

## ACUSHNET AT A GLANCE

Incorporated: February 13, 1860

Type of Government: Open Town Meeting

Population: 10,018

Total Valuation:

Class 1 and 2 Tax Rate: \$14.42 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2018)

Class 3 and 4 Tax Rate: \$18.50 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2018)

Registered Voters: 7,442

Total Area: 18 Square Miles

Churches: 6

Public Schools: 2

Parochial Schools: 1

Regional School: 1

Principal Industries:  
road surface materials, farming, apple,  
peach orchards, landscape nurseries

4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:

Congressman Joseph Kennedy III

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

11TH BRISTOL REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT:

Christopher Hendricks

Office: (617) 722-2425

2ND BRISTOL SENATORIAL DISTRICT:

Mark C.W. Montigny

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

Annual Election of Officers: 1st Monday in April

Annual Town Meeting: 4th Monday in April

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# **TOWN RECORDS AND REPORTS**

**of the**

## **TOWN OF ACUSHNET**

**MASSACHUSETTS**

**For the**

**Year Ending December 31, 2018**

*On the front cover:*

*The Acushnet Fire Department in March of 2018 purchased from  
Lexington Fire Department, Acushnet's new ladder truck #1.*

## 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
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  
2018**

**Francis R. Kuthan**  
Acushnet School Committee  
Date of Death – August 5, 2018

**Dorothy L. “Dot” Lackie**  
Election Warden/Inspector  
Date of Death – November 7, 2018

**Richard H. Ellis**  
SPlanning Board Commissioner  
December 3, 2018

## **TOWN OFFICERS**

**As of 10/11/2018**

### **Town Clerk (1)**

Pamela A. Labonte

Term Expires 2020

### **Board of Selectmen (3)**

Michael A. Cioper, Chair

Term Expires 2019

Roger Cabral

Term Expires 2020

Kevin Gaspar, Sr.

Term Expires 2021

### **Board of Assessors (3)**

Marc F. Cenerizio, Chair

Term Expires 2020

Liberio DaSilva Soares

Term Expires 2019

Matthew D. Lopes

Term Expires 2021

### **Board of Health (3)**

Thomas J. Fortin, Chair

Term Expires 2019

Robert Medeiros

Term Expires 2020

David M. Davignon

Term Expires 2021

### **School Committee (5)**

Jody J. Tavares, Chair

Term Expires 2020

Sarah Ann Gomes

Term Expires 2019

Jennifer Downing

Term Expires 2019

David Michael Deterra

Term Expires 2020

Craig Sumner

Term Expires 2021

### **Commissioner of Trust Funds (3)**

Marc E. Laplante, Chair

Term Expires 2019

William Krause

Term Expires 2020

Tommy Lipsett

Term Expires 2021

### **Trustees of Free Public Library (6)**

Kristen E. Leotti, Chair

Term Expires 2019

Nancy A. Francis

Term Expires 2019

Henry T. Preston

Term Expires 2020

Joan M. Howland

Term Expires 2020

Diane Ferreira

Term Expires 2021

Jennifer M. Alves

Term Expires 2021

### **Cemetery Board (3)**

Paul H. Fortin, Chair	Term Expires 2021
Charlene Fortin	Term Expires 2019
Joanne K. Cioper	Term Expires 2020

### **Park Commissioners (3)**

Chad W. Leclair, Chair	Term Expires 2021
Michael Matton	Term Expires 2020
Christopher P. Anderson	Term Expires 2019

### **Housing Authority (5)**

Rene Racine, Chair	Term Expires 2021
Lawrence P. Mulvey	Term Expires 2022
Andrew J. Gomes	Term Expires 2019
Isabel M. Sousa	Term Expires 2020
Vacant (Governor's Council Appointee)	Term Expires 2023

### **Planning Board (5)**

Marc F. Cenerizio, Chair	Term Expires 2022
Richard A. Ellis	Term Expires 2019
Philip A. Mello	Term Expires 2020
Mark M. DeSilva, Sr.	Term Expires 2021
Bryan Deschamps	Term Expires 2023

