

**Town Records and Reports**  
**of the**  
**TOWN OFFICERS**



**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**



**2005**

**In Memoriam**

**Ronald E. Hall**  
School Teacher  
Date of Death – March 7, 2005

**Hilary Braley**  
Historical Society Member  
Date of Death – April 25, 2005

**Sandra L. Pike**  
School Committee  
Date of Death – July 8, 2005

**William E. Jenkinson**  
Police Officer  
Board of Assessors  
School Committee  
School Building Committee  
Date of Death – August 15, 2005

**Wilfred C. Fortin**  
Town Accountant  
Volunteer Firefighter  
Date of Death – August 19, 2005

**Everett Booker**  
Fire Chief  
Date of Death - October 7, 2005

**Judith Caruthers**  
Library Page  
Date of Death – November 17, 2005

**Eleanor D. Townsend**  
School Teacher  
Date of Death – December 21, 2005

# **TOWN OFFICERS**

**2005**

## **Town Clerk**

**John C. Howcroft**

**Term Expires 2008**

## **Board of Selectmen**

**Robert J. St. Jean, Chairman**

**Term Expires 2006**

**David E. Wojnar**

**Term Expires 2007**

**Robert F. Brown**

**Term Expires 2008**

## **Board of Assessors**

**George Perry, Chairman**

**Term Expires 2006**

**Michael A. Cioper**

**Term Expires 2007**

**Joseph F. Botelho**

**Term Expires 2008**

## **Board of Health**

**Thomas J. Fortin, Chairman**

**Term Expires 2007**

**Gerald L. Toussaint**

**Resigned 7/15/05**

**David Davignon**

**Appointed 8/1/05**

**Term Expires 2006**

**Robert Medeiros**

**Term Expires 2008**

## **School Committee**

**Mary Louise Francis, Chairman**

**Term Expires 2006**

**Douglas Coray**

**Term Expires 2007**

**Manuel D. Goncalves**

**Term Expires 2007**

**Jo-Ann C. Bertrand**

**Term Expires 2008**

**Robert M. Lanzoni**

**Term Expires 2008**

## **Commissioner of Trust Funds**

**Marc E. LaPlante, Chairman**

**Term Expires 2006**

**William A. Krause, Jr.**

**Term Expires 2007**

## **Trustees of Free Public Library**

**Robert Bartolome, Chairman**

**Term Expires 2007**

**James Knox**

**Term Expires 2006**

**Alfred H. Robichaud**

**Term Expires 2006**

**Lori Gonsalves**

**Term Expires 2007**

**Christina Gaudette**

**Term Expires 2008**

**Anne M. Verissimo**

**Term Expires 2008**

### **Cemetery Board**

Paul H. Fortin, Chairman  
Charlene Fortin  
Joanne Cioper

Term Expires 2006  
Term Expires 2007  
Term Expires 2008

### **Park Commissioners**

Marc J. Antone, Chairman  
Gary H. Wilson  
Joseph Lopes, Jr.

Term Expires 2008  
Term Expires 2006  
Term Expires 2007

### **Housing Authority**

Lawrence G. Marshall, Chairman  
Nancy Brightman  
Lawrence P. Mulvey  
James S. Madruga, Jr.  
David R. White

Term Expires 2010  
Term Expires 2006  
Term Expires 2007  
Term Expires 2009  
State Appointed

### **Planning Board**

Marc Cenerizio, Chairman  
Mark DeSilva  
Richard P. Forand  
Leo N. Coons, Jr.  
Richard H. Ellis

Term Expires 2007  
Term Expires 2006  
Term Expires 2008  
Term Expires 2009  
Term Expires 2010

### **Moderator**

Robert E. Francis

Term Expires 2008

### **Tree Warden**

Everett L. Hardy, Jr.

Term Expires 2008

### **Board of Public Works**

Rene Racine, Chairman  
Matthew Goulet  
Charles Vicira  
Garry L. Rawcliffe  
John Carvalho

Term Expires 2008  
Term Expires 2006  
Term Expires 2006  
Term Expires 2007  
Term Expires 2008

**TOWN OATHS ADMINISTERED BY RICHARD THRELFALL  
TOWN CLERK 2005**

<u>Date of Oath 2005</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election or Appointment</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
02/05/05	Mark J. Gonsalves	Police Dept.	Appt. 10/04/04	---
	Jason R. Perry	Police Dept.	Appt. 10/04/04	---
	Steven A. Soqui	Police Dept.	Appt. 10/04/04	---
	Brian J. Stabell	Police Dept.	Appt. 10/04/04	---
	Ryan F. Toolin	Police Dept.	Appt. 10/04/04	---
	Kevin K. Walsh	Police Dept.	Appt. 10/04/04	---
02/07/05	Joseph Botelho	Conservation Commission	Appt. 01/31/05	05/01/07
02/08/05	Robert Ferreira	Finance Committee	Appt. 01/31/05	05/01/07
02/10/05	Michael St. Onge	Finance Committee	Appt. 01/31/05	05/01/06
	Michael J. Kennefick	Board of Public Works	Resigned	04/01/05
04/04/05	Dianna Couto	Inspector Prec. III	Appt. 03/21/05	05/01/05

# TOWN OATHS ADMINISTERED BY JOHN C. HOWCROFT TOWN CLERK 2005

<u>Date of Oath 2005</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election or Appointment</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
04/05/05	John C. Howcroft	Town Clerk	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Joseph F. Botelho	Assessor	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Robert Medeiros	Board of Health	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Jo-Ann C. Bertrand	School Committee	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Robert M. Lanzoni	School Committee	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Joanne Cioper	Cemetery Board	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Christina Gaudette	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 04/07/05	04/07/08
	Anne M. Verissimo	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 04/07/05	04/07/08
	Lawrence G. Marshall	Housing Authority	Elected 04/05/05	04/05/10
	Marc. J. Antone	Park Commissioner	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Richard H. Ellis	Planning Commissioner	Elected 04/05/05	04/05/10
	John Carvalho	Board of Public Works	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Rene Racine	Board of Public Works	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Matthew C. Goulet	Board of Public Works	Elected 04/05/05	04/03/06
	Robert E. Francis	Town Moderator	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
	Everett L. Hardy, Jr.	Tree Warden	Elected 04/05/05	04/07/08
04/13/05	Evelyn L. Bouley	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 04/05/05	05/01/07
04/25/05	Lillian Contois	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 04/19/05	05/01/08

	Jeanne L. Duggan	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 04/19/05	05/01/08
	Marie Hardy	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 04/19/05	05/01/08
	Sara Josefek	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 04/19/05	05/01/08
	Geraldine Reed	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 04/19/05	05/01/08
	Susanne Sounik	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 04/19/05	05/01/08
	Florence Lecuyer	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 04/19/05	Resigned 2005
04/26/05	Dorothy Daniels	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 04/26/05	05/01/08
05/03/05	Daniel Herzlinger	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
05/04/05	John Roza III	Portable Sign Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	John Roza III	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	John Roza III	Enforcement Agent for Board of Selectmen	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Robert Lanzoni	Cable TV Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Rebekah Tomlinson	Animal Control Officer/Inspector Of Animals	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Robert St. Jean	Public Safety Coordinator	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Alan Coutinho	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Alan Coutinho	Downtown Steering Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
05/05/05	Kevin Gallagher	Forest Warden	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Kevin Gallagher	Safety Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Kevin Gallagher	Inspector Of Garages *	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Kevin Gallagher	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Ted Cioper	Open Space Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Ted Cioper	Conservation Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
05/06/05	Virginia Baird	Dept. Warden Precinct II	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
05/06/05	Geraldine Frates	Inspector Precinct III	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Geraldine Frates	Downtown Steering Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Geraldine Frates	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
	Irene Decotis	Warden, Precinct III	Appt. 05/02/05	Resigned 05/06/05
	Juliana Perry	Clerk, Precinct I	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Marc Cencerizio	Open Space Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07

	Marc Cenerizio	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Michael Alves	Growth Mgmt. Study Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	...
	Michael Alves	Safety Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Michael Alves	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Paul Pelletier	Finance Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
05/09/05	Susanne Y. Sounik	Inspector Precinct I	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Donna Forand	Beautification Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Donald Lopes	Cable TV Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Lorraine Dabrowski	Inspector Precinct II	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Rose Procyk	Inspector Precinct II	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Mary Lou Marques	Finance Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
	Gary Coppa	PPWG-Harbor Trustee Council Member	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Gary Coppa	Shellfish Warden/Harbor Master	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Dorothy Daniels	Deputy Clerk Precinct II	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Jeannette Pepin	Inspector Precinct II	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Thomas DeCosta	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
	Thomas Decosta	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
05/09/05	Henry Young	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
05/10/05	Irene Decotis	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 05/09/05	05/01/08
	Joyce Heidkamp Tillet	Warden Precinct I	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Gloria Bernier	Inspector Precinct I	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Milton Reynolds	Council on Aging Member	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
	Genevieve R. Linhares	Inspector Precinct I	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
05/11/05	John Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
	Claire Gonsalves	Dept. Warden Precinct I	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Charlotte Coutinho	Downtown Steering Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	George Souza	Cable TV Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Kevin Gaspar	Finance Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
	Paul Trahan	Downtown Steering	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06

		Committee		
05/13/05	Joyce Reynolds	Beautification Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Laurie Avery	Tax Title Custodian	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Lawrence Marshall	Cable TV Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Adrienne Rivet	Safety Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
05/16/05	Carol Westgate	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
	Leo Rousseau	Downtown Steering Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
05/20/05	Jennifer Dahlberg	Beautification Committee	Appt. 05/09/05	05/01/07
	Manuel Goulart	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Robert Rocha	Open Space Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Robert Rocha Jr.	Conservation Commission	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
05/21/05	Raymond Barlow	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
05/23/05	Ed Isaac	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Karen Jachna	Asst. Animal Control Officer/Inspector of Animals	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
05/25/05	Everett L. Hardy Jr.	Golf Management. & Operational Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
	Everett L. Hardy Jr.	Moth Superintendent/Inspector of Pest Control	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
	Marie Hardy	Inspector Precinct I	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
05/31/05	Dorothy Lackie	Clerk Precinct III	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
	Steven M. Pina	Deputy Building Inspector	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/06
06/03/05	Dorothy Gomes	Deputy Clerk Precinct I	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
06/09/05	Patricia Mulvey	Acushnet Cultural Council	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
06/10/05	Robert Geier	Historical Committee	Appt. 06/06/05	05/01/08
06/17/05	Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights and Measures	05/02/05	05/01/06
06/22/05	Robert Ferreira	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 06/06/05	05/01/06
07/12/05	Nicolangela Filippone	Tax Shift Study Committee	Appt. 07/11/05	05/01/06
07/13/05	Elizabeth Gatenby	Finance Committee	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/08
	Gerald Toussaint	Inspector, Board of Health	Elected 04/07/03	Resigned 07/15/05
	David Davignon	Inspector, Board of Health	Appt. 08/03/05	04/03/06

08/04/05	Roger Cabral	Tax Shift Study Committee (Rep)	Appt. 07/11/05	05/01/06
08/25/05	Deborah Medeiros	Inspector Precinct III	Appt. 05/02/05	05/01/07
09/19/05	Dianna Couto	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 09/19/05	05/01/08
	Dorothy Pepin	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 09/19/05	05/01/08
10/05/05	Michael J. Sylvia	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 09/19/05	05/01/07
10/24/05	Marc Cenerizio	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 10/17/05	05/01/06
11/14/05	Kristin. Bourgault	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 10/17/05	05/01/06
11/21/05	Jeanne Duggan	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
	William Duggan	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
	Betsy Ellis	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
	Margaret Mota	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
	Bertha Rose	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	Resigned 11/22/05
	Priscilla Santos	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
11/22/05	Dianna Couto	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
	Germaine Vieira	Poll Worker – Sub	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
11/23/05	Alice Kut	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
11/28/05	Lillian Contois	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
11/29/05	Betty White	Poll Worker	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
12/02/05	Michael Greene	Cable TV Committee	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07
12/14/05	Bertha Rose	Warden, Precinct III	Appt. 12/05/05	05/01/07
12/19/05	Lucille Ledoux	Warden, Precinct II	Appt. 11/14/05	05/01/07

**RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON**  
**APRIL 4, 2005**

**Register of Voters as of Close of Registration on March 15, 2005**

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Inter 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party	Libertarian	Rainbow Coalition	Republican	Unenrolled	Total
Precinct I	984	1	1	10		141	1122	2259
Precinct II	1075	2		18	1	226	1355	2677
Precinct III	955	2	2	17		200	1425	2601
Total	3014	5	3	45	1	567	3902	7537

**CLERK'S REPORT -PRECINCT I**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Joyce Tillett, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of votes cast to be counted 426.

Number of ballots spoiled 3.

Number of Provisional Ballots cast 0.

Number of ballots void or not used 788.

Number of ballots received 1200 plus 17 Absentee ballots.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Joyce Tillett

Deputy Warden: Claire Gonsalves

Clerk: Juliana Perry

Deputy Clerk: -----

Inspectors: Gloria Bernier, Genevieve Linhares, Susan Sounik, Marie Hardy, Jeanne

Duggan

Police Officers: James Costa, Brian Stabell.

Polls were closed at 8:00 P.M. and the ballot box registered 426.

A true record: Attest:/s/

Juliana Perry

Clerk of Election Officers

Attest:

Richard Threlfall, Town Clerk

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Lucille Ledoux-Hardy, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of votes cast to be counted 530.  
Number of ballots spoiled 9.  
Number of Provisional Ballots cast 0.  
Number of ballots void or not used 670.  
Number of ballots received 1200 plus 16 Absentee ballots.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Lucille Ledoux-Hardy
Clerk:	Dorothy Daniels
Deputy Clerk:	Lillian Contois
Inspectors:	Lorraine Dabrowski, Alice Kut, Rose Procyk, Jeannette Pepin.
Police Officers:	John Bolarinho, Michael Matton.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 1200.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Lillian Contois & Dorothy Daniels  
Clerk of Election Officers  
Attest: Richard Threlfall, Town Clerk

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Irene DeCotis, Warden  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of votes cast to be counted 373.  
Number of ballots spoiled 5.  
Number of Provisional Ballots cast 0.  
Number of ballots received 1200 plus 3 Absentee ballots.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Irene Decotis
Deputy Warden:	Betty White
Clerk:	Dorothy Lackie
Deputy Clerk:	Betsy Ellis
Inspectors:	Florence Lecuyer, Geraldine Frates, Deborah Medeiros, Dianna Couto

Police Officers:        Derrick Cathcart, Kevin Walsh

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 823.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Dorothy Lackie

Clerk of Election Officers

Attest:                    Richard Threlfall, Town Clerk

**RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 4, 2005**

	<b><u>PRECINCT I</u></b>	<b><u>PRECINCT II</u></b>	<b><u>PRECINCT III</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
<b><u>TOWN</u></b>				
<b><u>CLERK</u></b>				
Jennifer Brown	197	220	155	572
John Howercft	219	301	211	731
Blanks	10	9	7	26
Write-Ins				
Total	<u>426</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>373</u>	<u>1329</u>

**SELECTMAN**

Robert Brown	311	352	261	924
Blanks	109	171	105	385
Write-Ins				
Everett Hardy Jr.	2	1	1	4
Tony Cambra	1			1
Henry Otock		1		1
Robert Francis		1		1
Chris Richard		1		1
James Madruga		1		1
John Anjos			2	2
Norman Savoie			1	1
Michael Poitras			1	1
Joseph Monteiro			1	1
Michael Nunes			1	1
Miscellaneous	3	2		5
Total	<u>426</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>373</u>	<u>1329</u>

**ASSESSOR**

Joseph F. Botelho	316	334	257	907
Blanks	110	194	115	419
Write-Ins				
Richard Ellis		1		1
Keith Ashley			1	1
Miscellaneous		1		1
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Total	426	530	373	1329
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**BOARD OF  
HEALTH**

Robert Medeiros	263	235	197	695
Christopher Buzniak	140	269	157	566
Blanks	22	26	19	67
Write-Ins				
Roland Lavallec	1			1
Total	<u>426</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>373</u>	<u>1329</u>

**SCHOOL  
COMMITTEE**

Jo-Ann Bertrand	300	344	270	914
Robert M. Lanzoni	280	330	233	843
Blanks	271	384	240	895
Write-Ins				
Michael Matton			1	1
Joanne Masson			1	1
Alan Coutinho			1	1
Miscellaneous	1	2		3
Total	<u>852</u>	<u>1060</u>	<u>746</u>	<u>2658</u>

**COMMITTEE OF  
TRUST FUNDS**

Blanks	419	526	365	1310
Write-Ins				
Ron Gaudette	1			1
Sam Trantham	1			1
Maria Otocky	1			1
John Howcroft	1			1
Stephen Coleman	1			1
Marie Hardy	1			1
Jeffrey Schuster	1			1
Dorothy Koczera		1		1
Paul Pelletier		1		1
Michael Murray		1		1
Marc Laplante		1		1
Rescome Haskell			1	1
Marc Duprey			1	1
Simonne Coutinho			1	1
Paul Fortin			1	1
Christopher Buzniak			1	1
Benjamin Briggs III			1	1

Valerie Lacasse			1	1
Ted Cioper			1	1
Total	426	530	373	1329

### **CEMETERY BOARD**

Joanne Cioper	307	355	281	943
Blanks	119	175	91	385
Write-Ins				
Tom Faria			1	1
Total	426	530	373	1329

### **TRUSTEE FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Christina Gaudette	318	359	260	937
Anne M. Verissimo	269	316	239	824
Blanks	265	385	245	895
Write-Ins				
Kyle Moore			1	1
Maria Moore			1	1
Total	852	1060	746	2658

### **HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Lawrence Marshall	308	349	268	925
Blanks	113	179	103	395
Write-Ins				
Wanda Bourgeois	1			1
Stephen Coleman	3	2		5
Michael Matton	1			1
Gary Crowell			1	1
Jeffrey Schuster			1	1
Total	426	530	373	1329

### **PARK COMMISSIONER**

Marc J. Antone	320	364	274	958
Blanks	105	166	97	368
Write-Ins				
Jeremy Fortes	1			1
David Davignon			2	2
Total	426	530	373	1329

**PLANNING**  
**COMMISSIONER**

	<b><u>PRECINCT</u></b> <b><u>I</u></b>	<b><u>PRECINCT</u></b> <b><u>II</u></b>	<b><u>PRECINCT</u></b> <b><u>III</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
Richard H. Ellis	302	345	252	899
Blanks	123	184	114	422
Write-Ins		1		
Raymond Barlow	1			1
Richard Arruda			1	1
Leo Coons			1	1
David Davignon			2	2
John Andrews			1	1
Irwin Marques			1	1
Norman Savoie			1	1
Total	426	530	373	1329

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
**(Three Years)**

Rene Racine	293	325	245	863
Blanks	528	716	480	1724
Write-Ins				
John Carvalho	17	7	1	25
James Madruga	1	1		2
Ken Souza	2			2
Paul Fortin	3	1	1	5
Mark Gifford	1			1
Peter Koczera	1			1
Jeffrey Schuster	2	5	1	8
John Howcroft	1			1
Robert Medeiros	1			1
Dave Gifford		1		1
Dan Menard			10	10
Paul Sylvia		1		1
Everett Hardy Jr.		1		1
Alan Scholz		1		1
David Grenon			1	1
Richard Schuster			1	1
John Leblanc			1	1
Conrad Richard			1	1
Timothy Barlow			1	1
Paul Hipolito			1	1
Everett Hardy			1	1
Michael McDermott			1	1
Dave Menard		1		1
Miscellaneous	2			2
Total	852	1060	746	2658

**BOARD OF  
PUBLIC WORKS**

**(One Year)**

Matthew C. Goulet	315	323	255	893
Blanks	102	201	116	419
Write-Ins				
Keith Ashley	1			1
Paul Fortin	2	4		6
James Madruga	1			1
John Carvalho	1			1
John Santos	1			1
John Sylvia	1			1
John Mello		1		1
Roland Lavallee		1		1
Dave Grennon			1	1
Dan Menard			1	1
Miscellaneous	2			2
Total	<u>426</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>373</u>	<u>1329</u>

**TOWN  
MODERATOR**

Robert E.	329	352	276	957
Francis				
Blanks	97	178	97	372
Write-Ins				
Total	<u>426</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>373</u>	<u>1329</u>

**TREE  
WARDEN**

Everett L. Hardy	333	372	285	990
Jr.				
Blanks	93	158	88	339
Write-Ins				
Total	<u>426</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>373</u>	<u>1329</u>

Attest:

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John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

Percentage of Votes Cast 18%

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WARRANT  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2005, AT 7:00 P.M.  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS

To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

**Greetings:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the twenty-fifth (25<sup>th</sup>) day of April, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

**WEATHER:** Good

**PLACE:** Ford Middle School

**WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:** Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

**TIME STARTED:** 7:00 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Total 417

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation in the form set forth below; and provide further that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition, or take any other action relative thereto:

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

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

**Section 2.** The General Bylaws of the Town of Acushnet are hereby amended by deleting Article IX, Board of Public Works, in its entirety, and the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Board of Public Works as set forth in Article IX of the General Bylaws shall be transferred to the Board of Selectmen by operation of law. No contracts or liabilities then enforce shall be affected by such abolition and the Board of Selectmen shall in all respect be the lawful successor of the Board of Public Works. The power, duties and responsibilities of the Board of Public Works may be assigned from the Board of Selectmen to another entity in accordance with the General Laws, Bylaw, Charter, or Act of the General Court.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect upon passage.

