	2	016

#### 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	
Pamela Labonte	2015
Marc Laplante	2015
Raymond LeBlanc	2015
James A. Marot	2015
Leo Rousseau	2015
Carol Westgate	2015
John Howcroft	2015
Charles Leonard	2015
Norval Stanley	2015
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMM	ITTEE
Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)	2017
Kevin Dakin (Conservation Commission)	2016
Wayne Richmond (Park Commissioners)	2015
Lawrence Mulvey (Housing Authority)	2016
Heidi Pelletier (Citizen Member)	2016
Joyce Reynolds (Historical Commission)	2016
Evelyn Bouley (Citizen Member)	2016
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
Marc C. Brodeur	2015
Kevin Dakin	2016
Everett Philla	2016
Richard Gula	2016
Ted Cioper	2017
Robert Rocha, Jr.	2017
Heidi Pelletier	2015
Christopher Green	2016
GONGERDY LETTER AND A CONTE	

### **CONSERVATION AGENT**

Merilee Kelly

#### **CONSTABLES**

Frank J. Adesso	2015
Marc E. Laplante	2015
Joseph Latimer	2015
Kelli A. Tomlinson	2015
Herve W Vandal Jr	2015

#### COUNCIL ON AGING

Marie Hardy	2015
Paulette Hudson	2015
Alfred Gonsalves	2016
Dorothy Gomes	2016
Pauline Teixeira	2016
Gerard Bergeron	2017
Linda Guilbeault	2016

#### COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR

Heather Sylvia

#### **CULTURAL COUNCIL MEMBER**

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

#### **ELECTION INSPECTORS**

ELECTION	LCTORD
Catherine L. Audette	Louise L. Benoit
Lillian R. Contois	Jenny Correira
Andrea Corrie	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	2017
Robert St. Jean	2016
Eric Cannon	2016
Jacqueline Stanley	2015

#### FOREST WARDEN, INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Kevin A. Gallagher

#### GOLF MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE

John Abaray, Jr. (Member at Large)	2015
Robert Ferreira (Finance Committee Rep.)	2015
David Flynn (Member at Large)	2015
Manuel Goulart (Business Community Rep.)	2015
Edward Issac (Member-at-Large)	2015

#### 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	2016

#### HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

Henry Young	2015
Dan Menard (DPW)	2015
Michael Cioper (Housing Authority)	2015
Lynn Sigman (Housing Authority)	2015
Nicholas Gomes	2015
Kevin Gaspar, Sr. (Selectman)	2015
David Davignon (Board of Health)	2015

### INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Kevin A. Gallagher

#### INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Eric Arruda	2015
Jeremy Fontes	2015
Paul Fortin	2015
Maria Otocki	2015
Sue Picard	2015
John Roy	2015

#### MOTH SUPERINTENDENT/INSPECTOR OF PEST CONTROL

Dan Menard

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

Maurice St. Amand Evelyn Bouley Paul Guilbeault Leo Coons served from 1990-April 2014

#### **OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**

Marc Cenerizio	2015
Robert Rocha	2015

#### 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)

Joe Correia (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

Kevin Gaspar, Sr.

#### REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Joseph Costa	2015
Jeannie Soucy	2016
Irene DeCotis	2017

#### SAFETY COMMITTEE

Michael Alves (Police Chief)	2015
Alan G. Coutinho (Town Admin.)	2015
Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)	2015
James Marot (Bldg. Insp.)	2015
Paul Sylvia (Board of Public Works)	2015

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

Theodore Machado

#### SHELLFISH WARDEN/HARBOR MASTER

Robert Medeiros

#### SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD

Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission Rep.)
Garry Rawcliffe (Board of Selectmen Rep.)
Merilee Kelly (Conservation Agent)
Robert Medeiros (Board of Health Rep.)
Dan Menard (Board of Public Works Rep.)

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

Dan Menard

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

Henry Young Merilee Kelly

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

Garry L. Rawcliffe

#### STREET NAME COMMITTEE

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

#### TILCON CAPALDI CLOSURE PLAN COMMITTEE

Raymond LeBlanc David E. Wojnar

### (TILCON CAPALDI) WEIGHER

Kerrie Almeida	2015
Ron Burke	2015
Antone DeMello	2015
Rick Leaver	2015
Katherine Lena	2015
Mike Oliveira	2015
Johathan Souza	2015

#### 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.

Marc Cenerizio won a third term as a Board member in 2014 unopposed. He will serve the Board for another three years. Congratulations to him on his victory.

Fiscal 2015 (assessments as of January 1, 2014) is not a 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 2012 through December 2013. 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. The next anticipated revaluation year is scheduled for Fiscal 2017. Acushnet successfully completed the last revaluation process in Fiscal 2014. The cyclical inspection process was also underway in Fiscal 2015 entering in to year 1 of a 10-year cycle. 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 2015 was also the sixth year executing QUARTERLY tax billing for the Town of Acushnet. Taxpayers received their FIRST and SECOND quarters PRELIMINARY bills on July 1, 2014. The preliminary tax run was committed based on the current value of the real property multiplied by the Fiscal 2014 tax rates. The Fiscal 2015 ACTUAL tax commitment executed successfully, and taxpayers received their mailing including the THIRD and FOURTH quarter installment coupons on December 31, 2014. As a reminder the actual billing statements do have the newly certified assessment information listed 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 \$117,331 in new growth. This amount was approved by the Department of Revenue on October 21, 2014. These funds were available for the Special Town Meeting on November 3, 2014. This increase in growth for the tax base this year is reflective of increased building permits and new construction.

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 2015 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. There were also 2 Phase II Sewer Betterment Privilege fees committed during calendar 2014. There assessments were made to parcels receiving the sewer privilege within the existing project that were not part of the initial assessment.

The Board of Health tie-in loans apportioned installments for Fiscal 2015 were also committed. As of Fiscal 2015, 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. Also two additional privilege fees were assessed and committed by the BPW to the Assessors. These accounts were received their initial apportioned installments during the Fiscal 2015 commitment.

The Board of Assessors wishes everyone continued good health and best wishes for the 2015.

TAX SUMMARY	<u>FY 2014</u>	FY 2015
Total Amount to be raised Total estimated receipts from	\$28,511,489.74	\$29,492.387.76
other revenue sources	\$14,066,491.00	\$14,532,013.00
TAX LEVY	\$14,444,998.74	\$14,960,374.76
VALUE BY CLASS	FY 2014	FY 2015
Single Family (101)	\$809,177,400.00	\$818,098,100.00
Condominiums (102)	\$0.00	\$ 0.00
2 & 3 Family (104 & 105)	\$37,765,300.00	\$38,188,500.00
Multi Family (111-125)	\$5,635,700.00	\$5,635,100.00
Vacant land (130-132,106)	\$28,479,600.00	\$26,687,800.00
Others (103,109, Res mixed use)	\$46,159,143.00	\$45,833,938.00
Commercial (3**)	\$30,288,897.00	\$30,756,202.00
Chapter 61, 61A, 61B	\$1,446,702.00	\$1,421,961.00
Industrial (4**)	\$22,077,360.00	\$22,094,060.00
Personal Property	\$30,798,783.00	\$34,158,984.00

TAX RATE FY 2015 (rate/\$1000 of value)

Residential = \$ 14.28 Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property = \$ 18.28 (125% shift)

AVERAGE ASSESSED VALUE SINGLE FAMILY HOME \$ 251,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Cenerizio, Chairman Matthew Lopes, Member Liberio Soares, Member

## VITAL STATISTICS

### **BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS 2014**

BIR	THS:	
	In Acushnet	0
	In other Municipalities	64
	Total	64
	Resident	64
	Non-Resident	0
	Total	64
	Male	34
	Female	30
	Total	64
MAI	RRIAGES:	
	In Acushnet	10
	In other Municipalities	35
	Total	45
	Resident Bride and Groom	17
	Resident Groom	3
	Resident Bride	5
	Non-Resident Bride and Groom	20
	Total	45
<b>DE</b> A	ATHS:	
	In Acushnet	32
	In other Municipalities	64
	Total	96
	Resident Deaths - Female	46
	Resident Deaths - Male	48
	Non-Resident Deaths - Female	2
	Non-Resident Deaths - Male	0
	Total	96

#### 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 include the issuance of copies of vital records; voter registrations; dog licenses; marriage intentions; business certificates; raffle permits; zoning, and general bylaws; town meeting article certifications, archival and genealogy research.

The following is a list of all town meetings and elections prepared and executed by the Town Clerk's Office in calendar year 2014:

#### 2014 Elections & Town Meetings\*

Annual Town Election	April 7 <sup>th</sup>
Annual Town Meeting	May 12th
Special Town Meeting	May 12th
State Primary	September 9th
Special Town Meeting	October 27th
State Election	November 4th

<sup>\*</sup>All 2014 results of elections and town meetings can be found within this Town Report.

#### 2014 in Review:

In addition to the daily tasks processed in the Town Clerk's Office of:

- Issuing Birth, Death, Marriage, Raffle/Bazaar, Business Certificates and Dog Licenses;
- 2) Preparing and executing all elections;
- 3) Registering, deleting, updating, activating and inactivating voters;
- 4) Completing genealogy and Freedom of Information requests;
- Posting and recording meeting notices and agendas in compliance with the Open Meeting Law;
- Accepting Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals applications and decisions;
- 7) Processing in excess of 5000 Annual Street Listing/Census updates, additions and deletions; the office handled the following:
- 8) In February, license reminders and rabies clinic notifications were created and mailed to every owner of any dog not licensed by the March 31<sup>st</sup> licensing deadline.
- 9) March 3<sup>rd</sup>, in conjunction with the Animal Control Officer Rebecca Tomlinson, Dr. Gaumont and staff of the Acushnet Animal Hospital, the Town of Acushnet Annual Rabies Clinic was held at the Town Barn. The Town Clerk's Office was on site and licensed more than 100 dogs.

- 10) In April, the Town Clerk's Office prepared in excess of 300 citations for issuance by the Animal Control officer for each unlicensed dog in town.
- 11) The Community Center, which, previously, housed Precinct II & III during each election, closed its doors. Later, it was voted to renovate the Center and convert it to the town's new Library. Fortunately, the construction of the new Library was not slated to begin prior to the April 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Election thus giving the Board of Selectmen the opportunity to vote and reopen the Community Center for the sole purpose of the election.
- 12) After the April 7th Annual Town Election, the Community Center was officially closed for renovations. The Board of Selectmen voted to, temporarily, move Precinct II to the Russell St. Fire Station & Precinct III to the Council on Aging.
- 13) The installation and inputting of existing dogs and owners into the new Animal Dog Licensing System.
- 14) Precinct change notifications were created internally and mailed to more than 7700 voters in August, prior to the September State Primary and in October, prior to the November State Election.
- 15) At the October Special Town Meeting, the voters approved funding for the 12 18 month project of re-codifying the Town of Acushnet's General Bylaws and Zoning By-laws.
- 16) The 2014 Annual Street Census scheduled to be mailed 12/31/2013 was not completed until mid-March due to production issues with the vendor. Due to this delay and the issues it caused with many residents, the 2015 Annual Census was prepared internally. This created a tremendous amount of additional work for the office staff, however, the support of the Selectmen's, Collector's and Treasurer's offices made it a successful task and transparent to the residents.

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

Dog Licenses Issued	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Individual	1747	1722	1745	1774	1708
K (3-4 Dog Kennel)	96	94	95	94	80
KK (5–15 Dog Kennel)	19	15	13	12	14
KKK (15+ Dog Kennel)	2	2	3	2	2

#### Financial Update:

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

General Ledger Accounts	FY2014 Revenue	FY2013 Revenue	FY2012 Revenue	FY2011 Revenue	FY2010 Revenue
Dog Licenses	\$19,345	\$20,498	\$20,754	\$21,181	\$17,770
Business Certificates	\$2,380	\$2,240	\$1,245	\$1,580	2,640
Town Clerk Fees*	\$6,507	\$6,993	\$7,429	\$7,745	\$7,847
Town Clerk Late Fees	\$2,900	\$4,146	\$1,869	\$3,185	3,600
Total Revenue	\$31,132	\$33,877	\$31,297	\$33,691	\$31,857

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

#### In Conclusion:

2014 was not only a busy year, it was quite an interesting year, which brought with it many changes and challenges. Through it all, the office staff never wavered and supported every effort. Thank you, Rachel Charbonneau, Nancy Clerc and Irene Decotis for your dedication and remaining positive and professional in the face of adversity and always giving 110%.

In addition, it is difficult to recognize the efforts of all that supported the Town Clerk's Office; however, it is important to thank all that made 2014 another successful year. The cooperation of department heads, appointed and elected officials and volunteers, not only, made it all possible but a pleasure working for the residents of Acushnet.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela A. Labonte Town Clerk

#### **TREASURER**

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014

### **Balances per Reconciled Bank Statements**

Bartholomew	Stabilization	1,654,940.65
Bristol County Savings Bank	Money Market	2,009,450.58
Bristol County Savings Bank	General CD	1,000,000.00
Bristol County Savings Bank	Depository Account	1,077,897.83
Bristol County Savings Bank	CPA Account	652,504.11
Bristol County Savings Bank	School Lunch	851,830.63
Bristol County Savings Bank	Collectors' Account	250,730.62
Bristol County Savings Bank	Lockbox Account	130,206.63
Cape Cod Five	Sewer Account	1,319,113.35
Cape Cod Five	Money Market	892,172.00
Citizens Bank & Trust	Investment Account	1,056.57
Citizens Bank & Trust	Money Market	5,243.06
Rockland Trust	Money Market	1,327,045.48
Rockland Trust	Payroll Account	2.85
Rockland Trust	Golf Course	636,177.64
Rockland Trust	Sewer Account	418,947.39
Rockland Trust	Vendor Account	10.18
UNIBANK	Online Account	745,254.96
		12,972,584.53
Cash on Hand		2,150.00
Bartholomew Various Town Trusts		760,861.50
Bristol County & Trust Various Town Trusts		210,982.28
Bristol County & Trust Planning Board		81,584.45
Total of All Cash and Investments for the	Гоwn	\$14,028,162.76

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 2014

### GENERAL FUND

PERSONAL PROPE	RTY TAXES	
	Prior Years	\$83.00
	2013	\$443.00
	2014	\$545,232.00
	2015	\$3.00
	Total Personal Property Taxes	\$545,761.00
REAL ESTATE TAX	ES	
	Prior Years	
	2013	\$187,523.00
	2014	\$13,512,012.00
	2015	\$5,269.00
	Total Real Estate Taxes	\$13,704,804.00
TAX LIENS REDEE	MED	
	Prior Years	\$42,471.00
	Total Tax Liens Redeemed	\$42,471.00
TAX LIENS FOREC	LOSED	
	Prior Years	\$ -
	Total Tax Liens Foreclosed	\$ -
PAYMENT IN LIEU	OF TAXES	
	Prior Years	\$1,845.00
	Total Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$1,845.00
MOTOR VEHICLE	TAXES	
	Prior Years	\$2,839.00
	2011	\$2,592.00
	2012	\$8,553.00
	2013	\$204,256.00
	2014	\$981,176.00
	Total Motor Vehicle Excise	\$1,199,416.00
PENALTIES AND IN	NTEREST	
	Motor Vehicle Excise	\$42,170.00
	Personal Property Tax	\$263.00
	Real Estate Tax	\$46,777.00
	Tax Liens Redeemed	\$7,788.00
	Total Penalties and Interest	\$96,998.00