### **Moderator (1)**

Nicholas Gomes	Term Expires 2020
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### **Tree Warden (1)**

Raymond F. Barlow	Term Expires 2020
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## Town Oaths Administrated by Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk “2018”

<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. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/21/18
Jennifer M. Alves	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 4/02/18	4/05/21	---*
Michael G. Alves	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Michael G. Alves	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Catherine L. Audette	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	8/28/18
Amanda Baptiste	Board of Appeals (Alt.)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/06/18
Louise Benoit	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/01/18
Louise Benoit	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	6/01/18
Gerard Bergeron	Council on Aging Board of Directors	Appt. 1/09/18	5/01/21	1/10/18
Gerard Bergeron	EMA Director	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/28/18
Lynne Berube	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Michael R. Boucher	Finance Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	---*
Marc C. Brodeur	Conservation Commission	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	---*
Marc C. Brodeur	Conservation Commission	Resigned 12/18/18	5/01/21	---*
Robert F. Brown	Board of Appeals	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/23	10/2/18
Roger A. Cabral	Cable Advisory Board	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Roger A. Cabral	Energy Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Roger A. Cabral	Soil Conservation Board (BOS)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*

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Marc F. Cenerizio	Community Preservation Committee (Planning)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	6/12/18
Marc F. Cenerizio	Community Preservation Committee (Resident)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/12/18
Marc F. Cenerizio	Open Space Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/12/18
Marc F. Cenerizio	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/12/18
Marc F. Cenerizio	Soil Conservation Board (Planning)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/12/18
Joanne K. Cioper	Agricultural Commission (Alternate)	Appt. 11/13/18	5/01/19	1/08/19
Joanne K. Cioper	Election Clerk	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	1/08/19
Joanne K. Cioper	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/01/17	6/30/18	1/08/19
Michael A. Cioper	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Michael A. Cioper	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	5/14/18
Michael A. Cioper	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 8/10/16	5/01/17	5/10/18
Michael A. Cioper	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Michael A. Cioper	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	5/10/18
Michael A. Cioper	Lake Street Improvement Committee	Appt. 5/10/16	Upon Completion	5/14/18
Michael A. Cioper	SRTA Representative	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Michael A. Cioper	SRTA Representative	Appt. 5/01/17	Until End of Term	5/14/18



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Ronald T. Cormier	Veterans' Agent	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	5/31/18
Joseph E. Correia, IV	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Andrea Corrie	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/12/18
Andrea Corrie	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/01/17	6/30/18	5/14/18
Kristie A. Costa	Tax Title Custodian	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	5/11/18
Kristie A. Costa	Tax Title Custodian	Appt. 4/25/16	5/01/17	5/11/18
Kristie A. Costa	Treasurer/Collector	Resigned 5/11/18	---*	---*
Joseph G. Costa	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	8/29/18
Dianna Couto	Election Warden	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	8/7/18
Dianna Couto	Election Warden	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	6/05/17
Dianna Couto	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/01/17	6/30/18	5/14/18
Nathan P. Darling	Deputy Building Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	7/03/18
David M. Davignon	Board of Health	Elected 4/02/18	4/05/21	6/19/18
David M. Davignon	Housing Partnership Committee (BOH)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/19/18
David M. Davignon	Housing Partnership Committee (BOH)	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	6/19/18
Richard DeBalsi	Council on Aging	Appt. 1/23/18	5/01/19	1/29/18
Thomas J. DeCosta	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	5/31/18
Thomas J. DeCosta	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	5/31/18