(Submitted by the Residents)

1. No funds
2. Finance Committee makes no recommendation on this Article.
3. Vote – Article fails with opposition

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing a sum of money for the purpose of making repairs and improvements to the employee parking lot at the Town Hall Complex or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. \$25,000.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #0104423 (Snow Removal) or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. \$118,260.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously
- 4.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of paying down previously approved debt for the Pope Park Renovation Project or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

1. \$300,000.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to line item #0101110-578000 (Reserve Fund or Unforseen) or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

1. \$35,000.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Surplus Account a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #2704450 (Water Division) Line Item #541500 Gasoline or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$1,400.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. \$1,400.00 from Water Surplus Account
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Surplus Account a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #2704450 (Water Division) Line Item #515000 Fringe Benefits or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$6,500.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. \$6,500.00 from Water Surplus Account
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition
- 4.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from certified fund balance Sewer Enterprise Fund a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #6004440 (Sewer Division) Line Item #515000 Fringe Benefits or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$1,600.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. \$1,600.00 from Sewer Surplus
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Surplus Account a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #2704450 (Water Division) Line Item #521000 Energy or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$5,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. \$5,000.00 from Water Surplus Account
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from certified fund balance Sewer Enterprise Fund a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #6004440 (Sewer Division) Line Item #521000 Energy or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$5,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. \$5,000.00 from Sewer Enterprise Fund
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from certified fund balance Sewer Enterprise Fund a sum of money for the purpose of reimbursing the general fund's reserve fund or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

1. \$1,000.00 from the Sewer Enterprise Fund
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Surplus Account a sum of money for the purpose of reimbursing the general fund's reserve fund or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

1. \$800.00 from Water Surplus
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing the sum of \$110,000.00 for the purchase of capital equipment for the Highway Department (10-Wheel Dump Truck with Heated Body and 11 Foot Power Angle Plow), that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. \$110,000.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing the sum of \$17,500.00 for the purchase of capital equipment for the Highway Department (1.25 Yard JRB Group Bucket with Replacement Edge and 10 Foot JRB Power Angle Plow), that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. \$17,500.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing the sum of \$25,000.00 for the purchase of capital equipment for the Highway Department (25,000 LB Heavy Duty Four Post Truck Lift), that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Motion to Table
2. Finance Committee makes no recommendation on this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously (2/3<sup>rd</sup>s vote needed)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing the sum of \$82,000.00 for the purchase of capital equipment for the Highway Department (Tractor and Hedge and Ditch Cutter), that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section

7(9) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee does not recommend this Article.
3. Vote – Article failed with opposition

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds \$912.00 to line item #8900-255050 (Police Details) to reimburse the town for uncollectible police detail expenses incurred in prior years, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Director of Finance)

1. \$912.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
4. Vote – Article passes with opposition
- 5.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,000.00 to line item #0101146/511000 Salaries - Collector, per contract for passing the Collector certification or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Treasurer/Collector)

1. \$1,000.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing a sum of money for the purpose of making repairs and renovations to the Long Plain Museum or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$25,000.00)

(Submitted by the Special Projects Manager)

1. \$25,000.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will transfer from available funds the sum of \$8,000.00 to be added to line item #0102220/511100 (Fire Department Salaries - Permanent) or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

1. \$8,000.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the appropriation made under Article 2 of the April 26, 2004 Special Town Meeting for repairs to Fire Station 1 and 2, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$20,000.00)

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

1. Motion for \$5,000.00

2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to close out the funds remaining from the appropriation made under Article 2 of the April 26, 2004 Special Town Meeting for repairs to Fire Stations 1 and 2, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

1. Motion to Table
2. Finance Committee makes no recommendation on this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes by 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept the preliminary design for the Acushnet Public Library building or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Library Trustees)

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a used four wheel drive pick-up truck, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Health)

1. Motion made for \$17,000.00 failed
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article failed with opposition

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of one thousand five hundred (\$1,500.00) for the purpose of purchasing a copying machine for the Town Clerks office or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

1. \$1,500.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$80,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund balance for the purpose of acquiring the property known as "White Woods Project" as shown on Acushnet Assessor's Map 17, Lots 13 and 22B, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

1. \$55,000.00 from Community Preservation Funds
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout as a public town way of Garrison Lane which runs 900 feet, more or less, to a cul-de-sac off of Mendall Road as shown on a plan

entitled Mendall Hill Estates belonging to Gary W. Nichols dated April 5, 1993 and recorded September 21, 1993 in the Bristol County S.D. Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 131, Page 40, also the drainage easement for Garrison Lane as described in a drainage easement to the Town of Acushnet recorded February 17, 1994 in the Bristol County S.D. Registry of Deeds in Book 3246, Page 103 and 104, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the developer Gary Nichols)

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article. (subject to Planning Board approval)
3. Vote – Article passes by 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept the roadway system in the subdivision known as Apple Blossom Estates namely; **PEACH BLOSSOM ROAD** from Main Street westerly 1,538.77 feet, more or less, to the terminus and all easements as endorsed by planning commission, and recorded in South Bristol Land Court December 30, 1998, noted on CTF 18169 in Plan Book 99 Page 101, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the developer Mark W. White, Treasurer of Wayland Development Corporation)

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes by 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund and implement wage increases for those employees covered by the following contract: (Department of Public Works (Laborer's International Union), retroactive July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005), or take any other action relative thereto.

D.P.W. Highway Division #0104422

Line Item #511000 (Salaries - Permanent)	\$5,970.00	
Line Item #513000 (Overtime)	\$ 168.00	
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		\$6,138.00

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. \$6,138.00 from free cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

ARTICLE 30. 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)

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee recommends to Table this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

Total Appropriation:	\$729,610.00
Free Cash:	\$653,310.00
Water Special Revenue	\$ 13,700.00
Sewer Surplus:	\$ 7,600.00
CPA Fund	\$ 55,000.00

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Special Town Meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WARRANT  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2005 AT 7:30 P.M.  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS

To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday the twenty-fifth (25th) day of April at 7:30 P.M. in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Good  
School

PLACE: Ford Middle

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES: Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

TIME STARTED: 8:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Total 417

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 from available funds, or otherwise for the payment of said salaries and compensation, payment of debt and 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, 2006, or to take any other action relative thereto.

1. Motion that the town appropriate from Taxation the sum of \$19,768.821, transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$234,207, transfer from EMS Reserved Receipt account the sum of \$250,000, transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of -0-, appropriate from the Water Fees the sum of \$666,052, transfer from Water Surplus the sum of \$60,000, appropriate from Sewer Fees the sum of \$317,000, transfer from Sewer Surplus the sum of \$73,060, appropriate from Golf Fees the sum of \$1,637,286, and transfer from Golf Contingency the sum of -0- (Finance Committee)
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 2005 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.

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee makes no recommendation on this Article.

3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

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.

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

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.

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of unpaid bills of prior years in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 64 of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 179 of the Acts of 1941, or to take any other action relative thereto.

1. Motion to Table
2. Finance Committee makes no recommendation to Table this Article.
3. Vote – Article tabled by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Library Trustees to sell for the sum of \$1.00 the discarded books and periodicals of the Russell Memorial Library to the Friends of the Russell Memorial Library, a non-profit library support group, or to take any other action relative thereto.

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

ARTICLE 7. COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT

To see if the Town will vote to act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2006 Community Preservation Budget and to appropriate or reserve for later appropriation monies from the Community Preservation Fund Annual Revenues or available funds the amount of \$185,440 for the administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, the payment of debt service, the undertaking of Community Preservation projects and all other necessary and proper expenses for the year, or take any other action relative thereto.

<b>PURPOSE:</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT:</b>
<b>Appropriations:</b>	
Community Preservation Administrative Expenses	\$9,272.00
Land Acquisition – White Woods Project	\$120,000.00
<b>Reserves:</b>	
Open Space	\$18,544.00
Historic Resources	\$18,544.00
Community Housing	\$18,544.00
Budgeted Reserves	\$536.00
<b>Total FY 2006 Budget</b>	<b>\$185,440.00</b>

(Submitted by The Community Preservation Committee)

1. \$185,444.00
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41, Section 100G.25 dealing with the payment of funeral and burial expenses (not exceeding \$5,000) for police officers and firefighters killed in the line of duty; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

1. -0-
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the following bylaw:

#### **Fire Prevention and Protection**

##### **Section 1: Carbon Monoxide Detectors**

Upon the sale or transfer of any building or structure occupied in whole or in part for residential purposes, the seller shall submit to an inspection by the head of the fire department or his or her designee for purposes of compliance with this section.

Any building or structure occupied in whole or in part for residential purposes and is heated by a fossil fuel powered heating unit contained within the interior of the building or structure shall, upon the sale or transfer of such building or structure, be equipped with approved carbon monoxide detectors by the seller. Owner(s) of such building or structure shall install either an approved battery powered carbon monoxide detector, an approved primary powered carbon monoxide detector or a combination powered carbon monoxide detector. The carbon monoxide detector shall be placed outside the sleeping area but not less than fifteen (15) feet from the heating unit. The carbon monoxide detector shall be installed per the manufacturer's specifications. The head of the fire department may require the installation of additional units.

The owner of the building or structure, which is subject to the provisions of this by-law, shall supply, install, test as per the manufacturer's specifications, and maintain required carbon monoxide detectors. The owner shall also supply all the necessary equipment required for the operation of carbon monoxide detectors.

The head of the fire department or his or her designee shall, upon inspecting carbon monoxide detectors required by this section, issue a stamp of endorsement affixed to the Certificate of Compliance (MGL Chapter 148, Section 26F) required upon sale or transfer of all structures used in whole or in part for residential purposes. Only Certificates of Compliance with the carbon monoxide detector endorsement will be released to the property owner.

No additional fee will be charged for the inspection required by this section.

It shall be unlawful for any person to, in any way, make inoperable a carbon monoxide detector required under this section, except in the normal procedure of maintenance, including the replacement of batteries. Whoever causes a carbon monoxide detector, located in a building or structure occupied in whole or in part for residential purposes, to become inoperable shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.00

A carbon monoxide detector is deemed approved for the purposes of this by-law if it complies with all applicable state and federal regulations, and bears the label of a nationally recognized standard testing laboratory, and meets the revised standard of at least UL 2034 dated October 1, 1995 and subsequent revisions or its equivalent or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

1. Motion made, 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority needed
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money (\$5,313,000) for the purpose of financing the comprehensive wastewater management planning/environmental impact report, design and construction of sewers in the unsewered portions of the Town designated as Area 2, which is generally bounded by Highland Street to the north, Jason Court to the south, Sears Lane to the east and the New Bedford boundary to the west, including without limitation, all costs therefor as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; and the Board of Public Works is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise of any fee, easement or other interest in land necessary therefor; that to meet said

appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow all or a portion of the (\$5,313,000) and issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor under Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws and/or any other enabling authority; all or a portion of such amount may be borrowed from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that such bonds or notes be general obligations of the Town, although it is the intent of the Town that the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, and all other costs of the project, be repaid through sewer betterments [#1 approach - (as authorized by the Town under Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting of September 2, 1926) or #2 approach - (as authorized by the Sewer Assessment By-Law enacted under Article 3 of the April 28, 2003 Special Town Meeting)]; and in connection therewith, to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan; that the Board of Public Works be empowered to contract for said work and services and be authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection; and that the Board of Public Works be authorized to apply for, accept and expend all funds available for the project; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Motion to Table
2. Finance Committee makes no recommendation on this Article.
3. Vote – Article tabled by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money (\$5,165,000) for the purpose of financing the comprehensive wastewater management planning/environmental impact report, design and construction of sewers in the unsewered portions of the Town designated as Area 3, which is generally bounded by Lawson Avenue to the north, the Fairhaven Boundary to the south, Thornton Street to the east and the Acushnet River to the west, including without limitation, all costs therefor as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; and the Board of Public Works is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise of any fee, easement or other interest in land necessary therefor; that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow all or a portion of the (\$5,165,000) and issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor under Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws and/or any other enabling authority; all or a portion of such amount may be borrowed from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that such bonds or notes be general obligations of the Town, although it is the intent of the Town that the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, and all other costs of the project, be repaid through sewer betterments [#1 approach - (as authorized by the Town under Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting of September 2, 1926) or #2 approach - (as authorized by the Sewer Assessment By-Law enacted under Article 3 of the April 28, 2003 Special Town Meeting)]; and in connection therewith, to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan; that the Board of Public Works be empowered to contract for said work and services and be authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection; and that the Board of Public Works be authorized to apply for, accept and expend all funds available for the project; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Motion to Table
2. Finance Committee makes no recommendation on this Article.
3. Vote – Article tabled by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money (\$350,000) for the purpose of financing the comprehensive wastewater management planning/environmental impact report, for the unsewered portions of the Town, including without limitation, all costs therefor as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow all or a portion of the \$350,000 and issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor under Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws and/or any other enabling authority; all or a portion of such amount may be borrowed from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that such bonds or notes be general obligations of the Town, although it is the intent of the Town that the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, and all other costs of the project, be repaid through sewer betterments [#1 approach - (as authorized by the Town under Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting of September 2, 1926) or #2 approach - (as authorized by the Sewer Assessment By-Law enacted under Article 3 of the April 28, 2003 Special Town Meeting)]; and in connection therewith, to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and Department of Environmental Protection with respect to

such loan; that the Board of Public Works be empowered to contract for said work and services and be authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection; and that the Board of Public Works be authorized to apply for, accept and expend all funds available for the project; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Motion made as read, 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote needed to pass
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article fails, 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote needed

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town shall establish an elected Charter Commission as per Massachusetts General Laws or to take any other action relative thereto. (This article is to obtain a general consensus of Town Meeting.)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. Motion, as read with no funds
2. Finance Committee does not recommend the passage of this Article.
3. Vote – Article fails with opposition

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town shall establish an appointed Charter Committee or to take any other action relative thereto. (This article is to obtain a general consensus of Town Meeting.)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. Motion, as read with no funds
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation in the form set forth below; and provided further that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition, or to take any other action relative thereto:

**Amend Section 5 Finance Committee Section 2-5-1 to Read:**

**2-5-1** A finance committee of seven registered voters of the town shall be elected for three (3) year overlapping terms, with each precinct having minimum representation of at least two (2) members. Members shall serve without compensation, but may receive necessary and actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties within limits of an appropriation made for that purpose.

(Submitted by a resident)

1. Motion made by James Madruga
2. Finance Committee does not recommend this Article.
3. Vote – Article fails with opposition

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation in the form set forth below; and provided further that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition, or to take any other action relative thereto.

**To Amend Section 3-2-1 of the Town Charter to read:**

3-2-1 The Board of Selectmen of five members shall be elected for three-year overlapping terms. The regular election for the office of selectmen shall be held in accordance with Chapter six of this charter.

(Submitted by a resident)

1. Motion made by James Madruga
2. Finance Committee does not recommend this Article.
3. Article fails with opposition

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation in the form set forth below; and provided further that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition, or to take any other action relative thereto:

**To add to Chapter 3 Section 1 a new Section 3-1-2 which will read:**

The term for the position of Selectmen shall be limited to three consecutive terms of three years each. Term limits will take effect at the first annual Town Elections after the passage of this charter change. Any sitting selectmen who has served three full terms will not be eligible to run for a fourth term.

(Submitted by a resident)

1. Motion made by James Madruga
2. Finance Committee does not recommend this Article.
3. Vote – Article fails with opposition

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following bylaw change to Article II, Section 11.

The warrant for the annual town meeting shall be posted in accordance with M.G.L. 39 Section 10 and the full content of Article I and all supplemental information provided by the Finance Committee pertaining to Article I shall be included.

(Submitted by a resident)

1. Motion made as read, no public funds
2. Finance Committee does not recommend this Article.
3. Vote – Article fails with opposition

ARTICLE 19. 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)

1. \$192,811.00 from Free Cash
2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote – Article passes unanimously

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WARRANT  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2005, AT 7:00 P.M.  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS

To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

**Greetings:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) day of September, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

**WEATHER:** Good

**PLACE:** Ford Middle School

**WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:** Approved by Mr. Robert Francis, Moderator

**TIME STARTED** 7:02 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** 156

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #0101192 (Town Hall Complex) - Line Item #511000 (Salaries - Custodian) or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$984.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. No funds
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Motion to Table, Article passes unanimously (2/3<sup>rd</sup>s vote needed)

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #0102241 (Building Department) - Line Item #519000 (Longevity) or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$200.00)

(Submitted by the Building Department)

1. Taxation
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to close out the funds remaining from the appropriation made under Article 21 of the April 25, 2005 Special Town Meeting for repairs to Fire Station 1 and 2, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

1. Motion to accept this Article, \$5,000.00 to be returned to the General Fund
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,375.00 for the purpose of providing a 10% local match as required by the Department of Homeland Security for the receipt of a federally funded fire prevention grant, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

1. \$2,375.00 from Taxation
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,000.00 for the purpose of testing and certifying code compliance of the fire alarm systems at the following town owned buildings; Parting Ways Building, Town Hall, Russell Memorial Library, Council on Aging, Community Center, Highway Barn, Fire Station #2 and the Long Plain Museum, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

1. \$2,000.00 from Taxation
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Accumulated Sick Time Account, as per the Fire Department union contract for the buy-back of sick time or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$4,050.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. \$4,050.00 from Taxation
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Accumulated Sick Time Account, as per the Police Department union contract for the buy-back of sick time or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$2,220.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. \$2,220.00 from Taxation
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to rescind the \$549,000 unissued balance of the \$1,220,000 authorized to be borrowed under Article 1 of the Warrant at the Special Town Meeting April 28, 2003 for various water system improvements, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Treasurer/Collector)

1. Motion made to rescind \$549,000.00 of un-issued balance of the authorized \$1,220,000.00 of said Article
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of establishing a salary line item in the Planning Commission's Department for the Special Projects Manager to perform the Master Plan or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Planning Commission)

1. \$24,000.00 from Taxation
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of establishing a Planning Commission office supply line item (Supplies - Master Plan) or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$2,000.00)

(Submitted by the Planning Commission)

1. \$2,000.00 from Taxation
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Golf Course Enterprise Fund F/Y2005 operating budget, line item 591500, (Long term Debt Interest) a sum of money to increase Golf Course Enterprise fund F/Y2005 operating budget, line item 591000 (Long Term Debt Principal) or take any other action relative thereto. (\$65,000.00)

(Submitted by Golf Management & Operational Committee)

1. Motion as read
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Golf Course Enterprise Fund F/Y2005 operating budget, line item 591500, (Long term Debt Interest) a sum of money to increase Golf Course Enterprise fund F/Y2005 operating budget, line item 511300 (Salaries-Clubhouse Emp.) or take any other action relative thereto. (\$8,000.00)

(Submitted by Golf Management & Operational Committee)

1. Motion as read
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Golf Course Enterprise Fund F/Y2005 operating budget, line item 591500, (Long term Debt Interest) a sum of money to increase Golf Course Enterprise fund F/Y2005 operating budget, line item 541500 (Gasoline) or take any other action relative thereto. (\$3,000.00)

(Submitted by Golf Management & Operational Committee)

1. Motion as read
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to Department #0101155 (Data Processing) - Line Item #524400 (R & M - Copier) to fund the increase in the service agreements or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$2,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. \$2,000.00 from Taxation
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money (\$1,500,000.00) to supplement funds approved under Article 2 of the April 28, 2003 Town Meeting for the purpose of financing additional construction costs to extend the sewer mains to certain in-fill roads in the project area (project area as defined in Article 2 of the April 28, 2003 Town Meeting), to offset the costs associated with unexpected quantities of work due to concealed conditions, including police and fire department details for public safety, and to replace old water mains impacted by sewer construction; including without limitation, all costs therefore as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29 C of the General Laws; and the right of the Board of Public Works to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise of any fee, easement or other interest in land necessary therefore; that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow all or a portion of the (\$1,500,000.00) and issue bonds or notes therefore under Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws and/or any other enabling authority; all or a portion of such amount may be borrowed from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29 C; that such bonds or notes be general obligations of the Town, although it is the intent of the Town that the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, and all other costs of the project, be repaid through sewer betterments [#1 approach - (as authorized by the Town under Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting of September 2, 1926) or #2 approach - (as authorized by the Sewer Assessment By-Law enacted under Article 3 of the April 28, 2003 Special Town Meeting)]; and in connection therewith, to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan; that the Board of Public Works be empowered to contract for said work and services and be authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection; and that the Board

of Public Works be authorized to apply for, accept and expend all funds available for the project or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Funds: That the sum of \$1,500,000 be and hereby is appropriated to supplement funds approved under Article 2 of the April 28, 2003 Town Meeting for the purpose of financing additional construction costs to extend the sewer mains to certain in-fill roads in the project area (project area as defined in Article 2 of the April 28, 2003 Town Meeting,) to offset the costs associated with unexpected quantities of work due to concealed conditions, including police and fire department details for public safety, and to replace old water mains impacted by sewer construction; including without limitation, the payment of any and all other costs incidental and related there to; that the Town, acting by and through its Board of Public Works or any other appropriate body, be and hereby is authorized to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise of any fee, easement or other interest in land necessary to accomplish the purposes of this motion; that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow all or a portion of the \$1,500,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws and/or any other enabling authority; all or a portion of amount authorized to be borrowed hereunder may be borrowed from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29 C; that any bonds or notes issued pursuant to this vote shall be general obligations of the Town, although it is the intent of the Town that the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, and all other costs of the project, be repaid through sewer betterments (#1 approach - (as authorized by the Town under Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting of September 2, 1926) or #2 approach - (as authorized by the Sewer Assessment By-Law enacted under Article 3 of the April 28, 2003 Special Town Meeting); and in connection therewith, the Town is hereby authorized to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan; that the Board of Public Works be empowered to contract for said work and services and be authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection; and that the Board of Public Works be authorized to apply for, and accept and expend all funds available for the project.

2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.

3. Vote - 102 in favor, 26 opposed, (2/3<sup>rd</sup>s needed for approval) the Moderator ruled that the Article passes.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money to supplement funds approved under Article 2 of the October 12, 2004 Special Town Meeting for the purpose of making repairs and renovations to Pope's Park and other park facilities or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Park Commissioners/Board of Selectmen)

1. Funding: \$89,881.00 in Taxation, and \$4,119.00 in Overlay Surplus, (Total = \$94,000.00)
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article; (4 in favor, 2 opposed)
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the amounts voted under Article 1 of the April 25, 2005 Annual Town Meeting, for Department 1161 (Town Clerk), Line Item 571000 (Travel and Meals) or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$700.00)

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

1. \$700.00 from Overlay Surplus
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing the amounts voted under Article 1 of the April 25, 2005 Annual Town Meeting, for Department 1163 (Register of Voters), Line Item 571000 (Travel and Meals) or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$500.00)

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

1. \$500.00 from Overlay Surplus
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the preservation and efficient accessibility of vital records (including birth, death, and marriage records) of the Town of Acushnet or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$6,699.00)

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

1. \$6,699.00 in Overlay Surplus
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes with opposition

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for updating and enhancing the current data tracking system for the Dog Licensing Program for the purpose of greater effectiveness, coordination, and citizen/staff protection or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$825.00)

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

1. \$825.00 from Overlay Surplus
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of replacing the carpets in the Police Department or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$3,700.00)

(Submitted by the Police Chief)

1. \$3,700.00 from Overlay Surplus

2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 22.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of covering School Department bills from a previous fiscal year, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$7,490.50)

(Submitted by the School Committee)

1. Motion to transfer the sum of \$7,490.50 from the FY'06 account to cover bills incurred in the previous fiscal year.
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously. 9/10's voting members needed for passage.  
(G.L. Ch 44 & 64)

**ARTICLE 23.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a new four wheel drive pick-up truck, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Health)

1. \$19,511.00 from Overlay Surplus
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 24.** To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand dollars, (\$20,000.00) from the Community Preservation Funds to be used for design, specifications and construction of a walking and bike path, and a nature trail, at Scout's Pond, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Acushnet Community Preservation Committee)

1. Motion: I move that the Town appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) from the Community Preservation Fund balance for the purpose of creating land for recreational use at Scout's Pond under the Community Preservation Program, to include the design, specifications, bidding oversight and construction of a walking and bike path, a nature trail, and all expenses incidental and related thereto, and further, authorize the Board of Selectmen take all action necessary to accomplish the purpose of this vote.
2. Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously

**ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to the Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

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

1. Motion to table
2. Finance Committee recommends to table this Article.
3. Vote - Article passes unanimously; with 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote needed.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Passed unanimously

**Total Activity:**

\$128,726.00	-----	Taxation
\$36,054.00	-----	Overlay Surplus
\$20,000.00	-----	Community Preservation Funds
\$1,500,000.00	-----	Debt Exclusion
\$88,490.50	-----	Transfers

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
 John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WARRANT  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2005, AT 7:00 P.M.  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS

To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet Town Clerk

**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, of the Special Town Meeting to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, on Monday, the seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) day of November, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. in the evening for the Special Town Meeting, and there to act on the following article:

**WEATHER:** Good

**PLACE:** Ford Middle School

**WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:** Approved by Mr. Robert Francis, Moderator

**TIME STARTED:** 7:08 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE AT THE BEGINNING OF MEETING:** 393

**TOTAL ATTENDANCE:** 399

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will appropriate \$2,625,000.00 or some other amount, to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing a new library to be located at 60 Main Street, including the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto, which project shall not commence until the demolition and of removal of the existing structure on said site, to determine whether such sum shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing, no funds shall be borrowed or expended unless and until the Town shall have noted to exempt the repayment of any bonds or notes authorized to be issued for this project from the limitations imposed by Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (Proposition 2 ½), or to take any other action relative thereto.

1. **MOTION, made by a Library Trustee:** That the sum of \$2,625,000.00 is hereby appropriated to pay costs of (i) designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a new library to be located at 60 Main Street, including the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount, under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(3) of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore, provided, however, that no funds shall be borrowed or expended hereunder unless (i) the existing structure located at 60 Main Street shall have been demolished and removed from the site, and (ii) the Town shall have voted to exempt the repayment of any bonds or notes authorized

hereunder from the limitations imposed by Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (Proposition 2 ½ ).

2. Finance Committee recommends this Article.
3. Vote - (2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote needed). A total of 376 eligible town meeting members vote. (269 in Favor, 107 Opposed.) The Moderator ruled that the necessary 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote for approval had been obtained.

The Motion PASSED.

