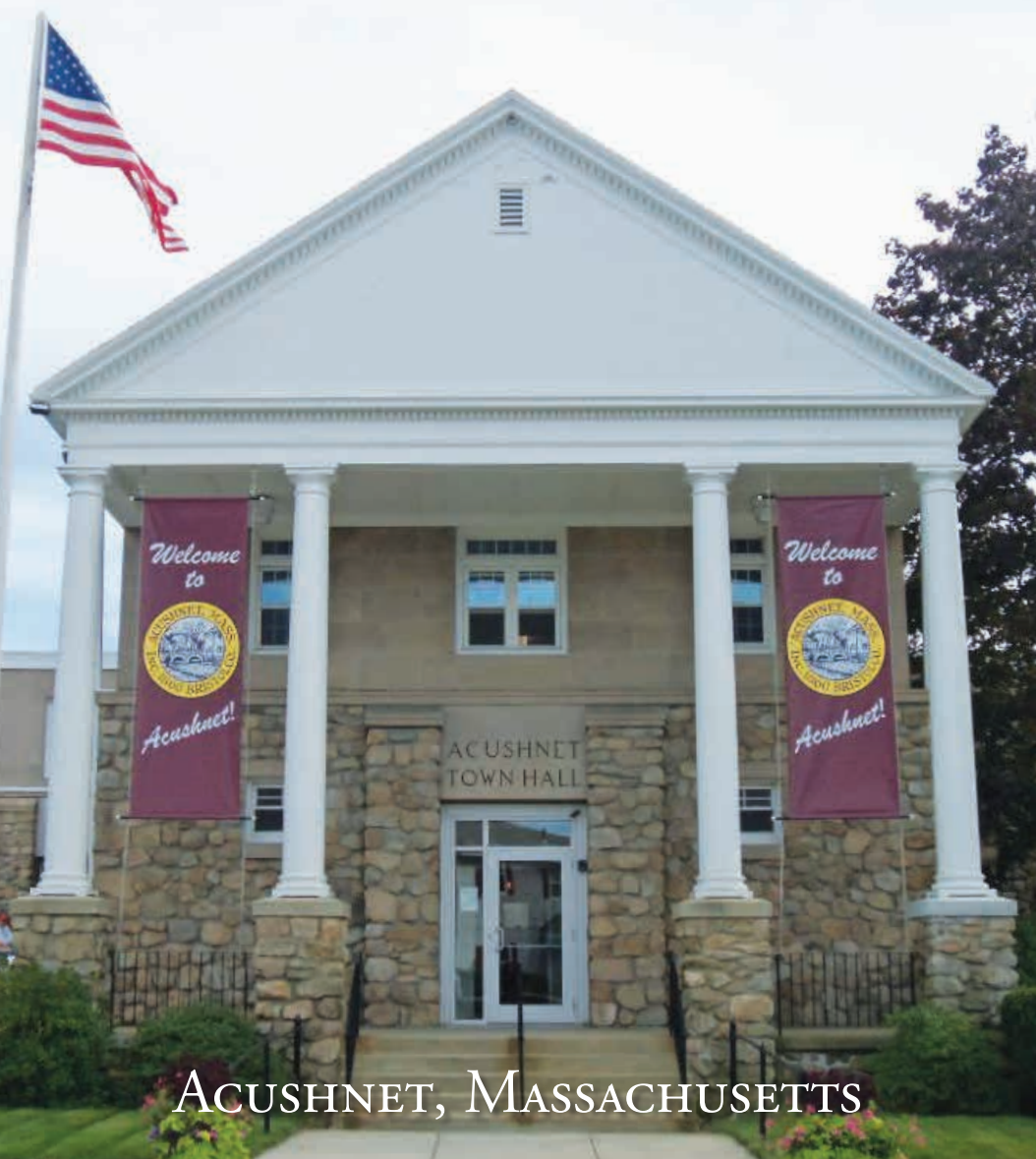


# 2012 ANNUAL REPORT



ACUSHNET, MASSACHUSETTS



**TOWN RECORDS AND REPORTS**

**of the**

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**

**MASSACHUSETTS**

**For the**

**Year Ending December 31, 2012**

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

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

## TOWN SERVICES

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

## WEB SITE ADDRESS

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

**In Memoriam  
2012**

Vivian I. Spoor  
Election Inspector  
Date of Death – February 6, 2012

James S. Madruga  
Volunteer Firefighter  
Finance Committee Member  
Date of Death – July 17, 2012

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

**Mahatma Gandhi**

# **TOWN OFFICERS 2012**

## **Town Clerk**

Pamela A. Labonte	Term Expires 2014
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## **Board of Selectmen**

David E. Wojnar, Chairman	Term Expires 2013
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	Term Expires 2014
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Term Expires 2015

## **Board of Assessors**

Liberio D. Soares, Chairman	Term Expires 2013
Marc F. Cenerizio	Term Expires 2014
Matthew D. Lopes	Term Expires 2015

## **Board of Health**

Thomas J. Fortin, Chairman	Term Expires 2013
Robert Medeiros	Term Expires 2014
David M. Davignon	Term Expires 2015

## **School Committee**

Douglas M. Coray, Chairman	Term Expires 2013
Michelle D. DeTerra	Term Expires 2013
David M. DeTerra	Term Expires 2014
Francis R. Kuthan	Term Expires 2014
John C. Howcroft	Term Expires 2015

## **Commissioner of Trust Funds**

Marc E. Laplante	Term Expires 2013
Leo M. Rousseau	Term Expires 2014
Vacancy	Term Expires 2015

## **Trustees of Free Public Library**

Kristen E. Leotti, Chairwoman	Term Expires 2013
Robert J. Bartolome	Term Expires 2013
Henry T. Preston	Term Expires 2014
Simonne L. Coutinho	Term Expires 2014
Jean S. Stripinis	Term Expires 2015
Vacancy	Term Expires 2015

### **Cemetery Board**

Paul H. Fortin, Chairman	Term Expires 2015
Charlene A. Fortin	Term Expires 2013
Joanne K. Cioper	Term Expires 2014

### **Park Commissioners**

Michael L. Desrosiers, Chairman	Term Expires 2013
James S. Madruga, Jr.	Term Expires 2014
Wayne B. Richmond	Term Expires 2015

### **Housing Authority**

James S. Madruga, Jr., Chairman	Term Expires 2014
Richard Threlfall - State Appointed (Resigned September 5, 2012)	Term Expires 2013
Lawrence G. Marshall	Term Expires 2015
Lawrence P. Mulvey	Term Expires 2015
Rene Racine	Term Expires 2016

### **Planning Board**

Marc F. Cenerizio, Chairman	Term Expires 2017
Richard P. Forand	Term Expires 2013
Leo N. Coons, Jr.	Term Expires 2014
Richard H. Ellis	Term Expires 2015
Mark M. DeSilva, Sr.	Term Expires 2016

### **Moderator**

Robert E. Francis	Term Expires 2014
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### **Tree Warden**

Raymond F. Barlow	Term Expires 2014
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### **Board of Public Works**

Jeffrey D. Schuster, Chairman	Term Expires 2015
Steven R. Boucher	Term Expires 2013
Dustin T. Cormier	Term Expires 2014
Darrin A. Pinto	Term Expires 2014
Norman D. Fredette	Term Expires 2015

## Town Oaths Administrated by Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk “2012”

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Date Sworn In</u>
John P. Abaray, Jr.	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/15/12
Kerri L. Almeida	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/13/12
Michael G. Alves	Police Station Building Committee (Police Chief)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---
Michael G. Alves	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
Michael G. Alves	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
Al F. Amaral	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Al F. Amaral	Police Station Building Committee (At Large)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---
Catherine L. Audette	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/17/12
Raymond F. Barlow	Moth Superintendent/ Insp of Pest Control	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	9/14/12
Louise L. Benoit	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/02/12
Gerard A. Bergeron	EMA Director	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/07/12
Michael R. Boucher	Finance Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/15	10/22/12
Marc C. Brodeur	Conservation Commission	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/15	5/23/12
Ron Burke, Jr.	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Connie J. Carr	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/09/12
Marc F. Cenerizio	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/04/12
Marc F. Cenerizio	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/04/12
Marc F. Cenerizio	Planning Commission	Elected 4/02/12	4/03/17	4/11/12
Marc F. Cenerizio	Soil Conservation Board (Planning)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/04/12
Matthew H. Charbonneau	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
Matthew H. Charbonneau	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/01/12
Lillian R. Contois	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/30/12

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Ronald T. Cormier	Veterans Agent	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/07/12
Jenny Correia	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/13/12
Joseph G. Costa	Assistant Herring Warden	Resigned 2/22/12	5/01/13	5/09/11
Joseph G. Costa	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
Joseph G. Costa	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/01/12
Alan G. Coutinho	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/16/12
Alan G. Coutinho	Parking Clerk	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/16/12
Alan G. Coutinho	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/16/12
Alan G. Coutinho	Police Station Building Committee (Town Administrator)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---
Alan G. Coutinho	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/16/12
Charlotte A. Coutinho	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/18/12
Simonne L. Coutinho	Election Warden	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/21/12
Simonne L. Coutinho	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 4/02/12	4/07/14	6/21/12
Dianna Couto	Cultural Council	Appt. 6/04/12	5/01/15	6/12/12
Dianna Couto	Election Warden	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/12/12
Kevin A. G. Dakin	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/25/12
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	SRTA Rep.	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
David M. Davignon	Board of Health	Elected 4/02/12	4/06/15	4/10/12
Thomas J. DeCosta	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/0/13	5/04/12
Thomas J. DeCosta	Police Station Building Committee (At Large)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---

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Susan M. Delgado	Finance Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/15	5/23/12
Antone DeMello, Jr.	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Wayne A. Deree	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
Wayne A. Deree	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Michael L. Desrosiers	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/15	12/28/12
Cathy L. Doane	Police Station Building Committee (Finance Director)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---
Jeanne L. Duggan	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/09/12
Diane Ferreira	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/31/12
Robert A. Ferreira	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Fin Comm. Rep)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/31/12
David M. Flynn	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/05/12
Jeremy Fontes	Police Station Building Committee (Police Dept)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---
Donna G. Forand	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/09/12
Donna G. Forand	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	9/04/12
Donna G. Forand	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/09/12
Lee A. Forand	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	9/05/12
Carolyn C. Fortin	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
Carolyn C. Fortin	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/21/12
Paul H. Fortin	Cemetery Board	Elected 4/02/12	4/06/15	4/03/12
Joanne Fournier	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/23/12
Nancy A. Francis	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	1/23/13

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Norman D. Fredette	Board of Public Works	Elected 4/02/12	4/06/15	4/03/12
Kevin A. Gallagher	Forest Warden	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/02/12
Kevin A. Gallagher	Inspector of Garages	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/02/12
Kevin A. Gallagher	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/02/12
Kevin A. Gallagher	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/02/12
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Board of Selectmen	Elected 4/02/12	4/06/15	4/03/12
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Police Station Building Committee (Selectmen)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---
Lisa A. Girard	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	8/30/12
Dorothy F. Gomes	Election Clerk	Resigned 1/30/12	5/01/12	5/04/11
Dorothy F. Gomes	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/30/12
Manuel G. Goulart	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Bus. Comm. Rep)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Russell W. Goyette	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
Russell W. Goyette	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/02/12
Richard E. Gula	Board of Appeals	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/17	5/03/12
Marie M. Hardy	Council on Aging	Appt. 3/12/12	5/01/15	3/16/12
Marie M. Hardy	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/18/12
William K. Hargreaves	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
William K. Hargreaves	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/16/12
Florence R. Hathaway	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/09/12
John C. Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/03/12
John C. Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
John C. Howcroft	School Committee	Elected 4/02/12	4/06/15	4/03/12

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Paulette J. Hudson	Council on Aging	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/15	5/14/12
Paulette J. Hudson	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/14/12
Ed J. Isaac	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Member at Large)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/01/12
Merilee Kelly	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/02/12
Merilee Kelly	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/02/12
Pamela A. Labonte	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Marc E. Laplante	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Joseph C. Latimer	Constable	Appt. 7/16/12	5/01/15	7/24/12
Rick D. Leaver	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/13/12
Raymond F. Leblanc	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/30/12
Katherine M. Lena	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/13/12
Charles R. Leonard Jr.	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	---
Charles R. Leonard Jr.	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Resigned 3/27/12	5/01/12	---
Charles R. Leonard Jr.	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/1/12	5/16/12
Charles R. Leonard Jr.	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/16/12
Kristen E. Leotti	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/14/12
Matthew D. Lopes	Board of Assessors	Elected 4/02/12	4/06/15	4/19/12
Cynthia M. Lundrigan	Council on Aging	Resigned 2/22/12	5/01/12	8/31/09
Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights & Measures	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
James A. Marot	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
James A. Marot	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
James A. Marot	Enforcement Agent for the BOS	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12

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James A. Marot	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee (Ex- Officio)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
James A. Marot	Police Station Building Committee (Building Inspector)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---
James A. Marot	Portable Sign Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
James A. Marot	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
Robert Medeiros	Soil Conservation Board (Board of Health)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/15/12
Daniel M. Menard	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Katherine A. Milligan	Tax Title Custodian	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/13/12
Catherine L. Mindlin	Assistant Animal Control Officer/ Inspector of Animals	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Maria M. Moore	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/31/12
Margaret M. Mota	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	9/04/12
Lawrence P. Mulvey	Housing Authority	Elected 4/02/12	4/03/17	5/07/12
Patricia A. Mulvey	Cultural Council	Resigned 5/01/12	5/01/12	6/29/09
Mike S. Oliveira	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/13/12
Maria Otock	Insurance Advisory Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/13/12
Heidi L. Pelletier	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 5/14/12	5/01/13	5/22/12
Scott D. Perdigao	Assistant Herring Warden	Appt. 3/12/12	5/01/14	3/15/12
Victor J. Pereira	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Everett C. Philla Jr.	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
Everett C. Philla Jr.	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/22/12
Faye M. Philla	Election Warden	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/22/12

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Steven M. Pina	Deputy Building Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/14/12
Henry T. Preston	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Joyce A. Reynolds	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/19/12
Joyce A. Reynolds	Historical Commission	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	6/19/12
Wayne B. Richmond	Park Commissioner	Elected 4/02/12	4/06/15	5/04/12
Leo M. Rousseau	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/21/12
John E. Roy	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	9/26/12
Maurice St. Amand	Old Colony Reg. Voke Tech. School Committee (Acushnet Rep)	Appt. 4/09/12	4/30/15	5/02/12
Robert St. Jean	Police Station Building Committee (Finance Comm)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---
Priscilla V. Santos	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/18/12
Jeffrey D. Schuster	Board of Public Works	Elected 4/02/12	4/06/15	4/03/12
Susanne Y. Sounik	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/16/12
Jacqueline M. Stanley	Finance Committee	Appt. 10/01/12	5/01/15	10/16/12
Norval A. Stanley	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	---
Jean S. Stripinis	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 4/02/12	4/06/15	---
Heather J. Sylvia	Council on Aging Director	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
Paul E. Sylvia	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/03/12
Paul E. Sylvia	Special Police Officer for New Bedford Water Works	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/03/12
Anita Tetreault	Election Inspector	Resigned 6/28/12	5/01/11	5/11/09
Bertha L. Threlfall	Library Trustee	Appt. 6/04/12	4/01/13	6/13/12

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Richard Threlfall	Housing Authority (State Appt.)	Resigned 9/05/12	1/29/13	9/17/09
Rebekah A. Tomlinson	ACO/Inspector of Animals	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/03/12
Marybeth Tripp	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
Marybeth Tripp	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/30/12
Pamela G. Tripp	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
Pamela G. Tripp	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/30/12
Ralph Urban	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/11/12
Ralph Urban	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/11/12
Jayme Z. Viveiros	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/04/12
Lori M. Walsh	Election Inspector	Appt. 2/27/12	5/01/12	3/01/12
Lori M. Walsh	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	9/04/12
Janet M. West	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	5/18/12
David E. Wojnar	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	7/30/12
David E. Wojnar	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	7/30/12
Joyce A. Wylie-Scholz	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/27/12
Henry S. Young	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/08/12
Henry S. Young	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/08/12
Henry S. Young	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee (Ex – Officio)	Appt. 4/23/12	5/01/13	8/08/12
Henry S. Young	Police Station Building Committee (Planning)	Appt. 12/17/12	Upon Completion	---

**RESULTS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY HELD ON  
MARCH 6, 2012**

Register of Voters as of Close of Registration on February 15, 2012

	<b>Democrat</b>	<b>Green Rainbow</b>	<b>Libertarian</b>	<b>Republican</b>	<b>Unenrolled</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Precinct I</b>	879	4	7	140	1234	<b>2264</b>
<b>Precinct II</b>	825		7	209	1424	<b>2465</b>
<b>Precinct III</b>	880	1	12	183	1478	<b>2555</b>
<b>Total</b>	2584	5	26	532	4136	<b>7284</b>

**CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT I**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 820 plus 12 Absentee ballots. (D=500, R=300, GR=20)

Number of ballots cast from tape 225.

Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 3.

Number of ballots spoiled 3.

Number of Provisional Ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 601.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla

Clerk: Dorothy Gomes

Inspectors: Marie Hardy, William Hargraves, Susanne Sounik,  
Matthew Charbonneau, Anita Tetreault, Andrea Corrie,  
Pamela Tripp

Police Officers: John Bolarinho, Ryan Lavoie

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 225.

A true record: Attest:/s/ Dorothy Gomes

Clerk of Election Officers

Attest: Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 820 plus 15 Absentee ballots. (D=500, R=300, GR=20)  
Number of ballots cast from tape 254.  
Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 0.  
Number of ballots spoiled 4.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 1.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 576.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Simonne Coutinho
Clerk:	Diane Ferreira
Inspectors:	Lorraine Gentili, Carolyn Fortin, Maria Moore, Jenny Correia
Police Officers:	Gary Moniz, Derek Cathcart, Philip Adams

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 254.

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

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 820 plus 10 Absentee ballots. (D=500, R=300, GR=20)  
Number of ballots cast from tape 242.  
Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 1.  
Number of ballots spoiled 0.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 587.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Lillian Contois, Acting Warden
Clerk:	Lee Forand
Inspectors:	Jeanne Duggan, Marybeth Tripp, Catherine Audette, Suzanne DeTerra, Russell Goyette, Janet West, Wayne Deree
Police Officers:	Gary Moniz, Derek Cathcart, Philip Adams

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 242.

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

**RESULTS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY HELD ON MARCH 6, 2012**

**DEMOCRATIC RESULTS**

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>PRESIDENTIAL</b>				
Barack Obama	52	44	48	144
No Preference	12	14	15	41
Blanks	8	3	4	15
Write-In's:				
Rick Santorum	2			2
Milt Romney	1	1		2
H. Clinton		1		1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>75</u></b>	<b><u>63</u></b>	<b><u>67</u></b>	<b><u>205</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>STATE</u></b>				
<b><u>COMMITTEE</u></b>				
<b><u>MAN</u></b>				
Robert M. Koczera	67	57	62	186
Blanks	7	6	5	18
Write-In's				
Paula Koczera	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>75</u></b>	<b><u>63</u></b>	<b><u>67</u></b>	<b><u>205</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>STATE</u>				
<u>COMMITTEE</u>				
<u>WOMAN</u>				
Rosemary S. Tierney	66	51	57	174
Blanks	9	12	9	30
Write-In's				
Ann Richmond			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>205</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>TOWN</u>				
<u>COMMITTEE</u>				
Group (1)				
Wayne B. Richmond	42	34	31	107
Viriato F. Bala	38	31	29	98
William Murphy	52	29	30	111
Robert St. Jean	59	44	39	142
Robert M. Lanzoni	53	32	36	121
Andrew W. Setera	42	29	29	100
Teresa St. Jean	48	35	37	120
Blanks	2290	1967	2113	6370
Write-In's				
Frank Knox	1			1
Matthew D. Lopes		2		2
David Wojnar		1		1
Karen Trinidade		1		1
Leo Rousseau			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>2625</u>	<u>2205</u>	<u>2345</u>	<u>7175</u>

**RESULTS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY HELD ON MARCH 6, 2012**

**REPUBLICAN RESULTS**

	<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>PRESIDENTIAL</u></b>				
Ron Paul	22	22	20	64
Mitt Romney	77	95	108	280
Rick Perry		1	2	3
Rick Santorum	36	49	33	118
Jon Huntsman	1	1	1	3
Michele Bachmann	1	2		3
Newt Gingrich	15	20	11	46
No Preference		2	1	3
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>152</u></b>	<b><u>192</u></b>	<b><u>176</u></b>	<b><u>520</u></b>

	<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>STATE COMMITTEE MAN</u></b>				
Brock Cordeiro	96	112	106	314
Blanks	56	77	68	201
Write-In's				
Tom Hodgson		1		1
Ted Trefall		1		1
Dan Ferreira		1		1
Matthew Trahan			1	1
David Santos			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>152</u></b>	<b><u>192</u></b>	<b><u>176</u></b>	<b><u>520</u></b>

	<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>STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN</u></b>				
Blanks	151	190	172	513
Write-In's				
Dawn Giampa	1			1
Helen Trefall		1		1
Maria Tullock		1		1

Cheryl Burtch			1	1
Kerri Kuehne			1	1
John Bernard's Wife			1	1
Giselle Crowell			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>152</u></b>	<b><u>192</u></b>	<b><u>176</u></b>	<b><u>520</u></b>

	<b>PRECINCT I</b>	<b>PRECINCT II</b>	<b>PRECINCT III</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>TOWN COMMITTEE</b>				
Blanks	450	567	517	1534
Write-In's				
Frank Knox	1			1
Alan Coutinho	1		1	2
Robert A. Ferreira	1		1	2
Mark Spinale	1			1
Matt Lopes	2	3	3	8
Leo Rousseau		1		1
Manuel Faria		1		1
Ted Trefall		1		1
Julie Carvalho		1		1
Bob St. Jean		1		1
Teresa St. Jean		1		1
John Bud Pimental			1	1
Paul Robitaile			1	1
Kevin Palmer			1	1
Ryan Suave			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>456</u></b>	<b><u>576</u></b>	<b><u>526</u></b>	<b><u>1558</u></b>

**RESULTS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY HELD ON MARCH 6, 2012**

**GREEN RAINBOW RESULTS**

	<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>PRESIDENTIAL</u></b>				
Kent Mesplay				
Jill Stein	1			1
Harley Mikkelson				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>STATE</u>				
<u>COMMITTEE</u>				
<u>MAN</u>				
Blanks	1			1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>STATE</u>				
<u>COMMITTEE</u>				
<u>WOMAN</u>				
Blanks	1			1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>TOWN</u>				
<u>COMMITTEE</u>				
Blanks	10	10	10	30
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>30</u>

Attest:

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Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

Percentage of Votes Cast 10%

# **RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 2, 2012**

Register of Voters as of Close of Registration on March 13, 2012

	<b>Democrat</b>	<b>Green Rainbow</b>	<b>Libertarian</b>	<b>Republican</b>	<b>Unenrolled</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Precinct I</b>	875	4	7	141	1240	<b>2267</b>
<b>Precinct II</b>	820		7	209	1435	<b>2473</b>
<b>Precinct III</b>	871	1	12	182	1488	<b>2555</b>
<b>Total</b>	2566	5	26	532	4163	<b>7295</b>

## **CLERK'S REPORT –PRECINCT I**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 500 plus 7 Absentee ballots.  
Number of ballots cast from tape 94.  
Number of ballots counted manually 4.  
Number of ballots spoiled 4.  
Number of Provisional Ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 405

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla  
Clerk: Pamela Tripp, Carolyn Fortin, Clerks in Training  
Inspectors: Jeanne Duggan, Dorothy Gomes, Susanne Sounik,  
Anita Tetreault  
Police Officers: John Bolarinho, Ryan Lavoie

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 94.

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

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 500 plus 8 Absentee ballots.  
Number of ballots cast from tape 0.  
Number of ballots counted manually 89.  
Number of ballots spoiled 4.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 415.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Simonne Coutinho
Clerk:	Diane Ferreira
Inspectors:	Lorraine Gentili, Catherine Audette, Maria Moore, Louise Benoit, Andrea Corrie
Police Officers:	Gene Robinson, Phillip Adams

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 89.

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

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Dianna Couto, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 500 plus 4 Absentee ballots.  
Number of ballots cast from tape 81.  
Number of ballots counted manually 0.  
Number of ballots spoiled 2.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 421.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Lillian Contois, Acting Warden
Clerk:	Lee Forand
Inspectors:	Priscilla Santos, Marybeth Tripp, Janet West, Donna Forand, Joyce Wylie-Scholz
Police Officers:	Gene Robinson, Phillip Adams

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 81.

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

**RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 2, 2012**

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SELECTMEN</u></b>				
<b><u>(Three Years)</u></b>				
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	86	73	71	230
Blanks	11	11	9	31
Write-In's: (5)				
Everett L. Hardy	1			1
Matthew Lopes		1		1
David Deterra		3		3
Paul Soucy II		1		1
John Pimental			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>ASSESSOR</u></b>				
<b>(Three Years)</b>				
Blanks	77	70	45	192
Write-In's: (10)				
Matt Lopes	20	9	16	45
Pamela Labonte	1			1
Matthew Lopes		8	14	22
Matthew D. Lopes		1		1
Lopes		1		1
Michael Cioper			2	2
Mike Cioper			1	1
Mark Phaneuf			1	1
Robert Lanzoni			1	1
Leo M. Rousseau			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>BOARD OF</u></b>				
<b><u>HEALTH</u></b>				
<b>(Three Years)</b>				
David M. Davignon	80	65	64	209
Blanks	17	24	16	57
Write-In's: (2)				
Gerry Toussaint	1			1
David Wojnar			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SCHOOL</u></b>				
<b><u>COMMITTEE</u></b>				
<b>(Three Years)</b>				
John C. Howcroft	80	68	66	214
Blanks	17	20	15	52
Write -In's: (2)				
Steven Donovan	1			1
John Mello		1		1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COMMISSIONER</u></b>				
<b><u>OF TRUST FUNDS</u></b>				
<b>(Three Years)</b>				
Blanks	96	84	73	253
Write -In's: (13)				
Maria Otocky	1			1
Tom Fortin	1		1	2
Paul Fortin		1	1	2
Leo Rousseau		1		1
Alan Coutinho		1		1
Alan Scholz		1		1
Paul Soucy II		1		1
Ann Richmond			1	1
Frank Knox			1	1
Mark Phaneuf			1	1
Heidi Branco			1	1
Simone Coutinho			1	1
Everett Philla			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>PLANNING</u></b>				
<b><u>COMMISSIONER</u></b>				
<b>(Five Years)</b>				
Marc F. Cenerizio	85	72	68	225
Blanks	13	17	13	43
Write -In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>CEMETERY</u></b>				
<b><u>BOARD</u></b>				
<b>(Three Years)</b>				
Paul H. Fortin	88	72	65	225
Blanks	10	15	16	41
Write-In's: (2)				
Paul R. Soucy		1		1
John Mello		1		1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>TRUSTEE OF</u></b>				
<b><u>FREE PUBLIC</u></b>				
<b><u>LIBRARY</u></b>				
<b>(Three Years)</b>				
<b>(Vote for Two)</b>				
Jean S. Stripinis	83	60	63	206
Blanks	113	118	95	326
Write -In's: (3)				
Simone Coutinho			2	2
Heidi Branco			1	1
Faye M. Philla			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>196</u></b>	<b><u>178</u></b>	<b><u>162</u></b>	<b><u>536</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>TRUSTEE OF</u></b>				
<b><u>FREE PUBLIC</u></b>				
<b><u>LIBRARY</u></b>				
<b>(Two Years)</b>				
Simonne L. Coutinho	79	69	67	215
Blanks	19	20	14	53
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>PARK</u></b>				
<b><u>COMMISSIONER</u></b>				
<b>(Three Years)</b>				
Wayne B. Richmond	82	60	61	203
Blanks	16	28	20	64
Write-In's: (1)				
Thomas D. Costa		1		1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>BOARD OF</u></b>				
<b><u>PUBLIC WORKS</u></b>				
<b>(Three Years)</b>				
<b>(Vote for Two)</b>				
Jeffrey D. Schuster	65	54	56	175
Norman D. Fredette	75	62	51	188
Blanks	56	60	54	170
Write-In's: (2)				
Joe Fernandes		2		2
Michael Boucher			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>196</u></b>	<b><u>178</u></b>	<b><u>162</u></b>	<b><u>536</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>HOUSING</u></b>				
<b><u>AUTHORITY</u></b>				
<b>(Five Years)</b>				
Lawrence P. Mulvey	86	65	66	217
Blanks	11	23	14	48
Write-In's: (3)				
James Hougasian	1			1
Bob Varley		1		1
Alan Coutinho			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>98</u></b>	<b><u>89</u></b>	<b><u>81</u></b>	<b><u>268</u></b>

Attest:

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Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

Percentage of Votes Cast 4%

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WARRANT  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2012 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 Fourth (4th) day of June, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Rain showers

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:05 P.M.

TIME MEETING REOPENED: 7:25 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 172

LOCATION: Ford Middle School

Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

TIME MEETING RECESSED 7:24 P. M.