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Thomas J. DeCosta	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 4/25/16	5/01/17	5/31/18
Diana I. DeFrias	Council on Aging	Resigned 12/13/17	5/01/19	4/29/16
Susan M. Delgado	Finance Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	---*
Bryan Deschamps	Planning Commission	Elected 4/02/18	4/03/23	---*
Louise M. DesRoches	Election Inspector	Resigned 4/30/18	5/01/18	6/05/17
Jennifer S. Downing	School Committee	Elected 4/02/18	4/01/19	5/11/18
Jeanne L. Duggan	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Barbara J. Dupuis	Beautification Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	5/31/18
Anne Estabrook	Animal Control Officer/ Inspector Assist.	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/21/18
Holly A. Fabian	Finance Committee	Resigned 1/23/18	5/01/18	12/22/15
Diane Ferreira	Election Clerk	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/20/18
Diane Ferreira	Trustee of Free Public Library	Elected 4/02/18	4/05/21	4/06/18
Robert A. Ferreira	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/20/18
David M. Flynn	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/19/18
Donna G. Forand	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	5/31/18
Donna G. Forand	Election Inspector	Resigned 8/06/18	5/01/19	5/31/18
Melissa Forgeue	Assistant Town Accountant	Appt. 10/23/18	---*	10/25/18

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Paul H. Fortin	Cemetery Board	Elected 4/02/18	4/05/21	---*
Nancy Franco	Weigher – Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Kevin A. Gallagher	Forest Warden	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Kevin A. Gallagher	Inspector of Garages	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Kevin A. Gallagher	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Kevin A. Gallagher	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Board of Selectmen	Elected 4/02/18	4/05/21	4/03/18
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	Housing Partnership Committee (BOS)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Robert Gilmore	Agricultural Commission	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	---*
Robert Gilmore	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 2/6/18	5/01/19	---*
Nicholas A. Gomes	Moderator	Elected 4/02/18	4/06/20	4/03/18
Manuel A. Goulart	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/11/18
Russell W. Goyette	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Carol E. Gravinis	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/12/18
Madeline J. Gwozdz	Historical Commission	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	6/12/18
Marie M. Hardy	Council on Aging	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	9/20/18
Julie Hebert	Finance Director	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/01/18

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John C. Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	5/10/18
John C. Howcroft	Finance Committee	Appt. 2/06/18	6/01/20	5/10/18
Paulette J. Hudson	Council on Aging	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	7/02/18
Paulette J. Hudson	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	7/02/18
Edward J. Isaac	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/5/18
Merilee Kelly	Energy Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	7/24/18
Merilee Kelly	Open Space Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	7/24/18
Merilee Kelly	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	7/24/18
Merilee Kelly	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	7/24/18
Frank A. Knox	Wire Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Christine Krause	Election Inspector	Appt. 8/14/18	5/01/19	8/29/18
Pamela A. Labonte	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Donna M. Labrode	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/20/18
Michael P. Lajoie, Jr.	Police Department	Appt. 11/14/17	---*	6/19/18
Richard J. Lally Jr.	Board of Appeals	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/23	6/06/18
Marc E. Laplante	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Joseph C. Latimer	Constable	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	6/11/18
Mary A. Lebeau	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/01/18

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Raymond F. Leblanc	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Chad W. Leclair	Community Preservation Committee (Park)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	6/11/18
Chad W. Leclair	Park Commissioner	Elected 4/02/18	4/05/21	4/05/18
Pauline Lincoln	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	8/10/18
Pauline Lincoln	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	8/10/18
Pauline Lincoln	Election Inspector	Appt. 3/21/17	5/01/17	8/10/18
Tommy Lipsett	Commissioner of Trust Funds	Elected 4/02/18	4/05/21	4/17/18
Matthew D. Lopes	Board of Assessor	Elected 4/02/18	4/05/21	---*
Tyler Lopes	Police Department	Appt. 11/14/17	---*	6/19/18
Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights and Measures	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/7/18
James A. Marot	American Disabilities Act Coordinator	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
James A. Marot	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
James A. Marot	Energy Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
James A. Marot	Enforcement Agent (BOS)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
James A. Marot	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
James A. Marot	Portable Sign Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
James A. Marot	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*