# **RESULTS OF THE LIBRARY TOWN ELECTION HELD ON DECEMBER 19, 2005**

**Registered Voters as of Close of Registration on November 29, 2005**

	<b>Democrat</b>	<b>Green Rainbow</b>	<b>Inter 3<sup>rd</sup> Party</b>	<b>Libertarian</b>	<b>Rainbow Coalition</b>	<b>Republican</b>	<b>Unenrolled</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Precinct I</b>	974	1		9		143	1135	2262
<b>Precinct II</b>	1049	2		17		221	1371	2660
<b>Precinct III</b>	948	2	2	18		203	1437	2610
<b>Total</b>	2971	5	2	44		567	3943	7532
<b>Grand Totals</b>	2971	5	2	44		567	3943	7532

## **CLERK'S REPORT -PRECINCT I**

To the Town Clerk:

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

The following officers were present:

Warden: Joyce Tillet  
 Deputy Warden: Susan Sounik  
 Clerk: Juliana Perry  
 Deputy Clerk: Dorothy Gomes  
 Inspectors: Gloria Bernier, Marie Hardy, Genevieve Linhares, William Duggan, Jeanne

Duggan

Police Officers: Chet Ovesen, John Almeida

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 482.

A true record: Attest:/s/

Juliana Perry

Clerk of Election Officers

Attest:

John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

### **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Lucille Ledoux-Hardy
Clerk:	Dorothy Daniels
Deputy Clerk:	Lillian Contois
Inspectors:	Lorraine Dabrowski, Alice Kut, Rose Procyk, Jeannette Pepin.
Police Officers:	Chris Richmond, Brian Humemuk.

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 505.

A true record, Attest:/s/	Lillian Contois & Dorothy Daniels Clerk of Election Officers
Attest:	John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

### **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

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

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Bertha Rose
Deputy Warden:	Betty White
Clerk:	Dorothy Lackie
Deputy Clerk:	Betsy Ellis
Inspectors:	Donna Couto, Margaret Mota, Priscilla Santos
Police Officers:	LuAnne Jenkinson

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 430.

A true record, Attest:/s/	Dorothy Lackie Clerk of Election Officers
Attest:	John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

In April of 2005, Robert F. Brown was elected to his first full term as a member of the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Robert St. Jean was elected Chairman.

### **FINANCES**

The town continues to maintain its strong financial position. Moody's Bond Rating Service has again given the town a favorable rating. The independent auditors and the Department of Revenue commended the town fathers for their oversight.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

In anticipation of Chief Poitras retirement the Board appointed Sergeant Michael Alves as the Town's next Police Chief. In support of the new Chief's plan for the future, the Board, Finance Committee and Town Meeting approved the addition of a full time officer for the day shift to better serve and protect our residents.

The Emergency Response Team has been extremely active in obtaining grants and putting policies and procedures in place to be prepared for disaster situations. The group consists of a member from the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, Finance Department, Fire Department, Police Department, Emergency Management, Emergency Medical Services, the Department of Public Works, the Board of Health and the School Department. All working together to pool resources and assets in an emergency situation.

### **SOUTH MAIN STREET**

The Fall brought about the completion of South Main Street. The project is a substantial upgrade to the area with new sidewalks, curbing and paving. The Downtown Steering Committee will continue to recommend improvements as funding becomes available.

### **GOLF COURSE**

Weather was not a friend to the golf course this year, even with the lost weekends the course maintained profitability. Next season will be the first year the town takes over the maintenance of the course in an effort to enhance the product and capital costs. The Golf Course Committee and Board of Selectmen feel this is the next logical progression for the course.

### **BUILDING MAINTENANCE**

With the town meetings approval this has been a busy year for repairs and updates to town properties. First we made significant improvements to Fire Station One allowing the Fire Department the necessary flexibility with their equipment. Next, Fire Station Two received a much needed face lift that should last a number of years. The Board then set its sights on Town Hall making major roof repairs and parking lot upgrades. The Board is now looking at the maintenance needs of the Emergency Medical Services building.

Robert J. St. Jean, Chairman  
David E. Wojnar, Member  
Robert F. Brown, Member  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Alan G. Coutinho  
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

# **OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

## **POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

Robert J. St. Jean	2006
David E. Wojnar	2007
Robert F. Brown	2008

## **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

Alan G. Coutinho

## **TOWN ACCOUNTANT/DIRECTOR OF FINANCES**

Cathy L. Doane

## **TOWN TREASURER/COLLECTOR**

Laurie J. Avery

## **ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER/COLLECTOR**

Jacqueline Boudreau

## **TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN**

Laurie Avery

## **TOWN COUNSEL**

Kopelman & Paige

## **TOWN INSURANCE BROKER**

Viveiros-Feitelberg Insurance

**POLICE CHIEF**

Michael G. Alves

**FIRE CHIEF**

Kevin A. Gallagher

**ACUSHNET EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIRECTOR**

Adrienne Y. Rivet

**ADA COORDINATOR**

Alan G. Coutinho

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER/INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS**

Rebekah A. Tomlinson

**ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

Karen A. Jachna

**BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

Charlotte Coutinho  
Donna Forand  
Connie Preston

Jennifer Dahlberg  
Lorraine Hunter  
Joyce Reynolds

## **BOARD OF APPEALS**

Ronald Matton	2010
Carol Westgate	2009
Richard J. Lally	2008
Gerald Toussaint	2007
Lawrence Marshall	2006
Paul B. Hipolito (Alternate)	2006
Paul Trahan (Alternate)	2006

## **BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Raymond F. LeBlanc	2006
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## **INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS**

John Roza, III

## **DEPUTY BUILDING INSPECTOR**

Steven M. Pina

## **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**

**Victor Pereira  
Barry Williams**

## **BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE**

<b>Carol Westgate</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>John Howcroft</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Robert Brown</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Raymond LeBlanc</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Marc Laplante</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Leo Rousseau</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>John Roza, III</b>	<b>2006</b>

## **CABLE T.V. ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

<b>Michael F. Greene</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Robert Lanzoni</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Donald Lopes</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Lawrence Marshall</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>George Souza</b>	<b>2007</b>

## **COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

<b>Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Thomas DeCosta (Citizen Member)</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Geraldine D. Frates (Citizen Member)</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Marc Antone (Park Commissioners)</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Evelyn L. Bouley</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Ellen Hardy (Citizen Member)</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>Steven Horsfall (Conservation Commission)</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Robert Geier (Historical Commission)</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Lawrence Mulvey (Housing Authority)</b>	<b>2006</b>

## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Ted Cioper	2008
Steven Horsfall	2008
Robert Rocha, Jr.	2008
Joseph Botelho	2007
Patricia Picard	2007
Marc C. Brodeur	2006
Carol Chongarlides	2006

## **CONSERVATION AGENT**

Daniel Herzlinger

## **CONSTABLES**

Frank J. Adesso	2007
David Lee Botas	2007
Marc E. Laplante	2007
Kelli A. Tomlinson	2007
Herve W. Vandal, Jr.	2007
George Souza	2006
Rebekah A. Tomlinson	2006

## **COUNCIL ON AGING**

Milton Reynolds	2008
Stella Bertrand	2007
Irene Bouchard	2007
William F. Duggan	2007
Ruth Gilmore	2007
Dorothy Gomes	2007
J. George O'Brien	2007

## **COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR**

William Contois

### **CULTURAL COUNCIL MEMBER**

Patricia Mulvey	2008
Dianna Couto	2007
Walter S. Dalton, Jr.	2007
Jeanne M. Siwik	2007
Jeannette Francis	2006
Edward Macomber	2006
Leanne Pereira	2006

### **DOWNTOWN STEERING COMMITTEE**

Alan G. Coutinho	2006
Charlotte Coutinho	2006
Geraldine Frates	2006
Everett L. Hardy, Jr.	2006
Leo Rousseau	2006
Paul Trahan	2006
David E. Wojnar	2006

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (DIRECTOR)**

Gerard Bergeron

### **EMPOWERMENT REPRESENTATIVES**

David E. Wojnar  
Alan G. Coutinho

### **ENFORCEMENT AGENT FOR THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

John Roza, III

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Elizabeth Gatenby	2008
Mary Lou Marques	2008
Paul Pelletier	2008
Robert Ferreira	2007
Kevin Gaspar	2007
Valarie J. Lacasse	2007
Roger Cabral	2006
Gail A. Rodrigues	2006
Michael St. Onge	2006

## **FOREST WARDEN, INSPECTOR OF GARAGES**

Kevin A. Gallagher

## **GOLF MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE**

Manuel Goulart (Business Community Rep.)	2006
Everett L. Hardy, Jr. (Member-at-Large)	2006
Robert Ferreira (Finance Committee)	2006
Edward Issac (Member-at-Large)	2006
Marc Cenerizio (Park Commissioner Rep.)	2006

## **GROWTH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Michael G. Alves	Jacqueline Brightman
Marc Cenerizio	Richard Ellis
Lawrence Marshall	William Murphy
George Perry	Kathleen Perry
Adrienne Rivet	Gladys Varrieur

## **HERRING WARDEN**

Ted Govoni

## **ASSISTANT HERRING WARDEN**

Joseph G. Costa

## **HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Robert Geier	2008
Madeline Gwozdz	2007
Gloria Lavoie	2007
Irwin Marks	2007
Louise Richard	2007
Stephen Gilmore	2006
Roberta Leonard	2006
Joyce Reynolds	2006
Pauline Teixeira(Alternate)	2007

## **HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Henry Young	2007
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## **INSPECTOR OF GARAGES**

Kevin A. Gallagher

## **LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Robert Bartolome	upon completion of the project
Donna G. Forand	upon completion of the project
Tonya R. Revell	upon completion of the project
Jean S. Stripinis	upon completion of the project
John Tavares	upon completion of the project
Claudette J. Tobin	upon completion of the project

## **MOTH SUPERINTENDENT/INSPECTOR OF PEST CONTROL**

Everett L. Hardy, Jr.

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

Leo Coons  
Linda Enos  
Michael Miller

## **OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**

Marc Cenerizio	2007
Ted Cioper	2007
Robert Rocha	2007
Daniel Herzlinger	2007

## **PARKING CLERK**

Alan G. Coutinho

## **PCB REPRESENTATIVE ON THE NEW BEDFORD SUPERFUND FORUM**

None

## **PHASE II STORMWATER COMMITTEE**

Raymond Barlow (Highway Supertintendent)  
Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)  
Alan Coutinho (Town Administrator)  
Thomas Fantozzi (Board of Health Agent)  
Daniel Herzlinger (Conservation Commission Agent)  
John Roza, III (Building Inspector)

## **POLL WORKERS FOR PRECINCT I**

Joyce H. Tillet (D) Warden	2007
Claire Gonsalves (D) Deputy Warden	2007
Juliana Perry (R) Clerk	2007
Dorothy Gomes (D) Deputy Clerk	2007
Gloria Bernier (U)	2007
Jeanne Duggan (D)	2007
William Duggan (D)	2007
Marie Hardy (U)	2007
Genevieve R. Linhares (R)	2007
Susanne Y. Sounik	2007

### **POLL WORKERS FOR PRECINCT II**

Lucille Ledoux-Hardy (U) Warden	2007
Virginia Baird (R) Deputy Warden	2007
Lillian Contois (D) Clerk	2007
Dorothy Daniels (U) Deputy Clerk	2007
Lorraine Dabrowski (U)	2007
Alice Kut (D)	2007
Jeannette Pepin (D) Sub	2007
Rose Procyk	2007
Bertha Rose	2007

### **POLL WORKERS FOR PRECINCT III**

Bertha M. Rose (U) Warden	2007
Betty White (U) Deputy Warden	2007
Dorothy L. Lackie (R) Clerk	2007
Betsy J. Ellis (U) Deputy Clerk	2007
Diane Couto	2007
Geraldine Frates (D)	2007
Deborah Medeiros (U)	2007
Margaret Mota (U)	2007
Priscilla Santos (D)	2007
Germaine Vieira	2007

### **PORTABLE SIGN COMMITTEE**

Richard A. Ellis	Robert Hall
Peter Koczera	Paul Melo
John Roza, III	

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

Gary Coppa

### **PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATOR**

Robert J. St. Jean

## **REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**

Kristin Bourgault	2006
Michael J. Sylvia	2007
Irene DeCotis	2008

## **RIGHT TO KNOW COORDINATOR**

None

## **SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Michael Alves	2006
Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)	2006
Gerri Reed	2006
Adrienne Rivet (E.M.S. Director)	2006

## **SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES**

Theodore Machado

## **SHELLFISH WARDEN/HARBOR MASTER**

Gary Coppa

## **DEPUTY SHELLFISH WARDEN**

Robert Medeiros

## **SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

Carol Chongarlides (Conservation Commission Rep.)  
Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission Rep.)  
Thomas E. Fantozzi (Soil Conservation Board Inspector)  
Robert Lanzoi (Board of Public Works Rep.)  
Robert Medeiros (Board of Health Rep.)  
David E. Wojnar (Board of Selectmen Rep.)

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

**Paul Sylvia**

**SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER ACUSHNET METHODIST CHURCH**

**None**

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

**Henry Young**  
**Robert J. St. Jean (Alternate)**

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

**Robert J. St. Jean**

**STREET NAME COMMITTEE**

**Michael Alves (Police Chief)**  
**Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)**  
**Adrienne Rivet (E.M.S. Director)**

**TAX SHIFT STUDY COMMITTEE**

<b>Roger Cabral</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Marc Cenerizio</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Nicolangela Filippone</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Richard Threlfall</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Paul Trahan</b>	<b>2006</b>

**TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN**

**Laurie Avery**

**TILCON CAPALDI CLOSURE PLAN COMMITTEE**

**Raymond LeBlanc  
David E. Wojnar**

**VETERANS' AGENT, DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES**  
**Veterans Burial Agent for Indigent Soldiers & Sailors**  
**& Veterans Grave Officer (C115 S7 & 9)**

**George F. Bevilacqua**

**(TILCON CAPALDI) WEIGHER**

<b>Kerrie Almeida</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>David Froh</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Filomenia Yuille</b>	<b>2006</b>



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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

The current Board of Assessors is: George H. Perry, Jr., Chairman, Michael A. Cioper, Member, and Joseph Botelho, Member. The office staff consists of Kelly A. Koska, Acting Principal Assessor, and Suzanne Picard, Senior Clerk. Joseph Botelho won the election in 2005 and replaced now Selectman, Robert F. Brown.

The year 2005 was eventful for the Assessors' office. The required cyclical inspection process commenced implemented by the Department of Revenue as of Fiscal 2004 and is moving forward in a steady timely fashion. We are also looking forward to the major project of the statutory triennial revaluation for Fiscal 2007. This process overseen by the Department of Revenue is required to maintain the integrity of the town's database. The impact of the revaluation for the upcoming fiscal year should be less than in past year's since the implementing of interim adjustments each fiscal year to coincide with current real estate market values.

The town is also in the process of creating a Master Plan to effectively manage its growing needs. The Assessors' office provides statistical information when requested for the necessary analysis to be performed in order to bring this project to fruition. The staff of the Assessors' office will cooperate in any way possible for the success of this endeavor.

The Phase I Sewer project was also a pertinent subject for 2005. The completion of this project is speculated for latter 2006. The Assessors will work diligently to accurately and efficiently manage the apportioned sewer betterments upon the completion of the project. We look forward to working with the Department of Public Works and other town departments to provide a high quality of service to all impacted residents.

As a result of the joint efforts of the Assessors' office and Finance team, the tax rate for Fiscal 2006 was set timely and bills were sent within the projected timetable established. We can only hope for this repeated success for the upcoming fiscal year.

The Assessors' office was able to generate \$441,824 in new growth. This added revenue helped close the gap between budget cuts from the state and the needs of the citizens of Acushnet.

The Board of Assessors wishes to thank everyone, continued good health and best wishes for a new year.

<b>TAX SUMMARY</b>	<b><u>FY 2005</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2006</u></b>
Total Amount to be raised:	\$23,457,794.08	\$24,820,766.66
Total estimated receipts from	\$12,811,527.54	\$13,905,447.00
Other revenue sources		
TAX LEVY	\$10,646,266.54	\$10,915,319.66

<b>VALUE BY CLASS</b>	<b><u>FY 2005</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2006</u></b>
Single Family (101)	\$ 762,274,500.00	\$ 895,434,525.00
Condominiums (102)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2 & 3 Family (104 & 105)	\$ 39,399,000.00	\$ 47,063,080.00
Multi Family (111-125)	\$ 5,440,100.00	\$ 6,053,200.00
Vacant land (130-132,106)	\$ 25,978,300.00	\$ 28,950,500.00
Others (103, 109, Res mix use)	\$ 47,288,078.00	\$ 57,863,130.00
Commercial (3**)	\$ 26,676,846.00	\$ 29,938,298.00
Chapter 61, 61A, 61B	\$ 2,122,071.00	\$ 2,167,877.00
Industrial (4**)	\$ 36,230,360.00	\$ 33,472,860.00
Personal Property	\$ 17,592,656.00	\$ 17,701,403.00

**TAX RATE FY 2006**      Residential = \$ 9.64      Commercial/Industrial = \$ 11.22

**AVERAGE ASSESSED VALUE SINGLE FAMILY HOME – \$ 286,640.00**

Respectfully submitted,

George H. Perry, Jr., Chairman  
Michael A. Cioper, Member  
Joseph Botelho, Member  
**ACUSHNET BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

*Report of*  
**THE TOWN CLERK**

**Births, Marriages and Deaths**  
**Vital Statistics 2005**

***BIRTHS:***

In Acushnet	0
In other Municipalities	82
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>82</b>
 Resident	 82
Non-Resident	0
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>82</b>
 Male	 40
Female	42
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>82</b>

***MARRIAGES:***

In Acushnet	8
In other Municipalities	24
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>32</b>
 Resident Bride and Groom	 15
Resident Groom	3
Resident Bride	3
Non-Resident Bride and Groom	
11	
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>32</b>

***DEATHS:***

In Acushnet	16
In other Municipalities	58
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>74</b>
 Resident Deaths - Female	 37
Resident Deaths - Male	35
Non-Resident Deaths - Female	1
Non-Resident Deaths - Male	1
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>74</b>

**Attest:**

**John C. Howcroft**  
**Town Clerk**

**REPORT OF  
THE  
TREASURER**  
Reconciliation of  
Treasurer's Cash  
July 1, 2004 -  
June 30, 2005

**Balances per Reconciled Bank Statements**

Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	Money Market	66,900.15
Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	Vendor Account	145.40
Citizens Bank & Trust	General Account	1,272,956.84
Citizens Bank & Trust	Money Market	5,592,103.82
Citizens Bank & Trust	Collector's Account	94,386.16
Citizens Bank & Trust	Golf Course	576,088.67
Citizens Bank & Trust	Payroll	2.10
Eastern Bank	Money Market	12,507.32
First Federal Savings	School Lunch	222,987.34
First Federal Savings	Money Market	187,957.02
First Federal Savings	CPA	127,996.61
Fleet Bank	Money Market	85,353.38
Fleet Bank	Checking	137,751.15
Rockland Trust Company	Money Market	356,607.55
Uni Bank	Money Market	57,516.66
State Street	Money Market	85,912.09
		<hr/> 8,877,172.26
Deposits in Transit and Cash on Hand		<hr/> 1,650.00
		8,878,822.26
Fleet Bank - Various Town Trusts		546,371.75
Citizens Bank & Trust - Various Town Trusts		2,727,155.23
Citizens Bank & Trust - Planning Board		50,713.32
Citizens Bank & Trust - Certificate of Deposit		503,307.04
Boston Safe Deposit & Trust - Certificate of Deposit		<hr/> 56,479.75
<b>Total of All Cash and Investments for the Town</b>		<hr/> <b>\$12,762,849.35</b> <hr/>

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,

Laurie J. Avery  
Treasurer/Collector

# RECEIPTS FISCAL YEAR 2005

## GENERAL FUND

### PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

1996	\$ -
1997	-
1998	-
1999	-
2000	-
2001	-
2002	-
2003	-
2004	819.00
2005	221,102.00
Total Personal Property Taxes	\$ 221,921.00

### REAL ESTATE TAXES

Prior Years	\$ -
2003	-
2004	49,906.00
2005	10,101,640.00
Total Real Estate Taxes	\$ 10,151,546.00

### TAX LIENS REDEEMED

Prior Years	\$ 55,506.00
Total Tax Liens Redeemed	\$ 55,506.00

### TAX LIENS FORECLOSED

Prior Years	\$ -
Total Tax Liens Foreclosed	\$ -

### MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Prior Years	\$ 123.00
1996	33.00
1997	7.00
1998	-
1999	11.00
2000	196.00
2001	623.00
2002	1,092.00
2003	9,525.00
2004	250,756.00
2005	916,602.00
Total Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 1,178,968.00

<b>FARM EXCISE</b>		<b>-</b>
	<b>Total Farm Excise</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>PENALTIES AND INTEREST</b>		
	<b>Personal Property Tax</b>	<b>\$ 135.00</b>
	<b>Real Estate Tax</b>	<b>22,648.00</b>
	<b>Motor Vehicle Excise</b>	<b>18,497.00</b>
	<b>Tax Liens Redeemed</b>	<b>27,492.00</b>
	<b>Total Penalties and Interest</b>	<b>\$ 68,772.00</b>
<b>RUBBISH</b>		
	<b>Rubbish Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 19,300.00</b>
	<b>Liens</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Total Rubbish</b>	<b>\$ 19,300.00</b>
<b>FEES</b>		
	<b>Police Detail</b>	<b>\$ 2,941.00</b>
	<b>Cable</b>	<b>1,658.00</b>
	<b>Lien Certificates</b>	<b>10,950.00</b>
	<b>Town Clerk Passport Fee</b>	<b>30.00</b>
	<b>Non - Renewal Motor Vehicles</b>	<b>6,620.00</b>
	<b>Constable Fees</b>	<b>50.00</b>
	<b>Total Fees</b>	<b>\$ 22,249.00</b>
<b>OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE</b>		
	<b>Assessors</b>	<b>\$ 1,236.00</b>
	<b>Selectmen</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Collector</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Town Clerk</b>	<b>9,363.00</b>
	<b>Conservation</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Planning Board</b>	<b>1,910.00</b>
	<b>Appeal Board</b>	<b>5,250.00</b>
	<b>Police</b>	<b>796.00</b>
	<b>Fire</b>	<b>4,914.00</b>
	<b>Building</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Weights &amp; Measures</b>	<b>624.00</b>
	<b>Board of Health</b>	<b>27,402.00</b>
	<b>Library</b>	<b>460.00</b>
	<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	<b>15,417.00</b>
	<b>Total Other Departmental Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 67,372.00</b>
<b>LICENSES</b>		
	<b>Business</b>	<b>\$ 2,005.00</b>
	<b>Drain Layers</b>	<b>1,450.00</b>
	<b>Liquor</b>	<b>14,950.00</b>
	<b>Victualers</b>	<b>1,685.00</b>

Amusement	4,216.00
Motor Vehicles	1,650.00
Dog	11,552.00
<b>Total Licenses</b>	<b>\$ 37,508.00</b>

#### PERMITS

Oil Burner	\$ 695.00
Building	36,084.00
Electrical	11,302.00
Gas	4,013.00
Board of Health	16,095.00
Plumbing	8,302.00
Soil Removal	375.00
Gun	5,525.00
<b>Total Permits</b>	<b>\$ 82,391.00</b>

#### FINES AND FORFEITURES

Dog	\$ 1,620.00
Library	2,975.00
Parking	1,190.00
<b>Total Fines and Forfeitures</b>	<b>\$ 5,785.00</b>

#### SALES OF INVENTORY

Cemetery Lots	\$ 550.00
<b>Total Sales of Inventory</b>	<b>\$ 550.00</b>

#### STATE SHARED REVENUE

Abatements to the Blind	\$ -
Abatements to the Elderly	34,160.00
Abatements to Veterans	-
Abatements to Surviving Spouse	
Veterans' Benefits	3,841.00
Highway Funds	-
Additional Assistance	163,421.00
Lottery Funds	1,349,775.00
Court Fines	1,645.00
Registry Fines	13,505.00
Other State	60.00
School Chapter 70	5,859,834.00
School Transportation	-
Police Career Incentive	30,654.00
<b>Total State Shared Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 7,456,895.00</b>