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THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator

Katherine Milligan, Town Treasurer

Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee Chairman

Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator

Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen

Lauren Goldberg, Kopelman & Paige, Town  
Council

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

Dr. Michael Boucher

Cathy Doane, Finance Director

David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen,  
Chairman

Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen

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ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to line item #0104423-529000 (Snow Removal, Emergency) to fund expenses incurred in FY 2012, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$28,000.00)

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

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

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$28,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee managed to recommend this article.
3. Vote: Moderator: Seeing no opposition, I will declare it passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase a server that will automatically perform nightly back-ups of town hall computer hard drives or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$15,344.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$15,344.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no opposition, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Police Department line item #0102210/511100 Salaries Permanent for the purpose of funding overtime shortfall or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$75,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$75,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by gift, purchase or eminent domain, for general municipal purposes, the land and improvements thereon at 39 Perry Hill Road containing approximately 9,000 square feet and described in a deed to the First Christian Society of North Fairhaven recorded with the Bristol County Registry of Deeds, Southern District, in Book 24, Page 296, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of the Town to effect said acquisition; and further to raise and appropriate, transfer, or borrow a sum of money for the acquisition of said real property, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by eminent domain or otherwise, for general municipal purposes, the land and improvements thereon located at 39 Perry Hill Road, as more fully described in Article 4, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of the Town to effect said acquisition.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Community Preservation recommendation by Chairman Kevin Dakin: We unanimously voted to recommend the funding of this article.
4. Vote: (2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote required) The article passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn Special Town Meeting at 7:24 P.M.

Vote: Motion passed with opposition.

Special Town Meeting reconvened 7:25 P.M.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (Forty Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund under the historic resources category for the purpose of paying damages for the taking by eminent domain of the historic Perry Hill Church property located at 39 Perry Hill Road, as described in Article 6 of the June 4, 2012 Annual Town Meeting, such funds to be held and/or disbursed in accordance with G.L. c.79, §7D; provided, however, that where current owners are unknown, it is anticipated that unless claimed as damages, such funds shall be held in escrow for a period of up to 6 years, and then returned to the Community Preservation Fund, pursuant to the Community Preservation Program, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$40,000)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$40,000.00 and approve Article 5 as printed in the warrant.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Dr. Michael Boucher: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article.
3. Community Preservation Committee recommendation by Chairman Kevin Dakin: The Community Preservation Committee and the Historical Commission unanimously recommends the funding of this article.

4. Resident Mr. Richard Threlfall addresses the Moderator with a clerical error in the article. The moderator, with no opposition makes an editorial change in which the article references “Annual Town Meeting” and should read “Special Town Meeting”.
5. Vote: (2/3<sup>rd</sup>s vote required): The article passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund under the historic resources category for the purpose of preserving, renovating, rehabilitating and remodeling the historic Perry Hill Church, located at 39 Perry Hill Road, which property was authorized to be acquired by the Town under Articles 4 and 5 of the June 4, 2012 Special Town Meeting, pursuant to the Community Preservation Program or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$25,000)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund, Historic Resources Reserve Account the sum of \$25,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends this article.
3. Community Preservation recommendation by Chairman, Kevin Dakin: The Community Preservation Committee, as well as, the Historical Commission unanimously recommends the funding of this article.
4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a Copy Machine for the Police Department, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$6,498.00)

(Submitted by the Police Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$6,498.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Golf Contingency Account a sum of Six Hundred Dollars to fund longevity for the employees of the Golf Course or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$600.00)

(Submitted by the Golf Course Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town transfer from the Golf Contingency Account the sum of \$600.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$ 2,750.00 for the purchase of an emergency generator for the Acushnet Emergency Management Agency (EMA). Said requested sum will provide matching funds for a grant approved by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency which will pay an equal amount toward the purchase of the emergency generator, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Emergency Management Agency)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,750.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends unanimously passage of this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars (\$1,799.00) for the payment of an unpaid Town Clerk bill from a prior year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 64 of the General Laws, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$1,799.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
3. Vote: (9/10<sup>th</sup>s Vote required): Seeing no one opposed, it's declared (passed) unanimous.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (Forty Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund under the historic resources category for the purpose of preserving Town records deemed historic by the Town of Acushnet Historical Commission, by microfilming and digitizing such records. Such records include, but are not limited to all birth, death, marriage records, town reports, meeting minutes and any other historical records under the jurisdiction of the Town Clerk, pursuant to the Community Preservation Program, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$40,000)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move that town table said article due to lack of funding.
2. Vote: Article 11 is tabled unanimously.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund under the historic resources category for the purpose of preserving, restoring and rehabilitating the historic Council on Aging building located at 59 1/2 South Main Street, Acushnet, including repairing and replacing the roof and all costs incidental and related thereto pursuant to the Community Preservation Program, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$25,000)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar moves that the Town transfer from Community Preservation Funds, Historic Resources Reserve Account the sum of \$18,000.00, and \$7,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
3. Community Preservation Committee recommendation by Chairman, Kevin Dakin: The Community Preservation Committee unanimously recommends the funding of this article.
4. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$26,600 (Twenty Six Thousand Six Hundred Dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund under the community housing category for the purpose of preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of community housing at the Acushnet Housing Authority Buildings located at 23 Main Street, Acushnet, including upgrading, repairing and replacing 27 sliding glass doors and all costs incidental and related thereto, pursuant to the Community Preservation Program, or to take any action relative thereto. (\$26,600)

(Submitted by Petition)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move that the town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund, Community Housing Reserve Account the sum of \$26,600.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
3. Community Preservation Committee recommendation by Chairman Kevin Dakin: Community Preservation Committee and the Housing Authority, both, unanimously recommend the funding of this article.
4. Vote: The article passed with opposition.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 (One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund under the open space category and authorize the Conservation Commission to utilize these funds along with any state, federal and other outside grants and funds to acquire by purchase, gift or otherwise a conservation restriction over property known as the LaPalme Property (Lot 145 on the Assessor's Map 24), a parcel with 46.6 acres adjacent to the Acushnet River, for open space purposes, specifically conservation and appropriate public passive recreation use with the additional condition that a sign be placed on the property encouraging its use by residents and visitors pursuant to the Community Preservation Program; that the Conservation Commission and other appropriate Town officials be authorized to enter into all agreements and to execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of the town to effectuate said acquisition, or to take any action relative thereto. (\$125,000)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund, Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$74,342.00, and the sum of \$50,658.00 from the Open Space Reserve Account and approve Article 14 as written in the warrant.

2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Michael Boucher: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article with one abstention.
3. Community Preservation Committee by Chairman Kevin Dakin: Community Preservation recommended this article.
4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 (Thirty Five Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund under the land for recreational use category for the preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of land for recreational use, specifically for the installation, update and upgrades to the existing security system and lighting at Pope Park pursuant to the Community Preservation Program or to take any action relative thereto. (\$35,000)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$28,909.00 for the purposes of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: The Finance Committee managed to pass this article unanimously.
3. Community Preservation Committee recommendation by Chairman Kevin Dakin: Community Preservation Committee recommended this article.
4. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the FY 2012 reserve fund line item #0101110/578000 or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to table said article.
2. Vote: The article is tabled by unanimously.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 to the Gasoline line item # 0104422/541500, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$20,000)

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move that town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$20,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article
3. Moderator states with unanimous consent, the article can be decreased by \$5,000.00. Seeing no objections the article is changed to \$15,000.00.
4. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Surplus account a sum of \$65,000 to Water Department line item #2704450/523000 (New Bedford Water Bills), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$65,000)

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town transfer from the Water Surplus Fund the sum of \$65,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously supports passage of this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no opposition, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Surplus account a sum of \$40,000 to sewer Department line item #6004440/529200 (Sewer Pumping New Bedford), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$40,000)

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar that the Town transfer from Sewer Surplus Account the sum of \$40,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman, Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously supports passage of this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no on opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$11,500.00 for the purchase of capital equipment for the Highway Department (John Deere 997 Commercial L.C. Mower) including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing, transfer from available funds or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$11,500)

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$11,500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Surplus account a sum of money to Sewer Department line item #6004440/524600 (Maintenance of the System), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$40,000)

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town transfer from the Sewer Surplus Account the sum of \$40,000 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously supports passage of this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00), to department line item 0105543/577000 Veterans Benefits or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$12,000.00 for the purpose of said article.

2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: The Finance Committee managed to recommend passage of this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Finance Committee Chairman Robert St. Jean to move that the Town table said article.
2. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, declared tabled unanimously.

8:10 P.M. – Motion made and seconded to adjourn Special Town Meeting. Motion passes - meeting adjourned.

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

Given under our hands this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012.

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David E. Wojnar, Chairman

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Leslie Dakin, Jr., Member

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Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy Attest:  
This 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012

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Kelli A. Tomlinson  
Constable of Acushnet

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WARRANT  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2012 AT 7:15 P.M.  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS  
To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the Fourth (4th) day of June, at 7:15 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Rain showers

LOCATION: Ford Middle School

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:

Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:24 P.M.

TIME MEETING RECESSED: 7:24 P.M.

TIME MEETING REOPENED: 8:10 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 172

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THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee Chairman

Katherine Milligan, Town Treasurer

Cathy Doane, Finance Director

Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator

David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen, Chairman

Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen

Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen

Lauren Goldberg, Kopelman & Paige, Town  
Council

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ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to fix salaries and compensation of elected/appointed officers/employees, and to see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for the payment of said salaries and compensation, payment of debt interest, for a reserve fund and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the ensuing twelve (12) month period through June 30, 2013, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Town Clerk to change the Salaries/Stipends line item appropriation to 93,716.00 an increase from the Finance Committee recommendation of \$89,503.00.
2. Vote: The motion fails.
3. Motion made by Finance Committee Chairman Robert St. Jean to move that the Town fix **salaries and compensation of elected/appointed officers/employees, and appropriate funds for the payment of said salaries and compensation, payment of debt and interest, a reserve fund, and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the ensuing twelve (12) month period through June 30, 2013 – all as set forth in the budget presented by the Finance Committee, and, as funding therefor, to** appropriate from Taxation the sum of \$22,167,966.00, transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$601,817.00, transfer from EMS Reserved Receipt account the sum of \$300,000.00, appropriate from Water Fees the sum of \$1,120,300.00, appropriate from Sewer Fees the sum of \$479,496.00, and appropriate from Golf Fees the sum of \$1,360,635.00.
4. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends unanimously.
5. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 2012 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

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

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

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

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

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

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

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

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

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

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

(Submitted by the Conservation Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund for the Conservation Commission as set forth in the warrant.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

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

(Submitted by the Council on Aging)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund for the Council on Aging as set forth in the warrant.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends unanimously passage of this article.
- 3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 8. COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT

To see if the Town will vote to act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2013 Community Preservation Budget and to appropriate or reserve for later appropriation monies from the Community Preservation Fund Estimated Annual Revenues or available funds the amount of \$207,047 for the administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, the payment of debt service, the undertaking of Community Preservation projects and all other necessary and proper expenses for the year, or take any other action relative thereto.

## PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2013 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION BUDGET

The Community Preservation Committee recommends that the following amounts be appropriated or reserved from Fiscal Year 2013 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues, unless otherwise specified, for Fiscal Year 2013 Community Preservation purposes with each item considered a separate appropriation:

<b>PURPOSE:</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT:</b>
Appropriations:	
Community Preservation Administrative Expenses	\$7,465
Reserves:	
Open Space	\$14,972
Historic Resources	\$14,972
Community Housing	\$14,972
Budgeted Reserves	\$154,666
Total FY 2013 Budget	\$207,047*

\*The \$207,047 is comprised of the FY 12 Surcharge (net of abatements/exemptions) of \$122,720 plus an estimated 22% FY 2013 state match of \$26,998, plus the FY 2011 certified undesignated fund balance of \$57,329.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

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

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to that move that the Town vote to appropriate or reserve from Community Preservation Fund FY2013 estimated annual revenues the sum of \$149,718, and from the Community Preservation Fund Balance the sum of \$57,329, which sum shall be credited to the Budgeted Reserves line, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee and as set forth in the warrant for Fiscal Year 2013, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommended passage of this article.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by inserting a new bylaw entitled, "Anti-Litter Bylaw", or similarly entitled as on file with the Town Clerk, which bylaw will, among other things, establish fines for the depositing of litter in or upon any street, sidewalk, or other public or private place within the Town, and further that

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

(Submitted by the By-Law Review Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move that the Town amend the General By-Laws as set forth on the handout entitled, “Anti-Litter Bylaw”.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
- 3. Planning Board recommendation by Board Member Leo Coons: Planning Board recommends this article
- 4. Moderator: By unanimous consent the following wording can be deleted without a motion:

All persons, residents, business owners, shall:

- 1) Keep their exterior property free of litter and debris.
- 2) All garbage, refuse must be stored in covered barrels or in a secured manner to discourage rodents and other animals from creating a nuisance.

Moderator: Seeing no one object it is stricken from the by by-law by unanimous consent.

- 5. Vote: (Requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s vote): Article 9 declared passed by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to replace Section XIII of the Regional Agreement of the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District with the following as recommended by the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District committee:

Section XIII Incurring of Debt

Within seven (7) days after the date on which the Committee authorizes the incurring of debt, other than temporary debt in anticipation of revenue to be received from member towns, the said Committee shall cause written notice of the date of said authorization, the sum authorized, and the general purpose or purposes for authorizing such debt, to be given to the Board of Selectmen of each member town. The notice for which provision is herein made shall be deemed to have been duly given to a Board of Selectmen of a member town if delivered to the Chairman of said Board or if mailed by registered or certified mail within the time specified, postage prepaid and addressed to the Chairman of

said Board at the Selectman's Office or at his last known permanent address in such town. Within sixty (60) days after the date on which the Committee authorized the incurring of said debt, each member town shall hold a town meeting for the purpose of expressing approval or disapproval of the amount of said debt and if at such meeting a majority of the voters present and voting thereon express disapproval of the amount authorized by the Committee, the said debt shall not be incurred and the Committee shall thereupon prepare another proposal which may be the same as any prior proposal and an authorization to incur debt therefor or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town approve the amendment of the regional Agreement of the Old Colony Regional Technical District as set forth in the warrant.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously supports this article.
3. Old Colony Representative Leo Coons: We had a problem with our bonding company because our charter states 30 days and we can't get 5 towns to have a town meeting in 30 days, we are asking for 60 days and that is why we are here tonight.
4. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to adopt the following legislation, provided that the General Court may make clerical and editorial changes of form only to the bill unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill prior to enactment by the General Court, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve such amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND  
ADMINISTRATION OF RENT REGULATIONS AND THE  
CONTROL OF EVICTIONS IN MANUFACTURED HOUSING  
COMMUNITIES IN THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET.

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

SECTION 1: The general court finds and declares that a serious public emergency exists with respect to the housing of a substantial number of citizens in the Town of Acushnet, which emergency has been created by excessive, abnormally high and unwarranted rental increases imposed by some owners of manufactured housing communities located therein, that unless manufactured housing community rents and eviction of tenants are regulated and controlled, such emergency

will produce serious threats to the public health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of said town, particularly the elderly, that such emergency should be met by the Commonwealth immediately and with due regard for the rights and responsibilities of the Town of Acushnet.

SECTION 2: The Town of Acushnet may, by vote of its selectmen or by by-law, establish a rent board for the purpose of regulating rents for the use or occupancy of manufactured housing accommodations in said town and for regulating units, minimum standards for use or occupancy of manufactured housing communities and eviction of tenants therefrom. The rent board shall be comprised of three members, which may be the board of selectmen or their appointees. Such rents, standards and evictions may be regulated by the rent board so as to remove hardships or correct inequities for both the owner and tenants of such manufactured housing communities. Said rent board shall have all the powers necessary or convenient to perform its functions, may make rules and regulations, require registration by owners of manufactured housing communities, under penalty of perjury, of information relating to the manufactured housing communities, sue and be sued, compel the attendance of persons and the production of papers and information and issue appropriate orders which shall be binding on both the owner and tenants of such manufactured housing communities. Violations of any regulation adopted pursuant to this act or any order of said rent board shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00.

SECTION 3: In regulating rents for such manufactured housing communities, the rent board established under section 2 may make such individual or general adjustments, either upward or downward, as may be necessary to assure that rents for manufactured housing communities in said town are established at levels which yield to owners a fair net operating income which will yield a return, after all reasonable operating expenses, on the fair market value of the property equal to the debt service rate generally available from institutional first mortgage lenders or such other rates of return as the board, on the basis of evidence presented before it, deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case. The fair market value of the property shall be the assessed valuation of the property or such other valuation as the board, on the basis of evidence presented before it, deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case. Said town in its by-laws or said rent board by regulations may establish further standards and rules consistent with this act.

SECTION 4: Review of the proceedings of the rent control board shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c.249, §4.

SECTION 5: The Superior Court shall have jurisdiction to enforce the

provisions of this act and any regulations adopted thereunder and may restrain violations thereof.

SECTION 6: The Town of Acushnet may regulate the eviction of tenants, and the rent board established under Section 2 may issue orders which shall be a defense to actions of summary process for possession and such orders shall be reviewable pursuant to Sections 4 and 5.

SECTION 7: The personnel of the rent board established under Section 2 shall not be subject to Section 9A of Chapter 30 of the General Laws or Chapter 31 of the General Laws.

SECTION 8: This act shall take effect upon its passage.  
or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move the Town petition the General Court for special legislation as follows; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical and editorial changes of form only to the bill unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill prior to enactment by the General Court, and to authorize the Board Selectmen to approve such amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT  
AND ADMINISTRATION OF RENT REGULATIONS  
AND THE CONTROL OF EVICTIONS IN  
MANUFACTURED HOUSING COMMUNITIES IN  
THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET.

2. Finance Committee Recommendation did not take a vote on this article because there was no expenditure of town funds.
3. Vote:  
In Favor: East: 12 West: 31 - Total 43  
Opposed: East: 22 West: 11 - Total 33

The article passes.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee to move the Town table said article.
- 2. Vote: (2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote required) Declared tabled.

Motion made to adjourn Annual Town Meeting at 9:40 P.M.

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

Given under our hands this 30th day of April, 2012.

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David E. Wojnar., Chairman

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Leslie Dakin, Jr., Member

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Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy, Attest:  
This day of May 18, 2012

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Kelli A. Tomlinson  
Constable of Acushnet

# RESULTS OF THE STATE PRIMARY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2012

Register of Voters as of Close of Registration on August 17, 2012

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Libertarian	MA Indep Party	Republican	Unenrolled	Total
<b>Precinct I</b>	871	4	7		146	1241	2269
<b>Precinct II</b>	803		6	1	218	1452	2480
<b>Precinct III</b>	876	1	12		184	1513	2586
<b>Total</b>	2550	5	25	1	548	4206	7335

## CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT I

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 810 plus 18 Absentee ballots.

(D=500, R=300, GR=10)

Number of ballots cast from tape 367.

Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 2.

Number of ballots spoiled 8.

Number of Provisional Ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 451.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla

Clerk: Carolyn Fortin, Pamela Tripp

Inspectors: Jeanne Duggan, Dorothy Gomes, Susanne Sounik, Marie  
Hardy, Paulette Hudson

Police Officers: John Almeida, John Bolarinho

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 367.

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

Attest: Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 810 plus 12 Absentee ballots.

(D=500, R=300, GR=10)

Number of ballots cast from tape 330.

Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 1.

Number of ballots spoiled 6.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 485.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Simonne Coutinho

Clerk: Diane Ferreira

Inspectors: Lorraine Gentili, Donna Forand, Andrea Corrie,  
Jenny Correira

Police Officers: Thomas Carreau, Ryan Lavoie

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 485.

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

Attest: Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 810 plus 4 Absentee ballots.

(D=500, R=300, GR=10)

Number of ballots cast from tape 360.

Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 0.

Number of ballots spoiled 3.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 451.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Dianna Couto
Clerk:	Lee Forand
Inspectors:	Priscilla Santos, Louis Benoit, Maria Moore, Catherine Audette, Lori Walsh, Margaret Mota, Janet West
Police Officers:	Thomas Carreau, Ryan Lavoie

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 360.

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

**RESULTS OF THE STATE PRIMARY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2012**

**DEMOCRATIC RESULTS**

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Elizabeth A. Warren	244	178	220	642
Blanks	49	61	53	163
Write-In's: (4)				
David Constantine		1		1
Scott Brown	6	2	7	15
Christine Brown		1		1
Scott Lang	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>300</u></b>	<b><u>243</u></b>	<b><u>280</u></b>	<b><u>823</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
William Richard Keating	77	59	64	200
C. Samuel Sutter	214	180	212	606
Blanks	9	4	4	17
Write-In's				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>300</u></b>	<b><u>243</u></b>	<b><u>280</u></b>	<b><u>823</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNCILLOR</u></b>				
Nicholas D. Bernier	58	43	39	140
Oliver P. Cipollini, Jr.	44	37	31	112
Walter D. Moniz	167	139	180	486
Blanks	31	24	30	85
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>300</u></b>	<b><u>243</u></b>	<b><u>280</u></b>	<b><u>823</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Mark C. Montigny	264	199	243	706
Blanks	33	43	36	112
Write-In's (4)				
Mark Lipsett		1		1
David Wojnar			1	1
Tony Cambra	2			2
Scott Lang	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>300</u></b>	<b><u>243</u></b>	<b><u>280</u></b>	<b><u>823</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Robert M. Koczera	253	199	242	694
Blanks	45	44	38	127
Write-In's (1)				
Paula Koczera	2			2
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>300</u></b>	<b><u>243</u></b>	<b><u>280</u></b>	<b><u>823</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>CLERK OF COURTS</u></b>				
Marc J. Santos	243	191	237	671
Blanks	57	52	42	151
Write-In's (1)				
Michael Thomas			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>300</u></b>	<b><u>243</u></b>	<b><u>280</u></b>	<b><u>823</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REGISTER OF DEEDS</u></b>				
J. Mark Treadup	243	195	230	668
Blanks	57	48	50	155
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>300</u></b>	<b><u>243</u></b>	<b><u>280</u></b>	<b><u>823</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNTY COMMISSIONER</u></b> <b>(Vote for Two)</b>				
Paul B. Kitchen	198	159	166	523
John R. Mitchell	109	91	122	322
Blanks	293	236	272	801
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>600</u></b>	<b><u>486</u></b>	<b><u>560</u></b>	<b><u>1646</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNTY TREASURER</u></b>				
Christopher T. Saunders	244	183	232	659
Blanks	56	60	48	164
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>300</u></b>	<b><u>243</u></b>	<b><u>280</u></b>	<b><u>823</u></b>

**RESULTS OF THE STATE PRIMARY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2012**

**REPUBLICAN RESULTS**

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Scottt P. Brown	64	87	79	230
Blanks	3	1		4
Write-In's: (2)				
Sam Sutter			1	1
Elizabeth Warren	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>68</u></b>	<b><u>88</u></b>	<b><u>80</u></b>	<b><u>236</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Adam G. Chaprales	18	23	17	58
Christopher Sheldon	34	56	54	144
Blanks	11	8	6	25
Write-In's (4)				
Sam Sutter	3	1	2	6
Nick Coutinho			1	1
Kennedy	1			1
S. Bieliot	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>68</u></b>	<b><u>88</u></b>	<b><u>80</u></b>	<b><u>236</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNCILLOR</u></b>				
Charles Cipollini	46	72	62	180
Blanks	22	16	17	55
Write-In's: (1)				
Bob Goulart			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>68</u></b>	<b><u>88</u></b>	<b><u>80</u></b>	<b><u>236</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Blanks	68	88	78	234
Write-In's (2)				
Ted Williams			1	1
Mark C. Montigny			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>68</u></b>	<b><u>88</u></b>	<b><u>80</u></b>	<b><u>236</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Blanks	68	88	78	234
Write-In's (2)				
Liz Coutinho			1	1
Koczera			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>68</u></b>	<b><u>88</u></b>	<b><u>80</u></b>	<b><u>236</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>CLERK OF COURTS</u></b>				
Blanks	68	88	78	234
Write-In's (2)				
Donald Gaudette			1	1
Marc J. Santos			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>68</u></b>	<b><u>88</u></b>	<b><u>80</u></b>	<b><u>236</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REGISTER OF DEEDS</u></b>				
Blanks	68	88	79	235
Write-In's (1)				
J. Mark Treadup			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>68</u></b>	<b><u>88</u></b>	<b><u>80</u></b>	<b><u>236</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNTY COMMISSIONER</u></b> (Vote for Two)				
Blanks	136	176	160	472
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>136</u></b>	<b><u>176</u></b>	<b><u>160</u></b>	<b><u>472</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNTY TREASURER</u></b>				
<b><u>Blanks</u></b>	<b><u>68</u></b>	<b><u>88</u></b>	<b><u>79</u></b>	<b><u>235</u></b>
Write-In's (1)				
Donald Trump			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>68</u></b>	<b><u>88</u></b>	<b><u>80</u></b>	<b><u>236</u></b>

<p align="center"><b><u>RESULTS OF THE STATE PRIMARY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2012</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b><u>GREEN RAINBOW RESULTS</u></b></p>
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	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Blanks	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Blanks	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>			<b><u>1</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNCILLOR</u></b>				
Blanks	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>			<b><u>1</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Blanks	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>			<b><u>1</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Blanks	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>			<b><u>1</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>CLERK OF COURTS</u></b>				
Blanks	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>			<b><u>1</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REGISTER OF DEEDS</u></b>				
Blanks	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>			<b><u>1</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNTY COMMISSIONER</u></b> (Vote for Two)				
Blanks	2			2
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>2</u></b>			<b><u>2</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNTY TREASURER</u></b>				
Blanks	1			1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>			<b><u>1</u></b>

Attest:

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Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

Percentage of Votes Cast 15%

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WARRANT  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2012 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-Second (22nd) day of October, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Clear & Cool

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:09 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 219

LOCATION: Ford Middle School

Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

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THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator

Katherine Milligan, Town Treasurer

Michael Boucher, Finance Committee

Vice Chairman

Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator

Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen

Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town  
Council

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee  
Chairman

Cathy Doane, Finance Director

David E. Wojnar, Board of  
Selectmen, Chairman

Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of  
Selectmen

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ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund and implement wage increases for those employees covered by the following union contracts: Library (A.F.S.C.M.E.) (covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015), Police Department (Teamsters Local 59) (covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015), as well as certain non-union personnel as approved by various Boards, retroactive to July 1, 2012, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move the Town raise and appropriate from taxation the sum of \$64,346.00, and transfer from Golf Contingency Fund the sum of \$6,122.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee passed this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or transfer and appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund under the category of historic resources a sum of money for the purpose of preserving, renovating, rehabilitating and/or remodeling the historic Perry Hill Church, located at 39 Perry Hill Road, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$45,000 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends the passage of this article 3 votes in the affirmative and 2 votes in the negative.
3. Vote: Count too close to call. A second hand count was done, again too close to call and the Moderator decided on having it counted by the counters.

In Favor - East: 39/West: 64 - Total: 103  
Opposed - East: 42/West: 42 - Total: 84

Final result: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate Five Million Seven Hundred Thirty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$5,738,814.00) or some other amount, to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing a new Police Station to be located at 60 Middle Road, Map 24 Lot 36, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, to determine whether such sum shall be raised by borrowing, appropriation from available funds or otherwise, and if by borrowing, that the vote taken hereunder shall be expressly contingent upon a vote by Town to exempt the payment of principal and interest on any bonds or notes to be issued for this project from

the limitations imposed by Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (Proposition 2½ ), or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move that the Town appropriate Five Million Seven Hundred Thirty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$5,738,814) to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing a new Police Station to be located at 60 Middle Road, Map 24 Lot 36, including the payment of all costs incidental and relative thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, \$500,000 shall be transferred from free cash, and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$5,238,814 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(3) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; provided, however, that the amount appropriated hereunder shall be expressly contingent upon approval of the voters of the Town to exempt the repayment of any bonds or notes authorized to be issued for this project from the limitations imposed by Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (Proposition 2½ ).
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended passage of this article unanimously.
3. Motion made by Resident Cynthia Souza to table the article until the spring.
4. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s): The table fails.
5. Motion made to move the question.
6. Vote: We are going to move the question.
7. Vote (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s): The article passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority vote.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Phase II Betterment Fund the sum of \$75,000.00 for the purpose of reimbursing the General Fund for debt service expenditures previously incurred, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move the Town transfer from the Sewer Phase II Betterment Fund the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars to fund General Fund Debt Service and other FY13 budget items as voted from taxation under Article One at the May 23, 2011\* Annual Town Meeting.
2. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

3. Finance Committee recommendation: was missed in error and caught after the vote. Moderator asked Chairman St. Jean if he wanted to say anything on the article. Chairman St. Jean denied stating it was a moot point.