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Anne C. Marshall	Beautification Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	5/31/18
Anne C. Marshall	Election Inspector	Appt. 10/23/18	5/01/19	10/25/18
Kevin Martins	Police Department	Appt. 11/14/17	---*	6/19/18
Michael A. Matton	Park Commissioner	Elected 4/02/18	4/06/20	---*
Robert Medeiros	Shellfish Warden Harbor Master	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/19/18
Robert Medeiros	Soil Conservation Board (BOH)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/19/18
Daniel M. Menard	Housing Partnership (DPW)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Daniel M. Menard	Moth Super Inspector of Pest Control	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Daniel M. Menard	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Daniel M. Menard	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Daniel M. Menard	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Daniel M. Menard	Special Police Officer for NB Water Works	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Marcia R. Mitchell	Council on Aging	Resigned 1/17/18	5/01/19	6/28/16
Bruce Miranda	Weigher – Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Richard Miranda	Agricultural Commission	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	---*
Claudio M. Moco	Weigher – Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Maria M. Moore	Election Warden	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	8/29/18
Margaret M. Mota	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	8/28/18

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Catherine Muller	Treasurer/Collector	Appt. 11/13/18	Upon Resignation	---*
Brian S. Noble	Cable Advisory Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Brian S. Noble	Parking Clerk	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Brian S. Noble	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Brian S. Noble	Tax Title Custodian	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Jennifer Oliveira	Weigher – Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Heidi L. Pelletier	Conservation Commission	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	6/12/18
Scott Perdigao	Herring Warden (Assistant)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Victor J. Pereira	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	8/7/18
Susan I. Perry	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/06/18
Gail Perzentz	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/11/18
Everett C. Philla, Jr.	Election Inspector	Ap/pt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/01/18
Everett C. Philla, Jr.	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	6/05/17
Everett C. Philla, Jr	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/01/17	6/30/18	5/14/18
Faye M. Philla	Election Warden	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/01/18
Faye M. Philla	Election Warden	Appt. 5/01/17	5/01/18	6/05/17
Faye M. Philla	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/01/17	6/30/18	5/14/18
Anita L. Poitras	Election Inspector	Resigned 4/30/18	5/01/18	---*

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Michael R. Poitras	Insurance Advisory Committee Retiree Designee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	7/10/18
Roberta Raymond	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/06/18
Bryant Ribeiro	Weigher – Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Robert C. Rocha, Jr.	Open Space Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
John E. Roy	Energy Committee	Resigned 5/01/18	5/01/18	6/22/17
Michael St. Onge	Finance Committee	Appt. 2/06/18	6/01/20	---*
Maurice Samson	Council on Aging	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	6/01/18
Priscilla V. Santos	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	8/28/18
Susanne Y. Sounik	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/7/18
Susanne Y. Sounik	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 7/01/17	6/30/18	5/14/18
Jonathan Souza	Weigher – Tilcon Capaldi/PJ Keating	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Jacqueline M. Stanley	Finance Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	6/11/18
Norval A. Stanley III	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Craig Sumner	School Committee	Elected 4/02/18	4/05/21	---*
Heather Sylvia	Council on Aging (Director)	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Rebekah A. Tomlinson	Animal Control Officer/Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/21/18
Pamela G. Tripp	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/21/18



## Town Oaths Administrated by Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk “2018”

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Date Sworn In</u>
Paul Valente	Conservation Commission	Appt. 2/20/18	5/01/19	3/27/18
Michelle Watts	Cultural Council	Appt. 12/11/18	5/01/21	12/12/18
Joyce A. Wylie	Election Inspector	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	6/01/18
Carol Westgate	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Dunstan Eric Whitlock	Historical Commission	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/21	5/31/18
Henry Young	Energy Committee	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*
Henry Young	Housing Partnership	Appt. 5/22/18	5/01/19	---*

# **RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON** **APRIL 2, 2018**

Register of Voters Eligible to Vote in the April 2, 2018 Town Election  
Final Day of Registration – March 14, 2018