#### REIMBURSEMENT

Snow & Ice Reimbursement	\$ 32,886.00
Municipal Medicaid Reimbursement	173,902.00
<b>Total Reimbursements</b>	<b>\$ 206,788.00</b>

<b>EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 416,145.00</b>
Total Earnings on Investments	<u>\$ 416,145.00</u>
<b>INTERFUND TRANSFERS</b>	
From Enterprise Fund	\$ 1,000.00
From Special Revenue	212,100.00
From Trust & Agency	<u>303,139.00</u>
Total Interfund Transfers	<u>\$ 516,239.00</u>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<u>\$ 20,507,935.00</u>
<b><u>SCHOOL LUNCH FUND</u></b>	<u>\$ 305,237.00</u>
<b><u>HIGHWAY CHAPTER 90</u></b>	<u>\$ 16,016.00</u>

### **SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

Animal Gift Fund	\$ 1,903.00
P.E.G. Access	56,010.00
Police Grant	-
Law Enforcement Trust	278.00
Police Reimbursable	5,100.00
Bureau Of Justice	-
LIG/MEG	14,905.00
Library Gift Fund	-
Partingways Beautification	-
Title V	6,464.00
Arts Lottery Council	2,808.00
Council On Aging	10,578.00
Council On Aging Gift Fund	2,727.00
Notice Of Intent - Conservation	8,215.00
E.M.S.	284,911.00
Board of Health	475.00
Insurance Reimbursement	17,236.00
Outside Ads	286.00
Skate Park Gift Fund	-
Park Gift Fund	6,501.00
FEMA Grant	3,176.00
Anti-Terrorism	-
Homeland Security - Assistance to Firefighters	35,890.00
Bristol County Homeland Security	37,600.00
Fire S.A.F.E Grant	3,115.00
Fire Safety Equipment Grant	21,000.00
SEMASS - Mass Tech Park	6,542.00
MEMA Grant	-
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE</b>	<u><b>\$ 525,720.00</b></u>

## **SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE**

Title I	\$	55,618.00
Title II 94 - 142		223,147.00
Early Childhood		6,883.00
Drug Free School		4,071.00
Ford Middle School Fund		17,760.00
School Building Rental		1,531.00
Elementary School Fund		17,410.00
Community Partnership Grant		-
Current Framework (SPED)		-
SPED Corrective Action Grant		-
Palms State Learning Grant		-
Summer Academic Support		-
Teacher Quality in Education		24,645.00
Enhanced Education		(53.00)
Title V		4,439.00
Mental Health/Early Childhood		-
Early Intervention Lit.		-
SPED Program Improvement Grant		4,650.00
SPED Circuit Breaker		125,179.00
Full Day Kindergarten		101,399.00
Kindergarten Enhancement Grant		37,021.00
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>623,700.00</b>

<b><u>COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>176,093.00</b>
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<b><u>WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>671,428.00</b>
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<b><u>CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>680,447.00</b>
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<b><u>SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>285,910.00</b>
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<b><u>GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,549,388.00</b>
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## **TRUST FUND**

Contributions	\$	8,976.00
Transfers		227,557.00
Interest & Earnings on Investments		54,229.00
<b>TOTAL TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>290,762.00</b>

<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>25,632,636.00</b>
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# APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

## FISCAL YEAR 2005

	<u>FY 2005 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2005 EXPEND.</u>
<b>RESERVE FUND 1110</b>		
F.B. Reserve Fund	\$ 6,303.00	\$ 0.00
Total Reserve Fund	6,303.00	0.00
<b>TOWN MEETING 1113</b>		
Town Meeting / Election	<u>12,000.00</u>	<u>10,248.00</u>
Total Town Meeting	12,000.00	10,248.00
<b>MODERATOR 1114</b>		
Salary	602.00	602.00
Supplies	30.00	0.00
In-State Travel	37.00	0.00
Dues/Subscriptions/Memberships	<u>40.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Moderator	709.00	602.00
<b>SELECTMEN 1122</b>		
Stipends - Selectmen	13,990.00	13,290.00
Salaries - Town Administrator	79,884.00	79,884.00
Salaries - Clerical	50,245.00	49,894.00
Salaries - Special Project Manager	8,500.00	8,500.00
Salaries - Temporary	2,500.00	1,891.00
Longevity	800.00	800.00
R. & M. Vehicles	900.00	724.00
Special Article School Facility Com.	1,495.00	0.00
Special Article - DEP Site Assessment	1,463.00	0.00
Engineering Fees	500.00	225.00
Consulting / Grant Writer	0.00	0.00
Telephone	2,550.00	2,337.00
Communications - Advertising	3,650.00	1,882.00

	<b>FY 2005 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2005 EXPEND.</b>
Training & Testing	500.00	0.00
Office Supply	900.00	900.00
Town Report / Warrant	4,275.00	4,275.00
Meeting Expenses	185.00	144.00
Travel	1,000.00	259.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	1,600.00	1,545.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Reg. Voters Legal Reimb.	1,372.00	0.00
Special Article - Long Plain Furnace	7,500.00	5,967.00
Special Article - Communication Equipment	<u>9,771.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Selectmen	193,580.00	172,517.00

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE 1131**

Salaries - Clerical	2,122.00	897.00
Office Supplies	170.00	118.00
Travel	180.00	60.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	<u>200.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Finance Committee	2,672.00	1,075.00

#### **FINANCE DIRECTOR 1133**

Salaries - Director of Finance	<u>6,849.00</u>	<u>6,849.00</u>
Total Finance Director	6,849.00	6,849.00

#### **TOWN ACCOUNTANT 1135**

Salaries - Town Accountant	62,541.00	62,541.00
Salaries - Accounting Clerk	28,610.00	28,610.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	6,941.00	6,940.00
Longevity	600.00	600.00
Overtime	0.00	0.00
Auditing	17,000.00	17,000.00
Telephone	1,500.00	1,255.00
Office Supplies	1,200.00	1,200.00
Travel	1,455.00	653.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b><u>APPROP.</u></b>	<b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	395.00	390.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Write Off Police Detail	912.00	912.00
Special Article - GASB 34	<u>14,651.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Town Accountant	135,805.00	120,101.00

#### **ASSESSORS 1141**

Stipends - Assessors	11,112.00	9,050.00
Salaries - Assistant Assessor	49,226.00	40,301.00
Salaries - Clerical	26,930.00	25,003.00
Salaries - Overtime	500.00	499.00
Salaries - Temporary	0.00	0.00
Longevity	0.00	0.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	175.00	164.00
Annual Update/Consultant	0.00	0.00
Telephone	1,200.00	784.00
Printing & Binding	300.00	143.00
Communications - Advertising	493.00	493.00
Training	0.00	0.00
Plot Plans	1,500.00	1,239.00
Reg. Deeds/Probate	200.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00
Travel	1,000.00	603.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	250.00	250.00
Management Consulting	300.00	300.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Software Expense	3,000.00	0.00
Camera License Fee	4,000.00	4,000.00
Special Article - Triennial Certification	<u>21,800.00</u>	<u>21,800.00</u>
Total Assessors	122,986.00	105,629.00

#### **TOWN TREASURER 1145**

Salaries - Town Treasurer	27,295.00	27,295.00
Salaries - Assistant Treasurer	15,450.00	15,450.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b>APPROP.</b>	<b>EXPEND.</b>
Salaries - Clerical	29,470.00	29,469.00
Salaries - Temporary	900.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	2,197.00	557.00
Longevity	600.00	600.00
Repairs / Maintenance	0.00	0.00
Legal - Land Court	22,800.00	11,282.00
Low Value Property	314.00	0.00
Loan Expense	2,500.00	2,328.00
Telephone	1,600.00	830.00
Communications - Advertising	1,300.00	1,296.00
Reg. Deeds / Probate	1,250.00	1,200.00
Office Supplies	2,200.00	2,167.00
Postage	18,000.00	18,000.00
Travel	1,000.00	999.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	250.00	185.00
Bonding	1,200.00	1,100.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Town Treasurer</b>	<b>128,326.00</b>	<b>112,758.00</b>

#### **TOWN COLLECTOR 1146**

Salaries - Town Collector	28,295.00	28,295.00
Salaries - Assistant Collector	15,450.00	15,450.00
Salaries - Clerical	27,771.00	27,770.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,050.00	200.00
Salaries - Overtime	500.00	17.00
Longevity	600.00	600.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	304.00	0.00
Tax Bills	2,675.00	2,675.00
Telephone	1,000.00	895.00
Communication - Advertising	948.00	178.00
Registry Recordings	2,000.00	1,800.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00
Travel/Meals	1,008.00	1,008.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	140.00	140.00
Bonding	800.00	200.00

	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>EXPEND.</b>
Additional Equipment	<u>200.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Town Collector	83,741.00	80,228.00

#### **TOWN COUNSEL 1151**

Legal - Land Court	<u>85,000.00</u>	<u>80,648.00</u>
Total Town Counsel	85,000.00	80,648.00

#### **DATA PROCESSING 1155**

Salaries - Systems Administrator	3,825.00	3,825.00
Internet Services	6,000.00	5,940.00
R. & M. Copier	3,100.00	3,100.00
Maintenance Agreement	49,436.00	49,436.00
Software Maintenance	4,600.00	4,576.00
Computer Training & Testing	377.00	377.00
Photocopier Supply	2,000.00	2,000.00
Wiring Expense	0.00	0.00
Software Expense	500.00	500.00
Other Supplies	2,395.00	2,249.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	<u>10,665.00</u>	<u>10,665.00</u>
Total Data Processing	82,898.00	82,668.00

#### **TOWN CLERK 1161**

Salaries - Town Clerk	24,466.00	24,466.00
Salaries - Clerical	51,204.00	51,176.00
Salaries - Temporary	2,500.00	2,499.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,065.00	1,003.00
Longevity	800.00	740.00
Repairs / Maintenance	400.00	238.00
Ballots	1,800.00	1,565.00
Vital Statistics	200.00	200.00
Telephone	1,000.00	810.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b><u>APPROP.</u></b>	<b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,500.00
Update Law Books	0.00	0.00
Postage	1,300.00	1,300.00
Travel	500.00	193.00
Dues/Subsription/Memberships	200.00	120.00
Bonding	60.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	800.00	674.00
Special Article - Vital Records	1,500.00	1,420.00
Special Article - CD ROMS	954.00	0.00
<b>Total Town Clerk</b>	<b>90,249.00</b>	<b>87,904.00</b>

#### **REGISTRAR OF VOTERS 1163**

Salaries - Temporary	8,200.00	8,091.00
Voting Program Movers	3,200.00	2,665.00
Street Voting / Census	3,800.00	1,144.00
Office Supplies	400.00	383.00
Postage	600.00	600.00
<b>Total Registrar Of Voters</b>	<b>16,200.00</b>	<b>12,883.00</b>

#### **CONSERVATION 1171**

Salaries - Agent	29,500.00	24,188.00
Salaries - Clerical	15,869.00	13,505.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,445.00	457.00
Longevity	343.00	0.00
Special Article - Appraisals	2,250.00	2,250.00
Telephone	500.00	478.00
Communications - Advertising	1,795.00	198.00
Training & Testing	945.00	745.00
Office Supplies	950.00	950.00
Photo Supplies	0.00	0.00
Travel	130.00	108.00
Dues/Subsription/Memberships	275.00	275.00
Site Improv. Land Develop.	0.00	0.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b>APPROP.</b>	<b>EXPEND.</b>
Additional Equipment	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Conservation	54,002.00	43,154.00

#### **SOIL BOARD 1172**

Salaries - Clerical	1,000.00	1,000.00
Office Supplies	<u>50.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Soil Board	1,050.00	1,000.00

#### **PLANNING BOARD 1175**

Salaries - Agent	5,000.00	4,100.00
Salaries - Clerical	8,671.00	7,747.00
Training & Testing	0.00	0.00
Communications - Advertising	1,050.00	994.00
Other Purchase - Serv. Recording.	50.00	40.00
Registrat. Deeds/Update Maps	25.00	10.00
Office Supplies	400.00	291.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	100.00	80.00
Special Article - Zoning Bylaw Edits	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Planning Board	20,296.00	13,262.00

#### **BOARD OF APPEALS 1176**

Salaries - Clerical	1,853.00	1,384.00
Communications - Advertising	1,600.00	1,363.00
Office Supplies	<u>157.00</u>	<u>153.00</u>
Total Board of Appeals	3,610.00	2,900.00

#### **TOWN HALL COMPLEX 1192**

Salaries - Custodian	31,738.00	31,738.00
Salaries - Part-time Custodian	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Temporary	3,000.00	0.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b><u>APPROP.</u></b>	<b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
Salaries - Overtime	4,326.00	4,305.00
Longevity	400.00	400.00
Energy	30,500.00	30,200.00
Grass Cutting/Maintenance	2,000.00	1,364.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	16,909.00	14,917.00
Special Article - A.D.A. Requirement	11,570.00	0.00
Special Article - Town Hall Parking	25,000.00	20,032.00
Special Article - Long Plain Restoration	25,000.00	0.00
Supplies	<u>4,650.00</u>	<u>4,506.00</u>
Total Town Hall Complex	155,093.00	107,462.00

**BY - LAWS 1197**

Office Supplies	<u>500.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>
Total By-Laws	500.00	400.00

**POLICE DEPARTMENT 2210**

Salaries - Police Chief	88,926.00	88,260.00
Salaries - Permanent	1,022,315.00	1,022,315.00
Longevity	7,000.00	6,800.00
Clothing Allowance	13,032.00	12,847.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	0.00	0.00
Vehicle Maintenance	11,000.00	10,521.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	9,000.00	6,926.00
Software Maintenance	8,160.00	5,849.00
Telephone	5,000.00	4,827.00
Training & Testing	3,205.00	3,205.00
Office Supplies	2,200.00	2,198.00
Meals	1,025.00	1,025.00
Other Supplies - Hardware /Lockup	19,325.00	19,325.00
Travel	200.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	755.00	755.00
Equipment	<u>22,824.00</u>	<u>22,824.00</u>
Total Police Department	1,213,967.00	1,207,677.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b><u>APPROP.</u></b>	<b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT 2220</b>		
Salaries - Fire Chief	67,661.00	67,661.00
Salaries - Permanent	165,907.00	165,907.00
Salaries - Clerical Part Time	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Callmen	72,806.00	72,806.00
Overtime	36,187.00	36,187.00
Longevity	2,000.00	2,000.00
Clothing Allowance	3,050.00	2,989.00
Energy	7,800.00	7,644.00
Water	125.00	125.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	500.00	500.00
Special Article - Refurbish Station 1	0.00	0.00
R. & M. Equipment	2,603.00	2,568.00
R & M. Vehicle	4,000.00	4,000.00
Software	600.00	600.00
Radio Repairs	1,000.00	996.00
Hepatitis B Shots	667.00	0.00
Medical Exams	0.00	0.00
Telephone	2,690.00	2,197.00
Training/CPR/1st Aid	7,050.00	7,050.00
Office Supplies	1,300.00	1,278.00
Other Supplies	300.00	300.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	1,200.00	1,177.00
Additional Equipment	1,500.00	1,472.00
Special Article - Repair Stations 1&2	60,000.00	53,206.00
Special Article - Fire Alarm System	55,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Fire Department</b>	<b>493,946.00</b>	<b>430,663.00</b>

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 2232**

Salaries - Director	44,301.00	44,301.00
Salaries - Permanent	260,000.00	245,512.00
Salaries - EMT's	70,000.00	3,842.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	11,095.00	11,092.00
Salaries - Overtime	5,000.00	3,519.00

	<b>FY 2005 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2005 EXPEND.</b>
Longevity	1,000.00	600.00
Clothing Allowance	2,000.00	1,771.00
Energy	11,489.00	11,174.00
R. & M. Buildings & Grounds	1,400.00	972.00
R. & M. Equipment	4,000.00	3,865.00
Physicals	600.00	252.00
Telephone	1,800.00	1,772.00
Training & Testing	2,000.00	1,106.00
Collection Expense	3,600.00	3,480.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	865.00
Supplies	600.00	597.00
Vehicle Supplies & Maintenance	8,294.00	8,202.00
Medical & Surgical Supplies	12,000.00	11,688.00
Oxygen	2,500.00	1,478.00
Travel	50.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	1,200.00	1,005.00
Additional Equipment/Furniture	600.00	435.00
Special Article- SLEA Oversight	7,000.00	7,000.00
Special Article - Defibrillators SVC	2,000.00	2,000.00
<b>Total Emergency Medical Services</b>	<b>453,529.00</b>	<b>366,528.00</b>

From Taxation: \$157,528.00

From E.M.S. Res. Rec. Account: \$209,000.00

#### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT 2241**

Salaries - Building Inspector	46,350.00	46,350.00
Salaries - Clerical	27,771.00	27,770.00
Salaries - Wire Inspector	9,977.00	9,977.00
Salaries - Deputy Wire Inspector	1,167.00	930.00
Salaries - Deputy Building Inspector	1,500.00	635.00
Salaries - Gas/Plumbing Inspector	7,997.00	7,997.00
Salaries - Deputy Gas/Plumbing Inspector	700.00	263.00
Salaries - Temporary	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	0.00	0.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b>APPROP.</b>	<b>EXPEND.</b>
Longevity	600.00	600.00
Training & Testing	300.00	0.00
R. & M. Equipment	300.00	300.00
Telephone	1,000.00	765.00
Plot Plans	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	500.00	500.00
Vehicle Supplies	650.00	650.00
Meals	0.00	0.00
Travel	300.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	300.00	279.00
Additional Equipment	200.00	71.00
<b>Total Building Department</b>	<b>99,612.00</b>	<b>97,087.00</b>

#### **SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES 2244**

Salaries -Permanent Position	871.00	871.00
Telephone	15.00	0.00
Office Supplies	200.00	0.00
Travel	180.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	120.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	300.00	0.00
<b>Total Sealer Of Weights &amp; Measures</b>	<b>1,686.00</b>	<b>871.00</b>

#### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY 2291**

Energy	1,800.00	1,769.00
Repairs/Equipment Maint.	1,200.00	1,200.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	850.00	850.00
Telephone	400.00	385.00
Maintenance & Supplies	300.00	251.00
Disaster Fund	0.00	0.00
Travel	100.00	60.00
Additional Equipment/Gear	908.00	905.00
<b>Total Emergency Management Agency</b>	<b>5,558.00</b>	<b>5,420.00</b>

	<b>FY 2005 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2005 EXPEND.</b>
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL 2292</b>		
Salaries - Director	27,547.00	27,547.00
Salaries - Temporary	0.00	0.00
Longevity	200.00	200.00
Clothing Allowance	125.00	125.00
R. & M. Equipment	200.00	150.00
Telephone	675.00	675.00
Board Services	2,000.00	1,428.00
Training & Testing	300.00	222.00
Animal Burials	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	100.00	96.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	45.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Animal Control</b>	<b>31,192.00</b>	<b>30,443.00</b>

#### **FORESTRY 2294**

Salaries - Tree Warden	680.00	680.00
Tree Removal	3,700.00	800.00
Tree Planting	1,250.00	279.00
Other Supplies	100.00	60.00
<b>Total Forestry</b>	<b>5,730.00</b>	<b>1,819.00</b>

#### **OLD COLONY REGIONAL SCHOOL 3320**

Regional School Tuition	1,343,492.00	1,343,492.00
<b>Total Old Colony Regional School</b>	<b>1,343,492.00</b>	<b>1,343,492.00</b>

#### **ACUSHNET SCHOOL DEPARTMENT 3325, 021**

Expenses	10,832,103.00	10,695,503.00
School Improvement Interest	1,089,309.00	483,675.00
Roof Principal	35,000.00	35,000.00
Roof Interest	893.00	893.00
<b>Total Acushnet School Department</b>	<b>11,957,305.00</b>	<b>11,215,071.00</b>

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b><u>APPROP.</u></b>	<b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 4422</b>		
Salaries - Superintendent	13,000.00	6,570.00
Salaries - Permanent	201,318.00	200,820.00
Salaries - Highway Superintendent	45,980.00	45,980.00
Salaries - Clerical	9,257.00	9,257.00
Salaries - Temporary	4,000.00	1,903.00
Salaries - Overtime	2,668.00	2,524.00
Longevity	2,000.00	1,900.00
Clothing Allowance	4,000.00	3,269.00
Energy	12,500.00	11,395.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	3,000.00	3,000.00
R. & M. Equipment	27,414.00	27,139.00
Rentals & Leases	6,000.00	5,979.00
Engineering Fees	3,050.00	29.00
Telephone	1,500.00	1,470.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	353.00
Police Detail	2,500.00	2,401.00
Training & Testing	1,000.00	152.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	538.00
Gasoline	60,000.00	55,602.00
Street Sign Supplies	0.00	0.00
Personal Safety Supplies	1,000.00	950.00
Road Materials	87,183.00	85,888.00
Travel	500.00	53.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses	500.00	270.00
Additional Equipment	2,500.00	2,358.00
Special Article - Dump Truck	110,000.00	0.00
Special Article - Bucket/Plow	17,500.00	0.00
Special Article - Storm Drains	5,600.00	5,600.00
Total Highway Department	625,970.00	475,400.00
<b>SNOW REMOVAL 4423</b>		
O.P.R.S. - Snow Removal - Emergency	143,260.00	143,260.00
Total Snow Removal	143,260.00	143,260.00

	<b><u>FY 2005</u></b> <b><u>APPROP.</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2005</u></b> <b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
<b>STREET LIGHTS 4424</b>		
Energy	<u>57,000.00</u>	<u>53,096.00</u>
Total Street Lights	57,000.00	53,096.00
<b>SEMASS 4431</b>		
Curbside Pick - Up	77,000.00	77,000.00
Incinerator - SEMASS	130,000.00	111,154.00
Heavy Pick	33,000.00	22,836.00
Rubbish Removal	<u>270,500.00</u>	<u>270,500.00</u>
Total SEMASS	510,500.00	481,490.00
<b>CEMETERY 4491</b>		
Salaries - Temporary	5,700.00	5,684.00
R. & M. Equipment	650.00	639.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	400.00	116.00
Office Supplies	50.00	0.00
Building Repairs/ Maint./Supplies	<u>225.00</u>	<u>105.00</u>
Total Cemetery	7,025.00	6,544.00
<b>HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICES 5510</b>		
Stipends - Board	8,517.00	8,517.00
Salaries - Sanitarian	50,000.00	50,000.00
Salaries - Clerical	27,777.00	27,531.00
Salaries - Temporary	20,674.00	20,666.00
Salaries - Overtime	0.00	0.00
Longevity	400.00	400.00
Contracted Inspection Services	0.00	0.00
Clothing Allowance	200.00	172.00
R. & M. Vehicles	892.00	874.00
Physician	1,163.00	775.00
Prof. Pub. Health Agency	14,000.00	14,000.00
Clinic Exp. - Rabies Control	0.00	0.00

	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>EXPEND.</b>
Telephone	1,250.00	904.00
Communications - Advertising	520.00	520.00
Training & Testing	400.00	332.00
Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,448.00
Postage	500.00	481.00
Photocopier Supplies	750.00	750.00
Software Expense	0.00	0.00
Medical & Surgical Supplies	137.00	129.00
Water Testing	100.00	0.00
Travel	50.00	8.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	125.00	100.00
Additional Equipment	400.00	400.00
<b>Total Health Inspection Services</b>	<b>129,355.00</b>	<b>128,007.00</b>

#### **COUNCIL ON AGING 5541**

Salaries - Director	23,637.00	23,637.00
Salaries - Temporary	9,650.00	9,463.00
Salaries - Janitorial	5,000.00	4,995.00
Energy	7,906.00	7,906.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	1,889.00	1,860.00
R. & M. Vehicles	1,000.00	1,000.00
Telephone	1,500.00	1,378.00
Alarm Services	654.00	474.00
Office Supplies	500.00	500.00
Postage	178.00	177.00
Building Supplies	800.00	800.00
Share Program	0.00	0.00
Nutrition	4,421.00	4,421.00
Travel	550.00	0.00
<b>Total Council on Aging</b>	<b>57,685.00</b>	<b>56,611.00</b>