**\* This certification is reflective of the corrected date of Town Meeting as June 4, 2012 rather than May 23, 2011 as motioned. In my opinion, as Town Clerk the intent of the Town Meeting voters was not the date of May 23, 2011 rather the correct town meeting date and article of June 4, 2012.**

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 8 of the May 19, 2008, Special Town Meeting to transfer from Community Preservation Fund Historic Resources Reserve the sum of Five Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$5,600.00) for the purpose of repairs to the historic White's Factory, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 24 of the September 19, 2005 Special Town Meeting to appropriate the sum of Nineteen Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Four Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$19,484.50) from the Community Preservation Fund balance for the purpose of creating land for recreational use at Scout's Pond, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

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

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purpose of implementing a wage increase per the Collector’s Contract for certification as a Municipal Collector, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
- 3. Vote: Article seven (7) passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Twenty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$24,700.00) for the purpose of purchasing a 2013 Ford Econoline Van for the Animal Control Officer including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Animal Control Officer)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,700.00 for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends unanimously that this article be passed.
- 3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$19,500) for the purpose of replacing 13 sets of firefighter personal protective equipment (firefighting coats, pants, suspenders), or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

- 1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,500.00 for the purpose of said article.
- 2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
- 3. Vote: Article passes with opposition

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Two Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$2,720) for the purpose of replacing 10 firefighting helmets or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,720.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends the passage of this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Four Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars (\$4,728.00) for the purpose of replacing 12 firefighter pagers, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,728.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of replacing the apron (portion of driveway attached to building) at Fire Station #3 located at 60 Middle Road, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
3. Vote: Count too close to call. A second hand count done, again too close to call and the Moderator decided on having it counted by the counters.

In Favor - East: 34/West: 47 - Total: 81  
Opposed - East: 14/West: 20 - Total: 34

Final result: The article passes with opposition.

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

(Submitted by the Historical Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Wojnar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purpose of moving the Town's government communication channel equipment to the NSTAR Tower on Peckham Road, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Emergency Management Agency)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article unanimously.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00), to be expended by the Tree Warden, for the purpose of removing diseased trees on various town streets, including all costs incidental and related thereto, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Tree Warden)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Dr. Boucher: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 1 of the June 14, 2012, Annual Town Meeting by transferring from amounts appropriated for the Golf Contingency Fund to increase the FY13 Golf Enterprise budget line items, as follows, or to take any other action relative thereto.

#546100 Fertility and Wetting Agents	\$9,110.00	
#546200 Pesticide		\$5,000.00
#546000 Seed, Topdressing		<u>\$1,000.00</u>
Total	\$15,100.00	

(Submitted by the Golf Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Wojnar to move the Town transfer from the Golf Contingency Fund the sum of \$15,100.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money as estimated below to fund and implement wage increases for those employees covered by the following union contract: Department of Public Works Public Employees Local Union 1249 (covering the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013), retroactive to July 1, 2012, or to take any other action relative to:

Highway Department #0104422	
Line Item 511000/511100/511200 (Salaries)	\$3,657.00
Line Item 513000 (Salaries Overtime)	\$67.00

Water Department #2704450

Line Item	511100/511000/511200 (Salaries)	\$1,719.00
Sewer Department #6004440		
Line Item	511100/511000 (Salaries)	\$478.00
Line Item	6004440/513000 (Salaries Overtime)	\$96.00
SeMass Department #0104431		
Line Item	511100 (Salaries)	<u>\$294.00</u>
		\$6,311.00

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,018.00, transfer from the Water Surplus Account the sum of \$1,719.00, and transfer from the Sewer Surplus Account the sum of \$574.00, for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Seeing no one opposed, it is declared unanimous.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to pay costs of purchasing a dump truck body (5 ton truck) for the Highway Department, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee unanimously recommends passage of this article.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) from the Community Preservation Fund under the historical resources category for the purpose of microfilming and digitizing Town records deemed historic by the Town of Acushnet Historical Commission, which includes, but is not limited to all birth, death, marriage records, Town reports, meeting minutes and any

other historical records under the jurisdiction of the Town Clerk, and pursuant to the Community Preservation Program, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$34,267.00 and from the Historical Resources Account the sum of \$15,733.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000) from the Community Preservation Fund under the recreational use category for the purpose of installing 2 new baseball dugouts including the excavation, roof and fencing and the enlarging of Knox Field including the surveying, field repositioning, fencing, and new scorer booths, including all costs incidental and related thereto, pursuant to the Community Preservation Program, or to take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$50,028.00 and from the Open Space Account the sum of \$14,972.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article unanimously.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 21. To see if town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000.00) for the purpose of paying interest costs related to a payment of a Fiscal Year 2009 abatement to Verizon New England Inc. for taxes assessed upon poles and wires located in or over public ways in the Town of Acushnet, all in connection with final resolution of a case decided by the Massachusetts Appeals Court overruling the Appellate Tax Board with respect to taxation of such poles and wires as personal property prior to Fiscal Year 2010, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Assessors)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Vice Chairman Boucher: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: The article passes with opposition.

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

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:  
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Finance Committee Chairman St. Jean to move that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$53,691.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation by Chairman Robert St. Jean: Finance Committee recommends passage of the article unanimously.
3. Vote: (requires 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s) The article passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority.

9:04 P.M. – Motion made to adjourn Special Town Meeting. Motion passes - meeting adjourned.

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

Given under our hands this **1<sup>st</sup>** day of **October**, 2012.

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David E. Wojnar, Chairman

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Leslie Dakin, Jr., Member

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Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Member  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy Attest:  
This **5<sup>th</sup>** day of **October**, 2012

# RESULTS OF THE STATE ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2012

Register of Voters as of Close of Registration on October 17, 2012

	<b>Democrat</b>	<b>Green Rainbow</b>	<b>Libertarian</b>	<b>Republican</b>	<b>Unenrolled</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Precinct I</b>	886	5	7	149	1269	<b>2316</b>
<b>Precinct II</b>	813		6	224	1493	<b>2538</b>
<b>Precinct III</b>	888	1	12	189	1533	<b>2624</b>
<b>Total</b>	2587	6	25	562	4295	<b>7478</b>

## CLERK'S REPORT –PRECINCT I

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.  
 Box register when polls were opened 0.  
 Number of ballots received 2006 plus 96 absentee ballots  
 Number of ballots cast from tape 1658.  
 Number of ballots counted manually 10.  
 Number of ballots spoiled 28.  
 Number of Provisional ballots not cast 2.  
 Number of Unused ballots returned 404.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Faye Philla
Clerk:	Carolyn Fortin, Pamela Tripp
	Inspectors: Jeanne Duggan, Dorothy Gomes, Jenny Correia, Susanne Sounik, Lori Walsh, Marie Hardy, William Hargreaves
Police Officers:	Gene Robinson, Jeremy Fontes

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 1658.

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

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 2001 plus 100 absentee ballots

Number of ballots cast from tape 1811.

Number of ballots counted manually 10.

Number of ballots spoiled 33.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 2.

Number of Unused ballots returned 245.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Simonne Coutinho

Clerk: Diane Ferreira

Inspectors: Lillian Contois, Paulette Hudson, Janet West,  
Cathy Audette, Everett Philla, Louise Benoit, Lisa Girard

Police Officers: John Almeida, Chris Richmond

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 1811.

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

Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 2000 plus 87 absentee ballots

Number of ballots cast from tape 1890.

Number of ballots counted manually 18.

Number of ballots spoiled 25.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 154.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Dianna Couto
Clerk:	Lee Forand
Inspectors:	Margaret Mota, Andrea Corrie, Lorraine Gentili, Marybeth Tripp, Donna Forand, Matthew Charbonneau, Maria Moore, Priscilla Santos
Police Officers:	John Almeida, Jr. Chris Richmond

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 1890.

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

### **RESULTS OF THE STATE ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2012**

	<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>ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT</u></b>				
Johnson and Gray	17	25	17	59
Obama and Biden	1034	959	1053	3046
Romney and Ryan	574	803	819	2196
Stein and Honkala	8	11	7	26
Blanks:	23	19	11	53
Write-In's: (8)				
Ron Paul	7	1		8
Hillary Clinton	4			4
Abe Lincoln	1			1
Donald Duck	1			1
Warren Buffet/ Bill Gates		1		1
Phil Robertson		1		1
Obama		1		1
Michael St. Onge			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1669</u></b>	<b><u>1821</u></b>	<b><u>1908</u></b>	<b><u>5398</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Scott P. Brown	686	907	954	2547
Elizabeth A. Warren	952	884	929	2765
Blanks:	31	29	25	85
Write-In's: (1)				
Thomas Forcier		1		1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1669</u></b>	<b><u>1821</u></b>	<b><u>1908</u></b>	<b><u>5398</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
William Richard Keating	924	902	967	2793
Christopher Sheldon	361	487	506	1354
Daniel S. Botelho	243	285	283	811
Blanks:	139	145	152	436
Write-In's: (2)				
Kennedy	1	1		2
Sean Bielat	1	1		2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1669</u></b>	<b><u>1821</u></b>	<b><u>1908</u></b>	<b><u>5398</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNCILLOR</u></b>				
Charles Cipollini	592	705	780	2077
Oliver P. Cipollini, Jr.	856	838	872	2566
Blanks:	221	276	252	749
Write-In's: (5)				
Walter Moniz		2		2
W. Moniz			1	1
John Roy			1	1
Paul Levasseur			1	1
Brad Fish			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1669</u></b>	<b><u>1821</u></b>	<b><u>1908</u></b>	<b><u>5398</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>CLERK OF COURTS</u></b>				
Marc J. Santos	1320	1365	1505	4190
Blanks:	344	454	400	1198
Write-In's: (10)				
Jeff Baker	1			1
Jasper Duff	1			1
Eric Sheldon	1			1
Brian Debalsi	1			1
G. Bush	1			1
Derek Valentim		1		1
Austin Longuemare		1		1
David Wojnar			1	1
Nick Monticello			1	1
Rob Gronkowski			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1669</u></b>	<b><u>1821</u></b>	<b><u>1908</u></b>	<b><u>5398</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REGISTER OF DEEDS</u></b>				
J. Mark Treadup	1323	1362	1511	4196
Blanks:	341	455	395	1191
Write-In's: (11)				
Gary Amaral	1			1
Eric Sheldon	1			1
Brian Debalsi	1			1
G. Bush	1			1
Gregg Were	1			1
Derek Valentim		1		1
Mark Bruport		1		1
Matt Sanders		1		1
Walter Faria		1		1
Nick Monticello			1	1
Steven Riolay			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1669</u></b>	<b><u>1821</u></b>	<b><u>1908</u></b>	<b><u>5398</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNTY</u></b>				
<b><u>COMMISSIONER</u></b>				
<b>Vote for Two</b>				
Paul B. Kitchen	674	671	641	1986
John R. Mitchell	477	461	495	1433
Paul J. Levasseur	706	879	975	2560
Blanks:	1479	1631	1703	4813
Write-In's: (4)				
Lola Pearson	1			1
G. Bush	1			1
Scott Monticello			1	1
Leo Lacertf			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>3338</u></b>	<b><u>3642</u></b>	<b><u>3816</u></b>	<b><u>10796</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNTY</u></b>				
<b><u>TREASURER</u></b>				
Christopher T. Sanders	1312	1363	1507	4182
Blanks:	351	456	401	1208
Write-In's: (8)				
Baker	1			1
Jasper Duff	1			1
Eric Sheldon	1			1
Brian Debalsi	1			1
G. Bush	1			1
Alves	1			1
Shane Geunard		1		1
Tommy Lipsett		1		1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1669</u></b>	<b><u>1821</u></b>	<b><u>1908</u></b>	<b><u>5398</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SENATOR IN</u></b>				
<b><u>GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Mark C. Montigny	1390	1457	1565	4412
Blanks:	269	360	335	964
Write-In's: (14)				
Terry Mayo	1			1
Big Daddy	1			1
Jeff Bailey	1			1

Jasper Duff	1			1
Eric Sheldon	1			1
Gary Rawcliffe	1			1
G. Bush	1			1
Scott Lang	1			1
Godson Glock	1			1
Hemphill	1			1
Tommy Lipset		1		1
Steven Dorian		1		1
Ron Matton		1		1
Derek Valentin		1		1
Chuck Leonard			1	1
Carole Fish			1	1
David Wojnar			1	1
Leo Lacertf			1	1
Nicholas Monticello			1	1
Matthew Hudon			1	1
David Alves			1	1
Mario Braga			1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1669</u></b>	<b><u>1821</u></b>	<b><u>1908</u></b>	<b><u>5398</u></b>

	<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>REPRESENTATIVE</u></b>				
<b><u>IN GENERAL</u></b>				
<b><u>COURT</u></b>				
Robert M. Koczera	1361	1422	1533	4316
Blanks:	298	394	368	1060
Write-In's: (21)				
Stein	1			1
Paula Koczera	1			1
Davidson	1			1
Corbett	1			1
Hemphill	1			1
Havitt	1			1
Jasper Duff	1			1
Eric Sheldon	1			1
G. Bush	1			1
Scott Lang	1			1
Derek Valentim		1		1
Michael Matton		1		1
John Kelly		1		1

Teddy Lipsestt	1		1
Stu Burnham	1		1
Tom Brady		1	1
Carlos Fontana		1	1
Nick Monticello		1	1
Phillip Adams		1	1
Ivo Almeida		2	2
Robert Smith		1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>1669</u></b>	<b><u>1821</u></b>	<b><u>1908</u></b>
			<b><u>5398</u></b>

### QUESTION 1: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 1, 2012?

**SUMMARY** This proposed law would prohibit any motor vehicle manufacturer, starting with model year 2015, from selling or leasing, either directly or through a dealer, a new motor vehicle without allowing the owner to have access to the same diagnostic and repair information made available to the manufacturer's dealers and in-state authorized repair facilities.

The manufacturer would have to allow the owner, or the owner's designated in-state independent repair facility (one not affiliated with a manufacturer or its authorized dealers), to obtain diagnostic and repair information electronically, on an hourly, daily, monthly, or yearly subscription basis, for no more than fair market value and on terms that do not unfairly favor dealers and authorized repair facilities.

The manufacturer would have to provide access to the information through a non-proprietary vehicle interface, using a standard applied in federal emissions-control regulations. Such information would have to include the same content, and be in the same form and accessible in the same manner, as is provided to the manufacturer's dealers and authorized repair facilities.

For vehicles manufactured from 2002 through model year 2014, the proposed law would require a manufacturer of motor vehicles sold in Massachusetts to make available for purchase, by vehicle owners and in-state independent repair facilities, the same diagnostic and repair information that the manufacturer makes available through an electronic system to its dealers and in-state authorized repair facilities. Manufacturers would have to make such information available in the same form and manner, and to the same extent, as they do for dealers and authorized repair facilities. The information would be available for purchase on an hourly, daily, monthly, or yearly subscription basis, for no more than fair market value and on terms that do not unfairly favor dealers and authorized repair facilities.

For vehicles manufactured from 2002 through model year 2014, the proposed law would also require manufacturers to make available for purchase, by vehicle owners and in-state

independent repair facilities, all diagnostic repair tools, incorporating the same diagnostic, repair and wireless capabilities as those available to dealers and authorized repair facilities. Such tools would have to be made available for no more than fair market value and on terms that do not unfairly favor dealers and authorized repair facilities.

For all years covered by the proposed law, the required diagnostic and repair information would not include the information necessary to reset a vehicle immobilizer, an anti-theft device that prevents a vehicle from being started unless the correct key code is present. Such information would have to be made available to dealers, repair facilities, and owners through a separate, secure data release system.

The proposed law would not require a manufacturer to reveal a trade secret and would not interfere with any agreement made by a manufacturer, dealer, or authorized repair facility that is in force on the effective date of the proposed law. Starting January 1, 2013, the proposed law would prohibit any agreement that waives or limits a manufacturer's compliance with the proposed law. Any violation of the proposed law would be treated as a violation of existing state consumer protection and unfair trade-practices laws.

*A YES VOTE* would enact the proposed law requiring motor vehicle manufacturers to allow vehicle owners and independent repair facilities in Massachusetts to have access to the same vehicle diagnostic and repair information made available to the manufacturers' Massachusetts dealers and authorized repair facilities.

*A NO VOTE* would make no change in existing laws.

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
YES	1149	1228	1305	3682
NO	242	273	284	799
BLANKS:	278	320	319	917
	<u>1669</u>	<u>1821</u>	<u>1908</u>	<u>5398</u>

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

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 1, 2012?

**SUMMARY**

This proposed law would allow a physician licensed in Massachusetts to prescribe medication, at a terminally ill patient's request, to end that patient's life. To qualify, a patient would have to be an adult resident who (1) is medically determined to be mentally capable of making and communicating health care decisions; (2) has been diagnosed by attending and consulting physicians as having an incurable, irreversible disease that will, within reasonable medical judgment, cause death within six months; and (3) voluntarily expresses a wish to die and has made an informed decision. The proposed law states that the patient would ingest the medicine in order to cause death in a humane and dignified manner.

The proposed law would require the patient, directly or through a person familiar with the patient's manner of communicating, to orally communicate to a physician on two occasions, 15 days apart, the patient's request for the medication. At the time of the second request, the physician would have to offer the patient an opportunity to rescind the request. The patient would also have to sign a standard form, in the presence of two witnesses, one of whom is not a relative, a beneficiary of the patient's estate, or an owner, operator, or employee of a health care facility where the patient receives treatment or lives.

The proposed law would require the attending physician to: (1) determine if the patient is qualified; (2) inform the patient of his or her medical diagnosis and prognosis, the potential risks and probable result of ingesting the medication, and the feasible alternatives, including comfort care, hospice care and pain control; (3) refer the patient to a consulting physician for a diagnosis and prognosis regarding the patient's disease, and confirmation in writing that the patient is capable, acting voluntarily, and making an informed decision; (4) refer the patient for psychiatric or psychological consultation if the physician believes the patient may have a disorder causing impaired judgment; (5) recommend that the patient notify next of kin of the patient's intention; (6) recommend that the patient have another person present when the patient ingests the medicine and to not take it in a public place; (7) inform the patient that he or she may rescind the request at any time; (8) write the prescription when the requirements of the law are met, including verifying that the patient is making an informed decision; and (9) arrange for the medicine to be dispensed directly to the patient, or the patient's agent, but not by mail or courier.

The proposed law would make it punishable by imprisonment and/or fines, for anyone to (1) coerce a patient to request medication, (2) forge a request, or (3) conceal a rescission of a request. The proposed law would not authorize ending a patient's life by lethal injection, active euthanasia, or mercy killing. The death certificate would list the underlying terminal disease as the cause of death.

Participation under the proposed law would be voluntary. An unwilling health care provider could prohibit or sanction another health care provider for participating while on the premises of, or while acting as an employee of or contractor for, the unwilling provider.

The proposed law states that no person would be civilly or criminally liable or subject to professional discipline for actions that comply with the law, including actions taken in good faith that substantially comply. It also states that it should not be interpreted to lower the applicable standard of care for any health care provider.

A person's decision to make or rescind a request could not be restricted by will or contract made on or after January 1, 2013, and could not be considered in issuing, or setting the rates for, insurance policies or annuities. Also, the proposed law would require the attending physician to report each case in which life-ending medication is dispensed to the state Department of Public Health. The Department would provide public access to statistical data compiled from the reports.

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

*A YES VOTE* would enact the proposed law allowing a physician licensed in Massachusetts to prescribe medication, at the request of a terminally-ill patient meeting certain conditions, to end that person’s life.

*A NO VOTE* would make no change in existing laws.

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
YES	623	630	626	1879
NO	971	1095	1155	3221
BLANKS:	75	96	127	298
	<u>1669</u>	<u>1821</u>	<u>1908</u>	<u>5398</u>

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

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 1, 2012?

**SUMMARY**

This proposed law would eliminate state criminal and civil penalties for the medical use of marijuana by qualifying patients. To qualify, a patient must have been diagnosed with a debilitating medical condition, such as cancer, glaucoma, HIV-positive status or AIDS, hepatitis C, Crohn’s disease, Parkinson’s disease, ALS, or multiple sclerosis. The patient would also have to obtain a written certification, from a physician with whom the patient has a bona fide physician-patient relationship, that the patient has a specific debilitating medical condition and would likely obtain a net benefit from medical use of marijuana.

The proposed law would allow patients to possess up to a 60-day supply of marijuana for their personal medical use. The state Department of Public Health (DPH) would decide what amount would be a 60-day supply. A patient could designate a personal caregiver, at least 21 years old, who could assist with the patient’s medical use of marijuana but would be prohibited from consuming that marijuana. Patients and caregivers would have to register with DPH by submitting the physician’s certification.

The proposed law would allow for non-profit medical marijuana treatment centers to grow, process and provide marijuana to patients or their caregivers. A treatment center would have to apply for a DPH registration by (1) paying a fee to offset DPH’s administrative costs; (2) identifying its location and one additional location, if any, where marijuana would be grown; and (3) submitting operating procedures, consistent with rules to be issued by DPH, including cultivation and storage of marijuana only in enclosed, locked facilities.

A treatment center’s personnel would have to register with DPH before working or volunteering at the center, be at least 21 years old, and have no felony drug convictions. In 2013, there could be no more than 35 treatment centers, with at least one but not more than five centers in each county. In later years, DPH could modify the number of centers.

The proposed law would require DPH to issue a cultivation registration to a qualifying patient whose access to a treatment center is limited by financial hardship, physical

inability to access reasonable transportation, or distance. This would allow the patient or caregiver to grow only enough plants, in a closed, locked facility, for a 60-day supply of marijuana for the patient’s own use.

DPH could revoke any registration for a willful violation of the proposed law. Fraudulent use of a DPH registration could be punished by up to six months in a house of correction or a fine of up to \$500, and fraudulent use of a registration for the sale, distribution, or trafficking of marijuana for non-medical use for profit could be punished by up to five years in state prison or by two and one-half years in a house of correction.

The proposed law would (1) not give immunity under federal law or obstruct federal enforcement of federal law; (2) not supersede Massachusetts laws prohibiting possession, cultivation, or sale of marijuana for nonmedical purposes; (3) not allow the operation of a motor vehicle, boat, or aircraft while under the influence of marijuana; (4) not require any health insurer or government entity to reimburse for the costs of the medical use of marijuana; (5) not require any health care professional to authorize the medical use of marijuana; (6) not require any accommodation of the medical use of marijuana in any workplace, school bus or grounds, youth center, or correctional facility; and (7) not require any accommodation of smoking marijuana in any public place.

The proposed law would take effect January 1, 2013, and states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

*A YES VOTE* would enact the proposed law eliminating state criminal and civil penalties related to the medical use of marijuana, allowing patients meeting certain conditions to obtain marijuana produced and distributed by new state-regulated centers or, in specific hardship cases, to grow marijuana for their own use.

*A NO VOTE* would make no change in existing laws.

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
YES	968	986	1015	2969
NO	604	716	742	2062
BLANKS:	97	119	151	367
	<u>1669</u>	<u>1821</u>	<u>1908</u>	<u>5398</u>

Attest:

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Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk  
Percentage of Votes Cast 71%

# RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN POLICE STATION DEBT EXCLUSION ELECTION HELD ON DECEMBER 10, 2012

Register of Voters Eligible To Vote in the December 10, 2012 Election  
Final Day of Registration – December 8, 2012.

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Libertarian	MA Indep Party	Republican	Inter Third Party	Unenrolled	Total
<b>Precinct I</b>	889	5	7		152		1266	2319
<b>Precinct II</b>	820		5	1	227	1	1504	2558
<b>Precinct III</b>	894		12		196		1531	2633
<b>Total</b>	2603	5	24	1	575	1	4301	7510

## CLERK'S REPORT –PRECINCT I

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.  
 Box register when polls were opened 0.  
 Number of ballots received 375 plus 15 absentee ballots  
 Number of ballots cast from tape 308.  
 Number of ballots counted manually 6.  
 Number of ballots spoiled 2.  
 Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
 Number of Unused ballots returned 74.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla  
 Clerk: Carolyn Fortin, Pamela Tripp  
 Inspectors: Susanne Sounik, Dorothy Gomes, Jeanne Duggan,  
 Louise Benoit  
 Police Officers: Derek Cathcart, John Bolarinho

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 308.

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

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 375 plus 29 absentee ballots  
Number of ballots cast from tape 315.  
Number of ballots counted manually 4.  
Number of ballots spoiled 1.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 84.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Simonne Coutinho
Clerk:	Diane Ferreira
Inspectors:	Lorraine Gentili, Maria Moore, Andrea Corrie, Donna Forand, Janet West, Priscilla Santos
Police Officers:	Thomas Carreau

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 315.

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

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT III**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 375 plus 14 absentee ballots  
Number of ballots cast from tape 364.  
Number of ballots counted manually 1.  
Number of ballots spoiled 1.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 23.

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Lillian Contois, Acting Warden
Clerk:	Lee Forand
Inspectors:	Joyce Wylie-Scholz, Russell Goyette, Paulette Hudson, Marybeth Tripp, Everett Philla
Police Officers:	Thomas Carreau

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 364.

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

**Ballot Question:**

Shall the Town of Acushnet be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping, and furnishing a new Police Station to be located at 60 Middle Road, Map 24 lot 36, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto?

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
YES	160	168	215	543
NO	154	151	150	455
	<u>314</u>	<u>319</u>	<u>365</u>	<u>998</u>

Attest:

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Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk  
Percentage of Votes Cast 13%

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

In April 2012, Kevin Gaspar, Sr. was elected to his second term as a member of the Board of Selectmen and David E. Wojnar was elected Chairman.

### **Buildings**

In October at the Special Town Meeting residents overwhelmingly passed an Article to hold a Special Election to approve a debt exclusion to build a new Police Station. On December 10<sup>th</sup> the voters approved the project and the Selectmen appointed a Police Station Building Committee. We are hopeful construction will start early in 2014.

### **Celebrations**

The third annual Main Street car show was held in August and with good weather the turnout was tremendous. Everyone that attended encouraged the Selectmen and the Committee to make this an annual event.

### **Energy**

Acushnet's first solar farm is near completion and is expected to come online shortly. The Selectmen and Alternative Energy Committee continue to investigate options for the Town to reduce energy costs and to increase revenue for the Town.

### **Historic Renovation**

Town Meeting approved the funding to allow the Selectmen to take by eminent domain the historic Perry Hill Church. An 1800's style church one of the oldest buildings in Acushnet. The Town also approved the funding to make the building weather tight and safe. As funding becomes available the Board and Historical Commission hope to restore the church to close to its original condition.

### **Finance**

The Town continued to receive clean audit reports. The goal of the audit is to provide the Selectmen and the Town resident's assurance that the information they are receiving from the Finance team is accurate and factual. The Board working with the Insurance Advisory Committee was able to agree on plan design changes to health insurance saving the Town over \$200,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Alan G. Coutinho  
Town Administrator

Lisa Leonard  
Christine Amaral  
Administrative Assistants

**OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

David E. Wojnar	2013
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	2014
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	2015

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

Alan G. Coutinho

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT/DIRECTOR OF FINANCES**

Cathy L. Doane

**TOWN TREASURER**

Katherine Milligan

**TOWN COLLECTOR**

Kristie A. Costa

**TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN**

Katherine Milligan

**TOWN COUNSEL**

Kopelman & Paige

**TOWN INSURANCE BROKER**

Hub International Insurance

**POLICE CHIEF**

Michael G. Alves

**FIRE CHIEF / EMS DIRECTOR**

Kevin A. Gallagher

**ADA COORDINATOR**

Alan G. Coutinho

**ALTERNATIVE ENERGY COMMITTEE**

Alan Coutinho

Jim Marot

John Roy

David Wojnar

Henry Young

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER/INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS**

Rebekah A. Tomlinson

**ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

Catherine Mindlin

**ACUSHNET WOODS PROJECT COMMITTEE**

Marc Cenerizio

Alan G. Coutinho

Leslie Dakin, Jr.