	CC	Demo	Green Rainbow	Lib	Mass Indep Party	Amer Indep	Repub	Socialist	Unenrolled	Pirate	Total
Prec I	5	713	5	5		1	166		1368	1	2264
Prec II	4	694	1	7			257	1	1590		2554
Prec III	2	754		3	2		193		1664		2618
Total	11	2161	6	15	2	1	616	1	4622	1	7436

## **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 10 Absentee ballots.  
Number of ballots cast from tape 100.  
Number of ballots counted manually 1.  
Number of ballots spoiled 0.  
Number of Provisional Ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 409.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla  
Clerk: Carolyn Fortin  
Inspectors: Andrea Corrie, Cathy Audette, Susanne Sounik, Mary Lebeau  
Police Officers: Adam Hebert, Gene Robinson

Remarks: ---

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 100.

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

Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

**CLERK’S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Maria Moore, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 500 plus 5 Absentee ballots.  
Number of ballots cast from tape 153.  
Number of ballots counted manually 1.  
Number of ballots spoiled 1.  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
Number of Unused ballots returned 350.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Maria Moore  
Clerk: Diane Ferreira  
Inspectors: Louise Benoit, Russell Goyette, Gail Perzentz  
Police Officers: Kreg Pimental, Adam Hebert, Joseph Cowing

Remarks: ---

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 153.

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 Joanne Cioper, Clerk.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 500.  
Number of ballots cast from tape 140.  
Number of ballots counted manually 0.  
Number of ballots spoiled 0.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.  
 Number of Unused ballots returned 360.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Maria Moore  
 Clerk: Joanne Cioper  
 Inspectors: Susan Perry, Roberta Raymond, Priscilla Santos, Everett Philla  
 Police Officers: Kreg Pimental, Joseph Cowing, William Chambers  
 Remarks: ---

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 140.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Joanne Cioper (Clerk)  
 Clerk of Election Officers  
 Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

**RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 2, 2018**

	<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>SELECTMAN (Three Years)</u></b>				
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	77	120	110	307
Blanks:	19	32	20	71
All Others:		1	1	2
Write-Ins: (10)				
Mark A. Spinale	1			1
David Wojnar	2		2	4
Gail Rodrigues	1			1

Raymond Pepin	1			1
Paul Soucy		1		1
Jennifer Downing			2	2
Wayne Richmond			1	1
James Kennefick			1	1
John Roy			2	2
Frank Knox			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</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>ASSESSORS (Three Years)</u></b>				
Matthew D. Lopes	81	117	108	306
Blanks:	20	37	32	89
All Others:				
Write-Ins:				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</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>BOARD OF HEALTH (Three Years)</u></b>				
David M. Davignon	86	121	112	319
Blanks:	15	33	27	75
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (1)				
Tom Faira			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SCHOOL COMMITTEE (Three Years)</u></b>				
Craig Sumner	84	109	109	302
Blanks:	17	45	31	93
Write-Ins: (0)	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>SCHOOL COMMITTEE (for remainder of unexpired term ending 4/1/19)</u></b>				
Jennifer S. Downing	85	110	113	308
Blanks:	16	44	27	87
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS (Three Years)</u></b>				
Blanks:	99	151	138	388
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (5)				
Glen Costa	1			1
Karen Morrisseau	1			1
Tommy Lipsett		2	1	3

Ivo Almeida		1		1
Tom Lipsett			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</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>PLANNING COMMISSION (Five Years)</u></b>				
Bryan Deschamps	78	116	107	301
Blanks:	23	38	33	94
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</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>CEMETERY BOARD (Four Years)</u></b>				
Paul H. Fortin	84	125	113	322
Blanks:	17	29	27	73
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</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>TRUSTEE OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY (3Yrs.) (Vote for 2)</u></b>				
Diane Ferreira	75	105	96	276
Jennifer M. Alves	61	102	91	254