#### **VETERANS 5543**

Salaries - Permanent	6,165.00	6,165.00
Telephone	630.00	404.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b>APPROP.</b>	<b>EXPEND.</b>
Training & Testing	600.00	16.00
Training/Public Awareness	300.00	198.00
Office Supplies	400.00	72.00
Other Supplies	0.00	0.00
Veterans Benefits	<u>10,350.00</u>	<u>9,758.00</u>
<b>Total Veterans</b>	<b>18,445.00</b>	<b>16,613.00</b>

#### **LIBRARY 6610**

Salaries - Director	46,012.00	46,004.00
Salaries - Asst. Director - Part Time	20,840.00	19,977.00
Salaries - Education	989.00	201.00
Salaries - Tech.	45,400.00	44,330.00
Salaries - Custodian	7,946.00	7,920.00
Longevity	694.00	694.00
Energy	4,837.00	4,456.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	1,637.00	1,637.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	500.00	454.00
Telephone	1,635.00	1,579.00
Education	375.00	300.00
SEALS Expense	11,207.00	11,207.00
Office Supplies	2,000.00	1,942.00
Children Ed Supplies	577.00	333.00
Other Supplies	16,256.00	16,256.00
Travel	326.00	326.00
Additional Equipment	250.00	200.00
Special Article - Library Computers	<u>2,550.00</u>	<u>2,488.00</u>
<b>Total Library</b>	<b>164,031.00</b>	<b>160,304.00</b>

#### **RECREATION 6630**

Energy	3,950.00	3,934.00
Service & Maintenance	1,700.00	1,396.00
Telephone	500.00	389.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Summer Youth	8,600.00	8,505.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b><u>APPROP.</u></b>	<b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
Office Supplies	50.00	50.00
Hardware	1,300.00	1,259.00
Other Supplies - Athletic, ETC.	<u>300.00</u>	<u>296.00</u>
<b>Total Recreation</b>	<b>16,400.00</b>	<b>15,829.00</b>

#### **PARK DEPARTMENT 6650**

Salaries - Permanent	8,652.00	8,640.00
Salaries - Permanent Laborer	8,549.00	8,533.00
Salaries - Clerical	0.00	0.00
R. & M. - Equipment	500.00	180.00
Serv. - Trash Removal	150.00	150.00
Restroom Supplies	175.00	158.00
Stone Dust	2,900.00	2,874.00
Special Article - Park Restrooms	<u>45,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total Park Department</b>	<b>65,926.00</b>	<b>20,535.00</b>

#### **HISTORICAL COMMISSION 6691**

Energy	5,061.00	4,857.00
R. & M. Building. & Grounds	1,546.00	1,537.00
Telephone / Alarm	1,000.00	900.00
Communications - Advertising	50.00	25.00
Special Article - Historic Inventory	978.00	900.00
Office Supplies	0.00	0.00
Postage	0.00	0.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
<b>Total Historical Commission</b>	<b>8,685.00</b>	<b>8,269.00</b>

#### **CELEBRATIONS 6692**

Road Race	300.00	300.00
Memorial Day/July 4	<u>1,885.00</u>	<u>823.00</u>
<b>Total Celebrations</b>	<b>2,185.00</b>	<b>1,123.00</b>

	<u>FY 2005 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2005 EXPEND.</u>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS 2699</b>		
Beautification	1,000.00	995.00
Street Acceptance	0.00	0.00
Acushnet Cultural Council	2,500.00	2,500.00
Shellfish Warden/Harbor Master	200.00	0.00
Herring Inspector	200.00	0.00
Safety Committee	200.00	0.00
Housing Partnership	200.00	0.00
Special Article - Buzzards Bay Act. Committee	<u>1,266.00</u>	<u>633.00</u>
Total Miscellaneous	5,566.00	4,128.00
<b>RETIREMENT OF DEBT 7710</b>		
Long Term Debt	<u>20,000.00</u>	<u>20,000.00</u>
Total Retirement of Debt	20,000.00	20,000.00
<b>INTEREST 7751</b>		
Long Term Debt Interest	14,431.00	14,431.00
Short Term Debt - Loan Interest	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Interest	19,431.00	14,431.00
<b>COUNTY ASSESSMENTS 8830</b>		
County Tax	<u>86,752.00</u>	<u>86,752.00</u>
Total County Tax	86,752.00	86,752.00
<b>STATE ASSESSMENTS 8850</b>		
Special Ed.	1,174.00	0.00
School Choice Tuition	7,798.00	0.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	9,715.00	7,700.00
Mosquito Assessment	21,656.00	24,073.00
Air Pollution Assessment	2,204.00	2,204.00
RTA Assessment	23,754.00	23,754.00

	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>EXPEND.</b>
<b>SRPEDD</b>	<b>1,642.00</b>	<b>1,641.00</b>
Total State Assessments	67,943.00	59,372.00
 <b>PENSIONS 1911</b>		
Bristol County Retirement	543,738.00	534,752.00
Social Security	13,000.00	5,722.00
Medicare	93,650.00	93,649.00
Total Pensions	650,388.00	634,123.00
 <b>WORKERS COMPENSATION 1912</b>		
Fringe Benefits/Charges	59,000.00	42,784.00
Total Workers Compensation	59,000.00	42,784.00
 <b>UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION 1913</b>		
Fringe Benefits/Charges	10,000.00	3,143.00
Total Unemployment Compensation	10,000.00	3,143.00
 <b>HEALTH INSURANCE 1914</b>		
Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Insurance	896,573.00	817,500.00
CRA/Flexible Benefits Plan	1,860.00	1,740.00
Total Health Insurance	898,433.00	819,240.00
 <b>LIABILITY INSURANCE 1945</b>		
Ins. Pr. Dis. - Fire - Police Accident	8,400.00	8,400.00
Property Liability/M.V.	124,000.00	104,131.00
Total Liability Insurance	132,400.00	112,531.00
 <b>TRANSFERS 9999</b>		
Transfers To Capital Project	300,000.00	300,000.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b>APPROP.</b>	<b>EXPEND.</b>
Transfers To Special Revenue	6,984.00	6,984.00
Transfers To Enterprise Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Trust & Agency	<u>227,557.00</u>	<u>227,557.00</u>
<b>Total Transfers</b>	<b>534,541.00</b>	<b>534,541.00</b>

**SEWER DEPARTMENT 6004440**

Salaries -Director	10,800.00	5,334.00
Salaries - Permanent Labor	8,190.00	4,610.00
Salaries - Water/Sewer Supt.	25,000.00	25,000.00
Salaries - Clerical	9,257.00	9,257.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	4,854.00	4,851.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	792.00
Longevity	200.00	100.00
Fringe Benefits - Health/Vacation	3,100.00	2,517.00
Clothing Allowance	400.00	218.00
Energy	7,000.00	5,172.00
Service & Maint. Equipment	5,000.00	3,374.00
R. & M. Vehicles	400.00	0.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	1,000.00	234.00
Software Maintenance	500.00	500.00
Maintenance of System	5,000.00	1,078.00
Sewer Pumping - New Bedford	256,915.00	256,352.00
Telephone	1,500.00	795.00
Legal Expense	7,810.00	3,423.00
Engineering Fees	7,000.00	22.00
Court Judgments	0.00	0.00
Training & Testing	500.00	90.00
Gasoline	500.00	310.00
Office Supplies	500.00	175.00
Sewer Bills	500.00	412.00
Postage	750.00	439.00
Travel	100.00	0.00
Upgrading System	1,000.00	0.00

	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>EXPEND.</b>
Additional Equipment	2,000.00	0.00
Special Article - Equipment	<u>405.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Sub-Total	361,181.00	325,055.00

#### **RETIREMENT OF DEBT 6007440**

Long Term Debt - Sewer	0.00	0.00
Long Term Debt - Interest	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Sub-Total	0.00	0.00

#### **TRANSFERS 6009999**

Transfers to General Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
Transfers to Special Revenue	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Sub-Total	1,000.00	1,000.00

Total Sewer Department	362,181.00	326,055.00
From Sewer Users' Fees		

#### **WATER DEPARTMENT 2704450**

Salaries - Director	17,000.00	5,333.00
Salaries - Permanent Labor	73,705.00	52,524.00
Salaries - Superintendent	22,990.00	22,990.00
Salaries - Clerical - Part Time	9,257.00	9,257.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	4,854.00	4,854.00
Salaries - Overtime	5,000.00	1,931.00
Longevity	200.00	100.00
Fringe Benefits - Health/Vacation	11,500.00	4,652.00
Clothing Allowance	1,200.00	871.00
Energy	7,300.00	2,607.00
New Bedford Water Bills	511,449.00	436,637.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	2,000.00	1,677.00
Vehicle Maintenance	1,500.00	1,206.00
Software Maintenance	500.00	500.00
Maintenance Of System	7,300.00	4,669.00

	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2005</b> <b>EXPEND.</b>
Repair/Trench Repairs	3,000.00	1,954.00
Rentals & Leases	1,000.00	395.00
Legal Expenses	7,223.00	1,220.00
Court Judgments	0.00	0.00
Engineering Fees	5,200.00	22.00
Telephone	1,000.00	680.00
Training & Testing	1,500.00	791.00
Other Purch. Serv. - Police Detail	2,000.00	965.00
Gasoline	2,900.00	2,791.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00
Water Bills	1,000.00	1,000.00
Postage	2,500.00	2,100.00
Water Testing	5,000.00	4,065.00
P.W. Suppl. - Equipment - Supplies	10,000.00	9,588.00
Travel	500.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses	750.00	425.00
Upgrading System	1,000.00	1,000.00
Additional Equipment - New Meters	5,000.00	5,000.00
Special Article - Equipment	405.00	0.00
Sub-Total	726,733.00	582,804.00
<b>RETIREMENT OF DEBT 2707450</b>		
Water Debt - Interest	42,469.00	42,469.00
Water Debt - Principal	26,617.00	26,617.00
Sub-Total	69,086.00	69,086.00
<b>TRANSFERS 2709999</b>		
Transfers to General Fund	3,100.00	3,100.00
Transfers to Special Revenue	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total	3,100.00	3,100.00
Total Water Department	798,919.00	654,990.00
From Water Users' Fees		

	<b>FY 2005 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2005 EXPEND.</b>
<b>GOLF COURSE 6606650</b>		
Salaries - Director	49,000.00	49,000.00
Salaries - Head Professional	40,000.00	40,000.00
Salaries - Clubhouse Employees	69,000.00	67,084.00
Fringe Benefits	6,836.00	4,707.00
Energy	14,000.00	7,958.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	25,180.00	20,454.00
R. & M. Equipment	14,446.00	9,307.00
Rentals & Leases	80,071.00	79,641.00
Legal Expenses	1,000.00	0.00
Management Consulting	604,314.00	602,254.00
Telephone	6,000.00	5,815.00
Communications - Advertising	30,000.00	27,624.00
Uniforms	1,000.00	229.00
Gasoline	8,789.00	8,676.00
Supplies - Golf Shop	45,678.00	36,160.00
Food Supplies	90,022.00	81,468.00
Other Supplies	9,400.00	6,575.00
Travel	1,600.00	994.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses	1,500.00	1,498.00
Insurance	10,000.00	9,129.00
Capital Projects	<u>92,123.00</u>	<u>46,045.00</u>
Sub-Total	1,199,959.00	1,104,618.00
<b>DEBT SERVICE 6607650</b>		
Long Term Debt - Golf Principal	180,000.00	180,000.00
Long Term Debt - Interest	<u>318,035.00</u>	<u>318,035.00</u>
Sub-Total	498,035.00	498,035.00

	<b>FY 2005</b> <b><u>APPROP.</u></b>	<b>FY 2005</b> <b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
<b>TRANSFERS 6609999</b>		
Transfers to General Fund	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Sub-Total	0.00	0.00
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Total Golf Course Enterprise Fund	1,697,994.00	1,602,653.00
 <b>TOTAL</b>	 <b>\$ <u>23,802,808.00</u></b>	 <b>\$ <u>22,223,183.00</u></b>

#### **OTHER EXPENDITURES**

	<b>FY 2005</b> <b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
<b>CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS</b>	
Computer Project	0.00
School Renovations	851,530.00
School Playground	0.00
Water - Hamlin Street	0.00
Partingways Building Project	200.00
Sewer Infiltration Project	8,118.00
Sewer - Phase II	120,914.00
DPW Equipment	0.00
EMS Building	3,800.00
Water Meter Project	0.00
Water Meter Replacement	0.00
Park Renovation Project	73,906.00
A.D.A. Compliance - Town Hall	0.00
Water Main Replacement - Phase II	160,927.00
Water Main Replacement - Phase I	<u>282,591.00</u>
Total Capital Project Funds	1,501,986.00

**FY 2005****EXPEND.****CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS**

Highway Projects & Equipment	0.00
Hamlin Street	0.00
Main Street	0.00
Middle Road/Peckham Road	0.00
Lawson Avenue	0.00
Slocum Street Reconstruction	15,509.00
Street Signs	0.00
Reclaim & Resurface Roads	0.00
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Total Chapter 90 Highway Funds	15,509.00

**SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

School Lunch	291,241.00
Full Day Kindergarten	81,691.00
Grants & Funding	573,144.00
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Total School Special Revenue Funds	946,076.00

**SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

Animal Gift Fund	1,020.00
Community Preservation Fund	213.00
Community Development	72.00
Building Maintenance	0.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access	0.00
Peg Access	21,816.00
Empowerment Fund	0.00
Downtown Steering Committee	0.00
Historical Comm. Survey Planning	0.00
Bureau Of Justice	21,578.00
Police D.A.R.E.	0.00
Community Policing	11,992.00
Cops Grant	0.00

	<b>FY 2005</b>
	<b><u>EXPEND.</u></b>
Law Enforcement Trust	0.00
Police Reimbursable	6,460.00
Fire Safe Grant	0.00
Firefighter Equipment Grant	0.00
Council On Aging	10,577.00
C.O.A. Building	0.00
Library Gift Fund	9,016.00
Library Building Grant	144.00
LIG/MEG	11,358.00
B.O.H.	475.00
Arts Lottery	2,525.00
Title V - Water Pollution	1,344.00
Title V - Bond Principal	5,436.00
SEMASS	6,542.00
Parting Ways Beautification	0.00
Parting Ways Building Grant	0.00
Notice Of Intent	5,395.00
Conservation Commission Grant	1,749.00
E.M.S. Fund	209,000.00
Insurance Reimbursements	15,458.00
Outside Ads	286.00
Anti - Terrorism Grant	22,731.00
FEMA Grant	3,855.00
Skate Park Gift Fund	0.00
LLEBG	0.00
Fire Safety Equipment Grant	21,000.00
Recycling Grant	0.00
Local Preparedness Grant	12,650.00
Bristol County Homeland Security Grant	12,444.00
Assistance to Firefighters	42,502.00
MEMA Grant	0.00
Total Special Revenue Funds	457,638.00

**FY 2005**

**EXPEND.**

**TRUSTS**

Various

24,186.00

Total Trust Funds

24,186.00

**GRAND TOTAL**

**\$ 25,168,578.00**

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
GENERAL FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2005**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 5,712,006.00
Receivables:	
Personal Property	7,722.00
Real Estate	149,227.00
Tax Liens	114,721.00
Taxes In Litigation	308.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	147,099.00
Tax Foreclosures	204,540.00
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 6,335,623.00</u></b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 533,998.00
Other Liabilities	93,976.00
Accrued Salaries-Teachers	187,481.00
Allowance For Abatements & Exemptions 2001-2005	258,987.00
Tailings	3,047.00
Due To Firearms Record Fund	-
Police Academy Withholding	2,450.00
Fire Dept. Comp. Time	17,223.00
Deferred Revenue:	
Real Estate And Personal Property	(102,038.00)
Tax Liens	114,721.00
Tax Foreclosure	204,540.00
Tax Litigation	308.00
Rubbish	-
Rubbish Liens	-
Motor Vehicle	147,099.00
Farm Excise	-
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,461,792.00</u></b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances	\$ 389,486.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	1,390,795.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	427,018.00
Fund Balance Designated for School Improvement Interest	2,316,788.00
Fund Balance Reserved for School Debt Reduction	<u>349,744.00</u>

<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 4,873,831.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 6,335,623.00</b>
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**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2005**

**ASSETS**

Cash & Short Term Investments	\$	257,153.00
CPA - Surcharge Receivable - 2004		(25.00)
CPA - Surcharge Receivable - 2005		1,205.00
Tax Liens Receivable		347.00
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>258,680.00</b>
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**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Deferred Revenue - Tax Liens	\$	347.00
Deferred Revenue - CPA Surcharge		1,180.00
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,527.00</b>
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**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrance - Prior Year	\$	55,000.00
Fund Balance Reserved For Open Space		24,449.00
Fund Balance Reserved For Historic Preservation		24,449.00
Fund Balance Reserved For Community Housing		24,449.00
Undesignated Fund Balance		128,806.00
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<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>257,153.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>258,680.00</b>
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Director of Finance

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2005

### ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 933,227.00
Receivables:	
E.M.S.	133,832.00
Title V Betterment Not Yet Due	42,030.00
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,109,089.00</b>
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### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 6,842.00
Deferred Revenue E.M.S.	133,832.00
Deferred Title V Not Yet Due	42,030.00
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 182,704.00</b>
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#### FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved For Encumbrances	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved For Expenditures	250,000.00
Community Development Grant	52.00
Building Maintenance Fund	2,854.00
Cable Ed & Gov. Access	29,912.00
D.A.R.E. Grant	231.00
Peg Access	56,124.00
Police Grant	-
Police Reimbursable	(3,400.00)
Law Enforcement Trust	8,350.00
Fire S.A.F.E.	3,160.00
Library Lig/Meg	35,773.00
Library Gift Fund	305,771.00
Library Building Grant	406.00
Board Of Health	64.00
Title V	2,695.00
Arts Lottery Council	3,179.00

Partingways Beautification	262.00
Notice Of Intent	7,747.00
E.M.S. Fund	127,950.00
Title V Receipts Reserved	52,464.00
Empowerment Fund	1,873.00
Downtown Steering Committee	5,654.00
C.O.A. Building Fund	1,893.00
Police LLEBG	-
Insurance Reimbursement	1,778.00
Animal Gift Fund	8,861.00
Conservation Committee Grant	-
FEMA Grant	-
Assistance to Firefighters	-
Anti-Terror/Homeland Security	998.00
Bristol County Homeland Security	25,156.00
Fire Local Preparedness	(12,650.00)
Park Department Gift Fund	6,501.00
COA Gift Fund	2,726.00
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<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 926,384.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 1,109,088.00</b>
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Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
SCHOOL LUNCH**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2005**

**ASSETS**

Cash	<u>\$ 86,746.00</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 86,746.00</u></b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 3,251.00
Due to Mass. - Meal Tax	<u>13.00</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b><u>\$ 3,264.00</u></b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>\$ 83,482.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b><u>\$ 83,482.00</u></b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b><u>\$ 86,746.00</u></b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2005**

**ASSETS**

Cash	\$	245,146.00
SPED Circuit Breaker Due from Commonwealth		-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>245,146.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$	40,853.00
Accrued Teacher Salaries		15,550.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>56,403.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Title I	\$	(11,794.00)
Title II-P.L. 94-142		35,735.00
Early Childhood Grant		3,723.00
Drug Free School		3,594.00
School Building Rentals		11,312.00
Tuition Revenue		58,361.00
Ford Middle School Fund		8,690.00
Elementary School Fund		15,278.00
Tech Lighthouse		385.00
Title V		3,861.00
Teacher Quality		8,992.00
Enhanced Education		625.00
Full Day Kindergarten		45,269.00
Full Day Kindergarten Grant		1,143.00
Gifted & Talented		3,569.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>188,743.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>245,146.00</b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2005

### ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 454,796.00
Receivables:	
Water Charges	\$ 969.00
Water Services	1,210.00
Water Liens Added to Tax - 2005	50.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 457,025.00</b>

### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 1,255.00
Deferred Revenue Water	2,179.00
Deferred Revenue Water Liens	50.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 3,484.00</b>

#### FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances	\$ 100.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	60,000.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	393,441.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 453,541.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 457,025.00</b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2005

### ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 174,568.00
Receivables:	
Sewer User Charges	3,474.00
Sewer Connection Receivable	-
Machinery & Equipment	2,825.00
Infrastructure	297,915.00
Vehicles	5,148.00
Construction in Process	466,791.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 950,721.00</b>

### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 227.00
Deferred Revenue Sewer	3,474.00
Net Fixed Assets	772,679.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 776,380.00</b>

#### FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances	\$ 88.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	73,060.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	101,193.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 174,341.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 950,721.00</b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2005

### ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 471,880.00
Land Acquisition	1,637,100.00
Land Improvements	3,729,192.00
Land Improvements Interest	798,862.00
Buildings	183,685.00
Machinery and Equipment	189,982.00
Amounts To Be Provided For Payment Of Bond	6,099,166.00
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 13,109,867.00</b>
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### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 66,101.00
Bonds Payable	5,975,000.00
Outing Deposits & Gift Certificates	42,362.00
Capitalized Lease Obligation	124,166.00
Net Fixed Assets	6,538,820.00
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 12,746,449.00</b>
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#### FUND EQUITY

Contributed Capital	\$ 500,000.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances	8,900.00
Fund Balance Designated - P/Y Revenue Shortfall	-
Undesignated Fund Balance	(145,482.00)
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<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 363,418.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 13,109,867.00</b>
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Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2005**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ (49,488.00)
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ (49,488.00)</b>
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**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 1,548.00
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 1,548.00</b>
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**FUND EQUITY**

Hamlin Street	\$ -
Lawson Avenue	(11,954.00)
Middle Road/Peckham Road	-
Slocum Street	(39,082.00)

<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ (51,036.00)</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ (49,488.00)</b>
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Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2005**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 1,280,376.00
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,280,376.00</b>
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**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 22,428.00
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B.A.N. Payable	29,113,000.00
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 29,135,428.00</b>
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**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances	\$ 5,204,292.00
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Computer Account	8,024.00
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EMS Building	1,791.00
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School Playground	199.00
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A.D.A. Compliance	12,928.00
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Sewer Infiltration	20,528.00
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School Renovations	(27,614,179.00)
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Partingways Building Project	4,383.00
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Water Meter Project	(20,000.00)
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Water Infiltration - Phase I	35,594.00
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Sewer Phase II	(4,167,881.00)
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Park Renovations	226,094.00
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Water Main Replacement	(1,566,825.00)
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<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ (27,855,052.00)</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 1,280,376.00</b>
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Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
AGENCY FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2005**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	<u>\$ 27,849.00</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 27,849.00</u></b>

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 490.00
Braleley Hill Estates	300.00
Erin Heights	911.00
Mendall Hill Estates	
Stoney Acres	932.00
Deep Brook Estates	1,090.00
Apple Blossom Estates	12,089.00
Park Drive Extension	790.00
Forestdale Estates	26,399.00
Maple Ridge Estates	181.00
Edgewood Estates	7,531.00
Outside Details - Police	<u>(22,864.00)</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b><u>\$ 27,849.00</u></b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
TRUST FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30 , 2005**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 2,949,409.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 2,949,409.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 6,225.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 6,225.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$ 103,881.00
Haydon Flower	272.00
Haydon - Candage Flower	448.00
Instructive Nursing	9,721.00
Leo/Ruth Jackson Flower	363.00
Omey/Cottle Flower	17,813.00
Travis/Ellis Flower	3,723.00
Charles Beals Library	6,407.00
Albert Leconte Library	3,210.00
Allen/Rhonda Russell Library	9,351.00
Russell Library Maintenance	8,540.00
F. Sowa Library	13,189.00
Long Plain School	9,955.00
W.G. Owen Art Week	1,192.00
Russell Protestant Poor	68,285.00
Russell Town Hall	9,954.00
Sylvia P. Manter School	47,875.00
Henry H. Rogers School	12,910.00
Russell Public Schools	39,101.00
E. C. Burt School Library	4,241.00
Ruth Tabor Scholarship	8,413.00
Long Plain Meetinghouse	14,142.00
Meetinghouse Restoration	172,022.00