George J. Gracia

June E. Lemrise

Cathy Murray

John Pacheco

**BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

Connie Carr

Charlotte Coutinho

Donna Forand

Florence Hathaway

Carol Charbonneau

Joyce Reynolds

### **BOARD OF APPEALS**

Lawrence Marshall	2016
Richard Gula	2017
Richard J. Lally	2013
Carol Westgate	2014
Paul B. Hipolito (Chair)	2015
Kevin Dakin (Alternate)	2013

### **BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Raymond F. LeBlanc	2016
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### **INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS**

James A. Marot

### **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**

Thomas DeCosta  
Victor Pereira

### **BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Leslie Dakin, Jr.	2013
Pamela Labonte	2013
Marc Laplante	2013
Raymond LeBlanc	2013
James A. Marot	2013
Leo Rousseau	2013
Carol Westgate	2013
John Howcroft	2013
Charles Leonard	2013
Norval Stanley	2013

### **COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

Andre Arsenault (Citizen Member)	2015
Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)	2014
Kevin Dakin (Conservation Commission)	2013
Michael Desrosiers (Park Commissioners)	2015
Karen L. Knox (Citizen Member)	2014
Lawrence Mulvey (Housing Authority)	2013
Heidi Pelletier (Citizen Member)	2013
Joyce Reynolds (Historical Commission)	2013

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Marc C. Brodeur	2015
Kevin Dakin	2013
Richard Gula	2013
Everett Philla	2013
Patricia Picard	2013
Evelyn Bouley	2014
Ted Cioper	2014
Robert Rocha, Jr.	2014

### **CONSERVATION AGENT**

Merilee Kelly

### **CONSTABLES**

Frank J. Adesso	2013
Marc E. Laplante	2013
Joseph Latimer	2013
Kelli A. Tomlinson	2013
Herve W. Vandal, Jr.	2013

### **COUNCIL ON AGING**

Marie Hardy	2015
Paulette Hudson	2015
Alfred Gonsalves	2013
Dorothy Gomes	2013
Pauline Teixeira	2013
Irene Bouchard	2013
Gerard Bergeron	2014

### **COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR**

Heather Sylvia

### **CULTURAL COUNCIL MEMBER**

Jeannette Francis	2013
Carole Hall	2013
Edward Macomber	2013
Dianna Couto	2015
Walter S. Dalton, Jr.	2014
Lisa Leonard	2014

### **ELECTION INSPECTORS**

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

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (DIRECTOR)**

Gerard Bergeron

**EMPOWERMENT REPRESENTATIVES**

David E. Wojnar  
Alan G. Coutinho

**ENFORCEMENT AGENT FOR THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

James A. Marot

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Michael Boucher	2015
Susan Delgado	2015
Robert Ferreira	2013
Eric McGlynn	2014
Robert St. Jean	2013
Cheryl Souza	2014
Jacqueline Stanley	2015

**FOREST WARDEN, INSPECTOR OF GARAGES**

Kevin A. Gallagher

**GOLF MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE**

John Abaray, Jr. (Member at Large)	2013
Robert Ferreira (Finance Committee Rep.)	2013
David Flynn (Member at Large)	2013
Manuel Goulart (Business Community Rep.)	2013
Edward Issac (Member-at-Large)	2013

**HERRING WARDEN**

Ted Govoni

**ASSISTANT HERRING WARDEN**

Scott Perdigao

### **HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Joyce Reynolds	2015
Madeline Gwozdz	2013
Pauline Teixeira	2013
Robert Hall	2013

### **HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Henry Young	2013
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### **INSPECTOR OF GARAGES**

Kevin A. Gallagher

### **INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Eric Arruda	2013
Jeremy Fontes	2013
Paul Fortin	2013
Maria Otocky	2013
Sue Picard	2013
John Roy	2013

### **LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY COMMITTEE**

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

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

Daniel Menard

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

Maurice St. Amand  
Evelyn Bouley  
Leo Coons

### **OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**

Marc Cenerizio	2013
Robert Rocha	2013
Merilee Kelly	2013

## **PARKING CLERK**

Alan G. Coutinho

## **PHASE II STORMWATER COMMITTEE**

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

## **POLICE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE**

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

## **PORTABLE SIGN COMMITTEE**

James A. Marot

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

Stephen Morrisseau

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATOR**

Leslie Dakin, Jr.

## **REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**

Joseph Costa	2013
Jeannie Soucy	2013
Irene DeCotis	2014

## **SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Michael Alves (Police Chief)	2013
Alan G. Coutinho (Town Admin.)	2013
Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)	2013
James Marot (Bldg. Insp.)	2013
Paul Sylvia (Board of Public Works)	2013

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES**

Theodore Machado

**SHELLFISH WARDEN/HARBOR MASTER**

**DEPUTY SHELLFISH WARDEN**

**SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission Rep.)

Leslie Dakin, Jr. (Board of Selectmen Rep.)

Merilee Kelly (Conservation Agent)

Robert Medeiros (Board of Health Rep.)

Paul Sylvia (Board of Public Works Rep.)

Ralph Urban (Soil Conservation Board Inspector)

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

Paul Sylvia

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

Henry Young

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

Leslie Dakin, Jr.

**STREET NAME COMMITTEE**

Michael Alves (Police Chief)

Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)

**TILCON CAPALDI CLOSURE PLAN COMMITTEE**

Raymond LeBlanc

David E. Wojnar

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

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

**(TILCON CAPALDI) WEIGHER**

Kerrie Almeida	2013
Ron Burke	2013
Antone DeMello	2013
Rick Leaver	2013
Katherine Lena	2013
Mike Oliveira	2013
Johathan Souza	2013

## **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

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

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

Matthew Lopes won a second term as a Board member in 2012 as a write-in candidate. He will serve the Board for another three years. Congratulations to him on his victory

Fiscal 2013 (assessments as of January 1, 2012) is an interim adjustment year for the Town of Acushnet. Full fair cash values for this tax cycle were determined through the analysis of arms length sales that took place from June 2010 through December 2011. Residential property owners will see their actual assessments reflect this timeframe. The Department of Revenue, Bureau of Local Assessments, historically requires communities to complete a revaluation every three years. Acushnet has been assigned for its next revaluation year to take place in Fiscal 2014. However, interim adjustments will take place each year to adjust data to be comparable to the assessment year's real estate market.

Fiscal 2013 was also the fourth year executing QUARTERLY tax billing for the Town of Acushnet. Taxpayers received their FIRST and SECOND quarters PRELIMINARY bills on July 1, 2012. The preliminary tax run was committed based on the committed Actual Fiscal 2012 values for both real estate and personal property data. The Fiscal 2013 ACTUAL tax commitment executed successfully, and taxpayers received their mailing including the THIRD and FOURTH quarter installment coupons on December 31, 2012. As a reminder the actual billing statements do have the newly certified assessment information listed on them as well as the current year's newly approved tax rate by the Department of Revenue. Quarterly tax billing has been a beneficial change in assisting the Town meet its financial obligations timely as well as providing annual uniform bill dates for the taxpayers.

The Assessors' office generated \$96,313 in new growth. This amount was approved by the Department of Revenue on October 15, 2012. These funds were available for the Special Town Meeting on October 22, 2012. This is a modest growth figure reflective of the decreased construction permits and recorded plot plans submitted.

The tax rate for FY 2013 reflects a 25% shift. This translates in to the real properties classified as commercial or industrial and personal property paying a 25% higher rate than those that are residential. By statute, this decision is rendered by the Board of Selectmen with a recommendation from the Board of Assessors.

The Fiscal 2013 apportioned installments for the Phase II Sewer betterment were added to the ACTUAL tax bills for those taxpayers who were assessed this improvement by the Board of Public Works. Taxpayers can also pay down on their remaining balances throughout the year. They can also pay off the betterment completely at any time. If they plan to do so, a written request should be submitted to the Assessors' office in order for the proper interest due to be calculated and committed to the Collector's office.

The Board of Health tie-in loans apportioned installments for Fiscal 2013 were also committed. As of Fiscal 2013, 71 accounts remain on this loan betterment program. The staff in the Assessors' office is available to answer any questions property owners may have regarding this loan or other special assessments.

The Board of Assessors wishes everyone continued good health and best wishes for the 2013.

<b>TAX SUMMARY</b>	<b><u>FY 2012</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2013</u></b>
Total Amount to be raised	\$ 27,701,330.09	\$ 28,262,209.72
Total estimated receipts from other revenue sources	\$ 14,174,544.00	\$ 14,307,187.00
TAX LEVY	\$ 13,526,786.09	\$ 13,955,022.72

<b>VALUE BY CLASS</b>	<b><u>FY 2012</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2013</u></b>
Single Family (101)	\$ 851,324,800.00	\$ 826,298,200.00
Condominiums (102)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2 & 3 Family (104 & 105)	\$ 39,963,200.00	\$ 38,665,500.00
Multi Family (111-125)	\$ 5,853,000.00	\$ 5,733,600.00
Vacant land (130-132,106)	\$ 30,084,100.00	\$ 30,336,900.00
Others (103,109, Res mixed use)	\$ 61,784,700.00	\$ 49,429,541.00
Commercial (3**)	\$ 20,497,600.00	\$ 29,775,419.00
Chapter 61, 61A, 61B	\$ 1,767,764.00	\$ 1,694,358.00
Industrial (4**)	\$ 24,822,500.00	\$ 24,295,640.00
Personal Property	\$ 29,370,217.00	\$ 29,591,783.00

**TAX RATE FY 2013 (rate/\$1000 of value)**  
Residential = \$ 13.17                      Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property = \$ 16.84  
(125% shift)

**AVERAGE ASSESSED VALUE SINGLE FAMILY HOME            \$ 256,600.00**

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

## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS 2012

#### ***BIRTHS:***

In Acushnet	1
In other Municipalities	86
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>87</b>
Resident	87
Non-Resident	0
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>87</b>
Male	48
Female	39
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>87</b>

#### ***MARRIAGES:***

In Acushnet	5
<b>In other Municipalities</b>	<b>50</b>
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>55</b>
Resident Bride and Groom	21
Resident Groom	5
Resident Bride	5
Non-Resident Bride and Groom	24
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>55</b>

#### ***DEATHS:***

In Acushnet	14
In other Municipalities	51
Total	65
Resident Deaths - Female	34
Resident Deaths - Male	30
Non-Resident Deaths - Female	0
Non-Resident Deaths - Male	1
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>65</b>

Attest:  
Pamela A. Labonte  
Town Clerk

## TOWN CLERK

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

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### **Elections & Town Meetings:**

2012 proved to be an extremely busy year in the Town Clerk's Office with 5 Elections, 1 Annual Town Meeting and 2 Special Town Meetings. All Election results and town meetings for the following can be found within this 2012 Town Report.

State Presidential Preference Election – March 6<sup>th</sup>

Annual Town Election – April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Annual/Special Town Meeting – June 4<sup>th</sup>

State Primary Election – September 6<sup>th</sup>

Special Town Meeting – October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Presidential Election – November 6<sup>th</sup>

Special Town Election – December 10<sup>th</sup>

### **2012 Initiatives:**

- In January, the Town Clerk's web calendar was kicked off; all town boards & committees, meeting notices and agendas were made available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week by accessing the town's website. A special thank you to everyone for their continued support and cooperation in making this project an ongoing success.
- Completed the final phase of the redistricting project as a result of the 2010 Federal Census. This required written notifications to all impacted voters, with the first mailing in February prior to the Presidential Primary Election and the second in September prior to the State Primary Election. This process, also, required all voter registration records be reorganized by their new precincts, and eligible inactive voters deleted and sent the required notifications. During this process more than 10,000 active/inactive voter registration cards were reviewed and updated as required.
- In early 2012, with the support of the Town Administrator and the DPW more than 13,000 lbs. of obsolete documents were shipped to Plainville, MA for destruction, clearing out the basement of Town Hall and allowing for the final phase of the records management project.
- March 11<sup>th</sup>, the Town Clerk's Office participated in the Annual Town Rabies Clinic located at the Town Barn organized by Rebekah Tomlinson, Animal Control Officer. Dr. Christine Gaumont and staff of the Acushnet Animal Hospital were onsite and administered rabies shots while the staff of the Clerk's Office issued the annual dog licenses.
- In June, all staff participated in the Massachusetts Town Clerk's conference held at the Seacrest Resort in Falmouth for continuing education to better assist all residents.
- June marked the fourth year of extended Tuesday evening hours until 8:00 p.m. for the Town Clerks' Office. This has proved beneficial for residents applying for marriage licenses, dog licenses, and all other Town Clerk related business.

- In July, as the Town Clerk, I participated in a week long program at Plymouth State Institute in New Hampshire, the second year of a three year program of the New England Municipal Clerk Institute (NEMCI) to become a New England certified Town Clerk.
- The Annual Town Census/Street Listing was mailed in early January with a second mailing in March. This resulted in the town's updated population and verified voter registration rolls, with the 2012 Annual List of Residents published in December.

### **2012 Additional Comments:**

- In February, Joseph Costa, was appointed to the Board of Registrars filling the vacancy left from Michael Sylvia in 2011. Joe, welcome aboard!
- A special "thank you" to Lillian Contois for assisting again in 2012 as Warden in Precinct III during elections.

### **2013 Initiatives**

- At the October 22<sup>nd</sup>, Special Town Meeting, the voters approved \$50,000 from Community Preservation Funds to complete the final phase of the records management project. This project will be sent out to bid in 2013 and will include scanning and microfilming of all historical and vital records held under the supervision of the Town Clerk.
- Enroll in the third year of the three year program offered in July by the New England Municipal Clerks Institute (NEMCI) and included in the graduating class of 2013. This is the final step in the educational process in becoming a New England certified Town Clerk.
- Continue working with Old Colony students in scanning all Town Reports dated back to the 1920's, making them quickly accessible by computer.
- Continue scanning in the Town Clerk's Office more recent birth, marriage and death records not deemed historical records for Community Preservation Funds. This will be followed by binding all hardcopies in archival books.

**Financial Update**

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

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

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

**In Conclusion:** A former supervisor of mine spoke words which continue to resonate with me to this day: “I am only as good as those that work for me”. This could not ring truer than in 2012, during election stressors, legislative deadlines, and a medical leave, the staff of the Town Clerk’s Office maintained their professionalism, sense of humor and never wavered. The successes and accomplishments of the Town Clerk’s Office not only relied on the leadership but that of the hard work, dedication and support of the staff, Rachel Charbonneau, Nancy Clerc and Irene Decotis. I feel blessed and honored having each of them assist me in serving the residents of the Town of Acushnet.

In addition, I would also to thank all others that made 2012 another successful year, including all department heads, appointed and elected officials and EMA volunteers. I feel honored to work with such a great group of individuals dedicated to helping others and working for the greater good of the residents of Acushnet.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela A. Labonte  
Town Clerk

## TREASURER

### Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash

July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012

#### Balances per Reconciled Bank Statements

Bristol County Savings Bank	Money Market	1,016,672.98
Bristol County Savings Bank	Depository Account	1,962,989.40
Bristol County Savings Bank	CPA Account	700,267.57
Bristol County Savings Bank	School Lunch	448,008.10
Bristol County Savings Bank	Stabilization	1,475,603.48
Bristol County Savings Bank	Collectors' Account	88,464.12
Cape Cod Five	Sewer Account	1,489,455.94
Cape Cod Five	Money Market	712,700.98
Citizens Bank & Trust	Investment Account	1,056.13
Citizens Bank & Trust	Checking Account	1,033,903.78
Citizens Bank & Trust	Money Market	5,285.84
Rockland Trust	Money Market	435,852.62
Rockland Trust	Payroll Account	15.55
Rockland Trust	Golf Course	615,349.16
Rockland Trust	Sewer Account	216,809.33
Rockland Trust	Vendor Account	14.69
UNIBANK	Online Account	626,445.36
		<hr/> 10,828,895.03
Cash on Hand		2,150.00
Bartholomew Various Town Trusts		595,492.08
Bristol County & Trust Various Town Trusts		347,230.64
Bristol County & Trust Planning Board		<hr/> 86,806.01

#### Total of All Cash and Investments for the Town

**\$11,860,573.76**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine A. Milligan  
Treasurer

# RECEIPTS FISCAL YEAR 2012

## GENERAL FUND

### PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Prior Years	\$ 1,367.00
2011	853.00
2012	442,362.00
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Total Personal Property Taxes	\$ 444,582.00

### REAL ESTATE TAXES

Prior Years	\$ -
2011	139,116.00
2012	12,689,617.00
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Total Real Estate Taxes	\$ 12,828,733.00

### TAX LIENS REDEEMED

Prior Years	\$ 82,131.00
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Total Tax Liens Redeemed	\$ 82,131.00

### TAX LIENS FORECLOSED

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

### MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES

Prior Years	\$ 2,587.00
2009	2,242.00
2010	10,058.00
2011	168,079.00
2012	841,797.00
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Total Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 1,024,763.00

### PENALTIES AND INTEREST

Personal Property Tax	\$ 806.00
Real Estate Tax	37,656.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	45,851.00
Tax Liens Redeemed	20,195.00
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Total Penalties and Interest	\$ 104,508.00

### RUBBISH

Rubbish Revenue	\$ 10,963.00
Liens	-
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Total Rubbish	\$ 10,963.00

## FEES

Police Detail	\$	4,592.00
Bldg. Dept. Fees/Violations		400.00
Cable		1,694.00
Lien Certificates		19,100.00
Town Clerk Late Fees		1,869.00
Non - Renewal Motor Vehicles		8,650.00
Boarding		425.00
Constable		50.00
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Total Fees	\$	36,780.00

## OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

Assessors	\$	361.00
Selectmen		-
Treasurer		-
Collector		136.00
Town Clerk		7,429.00
Conservation		-
Planning Board		5,340.00
Appeal Board		5,650.00
Police		1,710.00
Fire		3,037.00
Building		409.00
Weights & Measures		790.00
Board of Health		30,226.00
Library		337.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		13,159.00
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Total Other Departmental Revenue	\$	68,584.00

## LICENSES

Business	\$	1,245.00
Drain Layers		750.00
Liquor		11,200.00
Victuallers		2,375.00
Amusement		2,530.00
Motor Vehicles		1,350.00
Constable		-
Dog		20,754.00
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Total Licenses	\$	40,204.00

#### PERMITS

Oil Burner	\$	225.00
Building		58,302.00
Electrical		14,310.00
Gas		5,130.00
Board of Health		13,075.00
Plumbing		6,051.00
Soil Removal		1,650.00
Gun		3,938.00
Street Opening		100.00
Trench		100.00
Total Permits	\$	102,881.00

#### FINES AND FORFEITURES

Dog	\$	4,649.00
False Alarms		50.00
Library		4,042.00
Building Violations		200.00
Parking		254.00
Total Fines and Forfeitures	\$	9,195.00

#### SALES OF INVENTORY

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

#### STATE SHARED REVENUE

Abatements to the Blind	\$	1,050.00
Abatements to the Elderly		26,606.00
Abatements to Veterans		33,978.00
Abatements to Surviving Spouse		350.00
Veterans Benefits		142,689.00
Highway Funds		-
Additional Assistance		-
Lottery Funds		1,282,445.00
Court Fines		585.00
Registry Fines		5,955.00
Other State		34.00
School Chapter 70		6,039,807.00
Tuition Revenue		-
School Transportation		-
Charter School Reimb		-
Police Career Incentive - Quinn Bill		-
Total State Shared Revenue	\$	7,533,499.00

**REIMBURSEMENTS**

Medicare D Reimbursement	\$	42,538.00
Municipal Medicaid Reimbursement		56,648.00
Bullet Proof Vests Reimbursement		795.00
FEMA Disaster Reimbursement		13,549.00
Total Reimbursements	\$	113,530.00

**EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS**

Interest on Investments	\$	25,209.00
Total Earnings on Investments	\$	25,209.00

**INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

From Enterprise Funds	\$	-
From Special Revenue Funds		397,000.00
From Trust & Agency Funds		330,155.00
Total Interfund Transfers	\$	727,155.00

**TOTAL GENERAL FUND****\$ 23,152,717.00****SCHOOL LUNCH FUND****\$ 294,607.00****HIGHWAY CHAPTER 90****\$ 6,253.00****SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

Animal Gift Fund	\$	930.00
EECBG Sub-Grant		-
Cable Ed & Gov. Access		10,000.00
P.E.G. Access		64,386.00
Emer. Mgt. Perform Grant		4,000.00
Police SCAT Grant		482.00
Law Enforcement Trust		113.00
SETB Support Incentive Grant		27,979.00
Gov. Highway Safety Grant		1,201.00
SETB 911 Training Grant		3,833.00
COA Strong Woman Grant		3,808.00
COA Van Gift Fund		-
Police Reimbursable		795.00
FEMA Disaster Recovery		20,870.00
Police Gift Fund		50.00
Library LIG/MEG/NRC		11,034.00
Library Gift Fund		200.00
Public Library Fund Grant		-
LSTA Fed. Library Grant		-
Celebrations Gift Fund		-

Partingways Beautification	50.00
Title V	3,343.00
Arts Lottery Council	3,877.00
Council On Aging Grant	14,563.00
Council On Aging Gift Fund	6,984.00
Council On Aging - Chair Yoga Grant	1,796.00
Council On Aging Revolving Fund	2,113.00
Notice Of Intent - Conservation	2,900.00
Conservation Revolving Fund	1,723.00
Buzzards Bay Watershed Grant	-
Conservation Revolving Fund	-
E.M.S. Fund	352,857.00
Lake Street Gaurdrails Grant	-
One Time Gift Fund	-
BOH Pher H1N1 Grants	-
Insurance Reimbursement	13,299.00
Outside Ads	-
Fed. Asst. To Firefighters	-
FEMA Grant	-
SRPEDD Homeland Security Grant	2,240.00
Sept 11 Memorial Gift Fund	12,139.00
Fire S.A.F.E Grant	4,665.00
Fire Safety Equipment Grant	-
Fire Department Gift Fund	-
Veterans Memorial Park Gift Fund	-
SMHG Health Reimbursement	-
Park Dept. Gift Fund	5,065.00
Long Plain Museum Repair Grant	-
Sewer Tie-In Administration	-
Sewer Tie-In Restricted Grants	-
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	104,730.00
Sewer Phase 2 Betterment	597,647.00
Community Policing Grant	-
ARAW Grant	4,664.00
BOH Data Filing Grant	500.00
COA Walmart Grant	-
Elections - Extended Polling	1,184.00
COA Buzzards Bay Garden Club Grant	250.00

<b>TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,286,270.00</b>
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**SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

Title I	\$	95,570.00
ARRA - Title 1		-
Title II P.L. 94-142		246,741.00
Federal ARRA IDEA Grant		-
Early Childhood Grant		6,579.00

Early Childhood SPED ARRA	-
Drug Free School	-
Ford Middle School Fund	21,332.00
School Building Rental	52,227.00
Elementary School Fund	19,657.00
Teacher Quality in Education	27,862.00
Enhanced Education	-
Non - Resident Tuition Revolving Fund	-
Race to Top Grant	6,947.00
Education Jobs Grant	281,605.00
SPED Program Improvement Grant	11,930.00
SPED Circuit Breaker	283,324.00
Full Day Kindergarten Program	88,276.00
Kindergarten Enhancement Grant	45,008.00
Preschool Program	3,971.00
ARRA State Fiscal Stabilization Fund	-
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 1,191,029.00</b>
<b>COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND</b>	<b>\$ 157,613.00</b>
<b>WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND</b>	<b>\$ 1,111,916.00</b>
<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 17,002.00</b>
<b>SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND</b>	<b>\$ 494,796.00</b>
<b>GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND</b>	<b>\$ 1,408,112.00</b>
<b>TRUST FUNDS</b>	
Contributions	\$ 8,315.00
Transfers	-
Interest & Earnings on Investments	18,614.00
<b>TOTAL TRUST FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 26,929.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 29,147,244.00</b>

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

# APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

## FISCAL YEAR 2012

	FY 2012 APPROP.	FY 2012 EXPEND.
<b>RESERVE FUND 1110</b>		
F.B. Reserve Fund	\$ 54,245.00	\$ 0.00
Total Reserve Fund	54,245.00	0.00
<b>TOWN MEETING 1113</b>		
Town Meeting / Election	7,100.00	6,939.00
Total Town Meeting	7,100.00	6,939.00
<b>MODERATOR 1114</b>		
Salary	680.00	680.00
Supplies	145.00	0.00
In - State Travel	135.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	90.00	0.00
Total Moderator	1,050.00	680.00
<b>SELECTMEN 1122</b>		
Stipends - Selectmen	14,175.00	14,175.00
Salaries - Town Administrator	98,071.00	98,071.00
Salaries - Clerical	63,684.00	63,675.00
Salaries - Special Project Manager	9,475.00	9,475.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,980.00	1,632.00
Longevity	1,000.00	1,000.00
R & M Vehicles	1,265.00	1,262.00
Special Article - Police Feasibility Study	35,000.00	0.00
Special Article - Historical	50.00	50.00
Special Article - DEP Site Assessment	200.00	0.00
Special Article - Job Classification	1,000.00	0.00
Engineering Fees	0.00	0.00
Telephone	2,500.00	2,135.00
Comm. - Reverse 911	9,000.00	7,525.00
Communications - Advertising	4,000.00	3,754.00
Office Supply	1,200.00	1,193.00
Training & Testing	400.00	177.00
Town Report / Warrant	4,000.00	3,889.00
Meeting Expenses	122.00	122.00
Travel	478.00	86.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	1,600.00	1,593.00
Total Selectmen	249,200.00	209,814.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE 1131</b>		
Salaries - Clerical	2,025.00	857.00
Office Supplies	150.00	124.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	400.00	200.00
Total Finance Committee	2,575.00	1,181.00
<b>FINANCE DIRECTOR 1133</b>		
Salaries - Director of Finance	11,691.00	11,691.00
Total Finance Director	11,691.00	11,691.00
<b>TOWN ACCOUNTANT 1135</b>		
Salaries - Town Accountant	73,235.00	73,235.00
Salaries - Accounting Clerk	33,654.00	33,616.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	9,800.00	9,800.00
Longevity	500.00	500.00
Auditing	22,000.00	22,000.00
GASB 45 Valuation	0.00	0.00
Telephone	1,300.00	1,104.00
Office Supplies	1,300.00	1,276.00
Travel	400.00	253.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	200.00	60.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Special Article - GASB 45 Implementation	0.00	0.00
Special Article - GASB 34	11,993.00	0.00
Total Town Accountant	154,382.00	141,845.00
<b>ASSESSORS OFFICE 1141</b>		
Stipends - Assessors	7,700.00	7,700.00
Salaries - Assistant Assessor	51,450.00	51,450.00
Salaries - Clerical	33,789.00	33,661.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	967.00
Longevity	800.00	800.00
Telephone	800.00	640.00
Printing & Binding	180.00	180.00
R & M Office Equipment	350.00	0.00
Communications - Advertising	300.00	25.00
Training & Testing	800.00	790.00
Plot Plans	1,100.00	711.00
Reg. Deeds/Probate	200.00	200.00
Office Supplies	800.00	792.00
Travel	500.00	233.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	300.00	260.00
Management Consulting	5,725.00	5,725.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Software Expense	3,000.00	0.00
Cama License Fee	7,000.00	6,400.00
Special Article - Server Migration	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Server	0.00	0.00
	24,500.00	24,500.00
Total Assessors	140,294.00	135,034.00
<b>TOWN TREASURER 1145</b>		
Salaries - Town Treasurer	57,346.00	57,346.00
Salaries - Clerical	36,793.00	35,672.00
Salaries - Overtime	500.00	370.00
Longevity	0.00	0.00
Legal - Land Court	17,400.00	7,627.00
Loan Expense	2,500.00	1,500.00
Telephone	1,200.00	1,026.00
Communications - Advertising	290.00	76.00
Reg. Deeds / Probate	1,000.00	1,000.00
Office Supplies	2,200.00	2,198.00
Postage	28,000.00	26,354.00
Travel	1,410.00	1,325.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	300.00	300.00
Bonding	675.00	675.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Town Treasurer	149,614.00	135,469.00
<b>TOWN COLLECTOR 1146</b>		
Salaries - Town Collector	46,034.00	46,034.00
Salaries - Clerical	32,695.00	32,686.00
Salaries - Temporary	5,500.00	5,392.00
Salaries - Overtime	200.00	134.00
Longevity	800.00	800.00
R & M Office Equipment	0.00	0.00
Tax Bills	2,800.00	2,129.00
Telephone	800.00	537.00
Communications - Advertising	2,000.00	1,377.00
Registry Recording	2,500.00	1,510.00
Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,496.00
Travel / Meals	1,000.00	695.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	140.00	140.00
Bonding	1,100.00	1,100.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Town Collector	97,069.00	94,030.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
<b>TOWN COUNSEL 1151</b>		
Legal - Land Court	64,000.00	63,891.00
Total Town Counsel	64,000.00	63,891.00
<b>DATA PROCESSING 1155</b>		
Salaries - System Administrator	4,480.00	4,480.00
Internet Services	7,932.00	7,932.00
Internet Hardware Lease	2,388.00	2,388.00
Contracted IT Support	6,240.00	5,480.00
Records Archiving	900.00	727.00
Wiring Expense	0.00	0.00
R & M Copiers	5,250.00	4,350.00
R & M Other	2,000.00	1,477.00
Software Maintenance	54,928.00	54,928.00
Photocopier Supplies	2,300.00	2,272.00
Software Expense	0.00	0.00
Backup Software	189.00	189.00
Antivirus Software	0.00	0.00
Other Supplies	2,011.00	1,982.00
Training	0.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	6,000.00	4,950.00
Special Article - Computer Server	15,344.00	15,288.00
Special Article - Munis Training	14,300.00	5,100.00
Total Data Processing	124,262.00	111,543.00
<b>TOWN CLERK 1161</b>		
Salaries - Town Clerk	28,088.00	28,088.00
Salaries - Clerical	57,343.00	57,343.00
Salaries - Temporary	857.00	854.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	493.00
Longevity	215.00	215.00
R & M Office Equipment	500.00	500.00
Vital Statistics	400.00	0.00
Telephone	700.00	564.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,280.00	1,250.00
Special Article - Prior Year Bills	1,799.00	1,798.00
Special Article - Dog License Program	2,122.00	871.00
Travel	1,800.00	1,800.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	370.00	370.00
Bonding	100.00	100.00
Additional Equipment	500.00	0.00
Dog Licenses	600.00	588.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Special Article - Vital Records	0.00	0.00
Special Article - CD ROMS	929.00	0.00
Software Expense	800.00	800.00
Total Town Clerk	99,403.00	95,634.00
<b>REGISTRAR OF VOTERS 1163</b>		
Salaries - Temporary	9,000.00	8,600.00
Voting Program Movers	4,200.00	2,523.00
Street Voting / Census	1,800.00	1,625.00
Office Supplies	400.00	138.00
Travel	400.00	386.00
Total Registrar Of Voters	15,800.00	13,272.00
<b>CONSERVATION 1171</b>		
Salaries - Agent	34,547.00	34,547.00
Salaries - Clerical	16,378.00	16,146.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	453.00
Longevity	300.00	300.00
Telephone	500.00	254.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Training & Testing	0.00	0.00
Total Conservation	52,725.00	51,700.00
<b>SOIL BOARD 1172</b>		
Salaries - Inspector	1,000.00	1,000.00
Office Supplies	50.00	49.00
Total Soil Board	1,050.00	1,049.00
<b>PLANNING BOARD 1175</b>		
Salaries - Agent	5,685.00	5,685.00
Salaries - Clerical	12,707.00	12,476.00
Town Planner	30,900.00	30,900.00
Training & Testing	0.00	0.00
Communications - Advertising	161.00	0.00
Other Purchase - Serv. Recording	0.00	0.00
Reg. Deeds / Update Maps	25.00	0.00
Office Supplies	658.00	658.00
Master Plan Supplies	490.00	257.00
Special Article - Zoning By-Law Edits	4,688.00	0.00
Total Planning Board	55,314.00	49,976.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
<b>BOARD OF APPEALS 1176</b>		
Salaries - Clerical	2,000.00	1,356.00
Special Article - Prior Year Bills	0.00	0.00
Communications - Advertising	2,000.00	1,118.00
Office Supplies	150.00	141.00
Total Board of Appeals	4,150.00	2,615.00
<b>TOWN HALL COMPLEX 1192</b>		
Salaries - Maintenance	38,461.00	24,403.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,000.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	2,600.00	57.00
Longevity	500.00	250.00
Energy	37,500.00	37,205.00
R & M Building & Grounds	17,700.00	12,824.00
Custodial Services	31,500.00	15,942.00
Supplies	5,000.00	4,555.00
Special Article - Generators	60,000.00	60,000.00
Special Article - A.D.A. Requirement	5,086.00	3,027.00
Total Town Hall Complex	199,347.00	158,263.00
<b>BY - LAWS 1197</b>		
Office Supplies	300.00	25.00
Total By - Laws	300.00	25.00
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT 2210</b>		
Salaries - Police Chief	96,778.00	96,778.00
Salaries - Permanent	1,352,809.00	1,352,809.00
Longevity	8,100.00	8,100.00
Clothing Allowance	14,600.00	14,563.00
Vehicle Maintenance	12,935.00	12,935.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	9,500.00	9,500.00
Software Maintenance	9,275.00	9,275.00
Telephone	4,170.00	4,167.00
Training & Testing	1,500.00	1,500.00
Office Supplies	2,250.00	2,250.00
Meals	320.00	320.00
Other Supplies - Hardware / Lockup	18,530.00	18,137.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	2,040.00	2,040.00
Special Article - Computer Server	25,000.00	25,000.00
Special Article - Copy Machine	6,498.00	0.00
Special Article - Bullet Proof Vests	9,290.00	1,590.00
Special Article - Police Cruisers	51,290.00	50,075.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Special Article - Police Radios	18,176.00	18,175.00
Equipment	24,845.00	24,845.00
Total Police Department	1,667,906.00	1,652,059.00
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT 2220</b>		
Salaries - Fire Chief	79,231.00	79,231.00
Salaries - Permanent	217,944.00	217,944.00
Salaries - Callmen	49,709.00	42,875.00
Overtime	34,110.00	34,110.00
Longevity	2,900.00	2,900.00
Clothing Allowance	1,368.00	1,368.00
Energy	7,300.00	7,061.00
R & M Building & Grounds	133.00	133.00
R & M Equipment	2,765.00	2,765.00
R & M Vehicles	6,141.00	6,078.00
Software	595.00	595.00
Radio Repairs	500.00	480.00
Telephone	2,767.00	2,749.00
Training / CPR / First Aid	2,650.00	2,400.00
Office Supplies	325.00	324.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	692.00	689.00
Special Article - Fire/EMS Chief Vehicle	32,000.00	29,171.00
Fire Alarm Inspection	0.00	0.00
Total Fire Department	441,130.00	430,873.00
<b>EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 2232</b>		
Salaries - Director	10,924.00	10,924.00
Salaries - Permanent	334,784.00	328,203.00
Salaries - EMT	4,228.00	3,903.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	8,032.00	8,032.00
Salaries - Overtime	14,968.00	14,655.00
Longevity	400.00	400.00
Clothing Allowance	1,100.00	1,064.00
Energy	10,865.00	9,512.00
R & M Buildings & Grounds	3,849.00	3,630.00
R & M Equipment	2,160.00	2,160.00
Physicals	0.00	0.00
Telephone	1,500.00	1,365.00
Training & Testing	340.00	231.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	950.00
Supplies	385.00	341.00
Software Expense	4,650.00	4,650.00
Vehicle Supplies & Maintenance	3,415.00	2,911.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Medical & Surgical Supplies	15,250.00	14,941.00
Oxygen	1,500.00	1,419.00
Travel	50.00	0.00
Quality Assurance Program	15,100.00	15,100.00
Special Article - EMS Training	1,200.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	12,535.00	12,535.00
Additional Equipment	300.00	208.00
Total Emergency Medical Services	448,535.00	437,134.00

#### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT 2241**

Salaries - Building Inspector	54,648.00	54,648.00
Salaries - Commissioner	5,355.00	5,355.00
Salaries - Clerical	17,662.00	17,470.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,200.00	1,023.00
Salaries - Overtime	200.00	0.00
Salaries - Wire Inspector	10,902.00	10,902.00
Salaries - Deputy Wire Inspector	500.00	500.00
Salaries - Deputy Building Inspector	500.00	500.00
Salaries - Gas / Plumbing Inspector	8,740.00	8,740.00
Salaries - Deputy Gas / Plumbing Inspector	750.00	70.00
Longevity	0.00	0.00
Training & Testing	600.00	360.00
R & M Equipment	450.00	375.00
Telephone	800.00	470.00
Office Supplies	921.00	917.00
Vehicle Supplies	500.00	104.00
Special Article - Prior Year Bill	120.00	120.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	500.00	200.00
Total Building Department	104,348.00	101,754.00

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

Salaries - Permanent	1,002.00	1,002.00
Total Sealer Of Weights & Measures	1,002.00	1,002.00

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

Energy	3,037.00	3,037.00
R & M Equipment	611.00	551.00
R & M Building & Grounds	963.00	963.00
Telephone	550.00	540.00
Internet Services	725.00	707.00
Maintenance & Supplies	384.00	378.00
Disaster Fund	0.00	0.00
Travel	75.00	75.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Special Article - Generator	2,750.00	0.00
Special Article - Computer Equipment	12,500.00	12,434.00
Additional Equipment	1,680.00	1,680.00
Total Emergency Management Agency	23,275.00	20,365.00
<b>ANIMAL CONTROL 2292</b>		
Salaries - Director	36,951.00	36,951.00
Longevity	500.00	500.00
Clothing Allowance	156.00	156.00
R & M Equipment	606.00	606.00
Telephone	1,033.00	974.00
Boarding Services	1,300.00	1,122.00
Training & Testing	125.00	125.00
Emergency Vet. Services	200.00	89.00
Office Supplies	7.00	7.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	0.00	0.00
Total Animal Control	40,878.00	40,530.00
<b>FORESTRY 2294</b>		
Salaries - Tree Warden	600.00	600.00
Tree Removal	2,625.00	2,204.00
Tree Planting	100.00	0.00
Other Supplies	100.00	0.00
Total Forestry	3,425.00	2,804.00
<b>MISCELLANEOUS 2699</b>		
Beautification	1,000.00	940.00
Shellfish Warden / Harbor Master	100.00	87.00
Herring Inspector	100.00	0.00
Acushnet Cultural Council	2,500.00	2,500.00
Safety Committee	100.00	0.00
Housing Partnership	100.00	0.00
Buzzards Bay Comm.	633.00	633.00
Total Miscellaneous	4,533.00	4,160.00
<b>OLD COLONY REGIONAL SCHOOL 3320</b>		
Regional School Tuition	1,801,357.00	1,801,357.00
Total Old Colony Regional School	1,801,357.00	1,801,357.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
<b>ACUSHNET SCHOOL DEPARTMENT 3325, 021</b>		
Expenses	12,501,601.00	12,135,566.00
Special Article - Detention Pond	10,000.00	0.00
School Renov. Bond Principal	120,000.00	120,000.00
School Renov. Bond Interest	66,120.00	66,120.00
Total Acushnet School Department	12,697,721.00	12,321,686.00
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 4422</b>		
Salaries - Director	28,632.00	28,632.00
Salaries - Permanent	145,186.00	139,347.00
Salaries - Superintendent	54,366.00	54,366.00
Salaries - Clerical	11,635.00	10,897.00
Salaries - Part-Time Clerk	8,880.00	8,880.00
Salaries - Overtime	4,433.00	4,333.00
Longevity	100.00	100.00
Clothing Allowance	4,450.00	4,429.00
Energy	17,000.00	11,160.00
R & M Building & Grounds	4,000.00	3,051.00
R & M Equipment	30,000.00	23,375.00
Rentals & Leases	16,000.00	15,342.00
Engineering Fees	2,500.00	0.00
Telephone	2,000.00	1,344.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	123.00
Police Details	4,000.00	3,969.00
Training & Testing	1,000.00	851.00
Office Supplies	1,750.00	1,175.00
Gasoline	101,075.00	98,365.00
Personnel Safety Supplies	1,100.00	425.00
Road Materials	110,000.00	107,187.00
Travel	100.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships / Licenses	400.00	225.00
Additional Equipment	3,000.00	2,360.00
Equipment Lease	20,085.00	20,085.00
Special Article - Highway Backhoe	89,000.00	86,450.00
Special Article - Vibrating Roller	16,900.00	15,550.00
Special Article - Dump Truck	46,838.00	46,415.00
Special Article - Woodchipper	45,000.00	44,659.00
Special Article - Barn Security System	850.00	850.00
Special Article - Deere 997 Mower	11,500.00	11,495.00
Total Highway Department	782,780.00	745,440.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
<b>SNOW REMOVAL / ICE CONTROL 4423</b>		
Snow Removal Emergency	53,000.00	52,942.00
Total Snow Removal / Ice Control	53,000.00	52,942.00
<b>STREET LIGHTS 4424</b>		
Energy	60,000.00	54,606.00
Total Street Lights	60,000.00	54,606.00
<b>SEMASS 4431</b>		
Salaries - Permanent	19,551.00	17,738.00
Curbside Pick-Up	35,000.00	3,888.00
Incinerator - SEMASS	135,000.00	79,646.00
Heavy Pick-Up	12,000.00	10,996.00
Rubbish Removal	431,000.00	412,000.00
Communications - Advertising	3,000.00	284.00
Total SEMASS	635,551.00	524,552.00
<b>CEMETERY 4491</b>		
Salaries - Temporary	5,464.00	5,464.00
R & M Equipment	650.00	325.00
R & M Building & Grounds	400.00	124.00
Office Supplies	5.00	0.00
Supplies	225.00	55.00
Total Cemetery	6,744.00	5,968.00
<b>HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICES 5510</b>		
Stipends - Board	9,774.00	9,774.00
Salaries - Sanitarian	58,153.00	58,153.00
Salaries - Clerical	33,654.00	33,654.00
Salaries - Temporary	32,686.00	32,685.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	997.00
Longevity	1,700.00	1,700.00
Clothing Allowance	0.00	0.00
R & M Vehicles	100.00	72.00
Physician	900.00	150.00
Prof. Public Health Agency	13,000.00	13,000.00
Telephone	600.00	592.00
Communications - Advertising	350.00	320.00
Training & Testing	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	802.00	797.00
Photocopier Supplies	371.00	371.00
Travel	50.00	45.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	200.00	100.00
Additional Equipment	200.00	200.00
Total Health Inspection Services	153,540.00	152,610.00
<b>COUNCIL ON AGING 5541</b>		
Salaries - Director	32,784.00	32,784.00
Salaries - Temporary	11,253.00	10,786.00
Salaries - Janitorial	5,857.00	5,857.00
Energy	8,300.00	8,043.00
R & M Building & Grounds	2,500.00	2,433.00
R & M Vehicles	1,600.00	1,372.00
Telephone	1,000.00	513.00
Alarm Services	700.00	180.00
Internet Services	720.00	720.00
Office Supplies	400.00	397.00
Building Supplies	700.00	700.00
Nutrition	5,507.00	3,107.00
Total Council On Aging	71,321.00	66,892.00
<b>VETERANS 5543</b>		
Salaries - Agent	17,635.00	17,635.00
Telephone	300.00	295.00
Training & Testing	195.00	0.00
Training / Public Awareness	165.00	0.00
Office Supplies	450.00	438.00
Dues / Subscription / Membership	35.00	35.00
Veterans Benefits	202,000.00	198,398.00
Total Veterans Benefits	220,780.00	216,801.00
<b>LIBRARY 6610</b>		
Salaries - Director	52,866.00	52,866.00
Salaries - Asst. Director	32,772.00	32,687.00
Salaries - Technicians	46,101.00	46,022.00
Salaries - Custodian	10,940.00	10,938.00
Longevity	1,337.00	1,337.00
Energy	6,560.00	6,428.00
R & M Building & Grounds	2,350.00	2,348.00
R & M Office Equipment	0.00	0.00
Tech. Support	1,410.00	1,410.00
Telephone	770.00	749.00
Education	255.00	255.00
Communications - Advertising	50.00	50.00
Sail Expenses	11,240.00	11,240.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Office Supplies	1,865.00	1,835.00
Children Ed. Supplies	375.00	375.00
Other Supplies	29,658.00	29,658.00
Travel	221.00	217.00
Total Library	198,770.00	198,415.00
<b>RECREATION 6630</b>		
Energy	6,000.00	3,859.00
Service & Maintenance	2,200.00	2,200.00
Telephone	500.00	239.00
Communications - Advertising	600.00	0.00
Summer Youth	7,999.00	7,525.00
Office Supplies	50.00	41.00
Hardware	1,300.00	1,300.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Other Supplies	300.00	300.00
Total Recreation	18,949.00	15,464.00
<b>PARK 6650</b>		
Salaries - Permanent	19,821.00	16,663.00
Contracted Services	10,950.00	9,898.00
R & M Equipment	500.00	292.00
Trash Removal	150.00	150.00
Restroom Supplies	175.00	175.00
Park Materials	2,900.00	2,900.00
Special Article - Lawnmower	6,795.00	6,795.00
Total Park	41,291.00	36,873.00
<b>HISTORICAL COMMISSION 6691</b>		
Energy	3,700.00	3,601.00
R & M Building & Grounds	350.00	335.00
Telephone / Alarm	1,300.00	1,259.00
Special Article - Historic Inventory	78.00	0.00
Special Article - Historical Signs	1,000.00	1,000.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships	0.00	0.00
Total Historical Commission	6,428.00	6,195.00
<b>CELEBRATIONS 6692</b>		
Road Race	1,500.00	1,500.00
Holidays	2,000.00	1,157.00
Total Celebrations	3,500.00	2,657.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
<b>RETIREMENT OF DEBT 7710</b>		
Long Term Debt - Fire Engine	30,000.00	30,000.00
Long Term Debt - Parting Ways	20,000.00	20,000.00
Total Retirement of Debt	50,000.00	50,000.00
<b>INTEREST 7751</b>		
Long Term Debt Interest	9,965.00	9,965.00
Short Term Debt Interest	0.00	0.00
Total Interest	9,965.00	9,965.00
<b>COUNTY ASSESSMENTS 8830</b>		
County Tax	106,158.00	106,158.00
Total County Assessments	106,158.00	106,158.00
<b>STATE ASSESSMENTS 8850</b>		
Special Education	2,128.00	0.00
School Choice Tuition	20,000.00	0.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	9,860.00	9,500.00
Mosquito Assessment	31,552.00	31,552.00
Air Pollution Assessment	2,741.00	2,741.00
RTA Assessment	27,545.00	27,545.00
SRPEDD	1,664.00	1,664.00
Total State Assessments	95,490.00	73,002.00
<b>PENSIONS 1911</b>		
Bristol County Retirement	901,851.00	879,342.00
Social Security	0.00	0.00
Medicare	148,000.00	147,796.00
Total Pensions	1,049,851.00	1,027,138.00
<b>WORKERS COMPENSATION 1912</b>		
Fringe Benefits / Charges	85,000.00	68,986.00
Total Workers Compensation	85,000.00	68,986.00
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION 1913</b>		
Fringe Benefits / Charges	25,000.00	15,662.00
Total Unemployment Compensation	25,000.00	15,662.00
<b>HEALTH INSURANCE 1914</b>		
Blue Cross / Blue Shield Health Insurance	1,573,107.00	1,234,358.00
CRA / Flexible Benefits Plan	6,000.00	2,092.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Special Article - Consultant Services	4,500.00	0.00
Total Health Insurance	1,583,607.00	1,236,450.00
<b>LIABILITY INSURANCE 1945</b>		
Fire / Police Insurance	23,164.00	17,381.00
Liability Insurance	150,110.00	118,986.00
Total Liability Insurance	173,274.00	136,367.00
<b>TRANSFERS 9999</b>		
Transfers To Capital Project Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Special Revenue Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Enterprise Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Trust & Agency Funds	0.00	0.00
Total Transfers	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$ 24,148,680.00</b>	<b>\$ 22,901,518.00</b>

#### **SEWER DEPARTMENT 6004440**

Salaries - Director	14,749.00	14,749.00
Salaries - Permanent	14,012.00	8,629.00
Salaries - Clerical	11,287.00	10,894.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	4,515.00	4,515.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	5,721.00	5,721.00
Salaries - Overtime	7,500.00	2,538.00
Longevity	100.00	100.00
Fringe Benefits - Health / Vacation	7,500.00	2,818.00
Clothing Allowance	950.00	429.00
Energy	9,500.00	6,347.00
Service & Maint. Equipment	3,000.00	1,803.00
R & M Vehicles	2,000.00	454.00
R & M Building & Grounds	1,000.00	260.00
Software Maintenance	1,000.00	0.00
Maintenance of System	95,500.00	39,547.00
Sewer Pumping - New Bedford	410,000.00	354,986.00
Telephone	1,500.00	1,499.00
Legal Expense	8,250.00	2,250.00
Engineering Fees	1,000.00	0.00
Training & Testing	250.00	135.00
Gasoline	1,000.00	977.00
Office Supplies	350.00	285.00
Sewer Bills	1,068.00	842.00
Postage	1,193.00	505.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Travel	100.00	0.00
Upgrading System	500.00	0.00
Special Article - R & M Sewer	4,500.00	730.00
Special Article - Radio Read System	702.00	480.00
Additional Equipment	1,000.00	31.00
Subtotal	609,747.00	461,524.00
<b>RETIREMENT OF DEBT 6007440</b>		
Long Term Debt Principal	0.00	0.00
Long Term Debt Interest	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00
<b>TRANSFERS 6009999</b>		
Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Special Revenue Funds	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL SEWER DEPARTMENT \$</b>	<b>609,747.00</b>	<b>\$ 461,524.00</b>
<b>FROM SEWER USERS' FEES</b>		

**WATER DEPARTMENT 2704450**

Salaries - Director	43,380.00	43,380.00
Salaries - Permanent	78,046.00	77,733.00
Salaries - Superintendent	2,773.00	2,773.00
Salaries - Clerical	11,287.00	10,894.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	11,106.00	11,106.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	4,515.00	4,515.00
Salaries - Overtime	11,000.00	2,964.00
Longevity	100.00	100.00
Fringe Benefits - Health / Vacation	14,000.00	12,282.00
Clothing Allowance	1,700.00	1,094.00
Energy	3,000.00	2,054.00
New Bedford Water Bills	715,000.00	712,274.00
R & M Building & Grounds	2,000.00	784.00
R & M Vehicles	3,000.00	1,797.00
Software Maintenance	500.00	0.00
Maintenance Of System	6,000.00	5,843.00
R & M Trenches	3,000.00	606.00
Rentals & Leases	1,000.00	234.00
Legal Expenses	5,000.00	0.00
Engineering Fees	11,000.00	5,500.00
Telephone	1,000.00	630.00
Training & Testing	2,500.00	879.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
CCR Reports	3,000.00	1,513.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	0.00
Police Details	2,500.00	1,272.00
Special Article - Water Exploration	4,000.00	4,000.00
Gasoline	5,000.00	4,194.00
Office Supplies	1,300.00	543.00
Water Bills	2,340.00	2,146.00
Postage	2,700.00	2,011.00
Water Testing	11,000.00	5,360.00
Special Article - Well Test / Engineering	0.00	0.00
P.W. Supplies / Equipment	10,000.00	8,069.00
Travel	250.00	0.00
Dues / Subscription / Memberships / Licenses	550.00	142.00
Upgrading System	1,000.00	0.00
Additional Equipment - New Meters	5,000.00	178.00
Special Article - Radio Read Meters	12,125.00	2,019.00
Special Article - Leak Detect. Survey	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Cross Survey	1,490.00	0.00
Subtotal	94,162.00	928,889.00
<b>RETIREMENT OF DEBT 2707450</b>		
Long Term Debt Principal	50,793.00	50,793.00
Long Term Debt Interest	156,199.00	156,198.00
Subtotal	206,992.00	206,991.00
<b>TRANSFERS 2709999</b>		
Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Transfers to Special Revenue Fund	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT \$</b>	<b>1,201,154.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,135,880.00</b>
<b>FROM WATER USERS' FEES</b>		

**GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND 6606650**

Salaries - Director	57,381.00	57,381.00
Salaries - Superintendent	83,886.00	83,886.00
Salaries - Head Professional	32,252.00	32,252.00
Salaries - Clubhouse Employees	49,012.00	47,793.00
Salaries - Assistant Superintendent	44,151.00	44,151.00
Salaries - Maintenance Employees	136,476.00	133,767.00
Salaries - Collector	4,362.00	4,362.00
Fringe Benefits - Clubhouse Employees	0.00	0.00
Fringe Benefits - Maintenance Employees	15,000.00	11,049.00
Longevity	1,200.00	1,200.00

	<b>FY 2012 APPROP.</b>	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
Energy	10,700.00	10,687.00
Energy - Maintenance	6,852.00	6,348.00
R & M Building & Grounds	3,000.00	2,898.00
R & M Equipment	3,700.00	3,459.00
R & M Equipment - Maintenance	10,100.00	10,062.00
Rentals & Leases	42,700.00	42,700.00
Rentals & Leases - Maintenance	8,720.00	8,720.00
Legal Expenses	0.00	0.00
Telephone	4,000.00	3,699.00
Telephone - Maintenance	2,100.00	1,843.00
R & M Irrigation - Maintenance	4,000.00	3,954.00
Communications - Advertising	17,460.00	17,458.00
Training & Safety - Maintenance	1,000.00	993.00
Uniforms	1,258.00	1,258.00
Uniforms - Maintenance	1,500.00	1,433.00
Gasoline	33,700.00	33,215.00
Supplies - Golf Shop	15,400.00	15,118.00
Seed / Topdress / Orn. - Maintenance	11,330.00	10,778.00
Fertilizer - Maintenance	29,000.00	28,821.00
Pesticides - Maintenance	56,000.00	55,707.00
Food Supplies	59,870.00	59,480.00
Other Supplies	7,050.00	6,830.00
Supplies - Maintenance	8,000.00	7,648.00
Travel	500.00	500.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses-Club.	1,590.00	1,580.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses-Maint.	1,000.00	935.00
Insurance	11,270.00	11,270.00
Additional Equipment	32,100.00	31,823.00
Capital Projects	11,172.00	8,702.00
Subtotal	818,792.00	803,760.00
<b>DEBT SERVICE 6607650</b>		
Long Term Debt Principal	300,000.00	300,000.00
Long Term Debt Interest	186,947.00	186,946.00
Subtotal	486,947.00	486,946.00
<b>TRANSFERS 6609999</b>		
Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND</b>	<b>\$ 1,305,739.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,290,706.00</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 27,265,320.00</b>	<b>\$ 25,789,628.00</b>

**FY 2012  
EXPEND.**

**OTHER EXPENDITURES**

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS**

Computer Project	0.00
EMS Building	0.00
Partingways Building Project	2,494.00
Fire Station Roof Renovation	3,373.00
CPA Land Purchase	0.00
Water Independence - Phase II	0.00
Water Improvements - Phase III	0.00

<b>TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND</b>	<b>5,867.00</b>
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**CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS**

Crack Sealing	0.00
Gammons Road	608.00
Peckham Road	0.00
Lake Street Guardrails	0.00

<b>TOTAL CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS</b>	<b>608.00</b>
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**SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

School Lunch	306,992.00
Full Day Kindergarten	96,410.00
Preschool Program	0.00
Other Grants & Funding	1,044,064.00

<b>TOTAL SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>1,447,466.00</b>
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**SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

Animal Gift Fund	2,592.00
EECBG Sub - Grant	0.00
Building Maintenance Fund	1,956.00
Community Preservation Fund	118,710.00
Community Development Grant	0.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access Studio	8,856.00
Peg Access	32,926.00
Lake Street Guardrails Grant	0.00
D. A. R. E. Grant	0.00
Police Grant	0.00
SCAT - Southcoast Anti-Crime	482.00
Cops In Shop Grant	0.00
Law Enforcement Trust	7,134.00
SRPEDD - Homeland Security Grant	2,240.00
Gov. Highway Safety Grant	1,201.00
SETB Training Grant - 911	3,834.00

	<b>FY 2012 EXPEND.</b>
SETB Support Incentive Grant	27,979.00
Private Organization Grant - Police	0.00
Emergency Mgt. Performance Grant	4,000.00
Fire S.A.F.E. Grant	4,686.00
Police Reimbursable	795.00
Firefighter Equipment Grant	0.00
Council On Aging Grant	14,563.00
Council On Aging Building Grant	0.00
Council On Aging Gift Fund	8,820.00
Council On Aging Walmart Gift Fund	0.00
Council On Aging Van Gift Fund	12,304.00
Council On Aging - Chair Yoga Grant	1,600.00
Council On Aging Revolving Fund	1,778.00
Library - CD Antitrust Settlement	0.00
Library Building Grant	0.00
LIG / MEG / NRC	14,220.00
Public Library Fund Grant	0.00
BOH - Pher H1N1 Grant	0.00
BOH - Data Filing Grant	500.00
SMHG Health Reimbursement	136,336.00
One Time Gift Fund	0.00
911 Memorial Gift Fund	23,633.00
Arts Lottery Council	3,867.00
Title V - Receipts Reserved App.	5,436.00
ARAW Grant	1,965.00
Celebrations Gift Fund	759.00
Conservation Revolving Fund	2,109.00
Park Department Gift Fund	6,011.00
Sewer Phase II Betterment	347,032.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	31,188.00
C.O.A. Strong Women Grant	6,375.00
Notice Of Intent	1,058.00
Buzzards Bay Watershed Grant	0.00
Buzzards Bay Garden Club Grant	0.00
Stormwater Assessment Grant	0.00
Elections / Extended Polling	1,184.00
E.M.S. Fund	322,000.00
Insurance Reimbursements	12,734.00
Parting Ways Beautification	0.00
Outside Ads	0.00
Fire Department Gift Fund	187.00
Vet. Memorial Park / Celebration Gift Fund	250.00
FEMA Grant	20,870.00
Subtotal	1,194,170.00

**FY 2012  
EXPEND.**

**TRANSFERS 1592740**

Transfers to General Fund

75,000.00

Subtotal

75,000.00

**TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**\$ 1,269,170.00**

**TRUST FUNDS**

Various

7,623.00

**TOTAL TRUST FUNDS**

**7,623.00**

**STABILIZATION FUNDS**

Transfers to General Fund

330,155.00

**TOTAL STABILIZATION FUNDS**

**330,155.00**

**GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS**

**\$ 28,850,517.00**

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
GENERAL FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 4,017,196.00
Receivables:	
Personal Property	16,325.00
Real Estate	188,133.00
Tax Liens	391,966.00
Taxes In Litigation	-
Motor Vehicle Excise	122,121.00
Vets. Benefits Receivable	132,407.00
Tax Foreclosures	244,005.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 5,112,153.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 503,780.00
Other Liabilities	144,363.00
Accrued Salaries-Teachers	317,665.00
Allow. for Abatements & Exemptions 2008-2012	734,898.00
Tailings	-
Due to Firearms Record Fund	-
Fire Dept. Comp. Time	11,361.00
Deferred Revenue:	
Real Estate and Personal Property	(530,440.00)
Tax Liens	391,966.00
Tax Foreclosure	244,005.00
Motor Vehicle	122,121.00
Vets. Benefits Receivable	132,407.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 2,072,126.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances-Prior Year	\$ 192,539.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	2,245,671.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	601,817.00
Fund Balance Reserved for School Debt Reduction	-
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 3,040,027.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 5,112,153.00</b>

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Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 700,307.00
CPA Surcharge Receivable - 2012	1,332.00
Tax Liens Receivable	2,398.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 704,037.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 432.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Liens	2,398.00
Deferred Revenue CPA Surcharge	1,332.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 4,162.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrance - Prior Year	\$ 535,968.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Open Space	1.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Historic Preservation	762.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Community Housing	90,262.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	57,329.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	15,553.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 699,875.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 704,037.00</b>