### RUBBISH

RUBBISH		
	Liens	\$ -
	Rubbish Revenue	\$2,987.00
	Total Rubbish	\$2,987.00
FEES		
	Bldg. Dept. Fees/Violations	\$300.00
	Boarding	\$1,025.00
	Cable	\$1,676.00
	Constable	\$115.00
	Lien Certificates	\$11,640.00
	Non - Renewal Motor Vehicles	\$8,880.00
	Police Detail	\$2,750.00
	Town Clerk Late Fees	\$2,900.00
	Total Fees	\$29,286.00
OTHER DEPARTMEN	NTAL REVENUE	
	Appeal Board	\$2,950.00
	Assessors	\$237.00
	Board of Health	\$33,887.00
	Building	\$1,103.00
	Collector	\$64.00
	Conservation	\$ -
	Fire	\$4,235.00
	Library	\$591.00
	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$45,462.00
	Planning Board	\$2,550.00
	Police	\$928.00
	Selectmen	\$ -
	Town Clerk	\$6,507.00
	Treasurer	\$ -
	Weights & Measures	\$1,174.00
	Total Other Departmental Revenue	\$99,688.00
LICENSES		
	Amusement	\$2,585.00
	Business	\$2,380.00
	Constable	\$40.00
	Dog	\$19,345.00
	Drain Layers	\$1,950.00
	Liquor	\$11,250.00
	Motor Vehicles	\$1,200.00
	Victuallers	\$2,350.00
	Total Licenses	\$41,100.00

PERMITS		
	Board of Health	\$14,625.00
	Building	\$59,613.00
	Electrical	\$20,533.00
	Gas	\$7,255.00
	Gun	\$6,963.00
	Oil Burner	\$390.00
	Plumbing	\$8,891.00
	Soil Removal	\$1,650.00
	Street Opening	\$300.00
	Trench	\$240.00
	Total Permits	\$120,460.00
FINES AND FORFE	ITURES	
	BOH Violations	\$900.00
	Dog	\$5,415.00
	Library	\$3,615.00
	Parking	\$190.00
	Total Fines and Forfeitures	\$10,120.00
SALES OF INVENT	ORY	
BILLES OF HIVEHIT	Cemetery Lots	\$600.00
	Total Sales of Inventory	\$600.00
STATE SHARED RE	VENUE	
on the on the	Abatements to the Elderly	\$21,586.00
	Court Fines	\$544.00
	Lottery Funds	\$1,312,759.00
	Other State	\$35.00
	Registry Fines	\$9,115.00
	School Chapter 70	\$6,118,877.00
	School Transportation	\$12,840.00
	Veterans Benefits	\$184,512.00
	Total State Shared Revenue	\$7,660,268.00
REIMBURSEMENT	S	
	FEMA Disaster Reimbursement	\$43,601.00
	Medicare D Reimbursement	\$80,216.00
	Total Reimbursements	\$123,817.00
EARNINGS ON INV	ESTMENTS	
2. 11. 11. 135 011 1111	Interest on Investments	\$12,518.00
	Total Earnings on Investments	\$12,518.00

#### INTERFUND TRANSFERS

INTERFUND TRAN		
	From Enterprise Funds	\$ -
	From Special Revenue Funds	\$474,000.00
	From Trust & Agency Funds	\$ -
	Total Interfund Transfers	\$474,000.00
TOTAL GENERAL F	TUND	\$24,166,139.00
SCHOOL LUNCH FU	UND	\$339,390.00
HIGHWAY CHAPTE	R 90	\$ -
SPECIAL REVENUE	E FUNDS	
	Animal Gift Fund	\$528.00
	ARAW Grant	\$4,600.00
	Arts Lottery Council	\$4,259.00
	Cable Ed & Gov. Access	\$10,000.00
	Conservation Restriction Fund	\$ -
	Conservation Revolving Fund	\$2,165.00
	Council On Aging - BB Garden Club Grant	\$200.00
	Council On Aging - Chair Yoga Grant	\$442.00
	Council On Aging - Elderly Grant	\$306.00
	Council on Aging - Strong Women Grant	\$3,435.00
	Council On Aging Gift Fund	\$ 4,457.00
	Council On Aging Grant	\$18,640.00
	Council On Aging Revolving Fund	\$7,245.00
	E.M.S. Fund	\$428,565.00
	Elections - Extended Polling	\$7,849.00
	EMA Cert Grant	\$4,430.00
	Emer. Mgt. Perform Grant - EMA	\$2,790.00
	Emer. Mgt. Perform Grant - Fire/EMS	\$3,450.00
	FEMA Disaster Recovery	\$43,602.00
	Fire S.A.F.E Grant	\$6,904.00
	GHSB Child Safety Grant	\$1,191.00
	Gov. Highway Safety Grant	\$3,762.00
	Insurance Reimbursement	\$7,571.00
	Law Enforcement Trust	\$337.00
	Library Gift Fund	\$100,150.00
	Library LIG/MEG/NRC	\$11,447.00
	Notice Of Intent - Conservation	\$2,175.00
	P.E.G. Access	\$82,612.00
	Park Dept Gift Fund	\$3,340.00
	Sept 11 Memorial Gift Fund	\$3,155.00
	SETB 911 Training Grant	\$10,133.00
	SETB Support Incentive Grant	\$45,932.00

	Sewer Phase 2 Betterment Sewer Tie-In Loan Program SRPEDD - Homeland Sec Grant SWAT Training Title V	\$381,940.00 \$51,734.00 \$2,693.00 \$1,375.00 \$3,098.00
	TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$1,266,512.00
SCHOOL SPECIAL	REVENUE FUNDS	
	Early Childhood Grant	\$6,241.00
	Early Childhood Sped #298	\$2,900.00
	Elementary School Fund	\$17,593.00
	Ford Middle School Fund	\$32,121.00
	Kindergarten Enhancement Grant	\$45,008.00
	Preschool Program	\$36,432.00
	Race to Top Grant	\$15,646.00
	School Building Rental	\$54,736.00
	SPED Circuit Breaker	\$154,632.00
	SPED Program Improvement Grant	\$4,197.00
	Teacher Quality in Education Title I	\$26,580.00
	Title II P.L. 94-142	\$74,854.00 \$240,921.00
	Title II P.L. 94-142	\$240,921.00
TOTAL SCHOOL S	PECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$711,861.00
COMMUNITY PRE	ESERVATION FUND	\$189,548.00
WATER SPECIAL I	REVENUE FUND	\$1,319,764.00
CAPITAL PROJEC	TS FUNDS	\$ -
SEWER ENTERPR	ISE FUND	\$546,717.00
GOLF COURSE EN	TERPRISE FUND	\$1,350,483.00
TRUST FUNDS		
111001101100	Contributions	\$8,000.00
	Transfers	\$108,424.00
	Interest & Earnings on Investments	\$22,209.00
	TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	\$138,633.00
	GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$30,029,047.00

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Attest: Cathy L. Doane Director of Finance

## APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR 2014

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
RESERVE FUND 1110		
F.B. Reserve Fund	\$57,139.00	\$0.00
Total Reserve Fund	\$57,139.00	\$0.00
TOWN MEETING 1113		
Town Meeting / Election	\$6,387.00	\$2,261.00
Total Town Meeting	\$6,387.00	\$2,261.00
MODERATOR 1114		
Salary	\$700.00	\$700.00
Supplies	\$145.00	\$145.00
In - State Travel	\$135.00	\$135.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$90.00	\$90.00
Total Moderator	\$1,070.00	\$700.00
SELECTMEN 1122		
Stipends - Selectmen	\$14,175.00\$	13,112.00
Salaries - Town Administrator	\$102,972.00	\$102,972.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$65,602.00	\$63,542.00
Salaries - Special Project Manager	\$9,762.00	\$9,762.00
Salaries - Temporary	\$2,010.00	\$1,600.00
Longevity	\$1,372.00	\$1,372.00
R & M Vehicles	\$750.00	\$108.00
Special Article - Police Feasibility Study	\$1,750.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Building Repairs	\$150,000.00	\$162.00
Special Article - DEP Site Assessment	\$200.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Equip Move	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Engineering Fees	\$2,454.00	\$880.00
Telephone	\$2,500.00	\$2,383.00
Comm Reverse 911	\$8,500.00	\$7,525.00
Communications - Advertising	\$4,000.00	\$3,191.00
Office Supply	\$1,200.00	\$1,114.00
Training & Testing	\$400.00	\$400.00
Town Report / Warrant	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Meeting Expenses	\$100.00	\$100.00
Travel	\$410.00	\$96.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$1,690.00	\$1,690.00
Total Selectmen	\$374,847.00	\$214,009.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
FINANCE COMMITTEE 1131		
Salaries - Clerical	\$2,025.00	\$1,146.00
Office Supplies	\$150.00	\$45.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$400.00	\$204.00
Total Finance Committee	\$2,575.00	\$1,395.00
FINANCE DIRECTOR 1133		
Salaries - Director of Finance	\$12,045.00	\$12,045.00
Total Finance Director	\$12,045.00	\$12,045.00
TOWN ACCOUNTANT 1135		
Salaries - Town Accountant	\$75,449.00	\$75,449.00
Salaries - Accounting Clerk	\$34,677.00	\$32,062.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	\$10,094.00	\$10,094.00
Longevity	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00
Auditing	\$23,000.00	\$23,000.00
GASB 45 Valuation	\$0.00	\$0.00
Telephone	\$1,300.00	\$1,018.00
Office SuppliesQ	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00
Travel	\$400.00	\$227.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$592.00	\$462.00
Additional Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Article - GASB 45 Implementation	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Article - GASB 34	\$11,493.00	\$0.00
Total Town Accountant	\$159,405.00	\$144,712.00
ASSESSORS OFFICE 1141		
Stipends - Assessors	\$7,816.00	\$7,700.00
Salaries - Assistant Assessor	\$53,006.00	\$53,006.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$35,200.00	\$35,188.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$1,000.00	\$910.00
Longevity	\$800.00	\$800.00
Telephone	\$800.00	\$711.00
Printing & Binding	\$180.00	\$168.00
R & M Office Equipment	\$175.00	\$95.00
Communications - Advertising	\$200.00	\$192.00
Training & Testing	\$800.00	\$719.00
Plot Plans	\$1,100.00	\$1,098.00
Reg. Deeds/Probate	\$200.00	\$151.00
Office Supplies	\$1,300.00	\$1,299.00
Travel	\$500.00	\$469.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$300.00	\$300.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Management Consulting	\$5,000.00	\$4,892.00
Software Expense	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Cama License Fee	\$6,800.00	\$6,800.00
Special Article - Verizon	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Printer	\$0.00	\$0.00
Triennial Certification	\$24,500.00	\$24,500.00
Total Assessors	\$142,177.00	\$141,498.00
TOWN TREASURER 1145		
Salaries - Town Treasurer	\$29,681.00	\$29,471.00
Salaries - Finance Acct	\$18,464.00	\$18,464.00
Salaries - Payroll Admin	\$35,700.00	\$35,700.00
Salaries - Stipend	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Salaries - Billing	\$8,804.00	\$8,804.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$500.00	\$476.00
Longevity	\$300.00	\$300.00
Legal - Land Court	\$20,396.00	\$1,780.00
Loan Expense	\$2,500.00	\$1,500.00
Telephone	\$1,200.00	\$1,038.00
Communications - Advertising	\$500.00	\$0.00
Reg. Deeds / Probate	\$1,000.00	\$379.00
Office Supplies	\$2,200.00	\$2,199.00
Postage	\$27,500.00	\$27,008.00
Travel	\$1,200.00	\$782.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$680.00	\$270.00
Bonding	\$675.00	\$550.00
Additional Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Town Treasurer	\$153,300.00	\$130,721.00
TOWN COLLECTOR 1146	400.050.00	000 450 00
Salaries - Town Collector	\$29,978.00	\$29,470.00
Salaries - Finance Admin	\$18,463.00	\$18,463.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$34,034.00	\$28,511.00
Salaries - Temporary	\$4,038.00	\$3,618.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$1,000.00	\$818.00
Longevity	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Lock Box Service	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Tax Bills	\$2,500.00	\$1,926.00
Telephone Communications Advertising	\$800.00	\$485.00 \$1.303.00
Communications - Advertising	\$2,000.00	\$1,303.00
Registry Recording Office Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$1,064.00
Travel / Meal	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00	\$988.00 \$369.00
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	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$140.00	\$45.00
Bonding	\$1,200.00	\$550.00
Additional Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Town Collector	\$102,153.00	\$88,610.00
TOWN COUNSEL 1151		
Legal - Land Court	\$60,780.00	\$60,779.00
Total Town Counsel	\$60,780.00	\$60,779.00
DATA PROCESSING 1155		
Salaries - System Administrator	\$4,616.00	\$4,616.00
Internet Services	\$5,436.00	\$5,436.00
Contracted IT Support	\$7,440.00	\$7,440.00
Records Archiving	\$900.00	\$525.00
R & M Copiers	\$5,420.00	\$5,352.00
R & M Other	\$3,000.00	\$2,859.00
Software Maintenance	\$57,674.00	\$57,674.00
Photocopier Supplies	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00
Software Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00
Backup Software	\$0.00	\$0.00
Antivirus Software	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Supplies	\$2,011.00	\$1,796.00
Training	\$0.00	\$0.00
Additional Equipment	\$10,690.00	\$10,330.00
Special Article - Munis Training	\$5,495.00	\$0.00
Total Data Processing	\$104,982.00	\$98,328.00
TOWN CLERK 1161		
Salaries - Town Clerk	\$28,938.00	\$28,938.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$60,104.00	\$60,103.00
Salaries - Temporary	\$1,000.00	\$958.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$900.00	\$814.00
Longevity	\$715.00	\$515.00
R & M Office Equipment	\$500.00	\$350.00
Vital Statistics	\$400.00	\$0.00
Telephone	\$750.00	\$480.00
Communications - Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00
Office Supplies	\$1,494.00	\$1,494.00
Special Article - Prior Year Bills	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Dog License Program	\$1,250.00	\$0.00
Travel	\$1,800.00	\$1,790.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$292.00	\$291.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Bonding	\$100.00	\$100.00
Additional Equipment	\$500.00	\$0.00
Dog Licenses	\$650.00	\$597.00
Special Article - Carpet	\$1,294.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Desk	\$1,263.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Blinds	\$375.00	\$0.00
Special Article - CD ROMS	\$928.00	\$0.00
Software Expense	\$900.00	\$881.00
Total Town Clerk	\$104,153.00	97,311.00
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS 1163		
Salaries - Temporary	\$7,395.00	\$7,356.00
Voting Program Movers	\$3,805.00	\$3,805.00
Street Voting / Census	\$1,900.00	\$1,158.00
Office Supplies	\$400.00	\$389.00
Travel	\$400.00	\$400.00
Total Registrar Of Voters	\$13,900.00	\$13,108.00
CONSERVATION 1171		
Salaries - Agent	\$35,592.00	\$35,587.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$17,952.00	\$17,551.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$1,000.00	\$564.00
Longevity	\$300.00	\$300.00
Telephone	\$350.00	\$233.00
Communications - Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00
Training & Testing	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Special Article - GIS UPG	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Total Conservation	\$59,194.00	\$54,235.00
SOIL BOARD 1172		
Salaries - Inspector	\$1,000.00	\$250.00
Office Supplies	\$50.00	\$0.00
Total Soil Board	\$1,050.00	\$250.00
PLANNING BOARD 1175		
Salaries - Agent	\$5,858.00	\$5,855.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$12,071.00	\$12,069.00
Town Planner	\$31,835.00	\$31,835.00
Training & Testing	\$0.00	\$0.00
Communications - Advertising	\$1,900.00	\$1,409.00
Other Purchase - Serv. Recording	\$200.00	\$124.00
Reg. Deeds / Update Maps	\$25.00	\$0.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Office Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$406.00
Master Plan Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Zoning By-Law Edits	\$4,656.00	\$0.00
Total Planning Board	\$57,545.00	\$51,698.00
BOARD OF APPEALS 1176		
Salaries - Clerical	\$1,966.00	\$908.00
Special Article - Prior Year Bills	\$0.00	\$0.00
Communications - Advertising	\$2,247.00	\$2,247.00
Office Supplies	\$150.00	\$124.00
Total Board of Appeals	\$4,363.00	\$3,279.00
TOWN HALL COMPLEX 1192		
Salaries - Maintenance	\$37,711.00	\$37,711.00
Salaries - Temporary	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$1,495.00	\$94.00
Longevity	\$0.00	\$0.00
Energy	\$40,000.00	\$38,692.00
R & M Building & Grounds	\$12,330.00	\$12,038.00
Custodial Services	\$21,500.00	\$15,198.00
Supplies	\$5,000.00	\$4,999.00
Special Article - A.D.A. Requirement	\$2,059.00	\$0.00
Total Town Hall Complex	\$121,095.00	\$108,732.00
BY - LAWS 1197		
Office Supplies	\$500.00	\$413.00
Total By - Laws	\$500.00	\$413.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT 2210		
Salaries - Police Chief	\$99,703.00	\$99,703.00
Salaries - Permanent	\$1,005,286.00	\$1,005,286.00
Salaries - Dispatch	\$90,874.00	\$90,874.00
EMD - Stipends	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$385,148.00	\$385,147.00
Longevity	\$9,469.00	\$9,469.00
Clothing Allowance	\$14,700.00	\$14,497.00
Vehicle Maintenance	\$10,063.00	\$10,063.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00
Software Maintenance	\$9,775.00	\$9,775.00
Telephone	\$4,550.00	\$4,550.00
Training & Testing	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.		
Office Supplies	\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00		
Meals	\$550.00	\$550.00		
Other Supplies - Hardware / Lockup	\$22,069.00	\$21,899.00		
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00		
Special Article - Copy Machine	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Special Article - Bullet Proof Vests	\$7,700.00	\$0.00		
Special Article - Police Cruisers	\$29,000.00	\$29,000.00		
Special Article - Police Computers	\$11,455.00	\$8,452.00		
Equipment	\$33,810.00	\$33,810.00		
Total Police Department	\$1,776,202.00	\$1,765,125.00		
FIRE DEPARTMENT 2220				
Salaries - Fire Chief	\$81,626.00	\$81,626.00		
Salaries - Permanent	\$159,145.00	\$145,814.00		
Salaries - Callmen	\$76,363.00	\$76,363.00		
Overtime	\$59,046.00	\$59,045.00		
Longevity	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00		
Clothing Allowance	\$2,244.00	\$2,241.00		
Energy	\$8,700.00	\$8,675.00		
R & M Building & Grounds	\$0.00	\$0.00		
R & M Equipment	\$4,982.00	\$4,794.00		
R & M Vehicles	\$4,250.00	\$3,915.00		
Software	\$900.00	\$870.00		
Radio Repairs	\$500.00	\$366.00		
Medical Exams	\$236.00	\$236.00		
Telephone	\$2,940.00	\$2,731.00		
Training / CPR / First Aid	\$2,650.00	\$2,650.00		
Office Supplies	\$450.00	\$346.00		
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$469.00	\$425.00		
Additional Equipment	\$548.00	\$548.00		
Special Article - Firefighters Equip	\$33,000.00	\$33,000.00		
Special Article - Fire Protective Equip	\$1,046.00	\$1,034.00		
Special Article - Fire 3 Sets Equip	\$5,070.00	\$4,980.00		
Special Article - Fire 25 Sets Fire Boots	\$7,079.00	\$7,079.00		
Special Article - Fire St #3 Apron	\$10,000.00	\$5,060.00		
Special Article - Fire Util/Brush Truck	\$100,000.00	\$0.00		
Special Article - Fire Garage Door Mod	\$24,000.00	\$0.00		
Fire Alarm Inspection	\$769.00	\$769.00		
Total Fire Department	\$588,113.00	\$444,667.00		
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 2232				
Salaries - Director	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00		
Salaries - Permanent	\$337,136.00	\$337,136.00		
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	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Salaries - EMT	\$4,363.00	\$4,362.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	\$8,273.00	\$8,273.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$18,080.00	\$18,079.00
Longevity	\$600.00	\$600.00
Clothing Allowance	\$2,394.00	\$2,394.00
Energy	\$14,028.00	\$14,028.00
R & M Buildings & Grounds	\$914.00	\$914.00
R & M Equipment	\$2,318.00	\$2,318.00
Physicals	\$0.00	\$0.00
Telephone	\$2,099.00	\$1,926.00
Training & Testing	\$884.00	\$884.00
Office Supplies	\$900.00	\$900.00
Supplies	\$318.00	\$318.00
Software Expense	\$4,750.00	\$4,750.00
Vehicle Supplies & Maintenance	\$5,222.00	\$5,222.00
Medical & Surgical Supplies	\$14,857.00	\$14,857.00
Oxygen	\$864.00	\$864.00
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00
Quality Assurance Program	\$15,100.00	\$15,100.00
Special Article - EMS Training	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Special Article - 2 Cardiac	\$3,390.00	\$3,390.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$12,036.00	\$12,036.00
Additional Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Emergency Medical Services	\$464,726.00	\$464,551.00
BUILDING DEPARTMENT 2241		
Salaries - Building Inspector	\$56,382.00	\$56,382.00
Salaries - Commissioner	\$5,518.00	\$5,518.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$16,835.00	\$16,368.00
Salaries - Temporary	\$1,400.00	\$882.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salaries - Wire Inspector	\$10,902.00	\$10,902.00
Salaries - Deputy Wire Inspector	\$750.00	\$675.00
Salaries - Deputy Building Inspector	\$750.00	\$175.00
Salaries - Gas / Plumbing Inspector	\$8,740.00	\$8,740.00
Salaries - Deputy Gas / Plumbing Inspector	\$750.00	\$175.00
Longevity	\$300.00	\$300.00
Training & Testing	\$800.00	\$767.00
R & M Equipment	\$450.00	\$248.00
Telephone	\$800.00	\$467.00
Office Supplies	\$921.00	\$920.00
Vehicle Supplies	\$500.00	\$38.00
Special Article - Prior Year Bill	\$0.00	\$0.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$500.00	\$368.00
Total Building Department	\$106,298.00	\$102,925.00
SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURE	ES 2244	
Salaries - Permanent	\$1,033.00	\$1,033.00
Additional Equipment	\$50.00	\$0.00
Total Sealer Of Weights & Meas	sures \$1,083.00	\$1,033.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGE	NCY 2291	
Energy	\$4,800.00	\$3,767.00
R & M Equipment	\$1,100.00	\$1,093.00
R & M Building & Grounds	\$1,200.00	\$1,115.00
Telephone	\$360.00	\$349.00
Internet Services	\$1,080.00	\$1,061.00
Maintenance & Supplies	\$500.00	\$495.00
Software Expense Disaster Fund	\$489.00 \$0.00	\$489.00 \$0.00
Travel	\$150.00 \$150.00	\$0.00 \$75.00
Special Article - Generator	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Generator  Special Article - Computer Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Used Vehicle	\$15,000.00	\$13,500.00
Additional Equipment	\$4,490.00	\$4,486.00
Total Emergency		
Management Agency	\$29,169.00	\$26,430.00
ANIMAL CONTROL 2292		
Salaries - Director	\$38,069.00	\$38,069.00
Longevity	\$700.00	\$700.00
Clothing Allowance	\$300.00	\$296.00
R & M Equipment	\$470.00	\$61.00
Telephone	\$993.00	\$980.00
Boarding Services	\$1,000.00	\$294.00
Training & Testing Emergency Vet. Services	\$550.00 \$500.00	\$133.00 \$500.00
Office Supplies	\$50.00	\$47.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	\$50.00	\$0.00
Special Article - New Vehicle	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Animal Control	\$42,682.00	\$41,080.00
FORESTRY 2294		
Salaries - Tree Warden	\$600.00	\$600.00
Tree Removal	\$2,625.00	\$2,625.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Tree Planting	\$48.00	\$0.00
Other Supplies	\$152.00	\$152.00
Special Article - Tree Removal	\$4,788.00	\$4,375.00
Total Forestry	\$8,213.00	\$7,752.00
MISCELLANEOUS 2699		
Beautification	\$1,000.00	\$921.00
Shellfish Warden / Harbor Master	\$100.00	\$0.00
Herring Inspector	\$100.00	\$88.00
Acushnet Cultural Council	\$2,500.00	\$2,498.00
Safety Committee	\$100.00	\$0.00
Housing Partnership	\$100.00	\$0.00
Buzzards Bay Comm.	\$633.00	\$633.00
Total Miscellaneous	\$4,533.00	\$4,140.00
OLD COLONY REGIONAL SCHO	OL 3320	
Regional School Tuition	\$1,684,916.00	\$1,684,916.00
Total Old Colony Regional School	\$1,684,916.00	\$1,684,916.00
ACUSHNET SCHOOL DEPARTM	ENT 3325, 021	
Expenses	\$12,693,186.00	\$12,578,114.00
Special Article - Detention Pond	\$0.00	\$0.00
School Renov. Bond Principal	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00
School Renov. Bond Interest	\$55,550.00	\$55,550.00
Total Acushnet		
School Department	\$12,868,736.00	\$12,753,664.00
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 4422		
Salaries - Director	\$84,244.00	\$73,000.00
Salaries - Permanent	\$162,821.00	\$158,425.00
Salaries - Superintendent	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$11,205.00	\$8,945.00
Salaries - Part-Time Clerk	\$13,147.00	\$13,147.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$16,000.00	\$13,362.00
Longevity	\$100.00	\$0.00
Clothing Allowance	\$6,391.00	\$6,360.00
Energy	\$17,000.00	\$15,369.00
R & M Building & Grounds	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
R & M Equipment	\$28,000.00	\$16,997.00
Rentals & Leases	\$16,000.00	\$15,659.00
Engineering Fees	\$8,000.00	\$7,367.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Telephone	\$2,000.00	\$1,063.00
Communications - Advertising	\$1,000.00	\$35.00
Police Details	\$6,000.00	\$5,144.00
Training & Testing	\$1,500.00	\$1,397.00
Office Supplies	\$1,750.00	\$1,750.00
Gasoline	\$100,000.00	\$97,622.00
Personnel Safety Supplies	\$359.00	\$262.00
Road Materials	\$87,850.00	\$82,237.00
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships / License	s \$400.00	\$400.00
Additional Equipment	\$33,000.00	\$31,143.00
Equipment Lease	\$20,085.00	\$20,084.00
Special Article - Barn Generator	\$9,800.00	\$9,623.00
Special Article - Vibrating Roller	\$1,175.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Rolling Trailer	\$5,280.00	\$5,280.00
Special Article - 2013 Chevy Truck	\$46,168.00	\$46,168.00
Special Article - Roller Trailer	\$13,005.00	\$13,004.00
Total Highway Department	\$700,280.00	\$651,843.00
SNOW REMOVAL / ICE CONTROL 4423	3	
Snow Removal Emergency	\$190,670.00	\$190,669.00
Total Snow Removal / Ice Control	\$190,670.00	\$190,669.00
STREET LIGHTS 4424		
Energy	\$63,039.00	\$60,392.00
Total Street Lights	\$63,039.00	\$60,392.00
SEMASS 4431		
Salaries - Permanent	\$28,110.00	\$13,110.00
Curbside Pick-Up	\$35,000.00	\$23,485.00
Incinerator - SEMASS	\$135,000.00	\$81,247.00
Heavy Pick-Up	\$9,300.00	\$8,182.00
Rubbish Removal	\$440,000.00	\$425,664.00
R & M - Buildings	\$1,200.00	\$530.00
Training & Testing	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Communications - Advertising	\$1,500.00	\$1,304.00
Total SEMASS	\$651,610.00	\$553,522.00
CEMETERY 4491		
Salaries - Temporary	\$5,464.00	\$5,464.00
R & M Equipment	\$650.00	\$615.00
R & M Building & Grounds	\$400.00	\$321.00
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	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Office Supplies	\$5.00	\$0.00
Building Repairs/Maintenance	\$225.00	\$0.00
Total Cemetery	\$6,744.00	\$6,400.00
HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICES 5510	0	
Stipends - Board	\$9,774.00	\$9,774.00
Salaries - Sanitarian	\$54,935.00	\$48,569.00
Salaries - Clerical # 1	\$35,189.00	\$35,188.00
Salaries - Clerical #2	\$37,011.00	\$36,670.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$1,973.00	\$1,915.00
Flu Clinic Salaries	\$500.00	\$385.00
Longevity	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Clothing Allowance	\$100.00	\$35.00
R & M Vehicles	\$1,420.00	\$885.00
Physician	\$400.00	\$75.00
Prof. Public Health Agency	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
Telephone	\$600.00	\$458.00
Communications - Advertising	\$469.00	\$469.00
Training & Testing	\$135.00	\$135.00
Office Supplies	\$2,056.00	\$2,030.00
Photocopier Supplies	\$500.00	\$460.00
Travel	\$75.00	\$0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$200.00	\$150.00
Additional Equipment	\$200.00	\$198.00
Total Health Inspection Services	\$160,037.00	\$151,896.00
COUNCIL ON AGING 5541		
Salaries - Director	\$33,776.00	\$33,776.00
Salaries - Temporary	\$11,337.00	\$10,312.00
Salaries - Janitorial	\$6,035.00	\$6,035.00
Longevity	\$257.00	\$257.00
Energy	\$8,300.00	\$7,609.00
R & M Building & Grounds	\$2,500.00	\$2,005.00
R & M Vehicles	\$960.00	\$544.00
Telephone	\$1,000.00	\$473.00
Alarm Services	\$700.00	\$192.00
Internet Services	\$720.00	\$720.00
Office Supplies	\$400.00	\$380.00
Building Supplies	\$700.00	\$604.00
Nutrition	\$5,507.00	\$3,973.00
Total Council On Aging	\$72,192.00	\$66,880.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
VETERANS 5543		
Salaries - Agent	\$18,168.00	\$18,168.00
Telephone	\$300.00	\$228.00
Training & Testing	\$195.00	\$0.00
Training / Public Awareness	\$165.00	\$0.00
Office Supplies	\$450.00	\$427.00
Dues / Subscription / Membership	\$35.00	\$0.00
Veterans Benefits	\$300,000.00	\$269,079.00
Total Veterans Benefits	\$319,313.00	\$287,902.00
LIBRARY 6610		
Salaries - Director	\$54,454.00	\$50,107.00
Salaries - Asst. Director	\$33,764.00	\$33,763.00
Salaries - Technicians	\$54,224.00	\$50,623.00
Salaries - Custodian	\$11,104.00	\$10,032.00
Longevity	\$841.00	\$840.00
Energy	\$7,800.00	\$7,541.00
R & M Building & Grounds	\$2,494.00	\$2,494.00
R & M Office Equipment	\$247.00	\$247.00
Tech. Support	\$1,460.00	\$1,460.00
Telephone	\$710.00	\$686.00
Education	\$465.00	\$465.00
Communications - Advertising	\$283.00	\$283.00
Sail Expenses	\$11,637.00	\$11,637.00
Office Supplies	\$2,144.00	\$2,142.00
Children Ed. Supplies	\$375.00	\$375.00
Other Supplies	\$22,840.00	\$22,840.00
Travel	\$415.00	\$414.00
Total Library	\$205,257.00	\$195,949.00
RECREATION 6630		
Energy	\$6,000.00	\$4,105.00
Service & Maintenance	\$2,200.00	\$1,437.00
Telephone	\$296.00	\$278.00
Internet Services	\$804.00	\$804.00
Communications - Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00
Summer Youth	\$7,999.00	\$7,854.00
Office Supplies	\$50.00	\$0.00
Hardware	\$1,300.00	\$1,086.00
Additional Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Supplies	\$300.00	\$176.00
Total Recreation	\$18,949.00	\$15,740.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
PARK 6650		
Salaries - Permanent	\$19,821.00	\$17,055.00
Contracted Services	\$12,950.00	\$10,761.00
R & M Equipment	\$500.00	\$191.00
Trash Removal	\$150.00	\$128.00
Restroom Supplies	\$175.00	\$175.00
Park Materials	\$2,900.00	\$1,628.00
Total Park	\$36,496.00	\$29,938.00
HISTORICAL COMMISSION 6691		
Energy	\$4,550.00	\$4,217.00
R & M Building & Grounds	\$500.00	\$386.00
Telephone / Alarm	\$1,300.00	\$1,254.00
Special Article - Historic Inventory	\$78.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Historical Signs	\$1,000.00	\$625.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Historical Commission	\$7,428.00	\$6,482.00
CELEBRATIONS 6692		
Road Race	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Holidays	\$2,000.00	\$1,046.00
Events	\$1,000.00	\$15.00
Total Celebrations	\$4,500.00	\$2,561.00
RETIREMENT OF DEBT 7710		
Long Term Debt - Fire Engine	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Long Term Debt - Parting Ways	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Retirement of Debt	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
INTEREST 7751		
Long Term Debt Interest	\$5,200.00	\$5,200.00
Short Term Debt Interest	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Interest	\$5,200.00	\$5,200.00
COUNTY ASSESSMENTS 8830		
County Tax	\$108,869.00	\$108,869.00
Total County Assessments	\$108,869.00	\$108,869.00
STATE ASSESSMENTS 8850		
Special Education	\$0.00	\$2,541.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
School Choice Tuition	\$40,684.00	\$0.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$8,900.00	\$9,380.00
Mosquito Assessment	\$34,572.00	\$34,567.00
Air Pollution Assessment	\$2,807.00	\$2,807.00
RTA Assessment	\$29,663.00	\$29,663.00
SRPEDD	\$1,665.00	\$1,664.00
Total State Assessments	\$118,291.00	\$80,622.00
PENSIONS 1911		
Bristol County Retirement	\$969,410.00	\$957,826.00
Social Security	\$0.00	\$0.00
Medicare	\$158,000.00	\$155,194.00
Total Pensions	\$1,127,410.00	\$1,113,020.00
WORKERS COMPENSATION 1912		
Fringe Benefits / Charges	\$110,000.00	\$96,236.00
Total Workers Compensation	\$110,000.00	\$96,236.00
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION		
Fringe Benefits / Charges	\$40,000.00	\$21,430.00
Total Unemployment Compensat	ion \$40,000.00	\$21,430.00
HEALTH INSURANCE 1914		
Blue Cross / Blue Shield Health Insurance	\$1,417,068.00	\$1,211,210.00
CRA / Flexible Benefits Plan	\$3,000.00	\$1,617.00
Special Article - Consultant Services	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
Total Health Insurance	\$1,424,568.00	\$1,217,327.00
LIABILITY INSURANCE 1945		
Fire / Police Insurance	\$24,000.00	\$19,604.00
Liability Insurance	\$152,000.00	\$135,253.00
Total Liability Insurance	\$176,000.00	\$154,857.00
TRANSFERS 9999		
Transfers To Capital Project Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transfers To Special Revenue Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transfers To Enterprise Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transfers To Trust & Agency Funds	\$108,424.00	\$108,424.00
Total Transfers	\$108,424.00	\$108,424.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$24,793,608.00	\$23,671,526.00
SEWER DEPARTMENT 6004440		
Salaries - Superintendent	\$16,155.00	\$16,155.00
Salaries - Permanent	\$8,691.00	\$4,921.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$11,205.00	\$10,442.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	\$2,114.00	\$2,114.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	\$5,893.00	\$5,893.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$3,815.00	\$2,335.00
Longevity	\$121.00	\$121.00
Fringe Benefits - Health / Vacation	\$7,500.00	\$662.00
Clothing Allowance	\$950.00	\$694.00
Energy	\$9,500.00	\$8,749.00
Service & Maint. Equipment	\$3,000.00	\$363.00
R & M Vehicles	\$2,000.00	\$415.00
R & M Building & Grounds	\$1,500.00	\$1,166.00
Software Maintenance	\$500.00	\$0.00
Maintenance of System	\$124,444.00	\$32,307.00
Sewer Pumping - New Bedford	\$375,000.00	\$351,072.00
Telephone	\$2,100.00	\$2,060.00
Legal Expense	\$5,400.00	\$1,107.00
Engineering Fees	\$500.00	\$500.00
Training & Testing	\$600.00	\$573.00
Gasoline	\$1,000.00	\$884.00
Office Supplies	\$350.00	\$318.00
Sewer Bills	\$1,600.00	\$1,125.00
Postage	\$1,750.00	\$969.00
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	\$179.00	\$0.00
Special Article - Pump Station	\$60,000.00	\$463.00
Additional Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$701.00
Subtotal	\$655,427.00	\$448,799.00
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
Subibiai	\$0.00	\$0.00
TRANSFERS 6009999		
Transfers to General Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Transfers To Special Revenue Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL SEWER DEPARTMENT FROM SEWER USERS' FEES	\$655,427.00	\$448,799.00
WATER DEPARTMENT 2704450		
Salaries - Director	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salaries - Permanent	\$91,126.00	\$83,041.00
Salaries - Superintendent	\$46,845.00	\$46,845.00
Salaries - Clerical	\$11,205.00	\$10,442.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	\$11,439.00	\$11,439.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	\$2,114.00	\$2,114.00
Salaries - Overtime	\$2,600.00	\$1,843.00
Longevity	\$379.00	\$379.00
Fringe Benefits - Health / Vacation	\$19,000.00	\$11,059.00
Clothing Allowance	\$1,700.00	\$1,301.00
Energy	\$3,355.00	\$3,030.00
New Bedford Water Bills	\$820,000.00	\$746,892.00
R & M Building & Grounds	\$3,000.00	\$2,505.00
R & M Vehicles	\$3,000.00	\$2,832.00
Software Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00
Maintenance Of System	\$4,000.00	\$3,142.00
R & M Trenches	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rentals & Leases	\$1,000.00	\$143.00
Legal Expenses	\$2,500.00	\$2,349.00
Engineering Fees	\$742.00	\$0.00
Telephone	\$700.00	\$520.00
Training & Testing	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
CCR Reports	\$6,758.00	\$6,758.00
Communications - Advertising	\$200.00	\$0.00
Police Details	\$1,500.00	\$1,200.00
Gasoline	\$5,000.00	\$3,535.00
Office Supplies	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00
Water Bills	\$4,390.00	\$4,317.00
Postage	\$4,400.00	\$3,793.00
AMR Service Agreement	\$5,460.00	\$5,460.00
Water Testing	\$8,750.00	\$8,250.00
P.W. Supplies / Equipment	\$10,000.00	\$8,988.00
Travel	\$250.00	\$0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships / Licen		\$552.00
Upgrading System	\$500.00 \$13.500.00	\$0.00
Additional Equipment - New Meters	\$13,500.00	\$13,500.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
Special Article - Radio Read Meters Special Article - Cross Survey	\$9,617.00 \$372.00	\$6,989.00 \$0.00
Subtotal	\$1,099,802.00	\$997,018.00
RETIREMENT OF DEBT 2707450		
Long Term Debt Principal	\$55,179.00	\$55,179.00
Long Term Debt Interest	\$151,813.00	\$151,812.00
Subtotal	\$206,992.00	\$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 FROM WATER USERS' FEES	\$1,306,794.00	\$1,204,009.00
GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND	6606650	
Salaries - Director	\$59,116.00	\$59,116.00
Salaries - Superintendent	\$86,422.00	\$86,422.00
Salaries - Head Professional	\$33,228.00	\$25,401.00
Salaries - Clubhouse Employees	\$51,400.00	\$42,730.00
Salaries - Assistant Superintendent	\$45,486.00	\$43,097.00
Salaries - Maintenance Employees	\$140,858.00	\$136,971.00
Salaries - Collector	\$4,494.00	\$4,494.00
Fringe Benefits - Maintenance Employees	\$15,000.00	\$10,989.00
Longevity	\$800.00	\$800.00
Energy Maintanana	\$13,565.00	\$13,563.00
Energy - Maintenance R & M Building & Grounds	\$8,425.00	\$8,384.00
R & M Equipment	\$3,000.00 \$7,000.00	\$2,510.00 \$3,965.00
R & M Equipment - Maintenance	\$12,600.00	\$12,241.00
Rentals & Leases	\$46,000.00	\$45,535.00
Rentals & Leases - Maintenance	\$9,350.00	\$9,300.00
Legal Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00
Telephone	\$4,000.00	\$3,649.00
Telephone - Maintenance	\$1,950.00	\$1,940.00
R & M Irrigation - Maintenance	\$3,900.00	\$3,184.00
Communications - Advertising	\$14,000.00	\$13,505.00
Training & Safety - Maintenance	\$1,000.00	\$982.00
Uniforms	\$1,500.00	\$1,313.00
Uniforms - Maintenance	\$1,500.00	\$1,455.00