A. Fluegal Board Of Health	1,580.00
RN Swift 1	13,983.00
RN Swift 2	509.00
Conservation	27,538.00
Retirement	153,463.00
Accumulated Sick Time	2,058.00
Stabilization	2,117,790.00
Golf Course Farm Land	61,255.00
Fund Balance Designated For Expenditures	-

<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 2,943,184.00</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 2,949,409.00</b>
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Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

Director of Finance

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

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2005**

**ASSETS**

Amounts To Be Provided For Payment Of Bonds	\$ 900,477.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 900,477.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

School Roof Bond	\$ -
Partingways Building Bonds	160,000.00
Water Main Bonds	664,383.00
Title V Bonds	76,094.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 900,477.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

School Renovations Authorized	\$ 27,793,000.00
Sewer - Phase II Authorized	5,000,000.00
Water Meters Authorized	20,000.00
Water - Middle Road/Main Street Authorized	2,668,000.00
CPA - White Woods Authorized	650,000.00
Park Renovations Authorized	300,000.00
School Renovations Unissued	(27,793,000.00)
Sewer - Phase II Unissued	(5,000,000.00)
Water Meters Unissued	(20,000.00)
Water - Middle Road/Main Street Unissued	(2,668,000.00)
CPA - White Woods Unissued	(650,000.00)
Park Renovations Unissued	(300,000.00)
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 900,477.00</b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
GOVERNMENTAL FIXED ASSETS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2005**

**ASSETS**

Land Acquisition	\$ 1,399,093.00
Land Improvements	357,956.00
Buildings	33,289,004.00
Machinery & Equipment	1,030,670.00
Infrastructure	16,127,598.00
Vehicles	1,546,214.00
Construction in Process	1,413,131.00
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(17,418,283.00)</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 37,745,383.00</u></b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

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

**FUND EQUITY**

Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>\$ 37,745,383.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b><u>\$ 37,745,383.00</u></b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b><u>\$ 37,745,383.00</u></b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

## **REPORT OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of Dogs Licensed	1361
Number of Kennel Licenses (Multi Dogs)	65
Number of Dogs Picked Up Unrestrained (Brought to Shelter)	44
Number of Dogs Claimed	35
Number of Dogs Transferred & Adopted	7
Number of Dogs Euthanized	2
Number of Cats/Kittens Brought to Shelter	15
Number of Cats/Kittens Adopted	15
Number of Cats Euthanized/ Hit by M.V. or Injured	7
Number of Dead Animals Picked Up	721
Number of Complaints Investigated	5,849
Number of Hearings by Selectmen	0
Number of Citations Issued	25
Number of Court Hearings	0
Mileage	6,017

Respectfully submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson  
Animal Control Officer

## REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of Dogs Quarantined	27
Number of Cats Quarantined	14
Number of Rabies Cases Investigated	0
Number of Barn Inspections	86
Number of Cattle Inspections incl. Dairy, Bulls, Heifers & Calves	161
Number of Horses & Ponies Inspected	168
Number of Goats Inspected	174
Number of Sheep Inspected	87
Number of Chickens Inspected	517
Number of Turkeys Inspected	21
Number of Rabbits Inspected	317
Number of Swine Inspected	5
Number of Peacocks Inspected	7
Number of Guinea Hens Inspected	8
Number of Waterfowl Inspected	79
Number of Swans Inspected	19
Number of Pheasants Inspected	32
Number of Geese Inspected	34

Respectfully submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson  
Animal Inspector

## **Annual Report Acushnet Board of Health 2005**

### ***Members***

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

### ***Office Staff***

Thomas E Fantozzi, R.S., C.H.O., Health Agent  
Lori M Walsh, Senior Clerk  
Wanda L Hamer, Part-Time Senior Clerk

Gerald Toussaint, who retired this past year, we would like to thank him for all your time and effort with all Board of Health issues. Good luck in your retirement.

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet,

### **Nursing Health Care Programs:**

Weekly Blood Pressure Screening is held each Wednesday from 9:00 am to 10:00 am at the Council on Aging Building at 59 ½ South Main Street. Out of the two Influenza and Pneumonia Clinics we provided 440 Flu shots and 28 Pneumonia shots. The communicable disease follow-up program was continued at a base level due to funding cuts. Any future cuts may result in curtailment of this program.

### **Inspections:**

Septic Systems	180	Mobile Home Parks	12
Title V Certifications	76	Food Service	89
Housing	29	Miscellaneous	70
Soil Evaluations	118	Complaints	35
Perc Tests	89		

### **Total Receipts for 2005**

Permits & Fees	\$34,822.50
Mobile Park Fees	\$ 7,494.00
Health Clinic Fees	\$ 1,204.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$43,520.00</b>

### **Homeland Security Meetings Attended**

15

## **Report of the Health Department**

Over the past year there were a total of 98 septic system installations. Of the 98, 46 were for new construction and 52 were for repair. This generated 144 soil evaluations and 89 perc tests. Title V Certifications were up slightly from 100 last year to 105 in 2005.

Homeland Security requirements for the Board of Health have increased in the areas of bio-terrorism, infectious disease, water and air-borne contamination and disaster relief. Additional training for all Board of Health personnel has now become mandatory so as to respond to any Homeland emergency that may occur.

The Board of Health will continue to work with the public and all departments to address any and all issues that may arise.

**Board of Health**

# **BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT ANNUAL REPORT - ACHUSNET, MASSACHUSETTS January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005**

On June 30, 2005 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project completed forty-six years of service to the cities and towns of Bristol County.

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

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

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

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

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

Public Outreach: - Providing important information to the residents of the county with respect to personal protection against mosquito bites, mosquito breeding prevention on one's property and mosquito data.

It is the policy of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project to use pesticides that are environmentally safe so that the safety of the people and environment are not jeopardized. We use as many of the biological insecticides as are practical with the environmental conditions present in the New England area.

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

During the time period January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project:

- Sprayed over 10,230.8 acres
- Treated 39.4 acres in 70 locations with BTI for mosquito larvae
- Received 225 requests for spraying
- Cleared and reclaimed 4,810 feet of brush
- Treated 501 catch basins

I would like to thank the town officials and the people of Achesnet for their continued support and cooperation and look forward to serving them in the coming year. Should anyone have a question as to what might be done to relieve a mosquito problem in their area, whether it is water management work, treatment of a breeding site, or just having an area checked, please feel free to call our office.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Andrews, Superintendent  
December 31, 2005

**Bristol County Mosquito Control Commissioners:**

Gordon W. Wolfe, Chairman  
Arthur F. Tobin  
Gregory D. Dorrance  
Steven E. Antunes-Kenyon  
Christine A. Fagan

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:

THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT ISSUED 280 PERMITS AND COLLECTED \$35,960.00 IN PERMIT FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 2005.

DATE	PERMITS	FEES COLLECTED
		\$
JULY 04	37	5,710.00
AUGUST	20	1,698.00
SEPTEMBER	26	1,533.00
OCTOBER	28	2,739.00
NOVEMBER	24	2,778.00
DECEMBER	14	2,742.00
JANUARY 05	08	2,725.00
FEBRUARY	09	1,865.00
MARCH	21	2,540.00
APRIL	27	3,200.00
MAY	36	2,735.00
JUNE	30	3,755.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>34,020.00</b>
<b>CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>\$ 1,240.00</b>
<b>CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY REFUND</b>	<b>01</b>	<b>(20.00)</b>
<b>CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>690.00</b>
<b>RENEW PERMIT</b>	<b>01</b>	<b>30.00</b>
<b>PERMITS</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>34,020.00</b>
<b>TOTAL FEES COLLECTED</b>		<b>\$35,960.00</b>

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JOHN ROZA, BUILDING COMMISSIONER  
STEVE PINA, DEPUTY INSPECTOR  
PATRICIA HARBECK, SENIOR CLERK

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:

THE FOLLOWING PERMITS WERE ISSUED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
ENDING JUNE 2005.

STRUCTURES	AMOUNT
ACCESSORY APARTMENT	01
ADDITION	28
COMMERCIAL	04
DECK	13
DEMOLITION	03
DWELLING	33
FIREPLACES	05
GARAGE	12
MISCELLANEOUS	20
POOLS	22
PORCH	11
RENOVATIONS	23
ROOF	36
SHED	20
SIDING	16
SIGNS	02
WOODSTOVE	15
TOTAL	280

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JOHN ROZA, BUILDING COMMISSIONER  
PATRICIA HARBECK, SENIOR CLERK

## **REPORT OF THE WIRING DEPARTMENT**

**TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:**

**THE WIRING DEPARTMENT ISSUED 230 PERMITS AND COLLECTED \$11,395.00 IN FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 2005.**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>PERMITS</b>	<b>FEES COLLECTED</b>
<b>JULY 2004</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>\$ 1,060.00</b>
<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,238.00</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,234.00</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>875.00</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1,140.00</b>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>829.00</b>
<b>JANUARY 2005</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,176.00</b>
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>436.00</b>
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>742.00</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>951.00</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>929.00</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>785.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>\$ 11,395.00</b>

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

**FRANK KNOX, WIRE INSPECTOR  
VICTOR PEREIRA, DEPUTY INSPECTOR  
THOMAS DE COSTA, DEPUTY INSPECTOR  
PATRICIA HARBECK, SENIOR CLERK**

## REPORT OF THE PLUMBING DEPARTMENT

TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:

THE PLUMBING DEPARTMENT ISSUED 96 PERMITS AND RECEIVED \$8,339.00 IN FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 2005.

DATE	PERMITS ISSUED	FEES
JULY 2004	10	\$ 804.00
AUGUST	12	949.00
SEPTEMBER	10	585.00
OCTOBER	08	684.00
NOVEMBER	09	1,110.00
DECEMBER	02	284.00
JANUARY 2005	06	551.00
FEBRUARY	08	856.00
MARCH	07	625.00
APRIL	10	722.00
MAY	05	381.00
JUNE	09	788.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>\$ 8,339.00</b>

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RAYMOND LAFRANCE, PLUMBING/GAS INSPECTOR  
PATRICIA HARBECK, SENIOR CLERK

## **REPORT OF THE GAS DEPARTMENT**

**TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:**

**THE GAS DEPARTMENT ISSUED 89 PERMITS AND COLLECTED \$4,061.00 IN  
PERMIT FEES FOR THE FISCAL  
YEAR ENDING JUNE 2005.**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>PERMITS ISSUED</b>	<b>FEES COLLECTED</b>
<b>JULY</b>	8	\$ 387.00
<b>AUGUST</b>	5	226.00
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	8	357.00
<b>OCTOBER</b>	12	485.00
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	13	572.00
<b>DECEMBER</b>	09	463.00
<b>JANUARY</b>	07	411.00
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	02	190.00
<b>MARCH</b>	08	282.00
<b>APRIL</b>	03	141.00
<b>MAY</b>	05	205.00
<b>JUNE</b>	09	342.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	89	\$ 4,061.00

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**

**RAYMOND LA FRANCE, GAS/PLUMBING INSPECTOR  
PATRICIA HARBECK, SENIOR CLERK**

# **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

**For the period commencing January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005**

The Department of Weights and Measures ensures that equity and fairness prevail in the marketplace between the buyer and seller and enforces all laws, ordinances and regulations relating to the accuracy of weighing and measuring devices used by local business establishments. These include taxi meters, gas station pumps, home heating oil truck meters, hospital and health clinic scales, truck scales, factory and pharmacy scales, and scales for the tipping of solid waste.

The Department of Weights and Measures enforces Massachusetts General Laws and regulations relating to the accuracy of weighing and measuring devices that weigh, measure, or count commodities offered for public sale. The department also seals or condemns devices tested, and performs such work in accordance with state laws and regulations and municipal ordinances, subject to review through reports and periodic checks by the States Division of Standards. Additionally, the department inspects prepackaged food and merchandise to ensure compliance with weight, measurement and count requirements, and for proper labeling as to weight, measure and extended prices. It also investigates complaints on measuring devices or those not conforming to legal standards, checks hawkers and peddlers for possession of licenses, and inspects weighing and measuring devices used by these vendors. The Department also advises merchants on packaging and labeling of goods.

This Department uses Handbook 44, Specifications, Tolerances, and other Technical Requirements for Weighing and Measuring Devices, promulgated by the National Institute of Standards and Technology, of the United States Department of Commerce, and further promulgated by the Massachusetts Division of Standards.

Sealing fees collected and submitted to the Town Treasurer amounted to \$670.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore Machado, Sealer  
122 Main Street  
Acushnet, MA 02743  
508-998-0200

## **REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S SERVICES**

To the residents and town officials of Acushnet, I submit the following report for Department of Veteran Services.

The purpose of this position is to provide assistance for military veterans and their families in matters relating to their rights and benefits under various government programs for the Town of Acushnet. The incumbent Veteran Service Officer establishes support programs for financial, medical, educational and vocational matters. Work is generally performed in the second floor office of Town Hall during varied days of the week to accommodate phone requests of veterans. Meetings with veterans are held throughout the Town, at people's homes, hospitals, and other veteran facilities.

It is my duty to make regular contact with recently discharged veterans as well as those having served their country in past wars and conflicts. Contacts are also made in person, by telephone, in writing, and by e-mail to department of Veteran 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.

Assists veterans in obtaining service records (DD-214) and assists them in the preparation of various applications and documents pertaining to their welfare, benefits, allowances, state bonuses, G.I. Loans and burial allowances.

It is the responsibility of the Town's Veteran Service Officer (VSO) to prepare and submit appeal cases for veterans and their dependents and appear before the Board of Veterans' Appeals on their behalf. Acts as liaison between State and U.S. representatives on behalf of veterans and their dependents. I have over the past year assisted the Police Department, as well as the Board of Health with home visits for local house bound town veterans.

As VSO, I arrange transportation for disabled or ill veterans to and from hospitals or 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.

**Performs all administrative, payroll, vouchers, billing and related finance duties in-house. Keeps abreast of developments in the profession by attending week long seminars each year conducted by the State Veterans Service Office as well as keeping abreast of current changes in Massachusetts General Laws and Federal Laws.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**George F. Bevilacqua  
Veterans Service Officer**

## **REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

**The Acushnet Zoning Board of Appeals met on a regular schedule during 2005.**

**There were 15 applications for hearings filed with the Town Clerk. Three applications were for business use; twelve were for residential purposes. Two cases were continued from 2004.**

**Variances were requested in 4 cases and Special Permits were requested in 7 cases. Five petitioners requested both a Special Permit and a Variance. One petitioner requested an overturn of the Building Inspector's decision.**

**Seven petitions were granted by the Board. Six petitions were denied. Two petitions were withdrawn without prejudice. Two cases were continued into 2006.**

**Filing fees received by the Town Clerk totaled \$3,750.00.**

**Lawrence G. Marshall, Chairman  
Carol Westgate, Vice-Chairperson  
Gerald Toussaint  
Ronald Matton  
Rick Lally  
Paul Trahan, alternate member  
Paul Hipolito, alternate member**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Michelle Albert-Dean, Secretary**

## **Report of the Acushnet Cable Advisory Committee (2006)**

To the Subscribers and Residents of Acushnet:

The Acushnet Cable Advisory Committee (ACAC) has five full time members.

The Committee meets on a regular monthly schedule. This committee has been in existence for over eight years since it was reappointed.

We operate from the Acushnet Community Center located at 232 Middle Road, Acushnet, Ma.. The programming center facilities are open and available to the residents of Acushnet for any production of Community interest. An appointment is recommended if you intend to use the facilities for editing, filming or productions as the Community Center has limited volunteers to open it to the public.

We maintain an equipped live broadcasting center at the Town Hall in order to air any Committee meetings held there. We also have a complete broadcasting center located at the Acushnet Community Center. We are equipped to go out live from the Council On Aging as well as Ford Middle School for special meetings or broadcasts.

This Committee has aired many events of Community interest since its inception and we will continue to air them live as well as replay them from tapes on a weekly basis. We operate Acushnet's Channel 18 — Government Access programming on a 24 hour basis. We broadcast the Channel 18 Bulletin Board, which operates 24 hours a day and is updated on a weekly basis. We rebroadcast taped Government Committee meetings every day at various times so that the subscribers of Comcast may be able to watch a meeting in the event they missed the live broadcast.

This Committee also operates Channel 9 - Acushnet's Education Channel on a 24 hour basis. We air upcoming School Events and Notices of Special School Events furnished to us by the Schools and or Acushnet School Committee.

Acushnet will begin negotiating with Comcast this year for a renewal license. The committee welcomes the input from subscribers during these times. There was a Public meeting held to air your views, your concerns and your wishes We also listened to your complaints which we will consider when we are in negotiations with Comcast.

We continue to train new camera operators, S.C.A.L.A. operators, V. I. P. operators and editing operators. The Committee welcomes anyone willing to volunteer for the above studio duties or as a camera operator. These positions are always needed and the Committee pays camera operators \$50.00 per event, editors \$20.00 per hours and S.C.A.L.A. operators and V.I.P. operators \$25.00 per week.

We are still looking for new events and programs to air on Channel 9 that will keep the Public's interest in School events and activities. These programs as well as recitals, musical events, graduations etc can all be shown on the Acushnet's School Channel 9. If anyone is interested in producing this type of production in the upcoming year, please contact the Committee.

The Committee welcomes any ideas from the subscribers of Comcast Cable TV and residents of Acushnet, as to what they consider most important or what they would like to see produced live versus a taped production.

The Committee also welcomes any input as to what times are best to view previously taped meetings.

The Committee has established a web page on the Town Web page by which residents can file a complaint about cable service or cable programming. Please feel to use the web page located at: [WWW.Acushnet.ma.us](http://WWW.Acushnet.ma.us). We now have E-mail at the Community Center. Mail us your E-mails direct to [AcushnetCAC@netzero.com](mailto:AcushnetCAC@netzero.com) to voice any concerns directly to the Cable Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman — Donald P. Lopes

Member — Robert Lanzoni

Member — Lawrence Marshall

Member — George Souza

Member — Michael Greene

Recording Secretary – Michelle Albert-Dean

## **REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET 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:

- 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 recreational open space as well as encourage conservation and agricultural preservation restrictions.

### **Conservation Commission Town Hall office hours:**

Monday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Tuesday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Thursday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Additional hours are available by appointment.

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 during the fall/winter months and Monday evenings in the spring/summer months as necessary.

### **2005 Filings under MGL Chapter 131 Section 40:**

- Notices of Intent - 22
- Requests for Determination of Applicability - 11
- Requests for Certificate of Compliance - 15
- Requests for Amendment of Order of Conditions - 3
- Requests for Extension of Order of Conditions - 1
- Requests for Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation - 0
- Enforcement Orders - 3

### **2005 Achievements:**

- Implemented a system to conduct regular site inspections to check for compliance with open Orders of Conditions.

- Applied and received grant funding from the Community Preservation Committee to begin work on designing a walking trail to Scout's Pond behind Pope Park.
- Marked boundaries at Davis Park Conservation Area and coordinated trail-clearing at the park by Boy Scout Troop 51.

**Commission Membership:**

- The Commission welcomed new member Joseph Botelho.
- Clerk Gail Hudon retired and the Commission welcomed new clerk Patrice LaForest.
- Erica Sachs served as the Commission's first volunteer summer intern.

Persons interested in volunteering for associate member positions are always welcome and may send a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen.

Through the year of 2005, the Board and staff included:

Steve Horsfall, *Chairman*

Ted Cioper, *Vice Chairman*

Patricia Picard, *Member*

Marc Brodeur, *Member*

Robert Rocha, *Member*

Joe Botelho, *Member*

Carol Chongarlides, *Member*

Daniel J. Herzlinger, *Agent*

Gail Hudon, *Clerk*

Patrice LaForest, *Clerk*

Respectfully submitted,

Acushnet Conservation Commission

## **Report of the Council on Aging**

**TO The Officers and Residents of Acushnet**

The Acushnet Council on Aging meets on the **second Tuesday** of each month at **10:00AM** in the conference room of the new senior center.

The senior center is open to all seniors daily from **8:00 AM to 4:00 PM**. Lunch is served daily with **reservations** the day before by **10:00 AM**. Lunch is at **11:30 AM**. Free bus transportation for lunch is available to those who need. Must be able to get on and off the bus without assistance.

We also deliver approximately **250 meals** (meals on wheels) to our shut-ins **Monday through Friday** except holidays.

Our seniors play **Bingo** every **Monday and Wednesday** to **12:30 PM 2 PM**. **Cribbage** games are on **Monday** afternoons from **2PM to 4 PM**. We also offer **Cribbage** lessons on **Monday Morning** by appointment. The **scrabble** club meets every **Tuesday** afternoon at **1:00 PM to 4:00 PM**. The **Pitch League** meets at **6 PM** every **Tuesday** evening. **Art** classes are available on **Wednesday** morning from **9 AM to 11 AM**. **Square dance** lessons are held every **Wednesday** evening from **7:00 to 9:00PM**. Once a month on the first **Saturday** evening of each month, the **Square Dancers** meet for their monthly dance at the Senior Center. **Beginning line dance** lessons are given on **Thursday** mornings and advanced classes on **Thursday** afternoon from **1:00 to 3:00 PM**. We have **card games** every **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** from **10:AM to 4: PM**.

**Chair massages** are given on **Friday** mornings from **10 AM to 12 PM**. **Whist parties** are held on **Friday** afternoons from **1:00 to 4:00 PM**.

Bus pick up for senior residents who are able to get on and off the bus without assistance to take them **grocery shopping** on **Wednesday or Thursday** mornings. Seniors must call ahead if they need this service.

Once a year we offer **3 different screenings**. **1. Stroke Screening/Carotid Artery** this screens the carotid arteries in the neck for plaque buildup. The #1 cause of stroke is linked to carotid artery blockage. **2. Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screenings** this screens for the existence of an aneurysm in the abdominal aorta. The vast majority of people who have an aneurysm have no symptoms. **3. Peripheral Arterial Disease screening** this screening for peripheral arterial disease (plaque buildup) in the lower extremities, which is linked to coronary artery disease.

The **Visiting Nurses Association Services** holds a **blood pressure screening clinic** every **Wednesday** morning at **9:00 to 10:00 AM**. This service is well attended. They also have a **flu clinic** in the fall at the Center for qualifying residents that need a flu shot or a pneumonia shot.

**Strong Women Program** is offered every **Tuesday and Friday** from **9:15 AM to 10: 15 AM**. It is an ongoing exercise program for women using weights.

We have a volunteer on **Thursday** morning to assist seniors in **filling out forms** for, **Pharmacy Program**, **Paperwork** for Assisted Living including doctor referrals, **Commission** for the Blind, applications for **Medicaid** and any other documents they need to make out. In the winter season we have a representative of **P.A.C.E** who assist clients with their **fuel assistance forms** and a **trained volunteer tax consultant** who assist

seniors in filling out their income tax forms. These services are free of charge, but an appointment is required.

Senior I.D. pictures are taken by appointment only.

The Attorney General's Office has a representative scheduled as a part of an ongoing program on Wednesday mornings from 9:00 to 10:00 AM. No appointment is necessary.

On the first Friday morning of each month, our State Representative, Robert Koczera will be here to answer any and all questions. No appointments are necessary.

Diabetic Shoes are available through a representative of Medical Supplies every month. Hearing exams are now being offered weekly on Wednesday morning from 9:Am to 12:PM, call for appointment.

Day Trips are done once a month to different locations on a first come, first served basis.

The center is equipped with a Pool Table, a library area with plenty of books to sign out or take home, and a few computers that seniors can use to play games.

We distribute over 1000 copies of the monthly senior newsletter to various places in town. We also send them to area Councils on Aging.

We also have a program the Daily Contact Plan for residents who are shut-in to receive a telephone call each morning.

We also distribute during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, vegetables, fruits, and canned goods to families and seniors in our town.