Blanks:	66	100	93	259
All Others:		1		1
Write-Ins:				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>202</u></b>	<b><u>308</u></b>	<b><u>280</u></b>	<b><u>790</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>PARK COMMISSIONER (Three Years)</u></b>				
Chad W. Leclair	82	114	108	304
Blanks:	19	40	32	91
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</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>PARK COMMISSIONER (for remainder of unexpired term ending 4/6/20)</u></b>				
Michael A. Matton	85	120	115	320
Blanks:	16	34	25	75
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>101</u></b>	<b><u>154</u></b>	<b><u>140</u></b>	<b><u>395</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>MODERATOR (for remainder of unexpired term ending 4/6/20)</u></b>				
Nicholas A. Gomes	88	123	109	320



Blanks:	13	30	28	71
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (3)				
Robert Francis		1	1	2
Mike Nunes			1	1
Frank Knox			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>395</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>QUESTION I</u>				
YES	48	85	72	205
NO	38	54	49	141
Blanks:	15	15	19	49
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (0)				
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>395</u>

Attest:

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Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk  
Percentage of Votes Cast .05%

# **RESULTS OF THE STATE PRIMARY HELD ON** **SEPTEMBER 4, 2018**

Register of Voters Eligible to Vote in the September 4, 2018 State Primary  
Final Day of Registration – August 15, 2018

	CC	Demo	Green Rainbow	Lib	Mass Indep Party	Amer Indep	Repub	Socialist	Unenrolled	Pirate	Total
Prec I	5	689	5	6		1	167		1389	1	1389
Prec II	3	683		7			249	1	1621		1621
Prec III	2	745		3	2		198		1670		1670
Total	10	2117	5	16	2	1	614	1	4680	1	4680

## **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 765 plus 10 Absentee ballots. (D=500, R=250,  
Lib=15)

Number of ballots cast from tape 348.

Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 0.

Number of ballots spoiled 7.

Number of Provisional Ballots not cast 1.

Number of Unused ballots returned 419.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla

Clerk: Carolyn Fortin

Inspectors: Paulette Hudson, Catherine Audette, Gail Perentz, Suzanne  
Sounik, Louise Benoit, Donna Labrode

Police Officers: Paul Melo, Keith Ashley

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 348.

A true record: Attest:/s/

Carolyn Fortin

Clerk of Election Officers

Attest:

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Maria Moore, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 765 plus 9 Absentee ballots. (D=500, R=250,  
Lib=15)

Number of ballots cast from tape 438.

Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 6.

Number of ballots spoiled 6.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 1.

Number of Unused ballots returned 323.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Maria Moore

Clerk: Diane Ferreira

Inspectors: Pamela Tripp, Priscilla Santos, Mary LeBeau, Everett Philla

Police Officers: Michael Lajoie, Redmond Leclair

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 438

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 Dianna Couto, Warden.

Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 765 plus 8 Absentee ballots. (D=500, R=250,  
GR=25, Lib=15)

Number of ballots cast from tape 450.

Number of Absentee ballots counted manually 0.

Number of ballots spoiled 8.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.

Number of Unused ballots returned 315.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Dianna Couto  
Clerk: Joanne Cioper  
Inspectors: Andrea Corrie, Margaret Mota, Russell Goyette, Christine Krause  
Police Officer: Tyler Lopes

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 450.