	FY 2014 APPROP.	FY 2014 EXPEND.
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Gasoline	\$38,500.00	\$37,507.00
Supplies - Golf Shop	\$19,000.00	\$18,077.00
Seed / Topdress / Orn Maintenance Fertilizer - Maintenance	\$10,500.00	\$10,381.00
Pesticides - Maintenance	\$32,000.00	\$31,812.00
	\$79,075.00 \$65,435.00	\$79,059.00 \$64,174.00
Food Supplies Other Supplies	\$8,300.00	\$7,461.00
Supplies - Maintenance	\$8,000.00	\$7,988.00
Travel	\$800.00	\$7,988.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships /	\$800.00	\$377.00
Licenses - Club	\$1,000.00	\$485.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships /	\$1,000.00	\$ <del>+</del> 65.00
Licenses - Maint.	\$1,500.00	\$975.00
Insurance	\$13,750.00	\$13,750.00
Additional Equipment	\$45,349.00	\$45,348.00
Capital Projects	\$59,382.00	\$49,843.00
Subtotal	\$947,185.00	\$898,983.00
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DEBT SERVICE 6607650	¢225 000 00	¢225 000 00
Long Term Debt Principal	\$325,000.00	\$325,000.00
Long Term Debt Interest	\$162,394.00	\$162,393.00
Subtotal	\$487,394.00	\$487,393.00
TRANSFERS 6609999		
Transfers to General Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND	\$1,434,579.00	\$1,386,376.00
SUBTOTAL	\$28,190,408.00	\$26,710,710.00
OTHER !	EXPENDITURES	
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS Fire Station Roof Renovation Police Station		\$5.00 \$356,537.00
TOTAL CAPITAL PROJEC	TS FUND	\$356,542.00

	FY 2014 EXPEND.
CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS	
Peckham Road	\$0.00
WRRP Program	\$47,042.00
TOTAL CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS	\$47,042.00
SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	
School Lunch	\$320,092.00
Full Day Kindergarten	\$4,464.00
Preschool Program	\$39,510.00
Other Grants & Funding	\$694,784.00
TOTAL SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$1,058,850.00
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	
911 Memorial Gift Fund	\$2,573.00
Animal Gift Fund	\$19.00
ARAW Grant	\$4,805.00
Arts Lottery Council	\$4,193.00
Buzzards Bay Garden Club Grant	\$323.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access Studio	\$1,024.00
Celebrations Gift Fund	\$370.00
Community Preservation Fund	\$116,759.00
Conservation Revolving Fund	\$1,619.00
Cops In Shop Grant	\$409.00
Council On Aging - Chair Yoga Grant	\$400.00
Council on Aging - Strong Women Grant	\$3,300.00
Council On Aging Elderly Fund	\$306.00
Council On Aging Gift Fund Council On Aging Grant	\$2,347.00 \$17,448.00
Council On Aging Revolving Fund	\$6,744.00
Elections / Extended Polling	\$7,849.00
EMA Cert Grant	\$2,597.00
Emergency Mgt. Performance Grant	\$2,790.00
FEMA Grant	\$43,601.00
Fire S.A.F.E. Grant	\$5,374.00
GHSB Child Safety Grant	\$1,191.00
Gov. Highway Safety Grant	\$3,762.00
Insurance Reimbursements	\$6,078.00
Lake Street Guardrails Grant	\$8,500.00
Law Enforcement Trust	\$1,719.00
Library Gift Fund	\$3,200.00
LIG / MEG / NRC	\$15,758.00
Notice Of Intent	\$2,751.00
Park Department Gift Fund	\$3,682.00

	FY 2012 EXPEND.
Peg Access	\$44,958.00
Police Swat Training	\$1,375.00
SETB Support Incentive Grant	\$45,932.00
SETB Training Grant - 911	\$10,133.00
Sewer Phase II Betterment	\$341,113.00
Sewer Tie-In Admin Grant	\$25.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	\$31,188.00
SRPEDD - Homeland Security Grant	\$2,693.00
Title V - Receipts Reserved App.	\$5,436.00
Subtotal	\$754,344.00
TRANSFERS	
Transfers to General Fund	\$474,000.00
Subtotal	\$474,000.00
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$\$1,228,344.00
TRUST FUNDS	
Various	\$13,752.00
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	\$13,752.00
STABILIZATION FUNDS Transfers to General Fund	
TOTAL STABILIZATION FUNDS	\$0.00
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$29,415,240.00
Attest: Cathy L. Doane Director of Finance	

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET GENERAL FUND

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

JUNE 30, 2014	
ASSETS	
Cash and Short Term Investments	\$5,134,493.00
Receivables:	
Personal Property	\$22,349.00
Real Estate	\$ 198,899.00
Tax Liens	\$476,644.00
Taxes In Litigation	-
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$195,351.00
Vets. Benefits Receivable	\$185,394.00
Tax Foreclosures	\$313,871.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,527,001.00
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$1,098,000.00
Other Liabilities	\$197,924.00
Accrued Salaries-Teachers	\$419,791.00
Allow. for Abatements & Exemptions 2011-2014	\$735,396.00
Tailing	-
Due to Firearms Record Fund	-
Fire Dept. Comp. Time	\$2,028.00
Deferred Revenue:	( 0514 147 00)
Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Liens	(-\$514,147.00) \$476,644.00
Tax Elens Tax Foreclosure	·
Motor Vehicle	\$313,870.00 \$195,351.00
Vets. Benefits Receivable	\$185,394.00
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,110,251.00
FUND EQUITY	
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances-Prior Year	\$434,115.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	\$2,043,140.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	\$939,495.00
Fund Balance Reserved for School Debt Reduction	-
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$3,416,750.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$6,527,001.00
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## TOWN OF ACUSHNET COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND

### BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

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TOTAL ASSETS	\$672,577.00
Tax Liens Receivable	\$3,002.00
CPA Surcharge Receivable	\$1,265.00
Cash and Short Term Investments	\$668,310.00

### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

TOTAL FUND EQUITY

### LIABILITIES

TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$8,272.00
Deferred Revenue CPA Surcharge	\$1,265.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Liens	\$3,002.00
Accounts Payable	\$4,005.00

#### **FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrance - Prior Year	\$396,015.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Open Space	\$11,311.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Historic Preservation	\$1.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Community Housing	\$119,596.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	\$62,225.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	\$75,157.00

## TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$672,577.00

\$664,305.00

Attest:

## TOWN OF ACUSHNET SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

JUNE 30, 2014	
ASSETS	
Cash and Short Term Investments	\$3,285,817.00
Cash on Hand	\$500.00
Receivables:	
E.M.S.	\$441,695.00
Title V Loan Program:	
Apportionment Added to Tax	
Comm. Interest Added to Tax	-
Apportionment Not Yet Due	\$10,523.00
Sewer Tie In Loan Program:	
Apportionment Added to Tax	\$594.00
Comm. Interest Added to Tax	\$54.00
Apportionment Not Yet Due	\$149,709.00
Def. Sewer Loan - Prin. Added to Tax	\$1,650.00
Def. Sewer Loan Comm. Interest	\$577.00
Def. Sewer Loan Not Yet Due	-
Sewer Phase 2 Betterment Program:	
Betterment Added to Tax	\$5,182.00
Comm. Interest Added to Tax	\$2,897.00
Betterment Not Yet Due	\$2,196,735.00
Def. Sewer PH2 Bett. Prin Added to Tax	\$15,242.00
Def. Sewer PH2 Bett. Comm. Interest	\$7,617.00
Def. Betterment Not Yet Due	-
Privilege Fee Not Yet Due	\$25,221.00
Tax Title Receivable	\$74,286.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,218,299.00
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$69,453.00
Deferred Revenue:	
E.M.S.	\$441,695.00
Title V Loan Program:	
Def. Rev. Apportionment Added to Tax	-
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	-
Def. Rev. Apportionment Not Yet Due	\$10,523.00
Sewer Tie In Loan Program:	•
Def. Rev. Apportionment Added to Tax	\$594.00
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	\$54.00

\$149,709.00

\$1,650.00

Def. Rev. Apportionment Not Yet Due

Def. Rev. Def. Swr. Ln. Prin. Add to Tax

Def. Rev. Def. Sewer Loan Comm. Interest	\$577.00
Def. Rev. Def. Sewer Loan Not Yet Due	-
Sewer Phase 2 Betterment Program:	
Def. Rev. Betterment Added to Tax	\$5,183.00
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	\$2,897.00
Def. Rev. Betterment Not Yet Due	\$2,196,735.00
Def. Rev. Def. Swr. PH2 Prin. Add To Tax	\$15,242.00
Def. Rev. Def. Swr. PH2 Comm. Interest	\$7,617.00
Def. Rev. Def. Betterment Not Yet Due	-
Def. Rev. Privilege Fee Not Yet Due	\$25,221.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title	\$74,286.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,001,436.00
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FUND EQUITY	
Fund Balance Reserved For Encumbrances	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved For Expenditures	\$300,000.00
Ambulance Task Force Grant	\$193.00
Animal Gift Fund	\$1,271.00
ARAW Grant	\$5,511.00
Arts Lottery Council	\$3,494.00
Board Of Health	\$64.00
Building Maintenance Fund	\$898.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access Studio	\$18,033.00
Celebrations Gift Fund	\$23.00
COA Gift Fund	\$2,310.00
COA Revolving Fund	\$905.00
COA Strong Woman Grant	\$177.00
Coastline Chair Yoga Grant	\$86.00
Conservation Revolving Acct	\$2,048.00
Cops In Shops Grant	\$1,190.00
Council On Aging Grant	\$1,192.00
D.A.R.E. Grant	\$231.00
Downtown Steering Committee	\$5,654.00
E.M.S. Fund	\$356,193.00
EECBG Energy Grant	\$224.00
Empowerment Fund	\$1,873.00
Fire Department Gift Fund	\$1,059.00
Fire S.A.F.E.	\$4,942.00
Insurance Reimbursement	\$2,760.00
Lake Street Guard Rails Grant	\$6,490.00
Law Enforcement Trust	\$514.00
LIB CD Antitrust Grant	\$185.00
Library Building Grant	\$13.00
Library Gift Fund	\$351,320.00

Library Info Grant

\$5.00

Library LIG/MEG/NRC	\$16,778.00
Notice Of Intent	\$18,479.00
Park Department Gift Fund	\$1,162.00
Parting Ways Beautification	\$50.00
Peg Access	\$256,393.00
Police Gift Fund	\$50.00
Sept 11 Memorial Gift Fund	\$7,019.00
Sewer PH 2 Betterment	\$1,460,851.00
Sewer Tie-In Reserved Receipts	\$396,979.00
Sewer-Tie In Admin Grant	\$614.00
Title V Receipts Reserved	\$32,767.00
Vets Memorial/Celebrations Gift Fund	\$5,002.00
EMA Cert Grant	(-\$1,097.00)
WRRP Grant	(-\$47,042.00)
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$3,216,863.00

## TOTAL FUND EQUITY

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

\$6,218,299.00

Attest:

## TOWN OF ACUSHNET SCHOOL LUNCH

### BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

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Petty Cash \$100.00

Cash - Unrestricted Checking \$55,204.00

TOTAL ASSETS \$55,304.00

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable \$2,475.00

Due to Mass. - Meals Tax

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$2,475.00

**FUND EQUITY** 

Undesignated Fund Balance \$52,829.00

TOTAL FUND EQUITY \$52,829.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$55,304.00

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

ASSETS	¢465 (10 00
Cash SPED Circuit Breaker Due from Commonwealth	\$465,619.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$465,619.00
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$3,709.00
Accrued Teacher Salaries	\$6,045.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$9,754.00
FUND EQUITY	
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb Current Year	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb Prior Year	\$10,898.00
Undesignated Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	\$ -
Title I	\$755.00
Title II - PL 94-142	\$46,922.00
School Building Rentals	\$108,125.00
Tuition Revenue	\$18,361.00
Ford Middle School Fund	\$15,256.00
Elementary School Fund	\$12,487.00
Tech Lighthouse	\$385.00
Teacher Quality In Education	\$36.00
Full Day Kindergarten	\$31,347.00
SPED Improvement Grant	\$64.00
Tuition Revolving Fund	\$7,738.00
Preschool Program SPED Circuit Breaker	\$48,462.00 \$154,632.00
Race to the Top	\$134,032.00
Non - Smoking Grant	\$397.00
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$455,865.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$465,619.00
Attest:	

## TOWN OF ACUSHNET LONG TERM DEBT ACCOUNT GROUP

### BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

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Amounts to be Provided for Payment of Bonds \$8,768,358.00

TOTAL ASSETS \$8,768,358.00

#### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Capitalized Lease Obligation	\$38,397.00
Sewer Phase II Bonds	\$3,334,923.00
School Renovation Bond	\$1,255,000.00
Bonds Payable Fire Truck	\$75,000.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase I	\$588,355.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase II	\$1,590,322.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase III	\$1,360,177.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	\$499,014.00
Title V Bonds	\$27,170.00

#### TOTAL LIABILITIES

\$8,768,358.00

### **FUND EQUITY**

CPA - White Woods Authorized	(-\$650,000.00)
Sewer Tie-In Program Authorized	(\$7,422.00)
Police Station - Authorized	(-\$5,238,814.00)
CPA - White Woods Unissued	\$650,000.00
Sewer Tie-In Program Unissued	\$7,422.00
Police Station - Unissued	\$5,238,814.00

### TOTAL FUND EQUITY

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

\$8,768,358.00

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Attest:

## TOWN OF ACUSHNET TRUST FUNDS

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

ASSETS Cash and Short Term Investments	\$2,583,820.00
Due from Resident	\$-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,583,820.00
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u> </u>
FUND EQUITY	
A. Fluegal Board Of Health	\$1,906.00
Accumulated Sick Time	\$4,113.00
Albert Leconte Library	\$3,580.00
Allen/Rhoda Russell Library	\$10,461.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$107,646.00
Charles Beals Library	\$7,145.00
E. C. Burt School Library	\$4,771.00
F. Sowa Library	\$13,103.00
Golf Course Farm Land	\$144,656.00
Haydon - Candage Flower	\$460.00
Henry H. Rogers School	\$15,245.00
Instructive Nursing	\$12,021.00
Long Plain Meetinghouse	\$ 10,938.00
Long Plain School	\$6,960.00
Meetinghouse Restoration	\$159,480.00
Omey/Cottle Flower	\$19,517.00
Parting Ways Green Trust Fund	\$13,386.00
Retirement	\$189,777.00
RN Swift 1	\$10,188.00
RN Swift 2	\$614.00
Russell Library Maintenance	\$7,968.00
Russell Protestant Poor	\$56,726.00
Russell Public Schools	\$43,740.00
Russell Town Hall	\$12,310.00
Ruth Tabor Scholarship	\$8,695.00
Stabilization	\$1,654,941.00
Sylvia P. Manter School	\$59,204.00
Travis/Ellis Flower	\$ 2,795.00
W.G. Owen Art Week	\$1,474.00
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$2,583,820.00

### TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

\$2,583,820.00

Attest:

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET AGENCY FUNDS

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

ASSETS Cash and Short Term Investments	\$119,506.00
TOTALASSETS	\$119,506.00
LIABILITIES	. ,
Accounts Payable	\$118.00
Braley Hill Estates	\$689.00
Erin Heights	\$418.00
Deep Brook Estates #4	\$13,893.00
Farm Pond Estates	\$1,028.00
Maple Ridge Estates	\$81.00
Maple Ridge Estates #2	\$3,741.00
DaCosta Estates	\$6,693.00
Tripp Estates	\$644.00
Edgewood Estates	\$2,755.00
Gendron Estates	\$790.00
Edgewood Acres #2 Escrow	\$50,740.00
Lucy/Winston Street	\$112.00
Perry Hill Church Legal Fund	\$40,184.00
Outside Details - Police	(-\$2,380.00)
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$119,506.00
FUND BALANCE	
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	\$-
Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ -
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	<u> </u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$119,506.00

Cathy L. Doane

Attest:

## TOWN OF ACUSHNET HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

ASSETS	
Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ -
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ -
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ -
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ -
FUND EQUITY	
WRRP Program	\$ -
Gammons Road	\$ -
Main Street	\$ -
Fairway Drive	\$ -
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ -
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ -

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

## TOWN OF ACUSHNET WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

\$352,818.00
\$301,618.00
\$1,139.00
\$367.00
\$206.00
\$656,148.00
\$79,993.00
\$1,139.00
\$301,618.00
\$573.00
\$383,323.00
\$ -
\$3,381.00
\$ -
\$269,444.00
\$272,825.00
\$656,148.00

Attest:

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

ASSETS	
Cash and Short Term Investments	\$410,657.00
Receivables:	
Sewer User Charges	\$121,716.00
Tax Title	\$1,473.00
Sewer Connection	\$ -
Sewer Liens Added to Tax - 2013	\$308.00
Sewer Liens Added to Tax - 2014	\$ 119.00
Machinery & Equipment	\$22,550.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Machinery & Equipment	(-\$5,791.00)
Infrastructure	\$5,753,984.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Infrastructure	(-\$1,221,319.00)
Vehicles	\$10,293.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Vehicles	(-\$10,293.00)
Construction in Process	\$ -
TOTALASSETS	\$5,083,697.00
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$42,861.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title	\$1,473.00
Deferred Revenue Sewer User Charges	\$121,716.00
Deferred Revenue Sewer Liens	\$427.00
Net Fixed Assets	\$4,549,424.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$4,715,901.00
FUND EQUITY	
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances - Current Year	\$-
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances - Prior Year	\$79,602.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	\$ -
Undesignated Fund Balance	\$288,194.00
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$367,796.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$5,083,697.00
Attest:	
Cathy L. Doane	
Director of Finance	

## TOWN OF ACUSHNET GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

\$413,293.00
\$1,637,100.00
\$1,547,895.00
(-\$1,060,574.00)
\$798,862.00
\$2,835,910.00
\$294,877.00
(-\$134,932.00)
\$1,089,529.00
(-\$716,734.00)
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\$4,038,764.00
\$10,743,990.00
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year

Fund Balance Designated - P/Y Revenue Shortfall

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures

Undesignated Fund Balance

\$10,743,990.00

\$335,993.00

(-\$164,007.00)

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Attest:

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Cathy L. Doane

## TOWN OF ACUSHNET CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

### BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

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Cash and Short Term Investments \$157,719.00

TOTAL ASSETS \$157,719.00

#### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable \$3,969.00 B.A.N. Payable \$-

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$3,969.00

#### **FUND EQUITY**

TOTAL FUND EQUITY \$153,750.00

#### TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$157,719.00

Attest:

## TOWN OF ACUSHNET GOVERNMENTAL FIXED ASSETS

### BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2014

ASSETS	A	S	S	E	T	S
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Land Acquisition	\$1,689,257.00
Land Improvements	\$5,294,407.00
Buildings	\$33,984,768.00
Machinery & Equipment	\$2,231,046.00
Infrastructure	\$20,655,367.00
Vehicles	\$1,892,363.00
Construction in Process	\$560,168.00
Accumulated Depreciation	(-\$30,626,434.00)

**TOTAL ASSETS** 

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	-
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### TOTAL LIABILITIES \$-

\$35,680,942.00

### **FUND EQUITY**

Undesignated Fund Balance	\$35,680,942.00
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY \$35,680,942.00

### TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$35,680,942.00

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

### ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of Dogs Picked Up Unrestrained (Brought to the Shelter)	14
Number of Dogs Claimed	9
Number of Dogs Transferred & Adopted	4
Number of Dogs Euthanized	1
*Number of Kennels Inspected	11
Number of Cats/Kittens Brought to the Shelter (Released to Owner)	1
Number of Cats Adopted	0
Number of Cats Euthanized/Hit by M.V. or Injured	11
Number of Dogs hit by Motor Vehicles (Deceased/Injured)	4
Number of Dead Animal Picked Up (Including Deer)	937
Number of Complaints Investigated	2,197
Number of Hearings by Selectmen	1
Number of Citations Issued	290
Number of Court Hearings	75
Mileage	4,659
Animal Gift Fund Donations	\$1,955.00

Respectfully Submitted, Rebekah Tomlinson Animal Inspector

### ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:	
Total Number of Quarantines	21
Number of Dogs Quarantined	11
Number of Cats Quarantined	10
Number of Rabies Investigated	1
Number of Rabies Investigated – Positive	0
Number of Rabies Cases – Negative	1
Number of Rabies Cases – Unsatisfactory	0
Number of People Who went for Rabies Vaccine	0
*Animals Were Unavailable for Quarantine	
Number of Barn Inspections	87
Number of Oxen Inspected	0
Number of Cattle Inspections (incl. Dairy, Bulls, Heifers & Calves)	217
Number of Horses, Ponies & Minis Inspected	115
Number of Sheep Inspected	143
Number of Goats Inspected	139
Number of Chickens Inspected	981
Number of Turkeys Inspected	61
Number of Rabbits Inspected	198
Number of Swine Inspected	22
Number of Peacocks Inspected	6
Number of Guinea Hens Inspected	15
Number of Waterfowl Inspected	220
Number of Swans Inspected	6
Number of Pheasants Inspected	36
Number of Geese	21
Number of Llamas	1
Number of Alpacas	1
Number of Donkeys	3
Number of Mules	2
Number of Roosters	27

Respectfully Submitted, Rebekah Tomlinson Animal Inspector

#### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

#### **Board Members**

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

Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk Wanda L. Hamer, Senior Clerk

Thomas Silvia, Health Agent (resigned June)

Joseph Correia, 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 17 communicable diseases that were reported to the Board of Health Office.