The Council has again applied for and received a yearly grant from the Department of Elder Affairs used to offset the cost of transporting Acushnet seniors who have no means of transportation to come for lunch or go grocery shopping.

As we do each year, we wish to thank our many faithful volunteers who devote countless hours to serve our patrons. This year has been very busy and we could not function efficiently without them. We also wish to thank all of the town departments for their assistance in our operation. It is a team effort, and we all work well together.

Respectfully Submitted  
William P. Contois  
Director of Council on Aging

## **REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET CULTURAL COUNCIL**

The Acushnet Cultural Council is a streamlined council because of having maintained all the required steps and procedures mandated by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. All submissions of approved/denied applications were accomplished electronically. Paper copies of all applications and decisions are on file with the chairman as required.

Financial allocations were once again at a reduced level therefore; this council could only fund some applicants with partial funds. During 2005, we did receive \$2,500.00 through a line item budget appropriation granted at the annual town meeting to help us meet some of our goals.

The PASS Program for the three schools in town was successful in obtaining funds along with the following:

NB Whaling Historic Park  
NB Festival Theatre  
Friends Meeting House  
Annual Acushnet Art Show

Tri-County Music  
Greater NB Choral  
AHA!/DNB, Inc.  
NB Symphony Orchestra

Council Members during the 2005 cycle:

Walter S. Dalton, Jr.  
Dianna Couto  
Jeannette Francis  
Edward A. Macomber

Patricia Mulvey  
Leanne Pereira  
Jeanne M. Siwik

Respectfully submitted:

Walter S. Dalton, Jr.  
Chairman

## **REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Paul Sylvia  
Jo-Ann K. Ordway  
Lori Sylvia

Director, DPW  
Senior Clerk  
Senior Clerk

### **HIGHWAY DIVISION**

Raymond Barlow

Highway Supt.

John Mello  
Raymond Brienzo  
Paul Fortin  
Douglas Rodgers  
David Gifford  
John Duarte

### **WATER/SEWER DIVISION**

Matthew Tripp  
John Westgate

### **ACUSHNET RECYCLING CENTER**

Steven Pelletier

Recycling

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Acushnet DPW - Highway Division has continued to be busy during the 2005 calendar year repairing streets; cleaning drain lines; clearing drainage ditches; constructing and repairing manholes and catch basins; repairing sidewalks; clearing roadside brush; our new street sweeper has been busy with street sweeping. Sanding and snow plowing are the major tasks accomplished by the Department.

The Department has also done some drain and roadway repair work on Cushman Street. Work was also done on Pine Street/Pine Drive. Also completed were numerous small tasks, performed on an as needed basis. Pot-holes were filled, Christmas trees were picked-up and disposed of. The Department personnel respond to emergency situations very quickly and are often called during off-duty hours to complete these emergency tasks.

In addition to the day-to-day activities of the Highway Division the following special projects were completed in 2005.

Crack Sealing was done on the following streets: Middle Road, Peckham Road, Nye's Lane, Leonard Street, Perry Hill Road and portions of Main Street. Chip Sealing was done on Mattapoissett Road. In addition to these projects the Department was able to assist other Departments with small tasks on an as needed basis.

Finally, we continue to upgrade the Highway Departments snow fighting capacity by repairing sanders and purchasing new equipment for snow plowing. The Department purchased a new 10 wheeler this year for snow removal. Snow removal is the primary mission of the Highway Department and the equipment needed to perform that task is being kept in the best possible working condition.

## **WATER AND SEWER DIVISION**

The Water/Sewer Division installed all of the new meters under the meter replacement program, 8 new homes were added to the system, and 4 main/services were repaired. The Department replaced or repaired 2 hydrants on the system.

In addition the Department also conducted their annual water sample testing for TCE and monthly testing for Bacteria. All of the Backflow testing for the department has been completed for the year. Our Consumer Confidence Reports were done and mailed with water bills.

A new water line was installed on Main Street from South Main Street to Hamlin Street. The Middle Road water main was updated to a 12" main from Nye's Lane to Fairway Drive. Darling and Wilbur Ave also received new 8" water mains. The Quaker Lane well site is in the process of testing and permitting for a second source of water for the Town.

The Sewer Division is continuing to work with Celco Construction on the long awaited sewer line in the village area of Town, (Pembroke Ave, Noyer, Harbeck to Boylston) this project will be continuing through to sometime next year. Three (3) new sewer connections were added to the system during the year. The two new pumps for the pump station were tested and found to be working well. Much needed repairs and clean-up was done to the system with the aid of the City of New Bedford.

There have been 4 new deduct meters installed within the Town this year.

The Recycling Center has a new part time employee on board to keep the center open and running throughout the year. This will allow residents to drop off yard waste and other recyclables all year round. Although the center is only open three days a week, the added day and the year round status will be a valuable assist to the Town residents. The Bulky Item Pick-up has been a success over the past year. We look forward to helping our residents with another bulky pick-up this year.

We would like to thank all D.P.W. employees and all Town departments for their cooperation and assistance during 2005.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rene Racine  
Charles Viera  
John Carvalho  
Matthew Goulet  
Garry Rawcliffe  
Board of Public Works

Listed below are some of the proven practices for water conservation. By utilizing them, we will be helping to save our natural resources and save money by reducing product demand.

**Some easy to understand things you can do to conserve water:  
(Ideas from the American Water Works Association)**

1. Check every faucet in your house for leaks. Just a slow drip can waste 15 to 20 gallons of water a day.
2. Put a bit of food coloring in each toilet tank. Without flushing, watch to see for a few minutes if the color shows up in the bowl. It is not uncommon to lose 100 gallons a day from an otherwise invisible toilet leak.
3. Do not shower too long or fill the tub too full. Five minutes for a shower and five inches in the tub is plenty.
4. Try to use automatic dish and clothes machines with full loads only. Even when machines feature short cycles, you are being more efficient with water with a full load.
5. Water your lawn and garden with good sense. It is best to water early in the day or late in the afternoon and NOT in the mid-day heat. Avoid watering on windy days or allowing your automatic sprinkler system to operate on rainy days and when it is not necessary. You might want to consult with a local Lawn and Garden Specialist for unique water conservation devices.

Your continued support and cooperation with water conservation will help us to manage our precious resource into the next century and beyond.

## **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE**

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet, MA, I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 2005.

As we complete our second year of being at the Advanced Life Support (ALS) level, we have had many wonderful happenings. Four of the six basic EMTs who attended Paramedic School have successfully passed their Paramedic Exam and are currently working with mentoring medics. We are very proud of them.

We have successfully renewed our Federal Food and Drug License as well Ambulance License at the Paramedic/Basic Level. The St. Luke's Emergency Associates have also renewed the hospital affiliation agreement with the Town of Acushnet.

We are fortunate to have received several grants this year, 1 from Elizabeth Garthe Associates in conjunction with the Dept. of Public Health making us a collection agency for crucial data regarding Federal Hospital Terrorism Preparedness statistics. Training for this data collection will begin in 2006.

As mandated by the State, our Department strives to reach completion of ISO 100 and ISO 700. Many have also completed the Weapons of Mass Destruction offered through a grant received by The City of New Bedford and Dept. of Public Health in conjunction with Homeland Security has also awarded grant money to educate the members of Public Safety and a representative from the Board of Selectmen.

We are currently exploring the availability of grants to upgrade the Town's defibrillators. We have several that need upgrading and many that need to be replaced. With the new American Heart Association mandates, which are not in effect as of yet, we will need defibrillators capable of delivering joules manually. We are very fortunate to have Henry Young who aggressively seeks grants for us all.

We have been successful at placing Automatic External Defibrillators at the Acushnet River Valley Golf Course, Acushnet Elementary School and Ford Middle School. Many of the staff have been trained by EMS or School Resource Officer Paul Melo.

This year has brought about several changes. We have become members of the Massachusetts Ambulance Task Force. This force is charged with answering calls in Mass Casualty instances when all local options are exhausted and more manpower is needed. One fully manned ambulance is dedicated to this force that is capable of providing 24 hrs of care before help arrives.

Through the assistance of the American Heart Association, we have also been made a BLS/ALS Training Center Facility. We are currently working to purchase ALS manikins in order to keep training in-house which will lower the cost of training for the medics which is mandatory.

So as we approach our 25<sup>th</sup> year of service to the Town of Acushnet, we will continue to strive to deliver the best possible care to the townspeople who have given so generously to us and who continue to recognize the importance of this service.

Your continued support is valued.

We also, thank you for the prayers for the safe return of Mark Reimels from Iraq.

We are pleased to say he has made it home safe and sound.

**Yours In Service to Life**

Paul Bulat, MD, FACEP  
Brenden Hayden, Hospital Liaison, EMT-P  
Adrienne Y. Rivet, EMS Dir., HIPAA Officer, CPR-I  
David Bernard, EMT-P, Paramedic Supervisor  
Jayne Gagnon, Paramedic Supervisor, Full Time, CPR-IT, ACLS-IT, PALS-IT, Training Officer  
Robert R. Lavoie, EMTI, Driver Training Officer

**Full Time Personnel**

Thomas Farland, EMT-P, CPR-I, Training Officer  
Richard Gunter, EMT-P, Vehicle Maintenance Officer

**Paramedic Staff**

Valerie Andrade, EMT-P,  
Carlton Dort, EMT-P,  
Benjamin Fuertes EMT-P  
Scott Kruger, EMT-P,  
Michael Peloquin, EMT-P,  
William Roderiques, EMT-P

Priscilla Braley, EMT-P  
Joseph Flynn EMT-P  
Thomas Jacintho, EMT-P  
Michael Mentzer, EMT-P,  
Mark Reimels, EMT-P,  
Phillip Saraiva, EMT-P,

**Basic Staff**

Peter Clark, EMT-B, Andrew Lavoie, EMT-B, Kathleen Rebello, EMT-B

<b>EMS STATISTICS</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>
Sex Assault/Rape	6	2	2
Medical Emergencies	355	485	459
Trauma	92	92	164
OD/Suicide/ETOH/Poison	25	48	38
Psychological	20	26	21
Fire	48	61	76
MVCS	68	68	75
MVC/Refusals	40	41	53
Births	1	6	6
DOA	1	10	11
Mutual Aid to Us	18	13	18
Cardiac Arrests	9	12	9
No Transports/Medical	84	71	82
Walk-Ins/Station	32	88	112
Mutual Aid > Fairhaven	14	17	36
Mutual Aid > New Bedford	12	27	28
Mutual Aid > Mattapoisett	1	0	1
False/Unfounded	6	9	14
Med Flights			3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>1136</b>	<b>1205</b>

#### **PARAMEDIC STATISTICS**

Treated	113	578	717
Monitor	39	N/A	41
BLS	14	399	78
Not Available	16	0	

## **REPORT OF THE FIRE / RESCUE DEPARTMENT**

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit this annual report for the year ending December 31, 2005.

Last year I reported on a 53% increase over the previous year in the number of incidents to which we responded (383). This year I report an increase of 34% above 2004's total. Last year we reported 510 incidents to the State Fire Marshal. In the twenty years that I have been a member of this department this is the first time I recall our total call volume being over 500. Based on the professionalism of all the members of your fire department each incident was addressed in a timely and efficient manner.

Beyond the incidents to which we responded this department has been very active in several other areas:

- Town Meeting passed a Carbon Monoxide Detector bylaw making Acushnet one of only a few communities in the state to require these detectors at the time of the sale of a home. Since being implemented in September we have issued 60 certificates documenting the presence of these life saving detectors.
- An equipment grant from the federal government of over \$90,000 was received which will allow us to replace all of the department's Self Contained Breathing Apparatus which are beyond their mandatory replacement age.
- A \$21,000 fire prevention grant from the federal government has allowed us to work in partnership with PACE in bringing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to over 100 homes in our community.

Our smoke detector campaign took on important significance in December when the town experienced its first fire related death in seventeen years. The importance of these detectors cannot be overstated. We have committed ourselves to reaching out to the community to bring these life saving devices to every home that needs them, particularly the homes of our senior citizens.

We continue to be aggressive in seeking and securing grant funding. This has allowed us to engage in new programs and to replace, update and purchase new equipment without coming before the voters of Town Meeting. Since FY 2002 this department has been awarded \$325,852 in funding from the federal, state and county governments as well as private organizations. We will continue to pursue all avenues of funding in order to address our needs and keep the costs from being a burden to Acushnet's taxpayers.

Last year also saw changes in our personnel and the loss of two very good friends. Assistant Chief Donald Dandurand retired after four decades of service to our department. Call Firefighter Eric Arruda was hired as a fulltime Firefighter filling a vacant slot. During 2005 we loss former Fire Chief Everett Booker. Chief Booker was a longtime member and led the department in the early 1970's. In addition, Wilfred Fortin, longtime Town Accountant and member of the fire department died this past summer. Wilfred was an almost daily visitor to our fire station. The dedication to the community given by Chief Booker and Firefighter Fortin are greatly appreciated by the men and women of the Acushnet Fire / Rescue Department.

On behalf of all the members of this department I thank you for your continued friendship and support.

Respectfully submitted.

Kevin A. Gallagher  
Chief of Department

# Members of the Acushnet Fire and Rescue Department

## Chief of Department

Kevin A. Gallagher, EMT-Paramedic

## Career Firefighters

Gerard Bergeron, EMT-Intermediate, CPRI

Alfred Robichaud

Eric Arruda, EMT-Paramedic

## Call Deputy Chief

James Knox

## Call Captains

Michael Rothwell, FFI

George Pimental

## Call Lieutenants

David Makuch

Paul Martins, FFI/II, FOI

Brian Monte, FFI/II

## Call Firefighters

Marc Cenerizio

Frank Knox

Jeffrey Krupa

Bruce Rymut

Chad St. Onge, FFI

Brian Costa, FFI/II

David Riquinha, FFI/II

Joseph Knox, FFI/II, RN, EMT-B

Andrew Lavoie, EMT-Intermediate

Thomas Farland, EMT-Paramedic

Brian Westgate, EMT-Basic (Recruit)

Ronald St. Onge

Wayne Pimental

Matthew Tripp

Donald Crocker

Matthew Roderiques, FFI/II

Brian Gallant, FFI/II

Paul Frysinger, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

Kathryn Pimental, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

Michael Mentzer, EMT-Paramedic (Recruit)

Ben Fuentes, EMT-Paramedic (Recruit)

Peter Giampa (Recruit)

Maurice St. Armand

Robert Correia

Peter Rawcliff

Kyle St. Onge, FFI/II

## Dispatcher

Diane Barlow

Key:	FFI	Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One
	FFI/II	Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One & Two
	FI	Massachusetts Certified Fire Instructor Level One
	FOI	Massachusetts Certified Fire Officer Level One
	HMI	Hazardous Material Instructor
	CPRI	CPR Instructor
	RN	Registered Nurse

## **REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

To the officials and resident of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 2005.

This is my first Town Report. I can not begin to express my deep appreciation to the Board of Selectmen for the confidence they have shown in me. I would like to offer my thanks to the residents of this Town for the support that they have given to me which has made the transition to chief much easier. I would also like to acknowledge the effort of the entire staff, which has helped move the police department to the next level.

With the support of the Selectmen, Finance committee and the residents we have begun to restructure the police department. We added a sergeant to the day shift this year and we will try to add more officers in two more phases. The purpose of the additional personnel is to provide the necessary police services to protect our community. We have designed a web site that will allow residents easier access to the police department and helpful links to a verity of services that we offer. We can be found at [www.acushnetpd.com](http://www.acushnetpd.com) and please let us know what you think.

We were successful in obtaining several grants this year which we used to start replacing some of our out dated equipment. We replaced some of our computers and I can not over state their importance of this because of the vital role they play in our ability to serve the Town. We changed the colors of our police cars this year to black and white. More importantly we replaced all the equipment inside two of these cars. Some of that equipment we replaced was nearly 20 years old. At the end of the summer we had three police bicycles donated to the department and we were able to deploy them as hybrid bike and cruiser patrol.

The police department has been struggling with manpower issues for several years now and we are attempting to resolve these issues. Officer Jeremy T. Fontes graduated for the Plymouth Police Academy in January 2006 and we are sending Officers Brian Humenuk, Steven Soqui and Ryan Toolin to the Plymouth Police Academy in March 2006. We are planning to hire more part-time police officers soon to back fill the officers who have been recently promoted to full-time.

On behalf of the entire police department I would like to thank Chief Michael Poitras for his leadership and guidance during his tenure as chief. The Chief began his career in 1972 and he served as the chief of police for 26 years. Much of what we are now and what we will become is because of his leadership.

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

### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

	2004	2005
Calls For Service	7,323	7,249
Parking Tickets	77	77
Larcenies	76	56
Breaking and Entering	47	68
Attempted Breaks	2	8
Arrests – M/V, Narcotics, B&Es, Larceny, Warrants	442	445
Summons Served	130	111
Accidents Investigated	173	134
Fatalities	0	0
Robberies	2	3
M/V Citations	649	607

## **MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

### **CHIEF OF POLICE**

Michael G. Alves

### **SERGEANTS**

Barry W. Monte

Stephen McCann

Thomas L. Carreau

Christopher R. Richmond

Gary S. Coppa

### **FULL TIME OFFICERS**

Paul J. Melo

Marc J. Antone

John A. Bolarinho

Michael A. Matton

John C. Preston

Louann Jenkinson

James D. Costa

Keith A. Ashley

Derek W. Cathcart

Jeremy T. Fontes

### **PART TIME OFFICERS**

Michael J. Nunes

Brian Humenuk

Steven Soqui

Chester Ovesen

John Almeida Jr.

Kevin Walsh

**Ryan Toolin**

**DISPATCHERS**  
**Jolene M. Gregoire**  
**Heather M. Richards**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Michael G. Alves**  
**Chief of Police**

# **2005 ANNUAL REPORT of the ACUSHNET PLANNING COMMISSION**

**To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:**

**The Planning Commission respectfully submits the following report for the calendar year 2005:**

**Regular meetings were held on a generally first Thursday of the month format, when possible, beginning at 7:00 pm. Public hearings and on-site meetings were posted and held also as warranted.**

**The Planning Commission spent a good deal of its work year overseeing the compliance of various subdivisions as to roadways, drainage issues, surety issues, lot releases and resident satisfaction with conditions within the Town's subdivisions. The Commission is also focused on the monumental task of revamping the Town's Zoning By-Laws, working with the Stormwater Committee to include stormwater regulations.**

**The Planning Commission continues to respond to the zoning and roadway questions brought to them by the Board of Selectmen, the Building Inspector, the Board of Public Works, the Conservation Commission, the Board of Health and any of the many fine Town Boards, as well as the citizens of Acushnet, landowners and developers. As the available accessible land becomes scarcer, the Planning Commission struggles to continue to help all involved to make the most of their holdings, while maintaining strict adherence to the Zoning By-Laws.**

**The Planning Commission wishes to express its heartfelt appreciation to Board of Selectmen Administrative Assistant Pamela Nelson for helping to keep the Planning Commission going during the absence of Administrative Assistant Donna Ellis due to her unfortunate accident. Thank you Pam!**

**In 2005, the Planning Commission also welcomed the Special Projects Manager Henry Young, who will oversee the development of a Master Plan for Acushnet. Mr. Young has been our SRPEDD representative for several years.**

**The Planning Commission is always willing to assist individuals in understanding the current land rules and regulations. Acushnet Residents are welcome to attend all public meetings, which are posted at Town Hall on the bulletin boards in the Town Clerk's office and outside of the Treasurer's office.**

**We thank you for allowing us to serve the Town in this capacity.**

**Respectfully yours,**

**Marc Cenerizio, Chairman  
Richard H. Ellis  
Richard P. Forand  
Leo Coons, Jr.  
Mark DeSilva**

# **REPORT TO THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SRPEDD)**

The Town Acushnet of is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. SRPEDD (pronounced sir-ped) is the regional agency serving twenty-seven cities and Towns in southeastern Massachusetts dealing with common issues facing our region, such as economic development, growth and land development, transportation, environment and general planning for the future. SRPEDD is governed by a Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members and at large members. We are funded by federal and state grants and local assessments. For 2005, the Town of Acushnet paid \$1,641.31 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 16.15 cents per capita.

Local citizens serving at SRPEDD included the following:

- < SRPEDD Commission: Henry Young
- < Joint Transportation Planning Group: Henry Young

Some of SRPEDD's more significant accomplishments during 2005 were:

- **Completion and approval of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP),** which sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds. The TIP established priorities for 42 million in federal and state regional targeted dollars for highway projects, and 68 million in transit dollars for SRTA and GATRA over the next 3 years.
- **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Southeastern Massachusetts,** a regional economic development strategy, was completed and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, making the region eligible for federal economic development grants from EDA.
- **The Regional Pre Disaster Mitigation Plan** for the region was certified by the Commonwealth in 2005. Funded by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), the regional plan, in conjunction with local PDM plans, will outline steps to prepare for natural disasters and qualify participating communities for FEMA funding for this purpose.
- **The Taunton River Wild and Scenic Study** was completed for both the upper and lower stretches of the river. SRPEDD was funded by the National Park Service to prepare a management plan for this

beautiful resource and is working with study committees representing area communities. In the spring of 2005, the plan was adopted by 8 town meetings and two city councils representing mainstem communities.

- **Plymouth Carver Aquifer Advisory Committee** – With help from a grant from the Island Foundation and in cooperation with The Nature Conservancy, SRPEDD worked with this committee representing seven town within the aquifer to examine ways to ensure its long term protection.
- SRPEDD conducted or participated in four safety studies at intersections on the **Top 100 Most Dangerous Intersections** list and conducted a comprehensive safety study of the Route 6 corridor in Fairhaven from the **Top 50 Most Dangerous Roads** list.
- SRPEDD's web site contains data and information about every city and Town in the region, and can be reached at <http://www.srpedd.org>. The web site was expanded again this year and now includes an inventory for more than 300 signalized intersections in the region.
- **Southeastern Mass: Vision 2020**, a 52-community initiative to fight sprawl in southeastern Massachusetts, continued its work to control sprawl in the region. In 2005, Vision 2020 undertook local planning work in Berkley, North Attleborough, Raynham and Westport.
- Through the state's Smart Growth Technical Assistance program funded by grants in 2005 by EOE, SRPEDD undertook extensive zoning and related work in Carver, Lakeville, and Wareham. Late in the year, SRPEDD worked with Berkley, Carver, Fairhaven, Freetown, Rochester, Taunton and Wareham on successful grant applications under the same program that will continue in 2006.
- **The Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force** met through 2005. The Task Force, which includes representation from 18 municipalities and 16 regional organizations, is examining the growth impact of the proposed rail service extension to Taunton, Fall River and New Bedford.
- SRPEDD is the designated fiduciary agent by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety for the **Southeast Regional Advisory Council for Homeland Security** serving 94 communities in 6 counties in southeastern Massachusetts. The Council awarded \$7.7 million in federal homeland security funds in 2005

- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic counting program (including speed surveys and vehicle classification, and intersection turning movement counts) and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 80 counts at various locations this past year.
- An extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. Every year new computerized "data layers" are added to the system. SRPEDD also operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.
- SRPEDD continues to provide planning and support to the two regional transit authorities, SRTA and GATRA, on various efforts including: consumer advisory committees, route evaluations, planning, monitoring services and federal reporting.
- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 305 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. SEED is one of the Small Business Administration top lenders in New England.

In addition, municipal assistance was provided to Acushnet in the following areas:

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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.

## REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET HISTORICAL COMMISSION

As we close off another year, we look back at many projects awaiting completion with new ones on the horizon. The plans for establishing the Head of the River as a National Historic District lies dormant on our end as we now wait for the process required by the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Inundated with countless proposals throughout the state, the MHC has given an estimated timeline of completion as 2006, barring any unforeseen delays due to this same inundation.

The fate of the Severence House remains uncertain. Now boarded up to protect any further vandalism to touch its' interior, the hope of rescue to this beautiful old home becomes more ambiguous as each year wanes.

In April, the members were pleased to welcome an alternate member to our board. Robert Geier was introduced and unanimously voted in as our second alternate. His presence on the board was quickly proven to be an asset.