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Director of Finance

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2012

### ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 3,011,111.00
Cash on Hand	500.00
Receivables:	
E.M.S.	296,346.00
Title V Loan Program:	
Apportionment Added to Tax	
Comm. Interest Added to Tax	-
Apportionment Not Yet Due	15,421.00
Sewer Tie In Loan Program:	
Apportionment Added to Tax	1,345.00
Comm. Interest Added to Tax	463.00
Apportionment Not Yet Due	246,356.00
Deferred Swr. Loan - Prin. Added to Tax	990.00
Deferred Sewer Loan Comm. Interest	396.00
Deferred Sewer Loan Not Yet Due	-
Betterment Added to Tax	4,313.00
Comm. Interest Added to Tax	2,682.00
Betterment Not Yet Due	2,778,815.00
Def. Sewer PH2 Bett. Prin Added to Tax	9,512.00
Def. Sewer PH2 Bett. Comm. Interest	5,195.00
Deferred Betterment Not Yet Due	-
Privilege Fee Not Yet Due	10,743.00
Tax Title Receivable	49,527.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 6,433,715.00</b>

### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 14,988.00
Deferred Revenue:	
EMS	296,346.00
Title V Loan Program:	
Def. Rev. Apportionment Added to Tax	-
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	-
Def. Rev. Apportionment Not Yet Due	15,421.00
Sewer Tie In Loan Program:	
Def. Rev. Apportionment Added to Tax	1,345.00
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	463.00
Def. Rev. Apportionment Not Yet Due	246,356.00
Def. Rev. Def. Swr. Ln. Prin. Add to Tax	990.00
Def. Rev. Def. Sewer Loan Comm. Interest	396.00

Def. Rev. Def. Sewer Loan Not Yet Due	-
Sewer Phase 2 Betterment Program:	
Def. Rev. Betterment Added to Tax	4,313.00
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	2,682.00
Def. Rev. Betterment Not Yet Due	2,778,815.00
Def. Rev. Def. Swr. PH2 Prin. Add To Tax	9,512.00
Def. Rev. Def. Swr. PH2 Comm. Interest	5,195.00
Def. Rev. Def. Betterment Not Yet Due	-
Def. Rev. Privilege Fee Not Yet Due	10,743.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title	49,527.00

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 3,437,092.00</b>
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### FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved For Encumbrances	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved For Expenditures	300,000.00
EECBG Energy Grant	224.00
ARAW Grant	4,854.00
Community Development Grant	-
Building Maintenance Fund	897.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access Studio	18,348.00
D.A.R.E. Grant	231.00
Police SCAT Grant	-
Peg Access	182,171.00
Police Reimbursable	-
Law Enforcement Trust	2,354.00
Fire S.A.F.E.	3,413.00
Library LIG/MEG/NRC	28,026.00
COA Strong Woman Grant	612.00
Library Info Grant	5.00
Library Gift Fund	254,329.00
Library Building Grant	13.00
Board Of Health	64.00
Title V Receipts Reserved	37,321.00
Arts Lottery Council	2,938.00
BOH Pher H1N1 Grants	-
Celebrations Gift Fund	603.00
COA Van Gift Fund	-
Notice Of Intent	17,640.00
Conservation Revolving Acct	243.00
Vets Memorial/Celebrations Gift Fund	5,182.00
E.M.S. Fund	257,454.00
Empowerment Fund	1,873.00
Downtown Steering Committee	5,654.00
C.O.A. Buzzards Bay Garden Grant	258.00
C.O.A. Building Fund	196.00
Insurance Reimbursement	565.00

Animal Gift Fund	2,004.00
FEMA Grant	-
LIB CD Antitrust Grant	185.00
Fed. Assist To Firefighters	-
Sewer PH 2 Betterment	1,489,456.00
Sewer Tie-In Reserved Receipts	353,714.00
Park Department Gift Fund	209.00
COA Gift Fund	1,047.00
Council On Aging Grant	-
COA Revolving Fund	336.00
Lake Street Guard Rails Grant	16,610.00
Long Plain Museum Repair Grant	-
Stormwater Assessment Grant	-
Fire Department Gift Fund	1,369.00
Fire Safety Equipment	-
Cops In Shops Grant	1,599.00
COPS - Private Org Grant	-
Police Gift Fund	50.00
LSTA - Library Grant	-
Sewer-Tie In Admin Grant	639.00
Ambulance Task Force Grant	194.00
Field Equipment Gift Fund	-
Parting Ways Beautification	50.00
Sept 11 Memorial Gift Fund	3,693.00
SMHG Health Reimbursement	-
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 2,996,623.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 6,433,715.00</b>

Attest:

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Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
SCHOOL LUNCH**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Petty Cash	\$ 100.00
Cash - Unrestricted Checking	30,086.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 30,186.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 30.00
Due to Mass. - Meals Tax	-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 30.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	\$ 6.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	30,150.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 30,156.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 30,186.00</b>

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**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Cash	\$ 635,644.00
SPED Circuit Breaker Due from Commonwealth	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 635,644.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 19,999.00
Accrued Teacher Salaries	27,524.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 47,523.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Current Year	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	10,570.00
Undesignated Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	-
Title I	102.00
Title II	56,742.00
Early Childhood Grant	-
Drug Free	-
School Building Rentals	65,815.00
Tuition Revenue	58,361.00
Early Child SPED ARRA	-
Ford Middle School Fund	14,923.00
Elementary School Fund	17,792.00
Tech Lighthouse	385.00
Teacher Quality In Education	-
Enhanced Education	-
Full Day Kindergarten	35,811.00
Full Day Kindergarten Grant	-
ARRA Education Jobs Grant	-
SPED Improvement Grant	543.00
Tuition Revolving Fund	7,738.00
Federal ARRA IDEA Grants	-
Preschool Program	35,618.00
SPED Circuit Breaker	283,324.00
Non - Smoking Grant	397.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 588,121.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 635,644.00</b>

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Director of Finance

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET LONG TERM DEBT ACCOUNT GROUP

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2012

### ASSETS

Amounts to be Provided for Payment of Bonds	\$ 9,812,878.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 9,812,878.00</b>

### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Capitalized Lease Obligation	\$ 73,458.00
Sewer Phase II Bonds	3,848,015.00
School Renovation Bond	1,495,000.00
Bonds Payable Fire Truck	130,000.00
Partingways Building Bonds	20,000.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase I	607,711.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase II	1,639,140.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase III	1,400,122.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	561,390.00
Title V Bonds	38,042.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 9,812,878.00</b>

#### FUND EQUITY

CPA - White Woods Authorized	\$ (650,000.00)
Sewer Tie-In Program Authorized	(7,422.00)
LaPalme Conserv. Restrict. - Auth.	(495,000.00)
CPA - White Woods Unissued	650,000.00
LaPalme Conserv. Restrict. - Unissued	495,000.00
Sewer Tie-In Program Unissued	7,422.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 9,812,878.00</b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

Director of Finance

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET TRUST FUNDS

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2012

### ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 2,390,587.00
Due from Resident	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 2,390,587.00</b>

### LIABILITIES

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

### FUND EQUITY

Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$ 111,113.00
Haydon Flower	65.00
Haydon - Candage Flower	494.00
Instructive Nursing	11,869.00
Leo/Ruth Jackson Flower	-
Omey/Cottle Flower	19,531.00
Travis/Ellis Flower	3,186.00
Charles Beals Library	7,073.00
Albert Leconte Library	3,544.00
Allen/Rhoda Russell Library	10,356.00
Russell Library Maintenance	7,888.00
F. Sowa Library	13,033.00
Long Plain School	6,872.00
W.G. Owen Art Week	1,455.00
Russell Protestant Poor	60,355.00
Russell Town Hall	12,155.00
Sylvia P. Manter School	58,457.00
Henry H. Rogers School	15,053.00
Russell Public Schools	43,188.00
E. C. Burt School Library	4,810.00
Ruth Tabor Scholarship	9,183.00
Long Plain Meetinghouse	10,828.00
Meetinghouse Restoration	157,585.00
A. Fluegal Board Of Health	1,882.00
RN Swift 1	11,672.00
RN Swift 2	607.00
Conservation	1,926.00
Parting Ways Green Trust Fund	13,217.00
Retirement	187,383.00
Accumulated Sick Time	2,203.00
Stabilization	1,475,603.00

Golf Course Farm Land	128,001.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	-
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 2,390,587.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 2,390,587.00</b>

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
AGENCY FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 113,627.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 113,627.00</b>

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ -
Braley Hill Estates	686.00
Erin Heights	416.00
Mendall Hill Estates	-
Stoney Acres	-
Deep Brook Estates #4	13,835.00
Farm Pond Estates	6,739.00
Blaise Drive	-
Forestdale Estates	24,697.00
Maple Ridge Estates	80.00
Maple Ridge Estates #2	3,726.00
Davis Farm Estates	381.00
DaCosta Estates	6,665.00
Tripp Estates	641.00
Edgewood Estates	2,744.00
Gendron Estates	787.00
Nestle's Lane Ecrow	-
Edgewood Acres #2 Escrow	50,486.00
Outside Details - Police	1,744.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 113,627.00</b>

**FUND BALANCE**

Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	\$ -
Undesignated Fund Balance	-
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 113,627.00</b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

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

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

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

**FUND EQUITY**

Stormwater Mendall Road	\$ -
Gammons Road	-
Main Street	-
Fairway Drive	-
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 166,574.00
Receivables:	
Water Charges	18,748.00
Tax Title	71.00
Water Liens Added to Tax - 2012	4.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 185,397.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 9,145.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title	71.00
Deferred Revenue Water Charges	18,748.00
Deferred Revenue Water Liens	4.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 27,968.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbs. - Current Year	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbs. - Prior Year	17,296.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	-
Undesignated Fund Balance	140,133.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 157,429.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 185,397.00</b>

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 214,730.00
Receivables:	
Sewer User Charges	16,704.00
Tax Title	-
Sewer Connection	-
Sewer Liens Added to Tax - 2012	-
Machinery & Equipment	5,650.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Machinery & Equipment	(5,650.00)
Infrastructure	5,753,984.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Infrastructure	(938,177.00)
Vehicles	10,293.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Vehicles	(10,293.00)
Construction in Process	34,782.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 5,082,023.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 1,151.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title	-
Deferred Revenue Sewer User Charges	16,704.00
Deferred Revenue Sewer Liens	-
Net Fixed Assets	4,850,589.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 4,868,444.00</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances - Current Year	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances - Prior Year	61,460.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	-
Undesignated Fund Balance	152,119.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 213,579.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 5,082,023.00</b>

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2012

### ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 544,231.00
Land Acquisition	1,637,100.00
Land Improvements	1,541,655.00
Allow. for Depreciation - Land Improvements	(912,446.00)
Land Improvements Interest	798,862.00
Land Improvements Nondepreciable	2,835,910.00
Buildings	285,523.00
Allow. for Depreciation - Buildings	(116,258.00)
Machinery and Equipment	980,826.00
Allow. for Depreciation - Machinery & Equipment	(673,401.00)
Construction in Process	-
Amounts to be Provided for Payment of Bonds	4,649,906.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 11,571,908.00</b>

### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 19,370.00
Bonds Payable	4,440,000.00
Taxes Due to Massachusetts	-
Outing Deposits	2,400.00
Gift Certificates	22,280.00
Gift Cards	24,783.00
Capitalized Lease Obligation	209,906.00
Net Fixed Assets	6,377,771.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 11,096,510.00</b>

#### FUND EQUITY

Contributed Capital	\$ 500,000.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	-
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	-
Fund Balance Designated - P/Y Revenue Shortfall	-
Undesignated Fund Balance	(24,602.00)
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 475,398.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 11,571,908.00</b>

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 35,880.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 35,880.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

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

**FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Current Year	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	-
Computer Account	-
EMS Building	-
Water Infiltration - Phase II	-
PartingWays Bldg. Project	17,226.00
Fire Station Roof Revovation	18,654.00
Capital Project Bonded Equipment	-
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 35,880.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 35,880.00</b>

Attest:  
Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET  
GOVERNMENTAL FIXED ASSETS**

**BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**ASSETS**

Land Acquisition	\$ 1,551,678.00
Land Improvements	5,294,407.00
Buildings	33,952,294.00
Machinery & Equipment	2,010,921.00
Infrastructure	20,196,967.00
Vehicles	1,822,300.00
Construction in Process	11,903.00
Accumulated Depreciation	(27,755,381.00)
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 37,085,089.00</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

**LIABILITIES**

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

**FUND EQUITY**

Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 37,085,089.00
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 37,085,089.00</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 37,085,089.00</b>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane  
Director of Finance

## ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of Dogs Picked Up Unrestrained (Brought to the Shelter)	32
Number of Dogs Claimed	22
Number of Dogs Transferred & Adopted	8
Number of Dogs Euthanized	2
Number of Cats/Kittens Brought to the Shelter	7
Number of Cats Adopted	7
Number of Cats Euthanized/Hit by M.V. or Injured	30
Number of Dead Animal Picked Up	869
Number of Complaints Investigated	2,072
Number of Hearings by Selectmen	1
Number of Citations Issued	298
Number of Court Hearings	93
Mileage	6,540
Citation Revenue	\$6,450
Boarding Revenue	\$1,200
Animal Gift Fund Donations	\$1,129.50

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson  
Animal Inspector

## ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Total Number of Quarantines	48
Number of Dogs Quarantined	27
Number of Cats Quarantined	21
Number of Rabies Investigated	6
Number of Rabies Investigated – Positive	0
Number of Rabies Cases – Negative	6
Number of Rabies Cases – Unsatisfactory	0
Number of People Who went for Rabies Vaccine	0
*Animals Were Unavailable for Quarantine	
Number of Barn Inspections	79
Number of Cattle Inspections (incl. Dairy, Bulls, Heifers & Calves)	180
Number of Horses & Ponies Inspected	104
Number of Minis Inspected	5
Number of Sheep Inspected	203
Number of Goats Inspected	133
Number of Chickens Inspected	866
Number of Turkeys Inspected	36
Number of Rabbits Inspected	286
Number of Swine Inspected	8
Number of Peacocks Inspected	19
Number of Guinea Hens Inspected	7
Number of Waterfowl Inspected	95
Number of Swans Inspected	0
Number of Pheasants Inspected	3
Number of Game Birds	0
Number of Llamas	0
Number of Alpacas	0
Number of Donkeys	6

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson  
Animal Inspector

## BOARD OF HEALTH

### ***Board Members***

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

### ***Office Staff***

Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk  
Wanda L. Hamer, Senior Clerk  
Ralph Urban, P.L.S., Health Agent

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet,

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

Blood Pressure Screenings were held by the Community Nurse and Hospice Care of Fairhaven every Wednesday from 9:00 am to 10:00 am at the Council on Aging Building at 59 ½ South Main Street. The Community Nurses followed up with 15 communicable diseases that were reported to the Board of Health Office.

The Annual Flu Clinic was held on October 10<sup>th</sup> at the Council on Aging Building. A total of 166 flu shots were administered. This year the Department of Public Health supplied the Board with 320 doses of flu vaccine. The Board held the 2<sup>nd</sup> flu clinic on October 25<sup>th</sup> at the Council on Aging. A total of 81 flu shots were administered. Accommodations were made for residents who needed assistance by the Board of Health staff and the Community Nurse & Hospice Care Staff.

### **Inspections:**

Septic System Installations	68	Mobile Home Parks	6
Title V	49	Food Service	76
Septic System Abandonments	11	Complaints	42
Soil Evaluations	170	Housing	18
Percolation Tests	60		

### **Permits:**

Septic System Repairs	34
Septic System New Const.	7
Food Service	45
Stable	30

### **Total Receipts:**

Permit Fees	\$	35,248.00
Mobile Park Fees	\$	8,856.00
Health Clinic Donations	\$	605.00

**Total                      \$    44,709.00**

<b>Board of Health Meetings</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Septic Plans Reviewed</b>	<b>82</b>
<b>Homeland Security Meetings Attended</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Steering Committee Meetings Attended</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Informational Meetings Attended</b>	<b>5</b>

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

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health held several conference calls with Local Boards of Health regarding the severity of EEE. Aerial spraying was conducted in early August in specific southeastern Massachusetts towns. In early September, the Department of Public Health moved Acushnet into High Risk for EEE and WNV. Health Agent, Ralph Urban notified the School Superintendent about restricting all outdoor activities between the hours of dusk to dawn. Also, a reverse 911 message was sent to all Acushnet residents warning them of the risk, to wear mosquito spray and long sleeves and outdoor activities should be curtailed.

### **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:**

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

On the following dates the Board of Health conducted mandatory call down drills under the direction of Amy Palmer. The three drills were conducted using the Home Health Alert Network (HHAN) system.

February 29, 2012.

August 28, 2012.

November 27, 2012.

All call down drill results were sent to Amy and forwarded to the State to complete the 2012 mandate.

Respectfully submitted,

Acushnet Board of Health

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

The Town of Acushnet is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. SRPEDD (pronounced sir-ped) is the regional agency serving twenty-seven cities and towns in southeastern Massachusetts dealing with common issues facing our region, such as economic development, growth and land development, transportation, environment 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 2012, the Town of Acushnet paid \$1664.24 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 16.15 cents per capita.

Local citizens serving at SRPEDD included the following:

SRPEDD Commission: Henry Young

Joint Transportation Planning Group: Henry Young and David Wojnar

Some of SRPEDD's more significant accomplishments during 2012 were:

- SRPEDD's **Municipal Partnership** program launched new efforts to help improve operating efficiencies of member cities and towns. The regional purchasing program combined the purchasing requirements of four communities for a group purchase of street sweepers, for a combined saving of \$6,000. We also conducted a group purchase for EMS supplies resulting in lower cost for participating fire and ambulance departments up to 60%. Grants were obtained to fund the implementation of electronic permitting for area fire departments.
- The **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**, which sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds, was completed and approved for FY2013-2016. The TIP targets apply to highway projects, and transit funds for GATRA and SRTA.
- **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Southeastern Massachusetts**, a regional economic development strategy, was completed and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, making the region eligible for federal economic development grants from EDA.
- **The Taunton River** was designated by the US National Park Service as a **Wild and Scenic River** in 2009. The Taunton River Stewardship Council made up of locally appointed representatives from the ten municipalities abutting the Taunton River, along with supporting agencies, continues to meet regularly at SRPEDD to address protection of the river and its outstanding natural resources. The Stewardship Council also administers a small grants program for the communities and has funded such projects as: river and park signage and kiosks; appraisals for land acquisition; workshops on Title 5 issues, no wake zone issues, and canoe safety; environmental education projects; river and trail brochures, and; improved public access to the river.
- **South Coast Rail** remained a major priority in 2012. SRPEDD continued to support the Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force, which includes representation from SRPEDD municipalities and regional organizations.
- SRPEDD also provided technical assistance to fourteen communities through thirteen projects that implement the South Coast Rail Economic Development and Land Use Corridor Plan. Projects included zoning bylaw amendments,

assistance with developing planning documents and renderings of possible future development under project proposals.

- SRPEDD continued as the designated sub-fiduciary agent to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council and the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) for the **Southeast Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council** serving 96 communities and the Wampanoag Nation in 6 counties in southeastern Massachusetts. The Council has awarded more than \$25.4 million in federal homeland security funds since 2004.
- SRPEDD conducts a **district-wide traffic counting program** (including speed surveys and vehicle classification, and 35 intersection turning movement counts) and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 100 traffic counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD worked with the region's cities and towns to monitor the impact of proposed casinos in the region.
- An extensive **Geographic Information System (GIS)** mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. Every year new computerized "data layers" are added to the system
- SRPEDD operates the **Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center**, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.
- In cooperation with UMass Dartmouth, the **Southeastern Massachusetts Council on Sustainability** sponsored workshops throughout the year on issues of energy and sustainability.
- 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 365 signalized intersections in the region. This includes geometry, traffic volume, crash rate, signal timing and operational characteristics.
- SRPEDD continued its affiliation with the South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation, which makes loans to small businesses for expansion.
- In addition, technical assistance was provided to the Town of Acushnet in the following areas:
  - Worked with the Town Planner to complete a Housing Production Plan.
  - Provided a map that was used to support a rezoning initiative.
  - Worked with a consultant to provide the town with renderings of the proposed Acushnet River Walk.
  - Provided further assistance with the planning of the Acushnet River Trail as a bike-pedestrian connection around the Acushnet River linking the Waterfront Park to Fairhaven and New Bedford.

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

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

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

<b>Date</b>	<b>Permits</b>	<b>Fees Collected</b>	<b>Estimated Value of Work</b>
January 2012	18	\$ 3,324.00	\$ 344,283.00
February	20	\$ 2,903.00	\$ 3,466,113.00
March	26	\$ 2,647.00	\$ 584,419.00
April	38	\$ 15,450.00	\$ 693,540.00
May	41	\$ 5,745.00	\$ 887,551.00
June	33	\$ 5,251.00	\$ 787,644.00
July	43	\$ 3,069.00	\$ 582,806.00
August	28	\$ 955.00	\$ 131,807.00
September	31	\$ 2,677.00	\$ 336,385.00
October	40	\$ 2,528.00	\$ 483,334.00
November	36	\$ 4,583.00	\$ 933,767.00
December	20	\$ 3,701.00	\$ 1,860,904.00
<b>Subtotals</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>\$ 52,833.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,092,553.00</b>
Certificate of Occupancy		<b>Included with building permit fees</b>	
Certificate of Inspection	20	\$ 1,050.00	N/A
Mechanical Permits	5	\$ 250.00	N/A
Sheet Metal Permits	5	\$ 150.00	N/A
Trenching Permits	9	\$ 400.00	N/A
Zoning Permits	9	\$ 310.00	Included in Monthly Value Fees
Zoning Board Inquiries	2	\$ 100.00	N/A
<b>Totals</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>\$55,093.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,092,553.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,

James Marot, Building Commissioner  
Steve Pina, Deputy Building Inspector  
Brigette M. Benoit, Senior Clerk

## BUILDING PERMITS

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The following permits were issued for the annual year ending in December 2012.

<b><u>Structures</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Additions	18
Chimney	4
Commercial	7
Decks	14
Demolitions	9
Doors	20
Dwelling	10
Garage	12
Insulation	27
Miscellaneous	16
Pool	18
Renovations	18
Roof	88
Shed	12
Siding	20
Signs	5
Solar	13
Temporary Structures	6
Windows	25
Woodstoves	32
<b>Totals</b>	<b>374</b>

Respectfully submitted,

James Marot, Building Commissioner  
Steve Pina, Deputy Building Inspector  
Brigette M. Benoit, Senior Clerk

## WIRING DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Wiring Department issued 163 permits and collected \$ 28,501.50 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2012.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Permits</b>	<b>Fees Collected</b>
January 2012	12	\$ 4,234.00
February	6	\$ 455.00
March	10	\$ 660.00
April	15	\$ 860.00
May	9	\$ 615.00
June	15	\$ 945.00
July	20	\$ 1,140.00
August	23	\$ 1,450.00
September	13	\$ 1,915.00
October	17	\$ 2,357.50
November	15	\$ 1,000.00
December	8	\$ 12,870.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>\$ 28,501.50</b>

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Marot, Building Commissioner

Frank Knox, Wire Inspector

Thomas De Costa, Deputy Inspector

Brigette M. Benoit, Senior Clerk

## PLUMBING DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Plumbing Department issued 94 permits and collected \$6,669.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2012.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Permits</b>	<b>Fees Collected</b>
January 2012	3	\$ 230.00
February	6	\$ 547.00
March	7	\$ 429.00
April	12	\$ 712.00
May	6	\$ 352.00
June	7	\$ 768.00
July	8	\$ 528.00
August	13	\$ 851.00
September	4	\$ 272.00
October	12	\$ 704.00
November	7	\$ 504.00
December	9	\$ 772.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>\$ 6,669.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,

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

## GAS DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Gas Department issued 103 permits and collected \$ 5,313.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2012.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Permits</b>	<b>Fees Collected</b>
January 2012	10	\$ 540.00
February	5	\$ 245.00
March	8	\$ 355.00
April	3	\$ 180.00
May	3	\$ 150.00
June	7	\$ 390.00
July	4	\$ 210.00
August	21	\$ 1,080.00
September	7	\$ 425.00
October	18	\$ 820.00
November	9	\$ 533.00
December	8	\$ 385.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>\$ 5,313.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,

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

## **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

In the year 2013 the Zoning Board of Appeals received 11 applications. Of those 11 applications 4 of them were for variances and 8 of them were for special permits. The board granted 9 cases and denied 2 cases.

Mary Albino – 2/6/12 – Variance – Granted  
Paul Bennett – 7/2/12 – Special Permit – Granted  
Douglas Couray – 10/15/12 – Variance and Special Permit – Granted  
Louise Desroches – 12/3/12 – Variance – Granted  
Marc Duprey – 7/2/12 – Special Permit – Granted  
Rosa Ferreira – 3/12/12 – Special Permit – Denied  
Francis Mello – 8/13/12 – Variance – Granted  
Sally Mourad – 5/7/12 – Special Permit – Granted  
Kevin Paim – 8/13/12 – Special Permit – Denied  
Wampanoag Kennel Club – 2/6/12 – Special Permit – Granted  
Melody Rodriques – 4/9/12 – Special Permit Granted

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Brodeur  
Zoning Board of Appeals Secretary

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## **Objective:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **2012 Filings under MGL Chapter 131 Section 40:**

- Notices of Intent – 13
- Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation -1
- Requests for Determination of Applicability - 6
- Requests for Certificate of Compliance –21
- Site Visits - 26

This year we had a major new property preserved for the recreation and enjoyment of Acushnet residents. With the help of a Buzzards Bay National Estuary Program grant, and some Community Preservation funds, we were able to obtain a Conservation Restriction, and the Coalition for Buzzards Bay was able to purchase, the 46-acre LaPalme Riverside Farm property. This beautiful site joins the Acushnet Sawmill as passive recreational property owned by the Coalition for Buzzards Bay and held under conservation restriction by the Conservation Commission. We are looking forward to helping the Coalition to interpret the trails and welcome the public to this lovely property.

## **Commission Membership:**

This year we had to accept the resignation of one Commission member. Evelyn Bouley left the Commission to spend her time pursuing an advanced degree for her position at

the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School. Good luck to you, Evelyn.

This does leave us short one member, however. Persons interested in volunteering for full membership or associate member positions on the Commission are always welcome and may send a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen.

As of December 2011, the Conservation Commission and staff included:

Robert Rocha, Chairman  
Ted Cioper, Vice Chairman  
Patricia Picard, Member  
Marc Brodeur, Member  
Kevin Dakin, Member  
Everett Philla, Member

Merilee Kelly, Agent  
Karen Amarello, Senior Conservation Clerk

Respectfully submitted,

Merilee Kelly, Agent  
Acushnet Conservation Commission

## COUNCIL ON AGING

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

The Acushnet Council on Aging (COA) and Senior Center is open, and staffed, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The majority of the Senior Center staff is provided through Coastline Elderly's Senior Community Service Employment Program. The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is a paid job-training program that provides a bridge to employment for mature workers.

COA programs and services include, but are not limited to; congregate meals, Meals on Wheels, Red Hat Society, French Cultural Group, Mahjong, Cribbage, Scrabble, Hand and Foot, Soldier's Group, Bingo, Line Dancing and more. We also have a very active Friends of the Acushnet Elderly group which meets quarterly and sponsors many fundraisers through out the year.

Our outreach program, Benefiting Individual Needs, Goals, Objectives (BINGO) which launched in 2010, continues to be a strong collaborative effort between the COA and the Acushnet Police Department and is designed to help the people we serve lead successful, safe lives in the housing of their choice for as long as possible by aiding those that qualify with SNAP applications (food stamps), Fuel Assistance, Serving Health Information Needs of Elders (SHINE) Counseling and a multitude of other benefits. Officer LouAnn Jenkinson is available at the Senior Center between 8-16 hours per month to field questions/concerns from area residents.

In August, the Council on Aging proudly co-sponsored, along with the Acushnet Police Association, National Night Out. This intergenerational event which promotes crime/drug prevention and awareness was a huge success with over 100 families in attendance. We also continued to partner with the New Bedford Police Department's HART (High at Risk Team) which provides free social services for victims of domestic violence in the Bristol County area. Our on site food pantry is still available, by appointment, to those Acushnet residents in need.

In September, the Senior Center was equipped with the COATS (Council on Aging Tracking System) digital key card computer platform. Patrons now scan a small card, usually kept on their key ring, when entering the building for services and programs. This system allows us to accurately track the number of patrons we provide service for.

In conjunction with the municipal budget, the COA receives monies through The Executive Office of Elder Affairs, Title III Grant Funding (Coastline Elderly Services), Discretionary/Medical Transportation funds (Associated Relief of Aged Women), Wal-Mart Foundation, Buzzards Bay Garden Club, Acushnet Police Association and more.

In December, we received notification that the COA has been awarded a grant to reinstate our Single Gals on the Go social group which is intended for low-income, single, female, Acushnet residents, age 70+ to participate in day trips and other activities that help fight social isolation, self neglect, etc.