The Annual Flu Clinic was held on October 8th at the Council on Aging Building. A total of 227 flu shots were administered. This year the Department of Public Health supplied the Board with 280 doses of flu vaccine. With the high turnout out, the Board requested a transfer of 40 doses from the Town of Fairhaven. The Board held the 2<sup>nd</sup> flu clinic on October 29th at the Council on Aging. A total of 63 flu shots were administered. 30 doses of influenza vaccine were returned to the Town of Fairhaven. 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	60	Mobile Home Parks	7
Title V Insp. (Witnessed)	59	Food Service	95
Septic System Abandonmer	nts 9	Complaints	53
Soil Evaluations	153	Housing	8
Percolation Tests	36		

#### **Permits:**

Septic System Repairs	32
Septic System New Const.	18
Food Service	45
Farmers Market	11
Stable/Animals-Farm	32

#### **Total Receipts**

Total	\$47,642.25
Health Clinic Donations	\$ 853.00
Mobile Park Fees	\$ 8,856.00
Permit Fees	\$37,933.25

<b>Board of Health Meetings</b>	17
<b>Ebola Conference Meetings</b>	10
Septic Plans Reviewed	45
<b>Homeland Security Meetings Attended</b>	12
Informational Meetings Attended	7

#### 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 August, the Department of Public Health moved Acushnet into Moderate Risk for EEE and WNV. Health Agent, Joseph Correia notified the School Superintendant 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.

#### **EBOLA**

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health held conference calls beginning in August with Local Boards of Health to provide updates on Ebola guidance, recommendations and readiness. The Department of Public Health (DPH) has provided the Board with guidelines for identifying a person with Ebola. In November, the DPH provided the Board with an Ebola guideline for School Nurses, this publication was sent to the Superintendent, Stephen Donovan.

#### **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.

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

March 14, 2014 June 20, 2014 September 22, 2014 December 22, 2014 On July 1st, the Board welcomed newly hired Health Agent, Joseph Correia.

The Board and staff will sadly miss Girard St. Amand who passed away on November 17, 2014. Mr. St. Amand served on the Board of Health from March 3, 1969 until April 6, 1987.

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 2014 the Town of Acushnet paid \$1,705.87 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 16.56 cents per capita.

Local citizens serving at SRPEDD included the following:

SRPEDD Commission: Henry Young represented both the Bd. of Selectmen and the Planning Board.

Joint Transportation Planning Group: Henry Young and Merilee Kelly

Technical assistance was provided to the Town in the following area:

Assisted with limited revisions to the draft Housing Production Plan.

Some of SRPEDD's more significant accomplishments during 2014 were:

- SRPEDD's **Municipal Partnership** program continued its efforts to help improve the operating efficiencies of member towns and cities. The Cooperative Purchasing Program expanded significantly to include 116 towns and cities for a group bid of EMS (Ambulance) supplies, resulting in awards to vendors offering 26%-83% discount off their list prices.
- The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which sets regional
  priorities for federal transportation funds, was completed and approved for FY
  2014-2017. The TIP targets apply to highway projects, and transit funds for
  GATRA and SRTA. TIP highway targets average about \$15 million/year.
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Southeastern
   Massachusetts, a regional economic development strategy, was completed and
   certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, making the region
   eligible for federal economic development grants from EDA.
- The Taunton River was designated by the US National Park Service as a Wild and Scenic River in 2009. The Taunton River Stewardship Council (TRSC) made up of locally appointed representatives from the ten municipalities abutting the Taunton River, along with supporting agencies, continues to meet regularly at SRPEDD to address protection of the river and its outstanding natural resources.
- South Coast Rail remained a major priority in 2014. SRPEDD continued to support the Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force, which includes representation from SRPEDD municipalities and regional organizations.
- SRPEDD also provided technical assistance to communities through thirteen projects that implement the <u>South Coast Rail Economic Development and Land Use Corridor Plan</u>. Projects included zoning bylaw amendments, assistance with developing planning documents and renderings of possible future

- development under project proposals.
- SRPEDD continued as the designated sub-fiduciary agent to the Metropolitan
  Area Planning Council and the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public
  Safety and Security (EOPSS) for the Southeast Regional Homeland Security
  Advisory Council serving 96 communities and the Wampanoag Nation in 6
  counties in southeastern Massachusetts. The Council has awarded more than
  \$26.5 million in federal homeland security funds since 2004.
- SRPEDD worked with ten communities to create a regional aggregation of
  residential and small business customers for a single electricity bid. The result
  will provide stable electric bills over a 2-3 year period and is expected to save
  individual accounts over \$150 per year, representing a regional economic
  stimulus of over \$15M per year.
- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic counting program (including speed surveys and vehicle classification, and 36 intersection turning movement counts) and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 108 traffic counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD worked with the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to evaluate the impact of proposed slot parlors in Plainville and Raynham.
- An extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. Every year new computerized "data layers" are added to the system
- SRPEDD operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.
- SRPEDD provides technical planning to two regional transit authorities,
   SRTA and GATRA, including: route evaluations, rider surveys, performance standards and federal reporting. SRPEDD completed a Comprehensive Service Assessment for SRTA that will guide transit improvements in the near future. A similar plan for GATRA is expected to be completed in 2015.
- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 365 signalized intersections in the region. This includes geometry, traffic volume, crash rate, signal timing and operational characteristics.
- SRPEDD continued its affiliation with the South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation, which makes loans to small businesses for expansion.

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

# **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Building Department issued 609 permits and collected \$75,748.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2014. The estimated value of work was \$17,463,766.00.

Date	Permits	Fees Collected	Estimated Value of Work
January 2014	19	\$1,580.00	\$272,258.00
February	12	\$777.00	\$150,845.00
March	40	\$3,705.00	\$615,790.00
April	69	\$7,941.00	\$1,315,032.00
May	46	\$6,069.00	\$998,220.00
June	49	\$18,251.00	\$3,727,169.00
July	49	\$5,890.00	\$5,037,336.00
August	33	\$7,045.00	\$1,094,512.00
September	59	\$5,648.00	\$1,459,074.00
October	58	\$8,302.00	\$1,331,507.00
November	25	\$1,815.00	\$329,025.00
December	39	\$5,975.00	\$1,132,998.00
Subtotals	498	\$72,998.00	\$17,463,766.00
Certificate of Occupancy	32	Included with building permit fees	N/A
Certificate of Inspection	18	800.00	N/A
Mechanical Permits	15	500.00	N/A
Sheet Metal Permits	27	850.00	N/A
Trenching Permits	9	350.00	N/A
Zoning Permits	5	Included with building permit fee	Included in monthly value fees
Zoning Inquiries	5	250.00	N/A
Totals	609	\$75,748.00	N/A

Respectfully submitted, James Marot, Building Commissioner Nathan Darling, Deputy Building Inspector Brigette 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 2014.

<u>Structures</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Additions	14
Chimney	2
Commercial	3
Decks	15
Demolitions	8
Doors	18
Dwelling	24
Garage	9
Insulation	13
Miscellaneous	41
Pool	19
Renovations	26
Roof	106
Shed	5
Siding	42
Signs	2
Solar	68
Temporary Structures	1
Windows	53
Woodstoves	29
Totals	498

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 257 permits and collected \$25,866.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2014.

Date	Permits	Fees Collected
January 2014	11	\$930.00
February	9	\$1,250.00
March	12	\$1,048.00
April	24	\$4,693.00
May	31	\$2,720.00
June	29	\$2,335.00
July	18	\$1,175.00
August	29	\$2,090.00
September	28	\$3,910.00
October	33	\$2,700.00
November	18	\$1,640.00
December	15	\$1,375.00
Total	257	\$25,866.00

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 104 permits and collected \$8,619.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2014.

Date	Permits	Fees Collected
January 2014	9	\$530.00
February	9	\$816.00
March	10	\$847.00
April	14	\$793.00
May	6	\$656.00
June	5	\$392.00
July	10	\$772.00
August	13	\$1,181.00
September	5	\$728.00
October	12	\$872.00
November	5	\$456.00
December	6	\$576.00
Total	104	\$8,619.00

Respectfully submitted,

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

# **GAS DEPARTMENT**

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Gas Department issued 123 permits and collected \$8,038.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2014.

Date	Permits	Fees Collected
January 2014	8	\$425.00
February	4	\$360.00
March	4	\$315.00
April	6	\$275.00
May	8	\$500.00
June	8	\$435.00
July	6	\$470.00
August	16	\$1,135.00
September	14	\$975.00
October	16	\$925.00
November	16	\$1,045.00
December	17	\$1,178.00
Total	123	\$8,038.00

Respectfully submitted,

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

#### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

In the year 2014, the Zoning Board of Appeals received fourteen applications. Of those fourteen, three (3) were for variances, ten (10) were for special permits, and one (1) of the applications was withdrawn. The Board granted eleven cases and denied two cases. Wayland Dev. Corp./ White's- 1/06/14- Special Permit- Granted

John Lienard - 4/07/14 - Special Permit - Granted

Douglas Coray - 4/14/14 - Special Permit - Granted

DPM Development Corp. - 4/14/14, 5/27/14 - Variance - Granted

Kelli Tomlinson - 5/27/14 - Special Permit - Granted

Robert Padelford - 5/27/14, 9/15/14 - Special Permit - Granted

Susan Borges - 9/15/14, 10/06/14 - Special Permit - Granted

James Carvalho - 9/15/14 - Special Permit - Granted

Gregory Denis - 9/15/14 - Variance - Denied

Stephen Gendron - 10/06/14 - Special Permit - Granted

Bruno Pires - Withdrawn

Lisa Nobrega - 12/01/14 - Variance - Denied

Lisa Fernandes/Claire England - 12/01/14 - Special Permit- Granted

Paul Nunes - 12/01/14 - Special Permit - Granted

Respectfully Submitted, Amanda Baptiste 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.

#### 2014 Filings under MGL Chapter 131 Section 40:

- Notices of Intent 2
- Extension of Order of Conditions 1
- Amended Orders of Conditions 1
- Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation -0 filed, 1 issued
- Requests for Determination of Applicability -12
- Reguests for Certificate of Compliance –17
- Site Visits 26

## **Commission Membership**:

As of December 2014, 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 on-site meals, Meals-on-Wheels, Cribbage, Mahjong, Scrabble, Diabetic Toe Nail Care, dental cleanings and screenings, Bingo, Line Dancing, Needle Arts, Red Hat Society, *Single Gals on the Go* (a social group for single, low income women over the age of 70), over 7 exercise classes per week and much more. In September we welcomed our new SHINE volunteer Kathy Audette who is available on Wednesday's for your health insurance needs and questions.

Our new programs/senior groups this year included, therapeutic chair massage through Community Nurse and Hospice of Fairhaven, Bereavement Support Groups, Zumba and the St. Anthony's Senior Group.

In 2014, 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 and nursing home and hospital visits. Officer Jenkinson, along with the COA Director, is available to complete fuel assistance, SNAP and Mass Health applications and in November they both began classes towards certification in mental health, resilience, suicide prevention and substance use among older adults through a continuing education program offered by Boston University.

In September, the COA received notification of continued 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. Also during 2014, the Council on Aging continued to sponsor a Chair Yoga program at Presidential Terrace, 23 Main Street. 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 2013, many organizations and groups have utilized the Council on Aging building. The Senior Center proudly hosts meetings

and events for The Acushnet Youth Athletic Association (AYAA), youth gymnastics, Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts. The Police Department/Association also continue to hold trainings and fundraisers onsite as well as the flu clinics sponsored by the Acushnet Board of Health. In closing, we would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the Friends of the Acushnet Elderly who are very active with their fundraising efforts and meet quarterly. We would also like to acknowledge the Acushnet Police Association who funds, or helps offset the cost, of many of our special events and certain programs and the Acushnet Fire Association which held several food drives throughout 2014 to benefit the COA food pantry.

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-Highway Superintendent Christine York-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**

Hours Friday & Saturday 8:00-2:30

# MEMBERS OF THE ACUSHNET FIRE AND EMS DEPARTMENT

#### EMS Division

## Chief of Department

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

#### EMT Paramedics (Fulltime)

## Michael Mentzer Brian Donohoe

#### EMT Paramedics (Part-Time)

Shawn Samanica

William Rodriques

Valarie Andrade-Higgins

Paul Correia

James Baptiste

Justin Medeiros

Jeff Dupuis

Brad Allen

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

Wendy Ashworth
Alan Bowen
Michael Coffey
Matthew Morrisseau
Adam Hebert
Gerard Bergeron
Christopher Brasells

I/C: Massachusetts certified Instructor / Coordinator
BOLD NAMES = CALL FIREFIGHTER & EMT

# MEMBERS OF THE ACUSHNET FIRE AND EMS DEPARTMENT

#### 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

Wavne Pimental Jeffrey Krupa Matthew Tripp Peter Giampa, FFI/II Donald Crocker Mark Pinhancos, FFI/II Peter Rawcliff Kathryn Johnson, FFI/II, EMT-BasicJames Baptiste, FFI/II, EMT-Paramedic Michael Leger, FFI/II, EMT-BasicMichael Mentzer, EMT-Paramedic Andrew Lavoie, EMT-Paramedic Scott Salter, FFI/II, EMT-Basic Adam Hebert, 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 Nicholas Charpentier, FFI/II
Nathan Dandurand, FFI/II Aaron Carvalho (Recruit)

<u>Dispatcher</u> Diane Barlow Key: FFI Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One
FFI/II Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One & Two
FII Massachusetts Certified Fire Instructor Level One
FOII Massachusetts Certified Fire Officer Level Two
CPRI Certified CPR Instructor

\*\* Massachusetts Fire Service Commission Accredited Fire Chief

\*\* Massachusetts Fire Service Commission Accredited Fire Chief
CFO Chief Fire Officer designation by The Commission on Professional

Credentialing

#### FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit this annual report for the year ending December 31, 2014.

During the course of 2014 the department responded to 1,286 calls of which 871 (68%) were medical emergencies and 415 (32%) were fire based. Within those numbers:

- Of the 871 EMS calls, 740 resulted in patients being transported to local hospital
- We responded to 103 more medical emergencies in 2014 than in 2013
- We responded to 109 requests for an ambulance (mutual aid) from another community, an increase of 58% over 2013
- Mutual aid requests for an ambulance to New Bedford more than doubled, 25 requests in 2013, 55 in 2014
- Fire based calls in 2014 increased by 4% over 2013 levels

The 13% increase in EMS call volume was surprising. While EMS services across the state are experiencing increases, the 103 additional calls we received in 2014 reminded us of the important role played by our EMT's in providing high level care to the sick and injured. In 2008 we began to incorporate our firefighters in the delivery of emergency medical care. Comparing 2014 to 2008 illustrates the increased activity we now accept as our normal; 168 more transports in 2014 than in 2008, an increase of 29%.

The increase activity is handled by a very committed, highly trained and exceptionally professional group of men and women. Our six fulltime employees are augmented by a terrific group of call firefighters and part-time EMT's. Without their dedication we simply would not be the department that we are.

During 2014 we replaced our 1988 Ford F-350 pick-up truck / brush truck with a 2015 Ford F-550 designated as Squad 3 and capable of multiple tasks. I would again like to thank the people of Acushnet, through Town Meeting, for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted. Kevin A. Gallagher Chief of Department

## EMERGENCY MANANGEMENT 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 2014, 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 1500 hours of volunteer community service to the town of Acushnet and the AEMA. At the FEMA dollar rate of volunteer service of \$22.55 dollars per hour (as noted on http://www.volunteeringinamerica.gov/pressroom/value\_states.cfm), this would equate to over \$33,000 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.

During 2014, the Acushnet EMA sponsored an Animal Disaster Sheltering Training Class at the Acushnet Council of Aging facility on November 15th, 2014 and it was well attended by 50 people including Acushnet EMA members and people representing surrounding EMA's and Animal Control offices' from as far north as Cohasset and Rehoboth and as far east as Cape Cod. The Acushnet EMA management staff also informed its members of numerous other training classes for shelters, emergency dispensing of vaccinations and other classes that were held across the South Coastal Massachusetts area.