The year 2005 brought the first of many changes that will take place at the Long Plain Museum. The Historical Society members began, what will be, a complete restoration of the interior of the museum. This past summer brought a fresh coat of paint to most of the exterior, with completion coming in the spring. The entire interior will benefit from a pleasant pallet of new shades of paint as well, along with repair work to each window. In addition to these physical changes, the members have begun the daunting task of inventorying each artifact. At the completion of this restoration project, visitors to the museum will find a pleasant change. Exhibits will be refreshed and the environment will be a somewhat cheerier one.

The Long Plain Museum welcomed a new member to its' collection of artifacts. This summer brought the addition of the bell which once rang on the ship *Acushnet* in the early part of the century. Beginning as a revenue cutter, the *Acushnet* later was put into service as a Coast Guard cutter before finally being employed by the Navy during World War II. She was finally decommissioned in 1946. After decommissioning, the bell became private ownership to an individual in Virginia. Contacting the Commission, the individual expressed the desire to give it to the town possessing its' name. Irwin Marks was instrumental in its' acquisition. It has been placed in the museum and was dedicated in June on opening day.

June also brought opening day for the Friends of the Friends Quaker Meeting House as well. This year's exhibit was entitled "A Quaker Household", boasting of an alluring collection of artifacts common to the average household of 1795. The Meeting House was also host to the three summer "Music at the Meetinghouse" concerts once again. In most recent years, the tradition of these concerts have gone before us and have continued to attract record crowds.

As members of the Commission, we strive to continue to bring the history of Acushnet alive to the individuals who reside in our town. Acushnet has a rich history and time alone should not erase this. The acquisition of a piece, such as the bell, which reflects that history, is certainly cause for celebration, but the true mission of this board is to seek and promote preservation. If our town were to no longer look back at what was, we would lose the foundation to be secure in what is and could be. In 2006, we will continue to look ahead at looking back.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria L. Lavoie, Chairman

Stephen Gilmore

Madeleine J. Gwozdz

Roberta E. Leonard

Irwin Marks

Joyce A. Reynolds

Louise R. Richard

Pauline Teixeira, Alternate

Robert Geier, Alternate

AcushnetHistorical Commission

## **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET HOUSING AUTHORITY**

In April, 2005, Presidential Terrace marked its 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary.

We, the members and Executive Director of the Acushnet Housing Authority, are proud to have been a part in offering to its elderly citizens of Acushnet, one of the finest complexes in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Our meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month throughout the year in the Community Hall at Presidential Terrace at 9:30 A.M. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Eligible/qualified residents of State-aided housing pay no more than 30% of their adjusted monthly income for rent. In order to qualify for State-aided public housing administered by the Acushnet Housing Authority, you must have an income in the following range:

<b>NUMBER OF OCCUPANTS</b>	<b>NET INCOME RANGE</b>
One Person	Max. \$34,550.00
Two People	Max. \$39,500.00

As of August 8, 1996, Department of Housing & Community Development has eliminated the maximum asset limits as long as the applicant's yearly net income is below the net income range.

Applicants for our 60 unit Presidential Terrace State-aided project must be over the age of 60 years or handicapped/disabled to be eligible.

Our 689 Project on Garfield Street has been open since 1992 and is working successfully.

The Advisory Committee meetings for Garfield Street are held quarterly throughout the year. New members are encouraged to attend by calling New England Fellowship at Garfield Street.

Once again, from its occupancy in 1974 to its present day, the Acushnet Housing Authority would like to express its gratitude to everyone who, in any way, has been and continues to be an asset in making Presidential Terrace the outstanding elderly complex that it is today.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence Marshall, Chairman  
Lawrence Mulvey, Vice Chairman  
Nancy Brightman, Treasurer  
James Madruga, Asst Treasurer

Sandra Keighley Bettencourt, Executive Director  
Alice Soja, Assistant Director

## **Acushnet Park Department 2005 Report**

To the officers and residence of Acushnet, we submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 2005.

Joe Brager returned as Park Superintendent his duties were increased to running the day to day operations of the park. Joe works part time and has one adult and at least two youth helpers who work with him during the year.

In late fall of 2004, the Park Department started its renovation project with the \$300,000 granted at the October 2004 town meeting. Demolition on the existing playground and Pony league field began immediately. By the years end, the new playground equipment was up.

The playground project resumed in the spring of 2005 with the help of many volunteers and Highway Department workers. Excavating and spreading of the surface material was done by volunteers Jason Matton, Tom DeCosta, Sheena Goundie and Molly Antone. Leo Coons also provide some work for the finishing touch on the fence. By mid summer, the job was complete. Since that time, barely a day goes by without use of the equipment.

Unfortunately, the pony league field project hasn't gone as well. An Engineering firm was hired to design a new field and basketball court. The estimates came in higher than expected for several reasons including the change of layout and the high price of steel and gas. At a September town meeting, the park department received another \$94,000 to complete the project. Unfortunately, the bids that came in were not satisfactory to the board. So we are forced to start the whole process over again. The bidding process will resume in January of 2006.

Although that project is not complete, many things have been done up to this point by volunteers and the Highway Department that has saved the town thousands of dollars. Things like demolition of the fence and existing lights and polls were done by Highway workers and the volunteers. The Park Board would like to thank Highway Superintendent Ray Barlow who never hesitates to send us help and backhoe operator John Mello who has spent countless hours at the park sometimes working by himself. We also would like to thank volunteers Tom Decosta, Mike Desroisers, Bob Brown, Buddy and Todd Pimental, Frank Knox and Rick Contois for all the help they provided.

Also at the September Town meeting the Acushnet Community Preservation Committee received \$20,000 to start a walking path behind Pope Park and to Scout's pond. It is our hope to extend that path behind the new revised Pony League field in the near future.

In the spring of 2004, the Park Department received money from Town meeting to do a renovation project to the existing rest rooms. After exploring every option, the job was handed over to the Old Colony Vocational Technical High School Drafting Department. This process will take longer than expected but will be a valuable lesson for the students and an enormous savings for the town.

In the fall the Joey Jason foundation continued their renovation project on the middle Little League field. They are following a three year plan on renovating that entire field.

Also in the fall Mother Nature paid a visit to the Knox field causing approximately \$3,000 worth of damage to the fence and electrical service. Repair work began just prior to the first snow fall.

Thanks to the Finance Committee and Town Meeting voters the summer youth program run by Mrs. Catherine Jason was returned back to six weeks. Over 125 children attend at one time or another during the summer. This successful program allows young children access to supervised crafts and sports for two hours each weekday morning.

The Acushnet Youth Athletic Association's baseball program completed its 53rd year at Pope Park and in July they held their 40th annual All Star Tournament. Over 40 teams from Wareham to Fall River participated in this year's event.

In the fall AYAA Champion AFC Cable participated in the 3rd annual Jerry Arruda Championship Tournament with the Fairhaven Little League Champion Roland's tire. The Acushnet Champ took home the Arruda trophy for the first time ever. The tournament is fondly named after Mr. Arruda who was instrumental in bringing the two leagues together.

In April, Marc Antone was re-elected to his 3rd term on the board.

Final note, Park watch dog Harry Swift took ill in early 2005 and has been confined to a nursing facility since then. Harry a former town police officer who is in his eighties could be seen riding his bike through the park though out the day in all types of weather. When anything was wrong, broken or misplaced Harry would be sure to report it to the staff as soon as possible. The park just doesn't seem right without Harry around. Good luck Harry you're in our thoughts.

The Park Board is committed to maintaining and improving the park. Though the process may be slow, you can be assured your dollars are being wisely spent.

Respectfully Submitted

Marc Antone, Chairman  
Gary Wilson  
Joe Lopes  
Acushnet Park and Recreation Department

## **2005 Acushnet Town Report**

### **Acushnet River Valley Golf Course**

Acushnet River Valley has earned an excellent reputation in the surrounding golf communities. We have not yet maximized our growth potential, even in the challenges of our current economic climate and extremely competitive local golf market. It has most recently been researched by the National Golf Foundation survey of 400 golf executives, the current golf industry is in its most challenging state ever.

The current economic pressures and world affairs effect one's perspective on how they spend their disposable income, as well as, their recreational time. The majority of executives surveyed believe the current market demand for golf will remain flat for the upcoming year. There continues to be more organized youth sport leagues that will compete for every family's weekend involvement from coaching to fundraisers. These weekend activities directly compete with the traditional 18 holes played by each family member on their vacation or weekend recreational time.

We experienced a very challenging season with extreme weather conditions coupled with high gas prices, natural gas price increases and inflation starting to impact everyone's daily lives. Rain has taken its toll on our growth potential as it washed away April and October this past season, it is estimated that we lost at least 1,700 rounds due to inclement weather. We have noticed annual outing events are declining in participation and even postponing their annual events this past season. Our projections are based upon the annual participation of such events and it is difficult to replace them if they opt not to host an annual tournament for a season. We are experiencing an overall decline in outing participation, which requires us to be flexible in our daily operation, as we try to fill events open tee time public golfers. There is a fine line to satisfying customers needs and we have succeeded in meeting our customers expectations this past golfing season.

We have also reviewed our records of loyal customers, it is evident our best customers are spending less in this challenging economy. The demand on their disposable income & time, will impact how much they spend on golf. Upon review of our records, you see the change over from declining top spenders to new names and increased spending among the new customer base. A lot of our loyal customers travel significant distances to play our facility, however with the impact of increased fuel costs it is not worth their travel time to make the trip to Acushnet River Valley.

Under the current competitive challenges and weather impacts our team stays focused on providing the best possible golf experience to each and every customer that walks through our doors. We approach every sale in our shop as an opportunity to gain customer loyalty to our facility. This direct one on one approach is working, we are impacted by the current state of the industry but we are fairing better than most, which compliments our current years achievements. We are targeting our gross margins to maximize profitability. We are studying buying trends of our customers, as they shift from expensive high end products and lean towards lower priced value items. We will continue to grow sales by offering them more for less in the upcoming season.

We continue to focus on the details, as we improve our operation constantly. We have not had the opportunity to make any costly improvements in the golf course layout, cart path expansion or major projects but we are focusing on maximizing the impact of the affordable improvements we are implementing.

We have improved the conditions and added some challenges to the current layout, whether it is additional targets/yardage markers on the practice range, new driving range mats/equipment, better maintenance of the grass tees, installment of new ball washers & bag drop racks at convenient locations, along with spike brushes for daily use by our loyal golfers, trimming brush to alleviate interference in the rough, installment of decorative mulch beds and river rock gardens to beautify the property and further develop the perception of quality in the eyes of our customers.

All of the little details add to the overall golfing experience at Acushnet River Valley.

We will continue to develop our facility to better serve our growing customer base that now reaches through BOSTON and into the Mid Cape Cod region. We are in the process of creating a direct marketing campaign to increase awareness and tee time availability using the Internet. Innovative ideas and creativity will fuel future growth through creation of new rounds played and more rounds by loyal repeat customers. These new customers will plant the seeds of Acushnet River valley in their communities, which will continue to create a larger and more satisfied customer base expanding our business to its maximum potential.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Respectfully submitted,

Dana Przybyszewski & the Acushnet River Valley Customer Service Team.

## **REPORT OF THE RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY 2005**

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The six-member Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library has the custody and management of the library and all related property. The Trustees and the library director work together to serve the growing information, education, and recreation needs of the citizens of Acushnet.

The Board meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 6 P.M. at the library. Any changes or additions to this schedule are posted in the Library, at Town Hall, and on Cable TV.

Tonya R. Revell, B.A., M.L.I.S., Director.

Part-time staff: Denise Hamer, Assistant Director; Constance Preston & Pauline Prudhomme, Library Technicians; Elaine Spinale, Custodian.

The Library at 88 Main Street is open year round:

Monday and Wednesday	10-8
Tuesday and Thursday	1-8
Saturday	9-3
Telephone (508)998-0270	Fax (508)998-0271
Website <a href="http://www.sailsinc.org/acushnet">www.sailsinc.org/acushnet</a>	

To obtain a library card, present 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.

The Library offers books, videos, recorded books, newspapers, magazines, music CDs, educational CD-ROM, Internet access, on-line databases, and word processing 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.

Free children's programs support emerging literacy. Summer Reading encourages children to read during the summer, reinforcing the skills gained during the school year. In 2005 we provided 12 story times and 14 Summer Reading Programs. The End of Summer Celebration was made possible by a grant from the Acushnet Cultural Council.

The library held 37 adult programs in 2004. A Knitters Circle meets twice a month, led by staff member Denise Hamer. A Reader's Group meets once a month to discuss a book selected by the members. We are grateful to Jean Stripinis, for the many hours that she volunteers as program leader. All are welcome to join these groups.

All programming is 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.

The Library is a full voting member of the SAILS Library Network. Through SAILS, library patrons have access to the collections of over 60 libraries. In addition to the automated system, SAILS provides professional cataloging services, technical support, and continuing education. The SAILS system allows users with an internet connection to search the catalog, reserve materials, check on holds, items out, and even renew from home. A new service in 2005 allows digital books to be downloaded to an MP3 player.

The Library is a member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Regional Library System(SEMLS), a division of the state library system. SEMLS provides delivery of materials between libraries, regional reference and inter-library loan service, on-line databases, deposit collections, staff training, Summer Reading materials, and professional consultants at no charge to the library.

The library maintained state certification in 2004. Required: a Director with a Master's Degree in Library Studies from an accredited institution and certification by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners; a minimum of 40 hours open per week; a minimum of 16% of the total budget expended on materials; a municipal appropriation that increases by 2½% each year over a 3 year average. Certification entitles Acushnet residents to borrow materials from other Massachusetts libraries and qualifies the Town to apply for state aid and grants to libraries.

In July the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners awarded a Library Construction Grant to the Town in the amount of \$1,782,000. A special Town meeting in the fall approved the appropriation of the remaining \$2.625 million through a bond issue. The debt exclusion vote was defeated on December 19<sup>th</sup> and the State Grant was refused by the Town. We thank the Building Committee: Robert Bartolome, Chairman, Tonya Revell, Donna Forand, Jean Stripinis, John Tavares, and Claudette Tobin for their dedication to the project.

Also in July, the library held a community forum to seek input to a new five-year plan. As a result, the new service priorities are: current titles and topics, curriculum support, and library as commons.

Current challenges pertain to the aging library building. A badly leaking roof and foundation leaks cause a threat to the collection and to continued service. Repair is a priority.

We mourn the passing of Library Page Judith Caruthers and long-time library benefactor, Wilfred Fortin.

We also thank the businesses, organizations, and individuals who fund our summer reading program; The Parting of the Ways Beautification Committee for plantings and holiday decorations; the library patrons who donate time and materials throughout the year.

The Board of Trustees thanks the citizens of Acushnet, Town officers, and other Town departments for their support throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Bartolome, Chairman  
Christina Gaudette  
Lori Gonsalves, Secretary  
James Knox  
Alfred Robichaud  
Anne Verissimo

# **Russell Memorial Library Statistical Report 2005**

Active Borrowers.....	5,451
Library visits.....	25,116 (483/week)
Children's Programs Held.....	29
Attendance, Children's Programs.....	1,166
Adult Programs Held.....	38
Attendance at Adult Programs.....	271
Computers for Public Use.....	5
Public Internet Access.....	2
Meeting Room Use.....	90
<b>Materials Holdings</b>	
Books.....	22,169
Periodical subscriptions.....	157
Videos.....	1,139
Audio(cassettes and CDs).....	456
CD/ROMS.....	57
<b>Circulation ( Times Borrowed)</b>	
Books.....	21,754
Periodicals.....	4,665
Video/DVD.....	5,350
Electronic format.....	80
Audio.....	1,567
Miscellaneous (equipment, museum passes, etc.).....	<u>333</u>
<b>Total Items circulated.....</b>	<b>33,753</b>

## **REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

On behalf of the Acushnet school community, I am pleased to offer this annual report for the year 2005 regarding the accomplishments of the Acushnet Public Schools. Throughout the year, it has been a pleasure to work closely with the five very dedicated members of the Acushnet School Committee. The members of the Acushnet School Committee are:

Dr. Mary Louise Francis, Chairman  
JoAnn Bertrand, Vice-Chairman  
Manuel Goncalves, Secretary  
Robert Lanzoni  
Douglas Coray

### **District wide:**

Following many years of construction, the Acushnet Elementary School and Ford Middle School renovations were completed this year. A lovely ceremony was held on November 9<sup>th</sup>. It was attended by dignitaries from Acushnet, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, members of the Building Committee, and school officials. We sincerely thank the members of the Building Committee, who spent untold hours over the past six years to bring this project to fruition. The community will have modern and sufficient facilities to meet its needs for many years to come.

Noe Medeiros retired as technology coordinator this past June. He spent many years helping the District expand from a few computers to several hundred. The position was changed to become a full-year position, given the number of people working throughout the summer and the high computer usage. Glenn Rosa was hired in June for this role.

With the departure of Business Manager David DeGennaro, the search for a replacement continued for several months. We were indeed fortunate to hire Kristin Braun-Flynn as the Business Manager. Kristin is a resident of Acushnet and attended the District's schools. John Tavares returned to the District in the interim and his assistance was most appreciated.

The Office of Educational Quality and Accountability (EQA) audited our school district in late October. This arm of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts conducts reviews of school districts, with the chances of being audited approximately once every five years. The schools were audited on six standards: Leadership, Governance and Communication; Curriculum and Instruction; Assessment and Program Evaluation; Accessibility, Participation, and Student Academic Support; and Financial and Asset Management. We await the final report, which will be shared with the community.

No Child Left Behind legislation continues to impact our schools, along with every other school district in the nation. This year, teachers were expected to address the requirements of the "highly qualified" status. By June, 2006, all teachers must meet this requirement in order to be employed. I am pleased to

report that as of October, 2005, all but one of our teachers had achieved this status.

Also, as required under NCLB, report cards on our schools were distributed to all parents. The report card indicates MCAS performance and other information related to the specific school.

The District completed several plans, as required by various mandates from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Department of Education. These included (1) a Pest Management Plan; (2) a Capital Improvement Plan; (3) a Facilities Plan; and (4) a Homeless Plan. With the generous assistance of various community officials, we worked to develop an Emergency Response Plan for the schools. The Plan is being printed for distribution to the staff. Finally, in an effort make the business department operate more smoothly, procedures for purchase orders, professional development day requests, and other forms have been formalized.

Every first-year teacher was assigned a mentor, who works for a minimum of fifty hours to assist the teacher in becoming more skilled in the field of teaching.

#### **Albert F. Ford Middle School:**

The school lost several people to retirement, as the wave of retirements continues. This year, we bid farewell to: Lee Forand, grade 8 social studies; Douglas Turner, grade 6 social studies; and Matthew Goulet, middle school physical education teacher and district attendance officer; and Mary O'Driscoll, grade 5 reading teacher. Principal Stephen Donovan and several members of the staff interviewed a strong pool of candidates to replace our retirees. We were extremely fortunate to locate a group of highly qualified and well-prepared educators to fill these positions.

Under the direction of Brian Shanbrun, new music teacher and also a graduate of the Acushnet Public Schools, the middle school chorus was organized during the fall. Students performed at the annual Christmas concert.

The school increased its teaching staff by one, with the addition of a health position. Various health-related topics are discussed, as appropriate to the specific grade level.

The administration and staff reviewed a number of textbooks prior to recommending a new series for Reading/Language Arts. Curriculum maps were completed. The process of aligning the curriculum in all subject areas with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks has begun. All curriculum changes are based upon a review of MCAS data. Teachers received professional development in Test Wiz, a software program that allows teachers to review individual and group scores to identify where the curriculum is not working.

Mr. Donovan spent several months updating the Ford Middle School web site. Additional links include a Homework Page, School Calendar, and other useful school information.

Several traditions were begun in the school under the new leadership of Mr. Donovan. One such tradition was the Academic Olympics. During the last week of school, students and staff were deeply involved in learning while competing for classroom awards. The program attracted the attention of the United States Olympics Committee, who notified the administration that they could not use the term Olympics, as the term is trademarked. The program will continue under a new name.

### **Acushnet Elementary School:**

As with the middle school, the elementary school also lost several teachers, due to retirement. They were: Joanne Kowalczyk, grade 3 teacher; Suzanne Whitehead, grade 3 teacher; Janet Poyant, grade 2 teacher; and Margaret Lang, elementary special education teacher. In addition, Ronald St. Onge, maintenance craftsman retired in July. Principal Virginia Cutler was joined by several teachers to conduct interviews that resulted in a highly talented pool of new teachers for the school.

A Guided Writing Program joined the Guided Reading, which was introduced last year. These programs assist the staff in improving writing and reading skills. Professional development training was provided to assist teachers in using the programs effectively. Other curriculum changes have included curriculum maps and a new spelling series. Teachers have joined curriculum groups to revise the curriculum during the present year. Emphasis has been placed on mathematics and science curriculum revision. Third and fourth grade teachers received training on Test Wiz, as well, and they have used this information to identify changes in individual lessons, as well as classroom instruction.

Through the efforts of the PTO, several members of the staff, and the School Building Committee, a Big Toy was added to the school's playground. Parent and staff volunteers spent several days putting the various pieces of equipment together. Throughout the summer and fall, many families enjoyed bringing their children to play, in addition to the students who enjoy it as a part of their daily recess.

School wide activities have become a part of the elementary school environment. Teachers and students gathered for reading of student work, group songs, and other activities throughout the year. Grade 3 students adopted a member of the school community stationed in Iraq and a huge assembly recognized Mr. Martin's efforts on behalf of a grateful nation.

### **Special Education:**

The results of last year's mid-cycle review were received in August. There were several recommendations to be addressed to meet various new requirements in addition to a few continuing issues. Catherine Cooper and her staff have completed the district's responses to the recommendations and are also in the process of meeting the required changes.

Although the Federal Government has not yet mandated the requirement for paraprofessionals to become "highly qualified", the staff has been working to meet the expected change. Of the nineteen paraprofessionals employed, seventeen have achieved the status of "highly qualified" and the two remaining will have completed the requirements this winter.

### **Grants:**

The District received several grants from the Federal Government. Each was, however, a lesser amount than the previous year. Title I decreased by 15%, but the District was still able to provide two full-time teachers and a part-time teacher to provide reading skill development in the primary grades. This was accomplished through the district paying for supplies and professional development. Title IIA funds support professional development for teachers and paraprofessionals. The funds this year supported stipends for mentor teachers and administrators, as well as conferences and workshops to assist members of our staff in obtaining additional professional development. Title IID funds decreased to just over \$1000. These funds allowed the purchase of minimal software for our computer system. Title IV funds promote Safe and Drug Free Schools. This grant decreased considerably, which will result in the need to use the grant over four to five years to provide materials for a program on bullying at the elementary school. Finally, Title V funding is being identified for after-school and Saturday School programming.

The kindergarten grant was once again awarded to the District. However, the number of students enrolling in the full-day program was much lower than anticipated, resulting in the decrease of one full-day class and the addition of two half-day groups. As a result, the grant decreased by more than \$13,000.

Acushnet was awarded a "Healthy Choices" grant through Blue Cross and Blue Shield. The funds for this \$5000 grant have allowed the Ford Middle School to implement a physical fitness program after school for four afternoons per week.

## Notes

## **ACUSHNET AT A GLANCE**

**Incorporated: February 13, 1860**

**Type of Government: Open Town Meeting**

**Population: 10,607**

**10,129 (State Census)**

**Total Valuation:**

**Class 1 and 2 Tax Rate: \$9.64 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2006)**

**Class 3 and 4 Tax Rate: \$11.22 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2006)**

**Registered Voters: 7,535**

**Total Area: 18 Square Miles**

**Churches: 6**

**Public Schools: 2**

**Parochial Schools: 1**

**Regional School: 1**

**Principal Industries:**

**golf ball mfg., road surface materials, farming, apple,  
peach orchards, box factory, sawmill, landscape nurseries**

### **4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:**

**Congressman Barney Frank**

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

### **11TH BRISTOL REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT:**

**Robert Koczera**

**Office: (617) 722-2240**

### **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**