For more information about services, programs or to volunteer your time, please call us at 508-998-0280.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather J. Sylvia, Director

## **CULTURAL COUNCIL**

The Acushnet Cultural Council has maintained streamlined status with the Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC).

The money allocation for granting to applicants has not increased for several years and does not allow us to satisfy all requests. This year we were able to fund approximately half of the organizations/individuals who applied to the Acushnet Council.

Our priority is first to the school children and the seniors of Acushnet and secondly to all others with a benefit to the residents of Acushnet.

Respectfully submitted:

Walter S. Dalton, Jr.  
Chairman

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

**Paul Sylvia – Director DPW**  
Lori Sylvia – Senior Clerk  
Kelli Tomlinson – Part Time Senior Clerk

### **HIGHWAY DIVISION**

Paul Fortin  
David Gifford  
Thomas Menard  
Cameron Barlow

### **WATER/SEWER DIVISION**

Matthew Tripp  
John Westgate

### **ACUSHNET RECYCLING CENTER**

Peter Boutin

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

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

- Drainage improvement on Oliveira Avenue and Main Street.
- Improvements to and cleaning of retention pond on Chershire Avenue.
- Repaired collapsed catch basins and manholes throughout Town.
- Asphalt patch roads where needed.
- Brush cut and mowed road side lines and lawns in Town.
- Regrade and compacted Perkins Lane.
- Procured a catch basin cleaning machine and have begun a program to clean all catch basins in Town.
- Updated and improved Recycling Center.

### **WATER AND SEWER DIVISION**

The **Water Department** has completed the installation of the Automatic Meter Reading system (AMR). This system has eliminated the need for door to door meter reading. Old Meters continue to be replaced due to failure of electronic, battery problems, and mechanical failures.

The Water Department responded to one main line water break and eleven service leaks this year. Five hydrants were repaired and or replaced.

The **Sewer Division** has finished repairing and rehabilitating the newly acquired Blueberry Drive sewer pumping station. Many of the electronic components have been replaced and we look forward to many years of dependable service. The Slocum Street and Allen Street pump stations are now scheduled for electronic maintenance and service to maintain their reliability.

We would like to say thank you to all DPW employees and Town departments for their continued assistance during 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven Boucher, Chairman  
Jeffrey Schuster, Vice Chairman  
Dustin Cormier, Member  
Darrin Pinto, Member  
Norman Fredette, Member

Listed below are some of the proven practices for water conservation. Not only will you be helping save our important natural resources you will also be saving money.

### **Five Simple Steps to Water Conservation**

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. Take shorter showers or fill your tub with less water. Five minutes for a shower or 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's 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.

Taken from the American Water Works Association

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

## **FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT**

### **Members of the Acushnet Fire and EMS Department**

#### ***EMS Division***

##### EMT Paramedics (Fulltime)

Richard Gunter  
Michael Mentzer  
James Baptiste

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

Priscilla Braley	Jeff Dupuis
Shawn Samanica	Phil Sarvaria
William Rodriques	Laurie Gonsalves
Valarie Andrade-Higgins	Andrew Lavoie
Paul Correia	Brian Donohoe
Timothy Guillotte	Erik Johnson
Paul Frysinger	

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

Wendy Ashworth  
Alan Bowen  
Michael Coffey  
Jonathan Cox  
Matthew Morrisseau  
Adam Hebert

I/C: Massachusetts certified Instructor / Coordinator

# **MEMBERS OF THE ACUSHNET FIRE AND EMS DEPARTMENT**

## **CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT**

Kevin A. Gallagher, EMT-Paramedic, I/C, FOI, \*\*

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

### **CAREER FIREFIGHTERS**

Gerard Bergeron, EMT-Intermediate, CPRI (Senior FF)

Eric Arruda, EMT-Paramedic

Thomas Farland, EMT-Paramedic

### **CALL DEPUTY CHIEF**

James Knox

### **CALL CAPTAINS**

Michael Rothwell, FFI

George Pimental

### **CALL LIEUTENANTS**

Paul Martins, FFI/II, FOI

David Makuch

Brian Monte, FFI/II

### **CALL FIREFIGHTERS**

Marc Cenerizio

Ronald St. Onge (Senior CFF)

Frank Knox

Wayne Pimental

Jeffrey Krupa

Matthew Tripp

Peter Giampa, FFI/II

Donald Crocker

Paul Frysinger, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

Peter Rawcliff

Kathryn Johnson, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

James Baptiste, FFI/II, EMT-Paramedic

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

Michael Mentzer, EMT-Paramedic

Andrew Lavoie, EMT-Paramedic

Scott Salter, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

Adam Hebert, FFI/II, EMT-Basic

Andrew Corrigan, FFI/II

### **DISPATCHER**

Diane Barlow

## **RECRUITS**

Matthew Morrisseau

Mark Pinhancos

Zachery Staplaski

<i>Key:</i>	<i>FFI</i>	<i>Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One</i>
	<i>FFI/II</i>	<i>Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One &amp; Two</i>
	<i>FII</i>	<i>Massachusetts Certified Fire Instructor Level One</i>
	<i>FOI</i>	<i>Massachusetts Certified Fire Officer Level One</i>
	<i>CPRI</i>	<i>Certified CPR Instructor</i>
	<i>**</i>	<i>Massachusetts Fire Service Commission Accredited Fire Chief</i>

## ***EMS Division***

### **EMT PARAMEDICS (FULLTIME)**

Richard Gunter

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## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

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

During 2012, members of the Acushnet EMA continue to maintain the Acushnet EMA Headquarters located at 14 Thomas Street and to utilize this location as the town's Emergency Operations Center or EOC. Through software that we obtained over the past 18 months, we are able to track the number of volunteer hours worked by the volunteers of Acushnet EMA and our volunteers have completed over 1400 hours of volunteer community service to the town of Acushnet and the AEMA. We continue to have the designation from the Eastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) of being a sub-regional command center for their organization, meaning Amateur Radio volunteers within AEMA would help staff the AEMA with Ham Operators for weather related and communication emergency incidents in Southeast Massachusetts based on ARES leadership discretion. This past year was started with a dinner meeting in February 2012 with all of its members to prepare for the year's events. Training on the generators, pumps and lighting equipment was offered through newly appointed Field Supervisor, Geoff Haworth in October 2012.

We continue to have access to the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Web EOC program, public safety and Amateur Radio communications resources. AEMA provided services to backup Public Safety with weather related incidents to block off streets if an accident or tree damage occurred and to provide auxiliary support to Eastern Massachusetts ARES as the ARES sub-regional command center. The AEMA supported Acushnet Police, Fire and DPW for the response of Hurricane Sandy's impact to the town on Monday October 29th, 2012. During Sandy's impact on the town, AEMA opened a town shelter at the Acushnet Council of Aging and supported blocking off roads and clearing tree damage to keep major roads open to residents in coordination with police, fire and DPW. AEMA HQ was also staffed to provide an Amateur Radio communications link for South Coastal Massachusetts, Cape Cod and between AEMA and MEMA, the National Weather Service in Taunton and the National Hurricane Center in Miami Florida. Damage reports for the town were relayed to MEMA, NWS Taunton and the National Hurricane Center via Amateur Radio. Also, in the recent snowstorm that affected the town of Acushnet on Saturday December 29th 2012 into Sunday December 30th 2012, AEMA supported the closing of roads and monitoring of downed wires due to the weight of heavy wet snow that accumulated on trees and wires.

The town based activities for the past year include providing lighting at town events and traffic control at planned activities such as the Cruise Night, the Acushnet Little League Parade, the Acushnet Animal Control's Office Rabies Clinic, Apple Peach Parade, Halloween Parade, Christmas Light Illumination at Acushnet Fire Station 1, and Labor Day Road Race. The Acushnet EMA, at the request of the town selectmen, also provided support in lighting of an abandoned building on 60 Main Street in March 2012. We also

provided mutual aid support for the town of Fairhaven for their Fathers Day Road Race as well as the town of Fairhaven's Bicentennial parade and participated in the Fairhaven Fire Muster parade.

This year the town received a grant to purchase a generator for the Acushnet EMA HQ. Director Bergeron worked with the town's grant writer to submit this grant into FEMA and acquired this FEMA grant to obtain the generator. Through the efforts of the Acushnet EMA membership led by Deputy Director Jerry Sounik, the generator has been wired into the facility and will automatically turn on in case of a loss of power at the AEMA HQ. The new generator will provide full operation of the facility for as long as possible during the event of extended power loss. We have made some changes to the volunteer leadership staff at Acushnet EMA. Tony Duarte, long-time Operations Officer and member of AEMA, has taken a new position to be the computer system's administrator for the AEMA citing personal time constraints and the fact that the maintenance of our computer systems is significant since the computer upgrade completed in 2011. Ed Caron has become the AEMA Operations Officer replacing Tony in this capacity. Also, Steve Silvestre has stepped down as AEMA Field Supervisor citing personal time constraints but remains an active member of the AEMA. Geoffrey Haworth has replaced Steve as AEMA Field Services Supervisor. These changes were made in September 2012 pursuant to an email sent to the town selectmen. We thank Tony and Steve for their service in their past roles and look forward to their continued support of AEMA.

On Monday November 5th, 2012, the town selectmen hosted their meeting at the AEMA HQ on Thomas Street and recognized the AEMA membership and leadership for their efforts in 2012 and prior years. Service Awards were given to Operations Officer, Ed Caron, Deputy Director Jerry Sounik, System Administrator and former Operations Officer Tony Duarte and Director Bergeron for their volunteer support of the town and service to the AEMA. We greatly appreciate the board of selectmen's and the entire town of Acushnet's support of AEMA and the recognition bestowed to the agency and our leadership team at the town selectman's meeting.

Finally, It is noted that the AEMA remains licensed as an agency station for the Navy-Marine Corps Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS) under MARS call-sign NNN0GPN and Operations Officer Ed Caron continues to support testing via the MARS system. Ed Caron also supports the regular monthly tests of the MEMA Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES) and ARES Nets from the AEMA HQ facility.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Gerard A. Bergeron; Director

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

To the officials and residents of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 2012.

On behalf of the men and women of the Acushnet Police Department I would like to thank the residents for their continued support for a new Police Station. We would like to specially thank ALL the residents who voted on December 10, 2012 in the rain and cold. We appreciate the impact that the new Police Station will have on our residents and I would again like to take this opportunity to thank all the Taxpayers of Acushnet.

The entire staff is excited about the new building and we are looking forward to a professional and functional facility that will serve the Town for years to come. The Town and the Police Station Building Committee are continuing to work on the new Police Station project. We are in the process of hiring the Owner's Project Manager while the Architects, Kaestle and Boos Associates will be working on the design for the building. The new Police Station should be completed sometime in late 2014 or early 2015.

The Acushnet Police Department is now on Facebook and you can receive twitter updates from the Police Department as the information unfolds. Both of these new forms of social media work in conjunction with the Police Department's web site [www.acushnetpd.com](http://www.acushnetpd.com). The web site contains the foundation of our information and departmental forms while Facebook along with twitter provide an abbreviated time sensitive updates of important events that impact our residents. You can take part of this new service by the Police Department; you will need to "like" us on Facebook and sign up for our twitter updates.

The Acushnet Council on Aging (COA) continues to successfully work in conjunction with the Police Department's Family Resource Officer, Louann Jenkinson. Officer Jenkinson is assigned to the COA between eight and sixteen hours per month to meet with residents. She assists with PACE (fuel assistance) and SNAP (food stamps) applications and make visits to the home bound elderly who are at risk for social isolation. There have also been instances of seniors with no heat because their Fuel Assistance was exhausted or they were unable to afford to pay their heating bills. In most cases an elder will not reach out and ask for help because they are too proud or see any assistance as "charity" which makes this collaboration so important to identify these elders and to provide assistance for them.

Officer Jenkinson also volunteers a significant amount of personal time to the Council on Aging's programs and services. It's through her work in conjunction with the COA that seniors in need and in emergency situations are identified. The COA and Officer Jenkinson have recently identified an elder who had frozen pipes which caused the elder to have no water for five days. In 2012 the COA and the Police Department were able to identify several cases of domestic violence and financial exploitation of elders and through this collaboration the cases were resolved and/or prosecuted.

The Council on Aging Director, Heather Sylvia and Officer Jenkinson recently received training in Managing Seniors Aggressive and Difficult Behaviors. They also received training for Senior Medicare Patrol Foundations (to recognize Medicare/Medicaid fraud and bad billing practices) and both are certified to help applicants with the Address Confidentiality Program. This program was implemented by the State to help victims use

a confidential address in order to stay safe from perpetrators of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking.

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

Officer Danny DeAmaral has been promoted to a full-time officer and he will be replacing one of the four open full-time vacancies in February 2013. The process to promote and complete the training to qualify Officer DeAmaral as a full-time police officer will have taken approximately 2 years. Officer DeAmaral is a graduate of the 55th Recruit Officers Class of the Plymouth Police Academy.

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

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

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Calls for Service	6931
209A/HPO Requested	16
209A Violated	15
Abandoned Vehicle	0
Accidental Injury	0
Administrative Duties	76
Alarm Calls	552
Ambulance	715
Animal Complaint	201
Arrests	217
Assault/simple	15
Assist other Police Department	203
B&E Motor Vehicle	22
B&E	79
Death/Accidental	0
Death/Natural, unattended	2
Directed Patrols	183
Disabled Motor Vehicles	126
Disorderly, disturbing peace	34
Disturbance, noise complaint	88
Domestic Disturbance	133
Domestic Disturbance, verbal	31
DUI	13

E911 hang up/abandoned	84
E911 test call	41
Elder Affairs	41
Family Resource	8
Fire Runs	182
Fireworks	14
Follow up to prev. call	241
Forgery/Counterfeiting	0
Found Items	54
Fraud/Bad Checks	42
Harassment	38
Home Invasions	1
Humane calls/Injured animal	79
Hunting Violations	0
Illegal Dumping	22
Impounded Dogs	1
Items returned to owner	30
Drugs, possession/distribution	12
Liquor Law Violation	0
Larceny	52
Littering	3
Loitering/Curfew	7
Lost Items	13
Mental Investigation	5
Missing Person-adult	6
Missing Person-child	5
Murder/Manslaughter	0
M.V. Recoveries	2
M.V. Stolen	3
Neighbor Problems	54
Notifications	54
Offenses against the Family	6
Open Windows/Door	18
Parking Complaints	15
Person Assist	444
Protective Custody	0
Robbery	1
Runaway	3
SAIN sexual assault of a child	4
Sex Offenses	3
Shots Fired	31
Summons Served	147
Suicide/Attempted Suicide	14
Suspicious M.V.	247
Suspicious	128
Suspicious Investigation	203
Traffic Accidents	169

Traffic Accidents/Hit & Run	22
Traffic Accident Fatalities	0
Traffic Moving	991
Vandalism/Destruction of Property	79

## **MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

### **CHIEF OF POLICE**

Michael G. Alves

### **SERGEANTS**

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

### **FULL TIME OFFICERS**

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

### **PART TIME OFFICERS**

Michael J. Nunes	John Almeida, Jr.
Gene W. Robinson	Jason Matton
Gary Moniz	Philip Adams
Ryan Lavoie	

### **DISPATCHERS**

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

Sincerely,

Michael G. Alves  
Chief of Police

## PLANNING COMMISSION

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Planning Commission respectfully submits the following report for the calendar year 2012.

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

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

The Planning Department had a busy year of community service. Under the direction of Town Planner, Henry Young, we have moved forward on several strategic economic development initiatives. Following site plan review and public hearings for the former Titleist property on Slocum Street the developer has constructed new warehouse facilities which includes rooftop solar photovoltaic arrays. Development plans for the former Titleist site will preserve right-of-way for the longer term planned bypass road, which will run from South Main Street to the Slocum Street Bridge. Acushnet's new Solar Farm By-Law was flexed in the permitting and construction of the first commercial large scale ground mounted solar photovoltaic facility on North Main Street. The facility, nearing completion of construction, is scheduled to become operational in 2013. In a continued period of economic uncertainty, Acushnet is slowly and steadily moving ahead with economic development on a level that modestly creates jobs and grows our economic tax base, but does not diminish our Town & Country character.

The Acushnet Planning Department took a leadership role in the development of a tri-community bike trail that will someday connect Acushnet, Fairhaven and New Bedford. Working together with Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) officials and the Buzzards Bay Coalition, a concept plan for the Acushnet River Trail Bike Path was created. Ultimately, the bike path will lie along the Acushnet River from the Acushnet Saw Mill property to the Fairhaven Town Line. Potentially, the bike path would link to the Phoenix bike path in Fairhaven and a bike system under design in New Bedford. Within Acushnet, the path will be approximately 2.2 miles and afford active recreation to bikers, joggers and walkers. This project will be a central feature of Acushnet's plans for the development of recreational opportunities in Town.

Acushnet is also an active participant in regional planning. Our Town Planner is a Commissioner of the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD), a member of the SRPEDD Joint Transportation Planning Group and a member of the MBTA Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force. The Town Planner

is also our representative to the South Coast Wind Collaborative and Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources. He is a certified LEED AP which is an important credential for the Planning Department to maintain in-house as municipal energy and environmental requirements become more complex. The Town Planner also serves on the Acushnet Public Safety Building Committee, Acushnet Library Feasibility Committee, Acushnet Alternative Energy Committee and the Acushnet Housing Partnership. Additionally, we are thankful to Ms. Donna Ellis who provides invaluable service to the Planning Commission. With over fifteen years of public sector experience, Ms. Ellis ensures that the day-to-day actions of the Planning Commission are conducted in strict accordance with the ever changing requirements of Massachusetts General Laws, which govern our operations.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Henry Young, Town Planner

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

This year marks the 53<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project and its services to the cities and towns of Bristol County. The project was established in 1958 in response to numerous cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis. Over the years, our project has greatly reduced exposure to this arbovirus and to the newly introduced West Nile Virus.

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

During the 2012-mosquito season, over 45,847 mosquitoes were tested. There were 100 isolations of EEE with three collections from human biting mosquitoes and no human cases for the County. We had 49 mosquito isolates of WNV in the County with one reported human. There were no equine cases for EEE or WNV.

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

During the time period January 1, 2012– December 31, 2012 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project:

- Sprayed over 7,528.9 acres
- Treated 7.6 acres in 8 locations with *B.t.i.* for mosquito larvae
- Received 272 requests for spraying
- Cleared and reclaimed 4,230 feet of brush
- Treated 932 catch basins

Throughout the year, we strive to educate the public concerning mosquito borne diseases and simple ways people can protect themselves and help prevent breeding on their own property. We have many types of outreach programs including; speaking at public health events, visiting local schools and senior centers, and creating informational posters for distribution. Our Project has also recently created a website [www.bristolcountymosquitocontrol.com](http://www.bristolcountymosquitocontrol.com) to better communicate with and relate important information to our cities and towns.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer E. Dacey  
Superintendent

**Bristol County Mosquito Control Commissioners:**

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

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Historical Commission is in the process of rebuilding the carriage houses at the Quaker Friends Meetinghouse. JMBA architect has been hired to design the carriage house. We actually saw the design at the December meeting with the architect. There are still steps to be taken before the project can be started.

We had our annual car show and craft fair at the Meetinghouse in July with a good turnout. It gives us the opportunity to show off the oldest building in Acushnet which is on the National Historic Register.

The Historical Commission has received another \$500.00 from Town Meeting to place historical signs throughout town. A total of twelve historical signs have been replaced including our cemetery signs. We have completed White's Factory, Whelden Mill, Peak Rock, just a few of the many signs repaired or replaced.

The students at Old Colony Vocational School, under the direction of Mrs. Karen Guenette, have completed the 2 year inventory project at the Long Plain Museum. Karen received two grants to purchase cameras and laptops for the students. She also received sixteen hundred dollars to continue the project. Through the United Way she received five hundred dollars to purchase I-pods. Each room will have it's own I-pod with a detailed description as to all the items in the room. A total of over 5000 items in the museum have been documented and are in the computer. Karen and her students were honored by our selectmen, Karen showed a presentation of this project at that time.

A gentleman whose grandfather owned a farm on Gammons Rd. over 100 years ago, call to donate arrow heads which are hundreds of years old and gas rationing coupons from the 1940's. These items are on display at the Museum.

Through the Mass Cultural Grant program, we were able to have two concerts at the Long Plain Museum this past summer. It is always well attended.

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

The Acushnet Historical Commission received notice that our Long Plain Museum is now on the National Historic Register. We now have a plaque on the Long Plain Museum and on the Parting Ways School for the National Historic Register. Thank you to our selectmen for covering the cost of both. With these 2 buildings we now have 3 of our historic buildings on the National Register. Besides the signs at the River's End Historic District.

Perry Hill Church is another project through the Historical Commission that is being restored gradually. The rafters and roof will be completed by spring. It is an ongoing project with funding from the Community Preservation Commission. We have in our possession the 2 original bibles, the pulpit, and the minister's chair all from the church. When the repairs are complete we will be able to return these items to the Perry Hill Church. In the future the commission would like to have the church on the National Historic Register.

We have a very active Historical Commission here in Acushnet and are always looking for new members interested in the history of Acushnet and preserving it. Future projects: restoring of the interior of the Long Plain Museum. We will apply for Grants to cover the cost of updating and restoring the museum. We also had some electrical work, plumbing, and alarm work completed this year.

The Acushnet Historical Commission also recognized the Acushnet Grange as historically significant being built in 1911. The commission presented a plaque to the Grange members.

The Acushnet Historical Society's members had a linden tree planted at Pope Park. A plaque will be installed at the base of the tree with the name Acushnet Historical Society.

The annual Apple/Peach Festival was held on the grounds of the Long Plain Museum on September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> 2012.

The History of Acushnet book and the Ancient Cemetery book are still available by calling Pauline 508-961-7843.

The Historical Commission is looking for old pictures of the original carriage house at the Quaker Friend's Meetinghouse and also of the Perry Hill Church including the belfry.

Respectfully submitted,

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

## PARK DEPARTMENT

To the good townspeople of Acushnet, we submit to you the following report for the calendar year ending December 31st, 2012.

In March Park Supervisor Don Camara and Assistant Supervisor Jerry Boucher, kicked off the activities at Pope Park with a mighty cleanup effort. Once again they and their crew have done a tremendous job keeping up the appearance of the park, as it looks fantastic. In April, newly re-elected Park Commissioner Wayne Richmond started another 3 year term. He has managed and been involved in many projects over the years, and the board looks forward to his continued involvement.

Once again, Catherine Jason ran her six week summer youth program, with 190 Acushnet children attending the program in any given week. This very successful program allows children access to adult supervised crafts and sporting activities, for two hours each weekday morning during the summer. With budget cuts that limited her funding, Cathy has managed to keep this great program going. It truly is a benefit to the entire town. Thanks Cathy!

Because of ongoing vandalism at the Park, the new state of the art surveillance system that was brought on-line in June of 2011, was completed. We have added significant lighting enhancements that allow night time recording of any illegal activity. The park has also added a WiFi hotspot, so anyone at the park can have wireless access to the Internet. When in the park you just have to look for the **SSID** of **popepark**, and add the **key** of **Pop3p@rk**. We are also ready to stream all surveillance activity to the new police station, when it is completed in 2014.

Plans are moving forward to establish the Veterans Memorial at the head of Pope Park, with Tom DeCosta and the Veterans Memorial Park Committee informing us that plans as of the end of the year have been finalized and work is hopefully going to begin in 2013.

In closing the Park Board would be remiss in not thanking the residents of Acushnet for having the foresight and patience to allow us to rebuild and maintain Pope Park as the jewel that it is. We as a board, continue to be highly motivated in making the appropriate improvements and to provide proper maintenance to Pope Park, in the hope that it maintains its rightful place as the center of outdoor activity in the town.

We greatly appreciate the continued support of the residents of Acushnet, and look forward to providing you with a park that all of us can be proud of in 2013.

Respectfully yours,

Acushnet Park Board  
Michael Desrosiers – Chairman  
Wayne Richmond  
James Madruga

## ACUSHNET RIVER VALLEY GOLF COURSE

This year we took a proactive approach to capture business, as our economy was beginning to stabilize. We have reduced our outing rates in an effort to capture some additional rounds of golf in off peak times. Any outings or increased participation of our current specials will lead us to increased revenue streams that are being competed for in the market place. We decided to maintain the current price structure for our season pass & include promotional incentives for purchases made in off peak season months!

This is one of our strongest characteristics in managing the golf course, aggressive marketing and continued flexibility to adapt to current market conditions and demands. We are increasing our rounds played by promoting off peak specials; this will assist in creating a revenue stream in unused times and create new customers that will become loyal supporters of our golf course. If the economy begins to grow again the increased customer base will drive our business forward ahead of the competition.

It appears that the economic climate continues to be unstable with new types of worries every fiscal year. Economic fear has become the new normal, but people adapt and overcome these situations over time. They become creatures of habit that continue to seek out ways to enjoy themselves. Golf is one of those escapes, so after each economic hardship occurs, we seek out our affordable comforts. We have found our niche in the golf market arena – we are the affordable comfort for this area. We offer every basic necessity required for someone to enjoy a recreational round of golf without the guilt of overspending or feeling like they didn't get what they were expecting. Our strongest assets are the golf course layout, consistent excellent conditions, and a cooperative, user friendly, customer service oriented staff.

Through the years our staff has developed into becoming a draw for customers to return by engaging them into common conversations and learning about them. Our course offers something that most golf courses don't, personality. You cannot put a price or worth on human relationships. We have grown to develop a loyal customer base that elect to bring their family, friends and business clients to Acushnet's golf course because they know they will be treated as guests should be treated. We are proud of this customer perception and value it, driving us to maintain our relationship to exceed expectations.

It has not been easy this past season we have sacrificed and maintained a strict budget plan and I am proud to say Acushnet River Valley is one of the few succeeding in this economic climate. We have always believed and held true to our vision of providing the best possible experience for a fair price. In doing so, we have earned the respect and loyalty from a very large market area. *I would like to thank the team of Acushnet River Valley staff for representing the town with exceptional dedication in achieving our objectives to offer outstanding professional customer service.* Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Przybyszewski

## **RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The mission of the Russell Memorial Library is to provide free and open access to innovative library services, delivered in an efficient and effective manner that will:

- Provide the materials, programs, and services needed to meet recreational needs.
- Provide the materials, tools, and assistance needed to help students succeed in a formal educational program.
- Provide a safe, inviting, and neutral public space that helps to address the need of people to meet and interact with others in their community and to participate in public discourse about community issues.

The six-member Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library has the custody and management of the library and all related property. The Board typically meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 6 P.M. in the library meeting room.

Jayne Z. Viveiros, Director B.A. Stonehill College, M.S.L.I.S. Simmons College. Denise Charland, Assistant Director; Victoria Allard, Sandra Medeiros, & Pauline Prudhomme, Library Technicians; Cindy Souza, Page; 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, please present positive identification and proof of address. A child may have a card with parental permission when able to print his/her name. No card is required to use materials and services within the library, except the library computers.

The Library offers books, videos, audio books, newspapers, magazines, music CDs, Internet access, on-line databases, and personal assistance using technology at no cost. Printers, a copy machine, and a fax machine are available to the public for a small fee. When not in use, the Meeting Room is available to municipal and community organizations who need a place to meet.

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

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

The library maintained state certification in 2012. Required: a Director with a Master's Degree in Library Studies from an accredited institution and certification by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners; a minimum of 40 hours open per week; a minimum of 16% of the total budget expended on materials; a municipal appropriation that increases by 2½% each year over a 3 year average. Certification entitles Acushnet residents to borrow materials from other Massachusetts libraries and qualifies the Town to apply for state aid and state grants to libraries – these elements allow the library to provide residents with a wider variety of materials, and also assist the library in providing additional services.

Free children's programs support emerging literacy. Story Time uses books, songs, crafts, and finger plays to teach listening skills, develop attention span, exercise fine motor skills, and foster a love of books. Summer Reading encourages children to read during the summer, reinforcing the skills gained during the school year. We are grateful to the Acushnet Cultural Council for awarding the library a grant for this year's summer reading program "Dream Big, Read!" This year's kick-off event, held at the Acushnet Community Center, featured a visit from Davis Bates and Roger Ticknell, who performed "Imagine That: Celebrating Reading in Story and Song." Children heard stories of how the stars came to be, sang a dancing dog to sleep and even got a lesson in how to play the spoons. We also hosted weekly events at the library throughout the program. Staff from the Boston's Museum of Science took children on a tour of the night sky using a portable planetarium. Award-winning magician Mike Bent used magic to inspire children to achieve their dreams. The End of Summer Reading Celebration featured the Toe Jam Puppet Band.

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

In addition to our regularly scheduled events, we held several adult programs geared to educate the public about a topic. Katy Shamitz, director of Skills for Living in Norwell, and a social educator with a background in school counseling, guided parents through the social challenges facing kids today- from the basics of making and keeping friends to the intricacies of navigating the online social world. Staff from the Southeast Regional Office of the Massachusetts Small Business Development Center Network came to discuss what it takes to start a business in Massachusetts. Mr. Paul Royka, a fine art & antique appraiser & auctioneer, who has been featured on ABC News, Fox News and Antiques Roadshow, gave a lecture called "Behind the Scenes of the Art & Antique Trade" and also appraised items for the attendees. The Travel Channel's "Ghost Adventures" writer, Jeff Belanger, offered an evening of true ghost stories, research and evidence from around the world.