The Acushnet EMA has received numerous upgrades to its infrastructure through grants, support from town management, private partners and AEMA volunteers. During 2014, the radio system coverage of the Acushnet EMA was improved with the Acushnet EMA UHF repeater system antenna moved to the NSTAR tower in the town of Acushnet. This has greatly improved communications on the AEMA UHF repeater system frequency as noted in support during several town events. The AEMA received a grant to purchase a weather station which is now installed at running at the AEMA EOC on 14 Thomas Street. The weather station can be accessed viathe Internet by computer or mobile phone providing weather conditions for the town. This has already assisted police and fire in incidents in town to determine the weather at the time of the incident. Also, in 2014, the AEMA has had insulation put into the EOC on 14 Thomas Street to lower heating and cooling costs and provide a better experience for those using the facility.

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 a response during the March 29th-30th 2014 storm that impacted the town with significant flooding issues of the town's streets, rivers and streams. During the storm, AEMA supported blocking off roads due to flooding and assisting with other issues related to flooding in the town as required. 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 reports for the town of Acushnet and surrounding areas were relayed to MEMA and NWS Taunton via Amateur Radio. The Acushnet EMA was also used as a relay point during several other storm situations over the course of 2014 supporting the NWS Taunton SKYWARN program via Amateur Radio.

An experiment was conducted using a radio based Internet Mesh Network to provide communications between the Council on Aging shelter and the AEMA EOC on 14 Thomas Street. This is an ongoing experiment that will continue in 2015 to provide further resiliency to the town of Acushnet's emergency communications in a scenario where 'all other communications means fail'

The town based activities for the past year include providing lighting at town events and traffic control at planned activities such as the Acushnet Rabies Clinic, the Fairhaven-Acushnet Little League Parade, Acushnet Youth Soccer Parade, Acushnet Car Show/Cruise Night, 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 Father's Day Road Race and mutual aid support for the town of Dartmouth 350th celebration parade.

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 callsign NNN0GPN and Operations Officer Ed Caron continues to support testing via the MARS system. Ed Caron also supports the regular monthly tests of the MEMA Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES) and ARES Nets from 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 fortheir 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

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the officials and residents of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 2014.

On behalf of the men and women of the Acushnet Police Department I am pleased to report the construction of the new Police Station is underway and on schedule. The ground breaking ceremony was held on August 18, 2014 and the project is scheduled to be completed September 2015. The general contractor for this project was awarded to the Nauset Construction Company. The Board of Selectmen, the Police Station Building Committee, the Owner's Project Manager, CDR Maguire and the Architects, Kaestle and Boos Associates are busy over seeing the project to ensure its success.

Officer Louann Jenkinson, the Family Resource Officer continued her role as the Council on Aging'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, assisting Elders to Court, nursing home and hospital visits. Officer Jenkinson and COA Director Heather Sylvia file fuel assistance, SNAP and Mass Health application for seniors. Officer Jenkinson and Director Sylvia were certified mental health, resilience, suicide prevention and substance abuse among older adults through the continuing education program offered by Boston University.

The Board of Selectmen and the School Committee were able to develop a plan to reinstate the School Resource Officer in 2014. The SRO along with School Department updated the school crisis plans, critical incident preparation training with staff, school security, safety planning, school bus safety and evacuation drills along with traffic enforcement, on and near the grounds. Lock-down/school evacuation drills. The SRO also assists in peer mediation groups, self-defense programs after school, PBIS committee, school improvement counsel, Internet safety programs, CPR training with students and staff. The SRO had a total of 95 pro-active responses to the schools campus, the following is a sample of the responses. In two of the three vandalism cases the SRO identified the suspects and the victims received close to \$1,500 in restitution.

Assaults/A&B	7
Crisis interventions	5
Disturbance complaints	7
Domestic violence	8
Intoxicated subject/impaired	2
Larceny	1
Residency issues	10
R/O violation	3
School attendance	10
Sexual Assault Complaints	2
Suspicious activity	9
Threats/harassment	24
Traffic violations	7
Weapons complaints	4
Vandalism	3

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. 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.

The Town and the State are starting to catch up with gun licensing. We issued 248 License to Carry to Town residents. There were 220 Class A, 14 Class C, 9 Class D, 3 Class M and 2 Dealers' Licenses. We urge residents to file renewals and application as soon as they can to aid us in the licensing process.

The Board of Selectmen authorized the Police Department to replace all 3 of the open full time positions within the Police Department that had been cut due to the 2007 Market crash. Officer Ryan Lavoie will begin the full-time Worcester Police Academy January 12, 2015 and he is scheduled to graduate May of 2015. Officer Gene Robinson and Officer Kristen Tavares will begin the full-time Plymouth Police Academy March 23, 2015 and they are scheduled to graduate September 2015. The Town appointed 4 new part-time police officers in 2014. Officers Ryan Hemphill, Nathan Melo and Terrel Parent are in the process of their road training. They should complete this process in May 2015. The Town also appointed Mr. Kraig Pimental as a part-time police officer. Mr. Pimental will begin the part-time Plymouth Police Academy for part-time officers February 9, 2015 and he is scheduled to graduate in June 2015.

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	6556
209A/HPO Requested	23
209A Violated	30
209A/HPO served	123
Attempted 209A/HPO service	3
Abandoned Vehicle	2
Accidental Injury	1
Administrative Duties	114
Alarm Calls	419
Ambulance	835
Animal Complaints	184

Arrests	217
Assault w/Firearms	1
Assault w/Knife	2
Assault w/Hands	2
Assault w/Other Dangerous	3
Assault/simple no injury	10
Assist Other Police Department	100
Assist Agency/Not Police	19
B&E motor vehicle	14
B&E	38
Child Seat Installation	11
Death/Accidental	0
Death/Natural, unattended	2
Directed Patrols	90
Disabled Motor Vehicles	53
Disorderly, disturbing peace	36
Disturbance, noise complaint	101
Domestic Disturbance	105
Domestic Disturbance, verbal	29
Drugs, possession/distribution	2
DUI	2
E911 hang up/abandoned	88
E911 Test call	47
Elder Affairs	28
Family Resource	7
Fire runs	176
Fireworks	17
Follow up to prev. call	238
Forgery/Counterfeiting	1
Found Items	56
Fraud/Bad checks	65
Harassment	21
Home Invasions	0
Humane calls/Injured animal	69
Hunting violations	2
Illegal Dumping	15

Impounded Dogs	0
Items returned to owner	36
Larceny	47
Liquor law violation	0
Littering	0
Loitering/Curfew	0
Lost items	17
Mental Investigation	9
Missing Person-adult	8
Missing Person-child	2
Murder/Manslaughter	0
M.V recoveries	4
M.V. stolen	7
Neighbor Problems	50
Notifications	54
Offenses Against the family	0
Open Windows/Door	10
Parking Complaints	35
Person Assist	531
PC (Sec 12 & Sec35)	18
Phone calls, annoying	44
Police Information	256
Prisoner Transport	87
Probate/civil complaints	2
Prostitution	1
Protective Custody	1
Rape/Attempted	1
Rape	1
Road Safety/Hazards	87
Robbery	0
Runaway	2
Sale/Manufacturing of Drugs	1
SAIN sexual assault of a child	10
Search Warrant Executed	2
SEMLEC Activation	11
Sex Offenses/not rape	0

Sex Offender Registrations	13
SEMLEC Activation	16
Shots Fired	31
Stolen Property	15
Summons Service	102
Suicide/Attempted Suicide	21
Suspicion	87
Suspicious Person	76
Suspicious m.v.	261
Suspicious investigation	161
Threats	30
Traffic Accidents	222
Traffic Accidents/Hit & Run	35
Traffic non-moving	536
Traffic Violations	110
Trespassing	9
Turned in items	3
Unwanted Person	25
Vandalism	45
Wire Down/Power Outage	23

## MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### **CHIEF OF POLICE**

Michael G. Alves

#### **SERGEANTS**

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

#### **FULL TIME OFFICERS**

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

#### PART TIME OFFICERS

Michael J. Nunes Gene W. Robinson Gary Moniz Ryan Lavoie Terrel Parent Jason Matton Kristen Tavares Ryan Hemphill Nathan Melo

## **DISPATCHERS**

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

Sincerely,

Michael G. Alves Chief of Police

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## PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission generally held regular meetings one 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 second 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 Law 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 had a busy year of community service. Under the direction of Town Planner, Henry Young, we have moved forward on several projects including the creation of a Residential Village (RV) district that allows small lot development in the historic village district. The Business Village (BV) district running along South Main Street was also extended from Lawson Avenue to the Fairhaven town line. Two Industrial Districts (ID), including land around the P.J. Keating quarry, were created to more appropriately manage land uses. Day to day operation of the Planning Department is aided by the capable assistance of our veteran clerk, Donna Ellis.

The Planning Commission recognizes the honorable service of its senior member, Leo Coons. First appointed in December of 1982, Leo was elected by the public over and again to the Planning Commission where he dutifully served for over 30 years. His institutional knowledge was remarkable and central to settling important, sometimes controversial issues confronting the Planning Commission. A vocal member of the Planning Commission, Leo's plain spoken, don't-waste-my-time style was well known. Those who came before him could be assured they would receive a fair and equitable hearing, but the Town's interests would always come first. Leo also served on the school committee of the Old Colony Vocational School for 24 years and has owned and operated a successful machine shop in Acushnet for decades. Leo made the decision not to run for reelection, allowing his current term and tenure with the Planning Board to expire in 2014.

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 55th 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. We utilize GPS guidance systems on our spray trucks. These devices enable our workers to effectively schedule and conduct early morning applications, document application routes, and tell us where "no spray zones" exist in any particular neighborhood. We have also adopted more environmentally responsible products for our larvicide and adulticide applications. We did this in order to be a better steward of the environment and reduce any unwanted effect on non-target organisms. We still continue our practice of surveillance through trapping and sending specimens to the Massachusetts Department of Health for testing.

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

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

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

- Sprayed over 6,756 acres
- Treated 24 acres with B.t.i. in 23 locations for mosquito larvae
- Received 290 requests for spraying
- Cleared and reclaimed 1050 feet of brush
- Cleaned 1,940 feet of ditches by machine
- Mowed .75 acre of brush by machine
- Treated 1.431 catch basins

Throughout the year, we strive to educate the public concerning mosquito borne diseases and simple ways people can protect themselves and help prevent breeding on their own

property. We have many types of outreach programs including; speaking at public health events, visiting local schools and senior centers, and creating informational posters for distribution. Our Project also has a website www.bristolcountymosquitocontrol.com to better communicate with and relate important information to our cities and towns.

I would like to thank the 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 have had many visitors from outside of the area. Old Colony students helped us with our spring cleaning at the museum. The new chimney liner and the blown insulation has been completed. A large hole in the front of the museum at the top near the belfry has been repaired with all new wood.

The History of Acushnet books and the Ancient Cemetery books have sold well this year. There are brochures available at the museum and meetinghouse on whaling captains from Acushnet, and also describing our unique buildings.

Lori Bates designed a new web page for the Museum it is updated and looks great. It has some new features added from the Museum and the Quaker Meetinghouse. Web page is: www.longplainmuseum.org.

Society member Doreen Roy applied for the mini-grant from The United Way so we were able to purchase a TV and DVD to show Whaling films at the museum for educational purposes. Portfolios were purchased to catalog Whaling Journals from the Whaling Museum Archives. These journals are Whaling Captains from Acushnet.

The Quaker Meetinghouse has had work completed on the west side of building which was in extremely bad condition. This year we will have to get bids on fixing 2 more sides. Once everything is done than we would have it painted. The first floor of the meetinghouse was painted this year with ceilings, walls, and the floor being completed looks like new.

Concerts are set up for June, and July and we want to have 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.

Our new project is the Perry Hill Church which the exterior has been completely finished thanks to CPC funding. We had an open house on December 13<sup>th</sup> with over 100 residents coming thru to admire the work that has been done. Now we have to complete the interior, than we can use it for weddings, art shows and etc. The commission doesn't think it will be a problem for it's use.

Also, 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 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 District.

The History of Acushnet book, the Ancient Cemetery book and the 1860 census book is still available, we also have postcards and Acushnet maps at the museum, call Pauline 508-961-7843 for information.

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 31st, 2014.

In March Park Supervisor Don Camara and Assistant Supervisor 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. We would like to personally thank the Bristol County Sheriff's Department for helping get the park in shape to start the season. Without their assistance, the Park Department would have a mighty task on their hands.

In April, newly elected Park Commissioner Robert St. Jean was sworn in on the Park Board. He replaces David Souza, and has already provided great insight into things the board can address going forward.

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 inching along 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 2015. Once again the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) and the residents of Acushnet allowed us to fix issues on Champions Field, build new dugouts and begin to update 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 (OCRVTHS) and carpentry shop teacher, Stu Norton. They provided the labor to build the dugouts and have performed an outstanding job, and we would like to extend a heart-felt thank you to him and his students. Projects that will come before the board in 2015 are for a playground upgrade (put on hold for the library initiative in 2014) and a re-build of the Knox Field at Pope Park.

In closing the Park Board would be remiss in not thanking the residents of Acushnet for their continued 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 you all will continue to be proud of in 2015.

Respectfully yours, Acushnet Park Board Michael Desrosiers – Chairman Wayne Richmond Robert St. Jean Jr.

## ACUSHNET RIVER VALLEY GOLF COURSE

Acushnet River Valley continues to achieve results through challenging economic times. We have compared our rounds of golf to local competitors and we continue to successfully compete with all surrounding golf courses. We have been proactive embracing new technologies to build our brand and image to all interested parties via FACEBOOK, TWITTER and our updated Website. We have been able to interact via texting directly to customers providing new values to our customers who are on the go. We are connected to our loyal customers 24 hrs a day via the internet. The amount of positive feedback we have received regarding our level of commitment to consistently update our customers with new promotions and up to date images of the course conditions is incredible. All of this attention to detail is the reason why we are the golf course of choice for those seeking an affordable round of golf in the South Coast area.

We have held our golf rates and even REDUCED our rates on some items over the past few years. We implemented an increase of a dollar per round across the board this season. It is unavoidable due to the increases we are seeing on all supplies – from pesticides to propane throughout our food and beverages. It is not our intention to raise rates without necessity. Poor weather has also impacted our ability to maximize profits, further reducing our length of season, these revenues need to be achieved in order for us to stay the course and succeed.

We will continue to manage the course controlling costs and pursuing additional rounds of golf thru aggressive online marketing which incurs no additional costs but provides us with flexibility to adapt to current market conditions and demands.

We are trying to continue increasing our rounds played by promoting our 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. This has been a successful strategy and we will continue to maximize it to its fullest potential. We are the affordable comfort for this area. 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.

Once again we continue to sacrifice and maintain a strict budget plan as we annually cut costs, we are constantly overachieving individually to try and stay on top. 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

Following funding approval at the Spring 2014 Town Meeting, renovation work began at the former Marie S. Howard School (formerly home to the Acushnet Community Center) at 232 Middle Road to ready it for its new role as the Town's library. Once renovations are completed in 2015, library operations will relocate from 88 Main Street to the larger facility. The new building will provide patrons with a more modern, accessible library that is being designed to better meet the needs of this community for the coming decades.

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 Library offers books, videos, audiobooks, newspapers, magazines, music CDs, eBooks, Internet access, on-line databases, and personal assistance using technology, all 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.

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 Library Trustee Jean Stripinis for the many hours that she volunteers as program leader. All are welcome to join these groups.

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 at 88 Main Street is open year round. Hours of operation are 10:00 a.m. -8:00 p.m., Monday and Wednesday; 1:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday; and 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m., Saturday. Telephone, 508-998-0270. Fax, 508-998-0271. Website, www.acupl.org. Facebook, www.facebook.com/pages/Russell-Memorial-Library/103565526350178.

Staff of the Russell Memorial Library: Jayme Z. Viveiros, Director, B.A., M.S.L.I.S.

(resigned May, 2014); Denise Charland, Assistant Director; Victoria Allard, Sandra Medeiros, Pauline Prudhomme, and Jacqueline Rolnick, Library Technicians; Cynthia Souza, Page; Diane Fuller, Custodian.

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 monthly.

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 checked 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 2014. 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 2-½% each year over a three 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.

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. In addition, we thank the businesses, organizations, and individuals who fund our summer reading program, the 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,
Russell Memorial Library Board of Trustees
Simonne Coutinho
Kristen Leotti, Chair
Henry Preston
Sherry St. Jean
Jean Stripinis
Louise Threlfall

## STATISTICAL REPORT 2014

Total Items Circulated	46 257
Miscellaneous (equipment, museum passes, etc.)	489
Downloadable Audio	
Adult eBooks	,
Children's eBooks	
Audio.	,
Videos/DVDs	,
Periodicals Video (DVD)	
Books	,
Circulation (Times Borrowed)	25.075
Downloadable Audio	3,750
Adult eBooks	
Children's eBooks	
Audio	
Videos/DVDs	
Periodical subscriptions	
Books	
<b>Materials Holdings (Number of Items)</b>	
Meeting Room Use	101
Public Internet Access	
Computers for Public Use	
Attendance at Adult Programs	
Adult Programs Held	
Attendance at Children's Programs	
Children's Programs Held	
Active Borrowers	

## VETERAN'S SERVICES

To the residents and town officials of Acushnet, I submit the following report for the 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 Veterans' 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 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 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

# HOUSING AUTHORITY

April, 2014 marked the 40th 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. In 2014 The Town of Acushnet Selectmen approved a Housing Partnership Committee. The purpose of this committee will help the Housing Authority, along with the town to help Acushnet residents with housing needs.

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. In 2014 we completed buildings Seven and Eight, and added a change order to complete 3 more buildings. This work will start in 2015. We also added proper drainage in front of all the buildings. Our capital improvement plan is in place and will continue to allow us to do improvements into fiscal 2017.

New street lighting was donated to us by an energy saving Electric Company. We were able to use the lights with the same poles. The Old Colony High school Fabrication shop and their students were able to retrofit the unit by making a special mold to create a proper fitting. This has been a noticeable savings on our monthly electric bill.

The Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to add a patio for our tenants. Our tenants have enjoyed sitting out in the summer evenings. The Furniture was a present donated by Nate Gomes, The first chairman of the Acushnet Housing Authority.

In 2014 we received a health and safety grant which allowed us to replace the Back Steps and add Safety railings.

The Bristol County Sheriff's Office inmate program is still a success for the Acushnet Housing Authority. Some of the jobs that they have completed were shoveling snow on our walkways, painting some vacant units, painting our curbing, and planting various plants on our grounds. In Fiscal 2014 we have had 11 projects completed by this program.

The Garfield Street facility opened its doors in 1992 and continues to work successfully in assisting the Department of Mental Health to house people who are mentally challenged. The maintenance and upkeep of the Garfield Street property falls under the Acushnet Housing Authority. The Acushnet Housing Authority has put in new flooring, arranged for lawn care and grounds maintenance, repainted the entire interior of the property and has been completing any necessary repairs.

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 to remain their hometown of Acushnet.

Respectfully submitted,
Rene Racine, Chairman
Lawrence Mulvey, Vice Chairman
Arthur Bergeron
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

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet

The following report is submitted for the year 2014

The weighing and measuring devices found in use in the Town of Acushnet were tested, and sealed, or condemned according to the results of their tests. Sealing fees collected and submitted to the town Treasurer amounted to \$875.00.

The delivery of full weight and measure and the elimination of fraud and misrepresentation have been objectives in commercial transactions from the inception of quantity determination of merchandise down to the present day. It has been demonstrated that there are always some who will avail themselves of an opportunity for an unfair or dishonest advantage, and that, even though this number be relatively small, the results of their fraudulent practices constitute a serious problem in their community. Again, it has been shown that another group, larger than the one just mentioned but still constituting only a small percentage of those engaged in business, are careless in the conduct of their affairs to such a degree that the community suffers almost as much from their unintentional errors as from the intentional inaccuracies of the fraudulently minded. Still a third group adds its share to the total of inequities present in commercial quantity determination, and this is made up of those whose errors result from ignorance rather than from carelessness or intent to defraud. Of these three groups, one can be more sympathetic toward the last, the ones who know no better, than toward the other two. But it must not be overlooked that short weight or measure is equally damaging to the injured party whatever its underlying cause.

To sum up, then, it may be said that the functions of the weight and measures official are to safeguard the entire public whom he serves in all matters involving the commercial determination of quantity- to see to it that, whenever merchandise or service is bought or sold by weight or measure, a just weight or a just measure is delivered, and that fraud, carelessness, and misrepresentation in all "quantity" aspects of such transactions are eliminated

Respectfully Submitted, Theodore Machado Sealer of Weights & Measures

# PUBLIC SCHOOLS

I am delighted to offer the annual report on the state of public education in the Town of Acushnet for the year 2014.

#### **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:

David DeTerra, Chairman Michelle DeTerra, Secretary John Howcroft Frank Kuthan, Vice-Chairman Dr. Mary Louise Francis

In April 2014, David DeTerra and Frank Kuthan were re-elected to three-year terms. In August 2014, Dr. Mary Louise Francis was appointed to the committee by the selectmen and the remaining members of the School Committee. Dr. Mary Louise Francis replaced Douglas Coray who stepped down after serving more than thirteen years on the committee. Dr. Francis previously served on the Acushnet School Committee from 2003-2010.

The School Committee maintains several subcommittees. Members that make up these subcommittees are as follows:

- Budget Subcommittee- David DeTerra (Chair) and John Howcroft
- Negotiations Subcommittee- Dr. Mary Louise Francis (Chair) and Frank Kuthan
- Policy and Evaluation Subcommittee- Michelle DeTerra (Chair) and Frank Kuthan

Additionally, the School Committee maintains other positions as follows:

- Old Colony Vocational Appointment Committee- David DeTerra, John Howcroft, and Michelle DeTerra
- Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative Representative- Frank Kuthan

#### Districtwide:

There were no changes to the Acushnet Public Schools Central Office in 2014.

As of October 1, 2014, there were 973 students PK through grade 8 enrolled in the Acushnet Public Schools. This figure is 19 students less than what was reported for the same date in 2013 and 3 students less than what was reported for the same date in 2012. The student enrollment for the Ford Middle School (FMS) decreased by 36 students (456 to 420), and the enrollment for the Acushnet Elementary School (AES) increased by 17 (536 to 553). The percentage of low income students increased from 24% in October 2013 to 25.7% in October 2014. This percentage compares to 11.4% in October 2005. The percentage of students with disabilities in the district increased from 18% as reported on October 2013 to 19.1% as of October 2014. This 19.1% figure was higher than the state average of 17.1%. The English Language Learner population continued to rise and, as of October 2014, constituted .7% of the district. This percentage is still markedly less

than the state average of 8.5% but higher than the 0% reported for Acushnet in October 1, 2007.

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, 10 students were enrolled at Bristol County Agricultural High School, 228 students were attending Fairhaven High School, and 49 students were enrolled at New Bedford High School. In addition, as of October 1, 2014, 13 students were enrolled in schools in the Old Rochester Regional or Freetown-Lakeville school districts as a part of school choice and 154 students were enrolled at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical 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 2014 MCAS results were mixed. When accounting for proficiency, Acushnet's school-level MCAS scores were higher than the state average for 7 out of the 14 MCAS tests in 2014. This was a decrease from the previous year when 12 out of 14 MCAS 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  $60^{th}$  percentile, typical growth is between the  $40^{th}$  and  $60^{th}$  percentile, and low growth is below the  $40^{th}$  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  $50^{th}$  percentile in half of the tests. This is a decrease from the previous year, when students scored at or above the  $50^{th}$  percentile on 8 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 twenty percent of schools serving similar grades. Level 2 schools are schools that are also not in the bottom twenty 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 twenty 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.

In 2014, AES achieved the 63<sup>rd</sup> percentile when looking at the school's overall performance relative to other schools in the same grade span, which was an improvement from 2013 when AES achieved the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile. However, AES's PPI scores decreased from 93 and 91 for the aggregate and high needs subgroups in 2013 to 88 and 73 in 2014. As a result, AES was designated a Level 2 school because it missed the 75 PPI target for the high needs group by 2 points.

In 2014, 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, which was a decrease from 2013 when FMS achieved the 54<sup>th</sup> percentile. FMS's PPI scores also decreased from 65 and 68 for the aggregate and high needs subgroups in 2013 to 56 and 51 in 2014. 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 both of Acushnet's schools were designated as Level 2.

With the goal of improving student achievement in mind, the district once again executed a data analysis in 2014. Teams of teachers at both schools once again met to identify areas for improvement for different student populations and subject areas. Action plans were developed based on the data in order to address these challenging areas. These action plans were compiled into the annual Data Analysis Report unveiled in December 2014. 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 2014. Workshops were offered on the following topics: creating District-Determined Measures, utilizing the Galileo Assessment System, Teaching the Common Core ELA standards across the curriculum, CPR training, utilizing the Teaching Strategies Gold Assessment System, and Helping Hands training for paraprofessionals.

The Acushnet School Committee's Policy Subcommittee worked diligently to revise, create, and eliminate district policies in 2014. The subcommittee completed an examination of all School Committee policies in the middle part of 2014.

The full-time School Resource Officer position was added back to the schools early in 2014 in order to ensure a safe and secure learning environment.

The Acushnet Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) continued to play an important role in the success of our schools in 2014. 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.

#### Albert F. Ford Middle School:

There have been several changes at the Ford Middle School (FMS) over the past year.

With regards to personnel, Helder Angelo was hired as the new principal of FMS. He officially began his duties in October 2014. Mr. Angelo came to Acushnet with well over twenty years of experience as a teacher and an administrator. In addition, Justen Walker was hired to teach science in sixth grade beginning in January 2015.

FMS has continued to utilize the Accelerated Math and Accelerated Reader programs as adjuncts to the curriculum; however, it has moved away from the Star Mathematics and Star Reading Assessment Systems and began to use the Galileo Assessment System in September 2014. The Galileo Assessment System allows teachers to identify and monitor specific areas in need of improvement by curriculum standard, which is different than the formative assessment systems previously used by the district. By focusing on student mastery of curriculum standards, Acushnet teachers will be better able to drive changes to curriculum and instruction and to help better identify struggling students in need of intervention. These assessments will be conducted three times per year, and reteach plans will be constructed in order to adjust and inform classroom instruction based on the specific learning needs of the students. Another advantage of the Galileo Assessment System is that students will be able to be assessed in other subject areas, like social studies and science. The assessment systems utilized prior to Galileo were limited to English Language Arts and mathematics.

For the 2014-2015 school year, FMS added Enrichment periods to the schedule in place of MCAS Prep blocks. During Enrichment periods, teachers teach material and concepts in their discipline in an in-depth manner. This block of time is designed for teachers to try more creative, hands-on, and project-based activities that they might not be able to otherwise initiate because of time constraints.

Lastly, the 2013-2014 school year marked the second year of the Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) initiative. 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.

During the 2013-2014 school year, the PBIS Committee continued to utilize the PBIS Behavior Matrix in order to promote desired behaviors and expectations in various school settings. The focus for the 2014-2015 school year will be to continue to reinforce behavioral expectations in Tier 1, to collect data to inform decisions for enhancing the PBIS initiative, and to begin to develop Tier 2 interventions. A PBIS manual was constructed by the PBIS Committee and disseminated to the staff in September of 2014 in order to provide a framework for the initiative.

## **Acushnet Elementary School:**

The 2013-2014 school year marked the fifth 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. Assessment data is collected and used to place students in appropriate interventions. 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.

In response to weaknesses in the Reading Street program for writing, AES purchased the Empowering Writers program for use in grades 1-4. 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. Curriculum maps were updated during the 2013-2014 school year in order to reflect the infusion of Empowering Writers into the English Language Arts curriculum.

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.

The 2014-2015 school year, marked the third 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, Susan Beck, was hired as the new Acushnet Elementary School Principal as of July 1, 2014. Mrs. Beck returns to Acushnet after serving as the AES assistant principal / district curriculum coordinator during the 2008-2009 school year. Since her departure from Acushnet, Mrs. Beck served as the building principal for the George Dunbar Elementary and John Hannigan Elementary schools in New Bedford. In addition, Jill Sullivan was hired to be a special education resource room teacher at the elementary school after serving many years as a paraprofessional in the district.

## **Special Education:**

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 successfully submitted for and obtained 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. The Director of Special Education is now in the process of submitting and obtaining the Level 2 certification. 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.

Upon the recommendation of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, an independent special education review was conducted in October 2013. The final report

was made available in 2014 and was used to influence district and school improvement planning in order to bolster special education in the district.

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 percent of the previous year's claimed costs. Acushnet was not eligible for extraordinary relief in FY14.

The Regional Educational Assessment and Diagnostic Services (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 did not officially become a full member until the start of the 2014-2015 school year when the state approved the changes to the collaborative agreement. 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 indistrict 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. Superintendent Donovan serves on the READS Collaborative Board of Directors, while the Director of Special Education serves on READS Collaborative Middle Management Committee.

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. Both the Superintendent and the Director of Special Education were part of a large committee assembled by SMEC which met during the year, and formulated a Strategic Plan for the collaborative

The Acushnet-Fairhaven Special Education Parent Advisory Council met each quarter during the 2013-2014 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.

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 analyzing caseloads and schedules for optimal service provision.

## **English Language Learners:**

Acushnet is in Cohort 3 with respect to the implementation of RETELL – Rethinking Equity and Teaching for English Language Learners. The Superintendent and the Director of Special Education attended a state sponsored workshop to begin the RETELL startup. Several teachers and administrators are currently enrolled in Sheltered English Immersion classes that are required by the state for educators to be endorsed as educators of students with English as their second language. As part of the RETELL plan, current district curricula will be aligned with the WIDA standards as mandated by the state.

The Corrective Action Plan of the Program Quality Assurance review has been closed out by the state auditors and they have accepted the plan for RETELL.

## McKinney-Vento:

Acushnet families who find themselves displaced or lacking fixed, adequate, regular housing are swiftly accommodated so that student attendance at school is not interrupted. The Director of Special Education attended the yearly state round table discussion by Sarah Slautterback of the DESE, and communicates regularly with the state. Transportation is the primary resource provided to students and families who are considered homeless

### **Budget and Grants:**

In May, Town Meeting appropriated \$13,028,062 for the school department for its FY 2015 budget. This budget was a 3.62% increase from the prior fiscal year.

The district applied for and is slated to receive NCLB entitlement grants from the federal government totaling \$108,888 in FY15. This is an increase of \$4,308 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 one full-time and one part-time Title I teacher. These teachers provide reading skill development to low achieving students at the elementary school. 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 FY15. The Special Education Entitlement Grant - 240 supplemented the district's special education program in FY15 by \$247,280, which is an increase of \$4,559 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 \$294 more than the previous fiscal year. The Special Education Program Improvement Grant - 274 was once again issued in FY15. The allocation of \$8,209 was an increase of \$4,012 from the previous fiscal year. The monies for this grant help to fund professional development related to special education. Lastly, the district is slated to receive \$5,600 from the 298 Early Childhood Special Education Program Improvement grant in FY15, which is a \$2,700 increase from the previous year. This grant will be used to bolster early childhood special education, including the mandatory training of staff for QRIS Level II certification.

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 \$43,700 allocation was a decrease of \$1,308 from the final allocation for the previous fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

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