We also hosted two talks by local authors this year. Edward Lodi spoke about the role women played in the uprising of Indian tribes against the English that spread from southeastern Massachusetts throughout all of New England, from his latest book, *Women in King Philip's War*. Local author, Christopher Daley, visited to give a fascinating, entertaining and educational historical presentation on one of the most famous cases in our area, the Lizzie Borden case.

Most programming and all special events are made possible by the generous donation of money and time from the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library. We are grateful to them for their hard work and dedication throughout the year.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Bartolome  
Simonne Coutinho  
Kristen Leotti, Chair  
Henry Preston  
Jean Stripinis  
Louise Threlfall

## STATISTICAL REPORT 2012

Active Borrowers .....	4,115
Children's Programs Held .....	23
Attendance, Children's Programs .....	712
Adult Programs Held .....	87
Attendance at Adult Programs .....	721
Computers for Public Use .....	5
Public Internet Access .....	4
Meeting Room Use .....	145

### **Materials Holdings (Number of items)**

Books .....	23,412
Periodical subscriptions .....	101
Video/DVDs .....	2,198
Audio .....	619
Children's eBooks .....	407
Adult eBooks .....	4,769
Downloadable Audio .....	2,963

### **Circulation (Times Borrowed)**

Books .....	29,405
Periodicals .....	4,550
Video/DVD .....	11,753
Audio .....	2,171
Miscellaneous (equipment, museum passes, etc) .....	401
Children's eBooks .....	22,927
Adult eBooks .....	554
Downloadable Audio .....	238

**Total Items circulated .....71,999**

## 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. He assists veterans or their spouses in obtaining service records (DD-214), and assists them in the preparation of various applications and documents pertaining to their health or financial welfare, such as Chapter 115 Veterans Benefits, allowances, state bonuses, G.I. loans and burial allowances. He assists veterans in the preparation of various applications and documents pertaining to their seeking compensation for such health problems they may have developed while serving their country, such as exposure to Agent Orange or PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder).

It is the responsibility of the Town's Veterans Service Officer (VSO) to prepare and submit appeal cases for veterans and their dependents, and appear before the Board of Veterans' Appeal on their behalf. The VSO acts as liaison between State and U.S. representatives on behalf of veterans and their dependents.

As VSO, I assist the veteran to find ways to arrange transportation for disabled or ill veterans to and from VA hospitals or other health care providers. I also serve as Power of Attorney for veterans who request this service when researching and processing their cases to the Rating Review Board of the Department of Veteran Services.

It is the duty of the VSO to perform administrative work necessary to prepare payroll vouchers, billing and related finance and supply duties in-house. The VSO must keep abreast of developments and changes each year by the State Veterans Service Office, as well as keeping abreast of current changes in Massachusetts General Laws and Federal Laws.

I am responsible for assisting the VFW and Legion with flag memorials, and to organize and/or assist with recognition celebrations within the Town of Acushnet. I am available to answer any veterans questions or requests, or those of their widows, simply by contacting

my office. The majority of VSOs in the state are full time (40 hrs. wk) with several working 10 to 20 hrs./week.

As the present position of VSO in Acushnet is a “part time” due to the Towns’ population, it is generally my policy to be in my office at the Town Hall Mondays from 8-12 p.m. and Thursdays 11-2 p.m. to work on submitting monthly town payment vouchers to veterans and or their widows, as well as being available for office visits. Variables occur each month, therefore a “set” amount of hours per week is not practical. The hours are to be determined by the requirements of the work load and could vary occasionally.

I am also required to file each month, Town / State reimbursement documents and forms (Chapter 115-Veterans Benefits) of monies paid out by the Town to Veterans or their widows. The State of Massachusetts, Department of Veterans Services, reimburses each city/town in Massachusetts, 75% of all monies paid out by the Towns’ VSO to Veterans and or their widows. Massachusetts is the only State in the country that does this.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald T. Cormier  
Veterans Service Officer

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

April, 2012 marked the 38th year of service to the Town of Acushnet, providing low income housing to elderly and handicapped individuals.

In fiscal 2008, the Authority was awarded Community Preservation Funds to research the land owned by the authority, but not yet developed. The goal of the Acushnet Housing Authority is to develop the land in order to provide Acushnet with additional Housing to meet the needs of its present and future elderly population. The first step in this process was to obtain a survey of the land including all conditions resulting in an Existing Conditions Plan. The Housing Authority is working with Old Colony Regional to prepare documents to keep the ball rolling toward the goal. They have designed Blue prints to add three additional buildings which will bring 24 new units to the Town of Acushnet.

The Authority also received CPA funding to replace 26 glass sliding doors. This has been an asset to Presidential Terrace. The new doors have helped to keep our elderly residents safe and warm.

The Authority also received Capitalization Funding. The first phase of funding received allowed us to replace windows in buildings one and Tow. We will continue to replace the windows in each building as the money is allocated. The Authority has also added 5 new resident parking spaces.

The Garfield St facility opened its' doors in 1992 and continues to work successfully. The Authority is in the third year of the new contract with the Department of Mental Health and their vendor Fellowship Health Resources. A new contract was developed with DMH and DHCD to ensure open communication between departments, the vendors and the leasing Housing Authorities. The new contract is working well for all parties in the Town of Acushnet. This year we have done some minor repairs at Garfield St. property. We look forward to accomplishing some small projects planned for Spring 2013.

The Board of Commissioners and staff of the Acushnet Housing Authority appreciates everyone who assists the Authority in providing safe and secure housing to the elderly and handicapped who have chosen to remain in Acushnet, their hometown.

Respectfully submitted,

James Madruga  
Rene Racine  
Lawrence Marshall  
Lawrence Mulvey

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore Machado, Sealer

## **PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

I am delighted to offer the annual report on the state of public education in the Town of Acushnet for the year 2012.

### **School Committee:**

The school committee is the governing board of the town's public school system. In Acushnet, the committee is a five-member board elected to three overlapping terms. Current members of the Acushnet School Committee are:

John Howcroft, Chairman  
Michelle DeTerra, Secretary  
Frank Kuthan

Douglas Coray, Vice-Chairman  
David DeTerra

In April 2012, John Howcroft was re-elected and will serve a three-year term.

The school committee maintains several subcommittees. Members that make up these subcommittees are as follows:

- Budget Subcommittee- David DeTerra (Chair), Frank Kuthan
- Facilities Maintenance and Energy Conservation Subcommittee- Frank Kuthan (Chair), Douglas Coray
- Negotiations Subcommittee- Douglas Coray (Chair), Frank Kuthan
- Policy Subcommittee- Michelle DeTerra (Chair), John Howcroft

Additionally, the school committee maintains other positions as follows:

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

### **Districtwide:**

There were no changes to the Acushnet Public Schools Central Office in 2012.

As of October 1, 2012, there were 979 students PK through grade 8 in the Acushnet Public Schools. This figure is 26 students less than what was reported for the same date in 2011. The student enrollment for the Albert F. Ford Middle School decreased by 24 students (485 to 461), and the enrollment for the Acushnet Elementary School decreased by two (520 to 518). The percentage of low income students increased for the seventh year in a row and now stands at 25.7%. This compares to 11.4% in October 2005. Several students were enrolled in schools in the Old Rochester Regional and Freetown-Lakeville school districts as a part of school choice.

Acushnet does not maintain a high school. As a result, Acushnet pays tuition to send its students to several area high schools, which include Bristol County Agricultural High School, Fairhaven High School, New Bedford High School, and Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School. All but the latter high school is accounted for in the Acushnet Public Schools budget. As of the first tuition billings, 10 students were enrolled at Bristol County Agricultural High School, 156 students were attending Fairhaven High School, and 98 students were enrolled at New Bedford High School.

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) is administered annually to students in Massachusetts in accordance with the Education Reform Law of 1993. These state tests are designed to measure performance based on the learning standards in the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks and serve as one measure of accountability for students, schools, and districts.

Overall, the 2012 MCAS scores were generally positive and comparable to surrounding districts. There were several highlights. At the elementary school, the teachers have been providing daily reading interventions as a part of a schoolwide literacy/response to intervention initiative for the past few years. The results of their hard work appear to be paying off, led by the third grade reading scores, which were 16 percentage points higher than the state average when measuring for proficiency. These scores are important because research has found a significant relationship between reading proficiency at the third grade level and high school graduation rates. In addition, the middle school sought to address lower than average mathematics MCAS scores by adding more time on task in this subject at the seventh grade level and lowering class sizes in mathematics classes in the eighth grade. These actions have dramatically improved mathematics achievement, as the seventh and eighth grade scores, when measuring for proficiency and comparing to the state average, were 23 and 11 percentage points higher than the previous year.

Overall, the percentage of students who attended the Acushnet Public Schools and scored a 220 (needs improvement) or higher was equal to or greater than the state average for all of the 14 MCAS tests administered. This was the sixth straight year that Acushnet students met this benchmark. In addition, the percentage of students who attended the Acushnet Public Schools and scored a 240 (proficient) or higher was equal to or greater than the state average for 13 of the 14 MCAS tests in 2012. This was an increase from 2011 when 11 of 14 tests were equal to or greater than the state average.

Another means of reporting MCAS results has to do with student growth. The median Student Growth Percentile (SGP) measures how much student performance in a given school or district has improved from one year to the next relative to their academic peers (other students statewide with a similar MCAS test score history). According to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), high growth is defined as growth in a subject at or above the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile, typical growth is between the 40<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> percentile, and low growth is below the 40<sup>th</sup> percentile.

The SGP for the Acushnet Elementary School (AES) was at the 58<sup>th</sup> percentile in English/language arts, which was an improvement from the 54<sup>th</sup> percentile in 2011, while the SGP for mathematics was at the 61<sup>st</sup> percentile, which was an improvement from the 55<sup>th</sup> percentile in 2011. At the Albert F. Ford Middle School (FMS), the SGP was at the 47<sup>th</sup> percentile in English/language arts, which was a decrease from the 51<sup>st</sup> percentile from the year before, while the SGP for mathematics increased from the 44<sup>th</sup> percentile in 2011 to the 52<sup>nd</sup> percentile in 2012. For the district as a whole, the SGP was at the 48<sup>th</sup> percentile in English/language arts and the 53<sup>rd</sup> percentile in mathematics. This was a decrease from the 51<sup>st</sup> percentile in English/language arts and an increase from the 45<sup>th</sup> percentile in mathematics in 2011.

The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), the most recent authorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), is the principal federal law affecting education from kindergarten through high school. The main goal of NCLB is to help all students reach proficiency in English language arts/reading and mathematics by 2014. At one time, NCLB provided useful feedback on district and school performance; however, the rising number of districts and schools judged inadequate under NCLB, both in Massachusetts and across the nation, led the United States Department of Education (USDOE) to invite states to seek flexibility from NCLB's requirements. In November 2011, the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) submitted a flexibility waiver request to the USDOE, and the waiver was approved in February 2012.

As a result of the NCLB Flexibility waiver, Massachusetts has a new accountability measure known as the Progress and Performance Index (PPI), which combines information about narrowing proficiency gaps, student growth, graduation and dropout rates into a single number. This index replaces Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), which measured progress towards all students achieving proficiency by 2014, with the more realistic goal of reducing the proficiency gaps in half, as measured by PPI, by 2017.

With AYP, data was reported out for all subgroups and if a school didn't meet the benchmark in any one subgroup for two years in a row, then it didn't achieve AYP. With PPI, the data is reported for all subgroups and for a new high needs subgroup made up of all subgroups. The high needs subgroup, along with the aggregate is used to calculate PPI.

All districts, schools, and groups with sufficient data are assigned an annual PPI based on two years of data. Annual PPI indicates progress from one year to the next. Cumulative PPI represents a trend over time. It is a metric on a scale of 0 to 100 with the target goal being a score of 75. The cumulative PPI score is based on an average of its annual PPIs over the most recent four year period, with the most recent years weighted the most.

All of the NCLB accountability status labels have been eliminated and replaced with accountability and assistance levels. The cumulative PPI scores, which are based on a four-year trend of annual PPI scores, along with another metric which measures a school's overall performance on PPI indicators relative to other schools in the same grade span, help to classify schools into accountability and assistance levels.

There are five accountability and assistance levels for schools. Level 1 represents the highest performing, while Level 5 represents the lowest performing. Schools are designated as Level 1 if they meet a target PPI of 75 or better for the aggregate and for the high needs subgroup and are not in the bottom 20 percent of schools serving similar grades. Level 2 schools are schools that are also not in the bottom 20 percent of schools serving the same or similar grades but have not met a target PPI of 75 or better. Level 3 schools are classified as such because they are in the bottom 20 percent of all schools serving the same or similar grades. Level 4 and 5 schools are a subset of Level 3 schools that are declared by the Commissioner of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to be the lowest performing schools in the state.

AES achieved the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile when looking at the school's overall performance relative to other schools in the same grade span and a PPI of 83 and 84 for the high needs subgroup and aggregate. As a result, AES was designated as a Level 1 school, which is the highest possible rating.

FMS achieved the 49<sup>th</sup> percentile when looking at the school's overall performance relative to other schools in the same grade span and a PPI of 60 and 57 for the high needs subgroup and aggregate. As a result, FMS was designated as a Level 2 school.

A district is generally classified into the level of its lowest-performing school. As a result, the district is Level 2 because the lowest rating of the schools in the district equals a Level 2 at FMS.

The district continued its data analysis process in 2012. Teams of teachers at both schools once again met to identify student weaknesses for different student populations and subject areas. Action plans were developed based on the data in order to address these student weaknesses. These action plans were compiled into the annual Data Analysis Report unveiled in November 2012. The information in this report influences school and district improvement plans and school budgets.

Curriculum Instruction Assessment (CIA) committees continued to meet twice per month to discuss and revamp curriculum, evaluate instruction and assessments, as well as analyze data with the goal of improving student achievement. These collaborative meetings have proven to be an important part of enhancing classroom practice.

There was once again a plethora of professional development opportunities provided by the district to teachers in 2012. Workshops were offered on the following topics: writing benchmarks and rubrics; mathematics observation and feedback; Language Essentials for Teacher of Reading and Spelling (LETRS) training in spelling, vocabulary, and comprehension; behavior modification; scoring student writing; *enVision* mathematics; *Digits* mathematics; the new teacher evaluation system, and legal aspects of special education.

Acushnet is a Race to the Top district, so it is required to align its English/language arts and mathematics curriculum to the new Common Core curriculum standards. Teachers in both schools have worked diligently to fully align this curriculum to the new state standards before the Common Core's full implementation beginning with the 2013-2014 school year.

In 2012-2013, all educators who require a license will begin to be evaluated by using an evaluation system consistent with the new state Board of Education evaluation regulations. To help with the implementation of this new system an Evaluation Working Group was formed to help provide professional development in evaluations. Training in the new evaluation system was provided to all educators in 2012.

The Acushnet Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) continued to play an important role in the success of our schools in 2012. Members of the PTO continued to donate many hours of their time volunteering for school events and organizing and administering PTO-

sponsored events. Their fundraising efforts continued to provide the district with monies for field trips, extracurricular activities, and special events for Acushnet students. A new PTO president, Sarah Gomes, was elected in 2012.

The Acushnet School Committee's Policy Subcommittee worked diligently to revise, create, and eliminate district policies in 2012.

Several school committee policies were revised. These policies are as follows: AC Non-Discrimination and Harassment Policy and Grievance Procedure; AFA/BK Evaluation of School Committee Operational Procedures; AFA-E/BK-E Evaluating the School Committee; AFB/CBG Evaluation of the Superintendent; DN School Properties Disposal Procedure; EBBB Accident Reports; EBBB-R Employee Injury Reporting Guidelines; GBAA Equal Employment Opportunity; GBE Staff Health and Safety; GC Professional Staff; GCQA Nonschool Employment by Professional Staff Members; IC/ICA School Calendar; ICB Opening of School; IGBI Preschool; IML Notices from Schools; JB Equal Educational Opportunities; JLB Wellness Policy; KHA Solicitations-Selling and Fundraising; and KHB Advertising in the Schools.

Several school committee policies were created, including: IMG Service Animals in Schools; JJIF Athletic Concussion Policy; and JJIF-R Athletic Concussion Regulations.

Policy GBGB Staff Personal Security and Safety was the one school committee policy that was eliminated in 2012.

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

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

The science and social studies textbooks that were purchased in the previous school year were aligned to the state curriculum frameworks, and a new mathematics series was purchased for use beginning with the 2012-2013 school year. The mathematics textbooks have strong technology components and required technology upgrades in several classrooms to support its utilization. For example, the *Digits* mathematics program, used in grades 6-8, requires the utilization of interactive whiteboards for instruction and strongly encourages the use of the Internet for homework. This new mathematics series allows for individual skill development and provides students with remediation of skills and processes needed as they move further into the 21st century.

FMS has sought to bolster its mathematics MCAS scores by adding more time on task in the seventh and eighth grades. This additional time was first added in seventh grade for the 2011-2012 school year and in eighth grade for 2012-2013. In addition, FMS has continued to utilize the Accelerated Math program as an adjunct to the curriculum and has begun to regularly assess students in mathematics in all grade levels by using the Star Mathematics assessment system. These assessments provide valuable data in order to help identify students in need of mathematics remediation.

FMS continued to utilize a minimum of 30 minutes each day as “Team Time.” This block of time allows teachers to provide small group instruction to remediate students exhibiting difficulty in a given subject. The groups are flexible and are altered according to need and student proficiency. In addition to twice-weekly grade level meetings to evaluate student progress, teachers meet by subject area twice monthly to address curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

For the 2012-2013 school year, FMS is moving ahead with the reorganization of the English/language arts department in both grade five and eight. The English/language arts and literature classes have been combined into one English/language arts class that addresses both subject areas. This reconfiguration allows for more cohesive instruction across a single curriculum framework and more integration of these topics. The Accelerated Reading program continues to serve as an adjunct to the English/language arts curriculum and the Star Reading assessment system is administered to all students in order to provide an additional data point from which to identify students in need of remediation in reading.

With regards to personnel, two positions were eliminated through attrition, and three personnel were replaced due to resignations. Mrs. Michelle Silvia was hired to fill the position of Assistant Principal, and Josh Benevides and Marissa Rosa were hired as special education teachers.

#### **Acushnet Elementary School:**

In 2012, AES continued its literacy/Response to Intervention (RtI) initiative. RtI is a process, which includes the provision of systematic, researched-based instruction and intervention. It also includes specific literacy support for all students based on data. Screening occurs three times a year where collected data is used to place students in appropriate interventions. Additional data points that also inform interventions include: Star Reading grading equivalents and Reading Street Benchmarks. The RtI intervention occurs daily for approximately 45 minutes and represents the most intensive period of the literacy block. Students who are identified as “at risk” or “some risk” are monitored more frequently in order to better provide for their instructional needs. AES has also expanded this initiative to include mathematics in first grade.

AES has implemented a new core math program called *enVision*. This program is utilized by grades K-4 and in fifth grade at FMS. Last year, the district conducted the textbook adoption procedure and confidently chose this program because of its alignment to the new Common Core Curriculum Standards and multi-sensory approach to instruction. Teachers received professional development on *enVision* during the spring of 2012, which focused on program implementation. Teachers also received further professional development during the fall of 2012 on the technology components, assessment, and program pacing of the *enVision* program.

A Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) Steering Committee was formed in cooperation with the South Coast Educational Collaborative, to create a strategic plan for the implementation of a PBIS model. The committee comprised of a cross section of school stakeholders (teachers, parents, administrators and consultants) and focused on improving student academic and behavioral outcomes, ensuring all students have access

to the most effective and accurately implemented instructional and behavioral practices and interventions possible. PBIS provides an operational framework for achieving these outcomes. The 2011-2012 school year consisted of gathering school data, training committee members and devising a first year implementation plan. The PBIS Steering Committee met monthly while committee officers met more regularly to create specific tasks and work on finite details. The main components developed by the committee included a matrix of universal guidelines for specific areas of the school, universal rules posted in kid-friendly language in each area, and the Caught Acting Terrifically (CAT) program. The committee will continue to meet monthly to monitor the program's success and to layout new goals for the coming school year.

Curriculum Instruction and Assessment (CIA) meetings are held twice monthly, once as a vertical team for each core subject area and another as a whole staff. These meetings directly influence classroom instruction by collectively sharing ideas, looking at student data, and evaluating and altering curriculum and assessment practices. These meetings also serve as mini professional development opportunities to highlight best practices in literacy and math as shared by guest speakers, and by our own staff members.

In 2012, teachers at each grade level (PK-4) aligned the English/language arts and mathematics curriculums to the newly adopted Common Core Curriculum Standards. The teachers created curriculum guides, maps, and benchmarks for each grade level in both of these subject areas. This group of educators met several times with administrators to refine the process and the final product. The outcomes are a clearly articulated curricular for each of the two content areas connected to the current core programs, common assessments and supplemental materials being used at the elementary level.

In 2012-2013, AES moved to universal full-day kindergarten. In previous years, parents had a choice between half-day kindergarten and full-day kindergarten. Acushnet charged tuition on a sliding fee scale for the second half of full-day kindergarten. The academic and social benefits of the full-day kindergarten program, and the waning demand for the half-day program, facilitated the move to universal full-day kindergarten. All students are now able to take advantage of a full-day curriculum and full-day schedule at no cost.

In regards to teaching staff, there was only one addition. Katherine Lynn was hired to fill a speech pathologist vacancy.

### **Special Education:**

Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, the Acushnet Public Schools expanded the Integrated Preschool to respond to the demand for the program. In the past, certain students were not admitted to the program due to a lack of slots. The 2012-2013 school year marked the first time that all students whose parents applied to the program for their children gained admittance. The expansion added two additional classes which has allowed more preschool aged children to participate in an early childhood learning experience and will better prepare them for academic and social success. The additional preschool classroom is taught by a second preschool/special education certified teacher and provides programming for students identified with disabilities, as well as students without disabilities who serve as model peers. Eligibility for special education is based upon formal assessments completed

by the preschool teachers and follows federal and state mandates.

The Preschool Coordinator for the district is the Director of Special Education who attends quarterly regional Early Childhood meetings, and participates in seminars sponsored by The Department of Early Education and Care. Exploration of compliance with Massachusetts Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) has begun, and planning steps for the district to become certified will be a focus of the 2013-14 school year.

In the fall/winter of 2012, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) conducted the onsite portion of the district's scheduled Coordinated Program Review (CPR) of the special education department. Both the Superintendent of Schools and the Director of Special Education completed online Program Quality Assurance training conducted by the state in preparation for submitting the Self-Assessment, which was due on June 30, 2012. Areas audited were: Special Education Student Record Review and Document Review, Civil Rights Document Review, Staff Record Review and English Language Learner programs. The preliminary results will be given on the last day of the onsite visit, with a written report to follow within four school weeks.

The Director of Special Education attended state authorized training for, and subsequently applied for, extraordinary relief for Circuit Breaker for FY12. However, the district's expenses for out-of-district students did not qualify for this extra reimbursement. The director also attended training and applied for Circuit Breaker Reimbursement. The district once again carried forward this reimbursement as is recommended by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and Department of Revenue. This practice is encouraged in order to guard against unexpected special education cost increases or circuit breaker reimbursement drops.

READS Collaborative has accepted the Acushnet School District as a trial member for the 2012-13 school year. Educational collaboratives exist in order to provide specialized instruction and support to students who need a substantially separate setting that can't otherwise be provided through in-district programs. This is particularly true of Acushnet's district as students with low-incidence disabilities often do not warrant the set up and maintenance of specialized programs. Districts that are members of educational collaboratives pay lower tuition rates than non-member districts. As a part of this trial membership, the district is eligible for member fees for tuitions and services as if it were a member, which will save the district tens of thousands of dollars per year. The trial membership will last through the 2012-2013 school year, when Acushnet will seek to become a member district. Obtaining membership depends on a vote of member school committees and on various actions required of the Acushnet Superintendent and Director of Special Education. These requirements include regular attendance at upper and middle management meetings, as well as contracting for a certain number of assessment services through the collaborative.

Acushnet continues to be a member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative (SMEC). Frank Kuthan continues to be the Acushnet School Committee's representative to SMEC, while the Director of Special Education continues to serve as a member of the SMEC Steering Committee, a group that discusses and proposes programs

that would be beneficial to the students of collaborative member districts. Through SMEC, the district continues to employ a part-time school psychologist. A portion of direct speech/language, occupational and physical therapy services, as well as assessments are also contracted through the collaborative.

The district's four substantially separate classrooms continue to meet the needs of students with special needs within our district and provide alternatives to sending students to costly out of district special education placements. These classrooms are a focus of the CPR and have provided programming for students in need of a small group and highly structured setting.

The Acushnet-Fairhaven Special Education Parent Advisory Council met four times during 2011-12 to review special education regulations and discuss areas of interest and concern to the parents. Topics of meetings were: 1) a meet and greet held for the new director and a discussion of future topics of interest; 2) a presentation of study strategies by a representative from the Landmark School 3) Parent Advisory Council Parents Rights; and 4) Brain Gym Workshop for parents and classroom teachers presented by Occupational Therapist, Kathleen Baldwin.

The special education department has met with the building administrators to refine procedures related to Child Find, or the steps educators take to address academic, social and emotional needs of students. The director and special education staff have participated in conferences and workshops in areas such as effective leadership practices, multisensory reading instruction, social skills, behavior management, and have been involved in the district's Positive Behavioral Instructional Support (PBIS) initiative.

For technology enhancements, funds earmarked for student instruction have been utilized in the purchase of interactive white boards, projectors and iPads. Professional development has been aligned appropriately with these acquisitions.

Lastly, team meetings continue to be held to discuss eligibility, planning, programming and progress. During these meetings, and written into each student's individual educational plan, are the district's Anti-Bullying Policy and specific steps taken to support students in such incidents.

### **Budget and Grants:**

In May, Town Meeting appropriated \$12,280,918 for the school department for its FY 2013 budget. This budget was a .18% or \$21,664 increase from the prior fiscal year and \$13,701 less than what was appropriated five years prior for FY 2008.

The Education Jobs Grant (Ed Jobs) is a one-time appropriation from the federal government designed to save or create education jobs. The monies for this grant could be used in FY11, FY12, or the first quarter of FY13. In FY11 and FY12, \$371,236 was used from the Ed Jobs grant, leaving \$5,470 for use in FY13.

The district applied for and is slated to receive NCLB entitlement grants from the federal government totaling \$115,142 in FY13. This is a decrease of \$13,048 from the previous year's final allocation. These entitlement grants consist of Titles I and IIA. The Title IID

and Title IV grants are no longer available. Title I monies make up the largest portion of the NCLB entitlement grants. This grant pays for a Title I teacher that helps to provide reading skill development to low achieving students at the elementary school, professional development in literacy and writing, writing curriculum, and a tutoring program. Title IIA (Teacher Quality) funds are used to help support professional development for teachers and paraprofessionals and the district's mentoring program.

The Director of Special Education applied for and received several grants for FY13. The Special Education Entitlement Grant - 240 supplemented the district's special education program in FY13 by \$257,160, which is an increase of \$2,769 from the previous fiscal year. Acushnet once again received monies from the Department of Early Education and Care's Early Childhood Special Education Grant - 262 to supplement the preschool program. The allocation from this grant was slightly less than the previous fiscal year at \$6,560. The Special Education Program Improvement Grant - 274 was once again issued in FY13; however, the allocation was cut by over one-third from the previous fiscal year. The \$7,626 received from this grant helps to fund professional development related to special education.

The district applied for one competitive grant from the state; the Quality Full-Day Kindergarten Grant. This grant helps to support the full-day kindergarten program by offsetting salary and supply costs. The \$40,000 allocation was cut by over \$5,000 from the previous fiscal year.

Lastly, Massachusetts was one of the winning states in the national Race to the Top competition, funded by the U.S. Department of Education to promote reform in four areas: standards and assessments, great teachers and leaders, school turnaround and data systems. This is year three of the grant, which lasts through FY14. The projects that Acushnet will participate in over the four year period of the grant include: implementing a statewide evaluation framework; aligning curriculum to the Common Core Curriculum Standards; strengthening climate, conditions, and school culture; participating in National Institute for School Leadership (NISL) training for principals; creating near-real-time access to data in Education Data Warehouse by implementing the Schools Interoperability Framework (SIF); and implementing one or more components of the statewide teaching and learning system.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen R. Donovan  
Superintendent of Schools

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## **ACUSHNET AT A GLANCE**

Incorporated: February 13, 1860

Type of Government: Open Town Meeting

Population: 10,293

10,129 (State Census)

Total Valuation:

Class 1 and 2 Tax Rate: \$11.28 \$ per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2011)

Class 3 and 4 Tax Rate: \$13.77 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2011)

Registered Voters: 7,545

Total Area: 18 Square Miles

Churches: 6

Public Schools: 2

Parochial Schools: 1

Regional School: 1

Principal Industries:

road surface materials, farming, apple,  
peach orchards, box factory, sawmill, landscape nurseries

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

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Annual Election of Officers: 1st Monday in April

Annual Town Meeting: 4th Monday in April