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

**RESULTS OF THE STATE PRIMARY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2018**  
**DEMOCRATIC RESULTS**

	<b><u>PRECINCT</u></b> <b><u>I</u></b>	<b><u>PRECINCT</u></b> <b><u>II</u></b>	<b><u>PRECINCT</u></b> <b><u>III</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
<b><u>SENATOR IN</u></b> <b><u>CONGRESS</u></b>				
Elizabeth A. Warren	181	171	194	546
Blanks	35	59	56	150
Write-In's: (14)				
Bob Silva	1			1
Jeff Diehl	1			1
Kingston	1			1
Qoaqim Encarnacao, Sr.	1			1
Jan Taber		1		1
Geoff Diehl		1		1
B J		1		1
Jonathan Taber		1		1
Gisselle Crowell			1	1

Orzsio Carter			1	1
Amanda Mendes			1	1
John Pimental			1	1
Robert Brown			1	1
Non Names	8	3	6	17
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</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>GOVERNOR</u></b>				
Jay M. Gonzalez	108	106	133	347
Bob Massie	65	54	67	186
Blanks	49	72	58	179
Write-In's: (4)				
Charlie Baker	6	4	1	11
J. Win		1		1
Samuel Simoes			1	1
Ricky			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</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>LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR</u></b>				
Quentin Palfrey	116	114	132	362
Jimmy Tingle	64	52	63	179
Blanks	47	70	66	183
Write-In's: (3)				
Polito	1			1
Joe Brown		1		1

<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>228</u>	<u>237</u>	<u>261</u>	<u>726</u>
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	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>ATTORNEY GENERAL</u>				
Maura Healey	184	180	212	576
Blanks	41	55	43	139
Write-In's: (7)				
Dan Shores	2			2
Jarred Encarnacao	1			1
James McMahan		1		1
Joe Rwn		1		1
Joe Biden			1	1
Amanda Mendes			1	1
Robert Brown			1	1
Non - names			3	3
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>228</u>	<u>237</u>	<u>261</u>	<u>726</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>SECRETARY OF STATE</u>				
Willaim Francis Galvin	155	164	170	489
Josh Zakim	55	48	63	166
Blanks	18	25	28	71
Write-In's: (0)				
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>228</u>	<u>237</u>	<u>261</u>	<u>726</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>TREASURER</u></b>				
Deborah B. Goldberg	170	170	193	533
Blanks	58	67	68	193
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>AUDITOR</u></b>				
Suzanne M. Bump	168	167	190	525
Blanks	60	70	71	201
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</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	172	167	196	535
Bill Cimbrello	38	40	35	113
Blanks	18	30	30	78
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNCILLOR</u></b>				
Joseph C. Ferreira	165	169	192	526
Blanks	63	68	69	200

Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</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>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Marc C. Montigny	192	197	217	606
Blanks	36	40	42	118
Write-In's: (1)				
Non Names			2	2
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</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 IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Robert M. Koczera	104	107	130	341
Christopher Hendricks	117	120	119	356
Blanks	7	10	12	29
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</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>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</u></b>				
Thomas M. Quinn, III	185	196	218	599
Blanks	43	41	43	127
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</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	178	196	212	586
Blanks	50	41	49	140
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REGISTER OF DEEDS</u></b>				
Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr.	180	201	216	597
Blanks	48	36	45	129
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>COUNTY COMMISSIONER</u></b>				
John Thomas Saunders	164	164	192	520
Frank N. Durant	45	41	43	129
Blanks	19	32	26	77
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>228</u></b>	<b><u>237</u></b>	<b><u>261</u></b>	<b><u>726</u></b>

**RESULTS OF THE STATE PRIMARY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2018**  
**REPUBLICAN RESULTS**

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
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<b><u>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Geoff Diehl	70	117	119	306
John Kingston	36	49	35	120
Beth Joyce Lindstrom	10	29	27	66
Blanks	6	11	8	25
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</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>GOVERNOR</u></b>				
Charles D. Baker	57	89	114	260
Scott D. Lively	63	114	70	247
Blanks	2	3	4	9
Write-In's: (1)				
Charles Baker			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</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>LT. GOVERNOR</u></b>				
Karyn E. Polito	86	137	148	371
Blanks	36	69	40	145
Write-In's: (1)				
Karen Polito			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</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>ATTORNEY GENERAL</u></b>				
James R. McMahon, III	74	127	126	327

Daniel L. Shores	30	56	40	126
Blanks	18	23	22	63
Write-In's: (1)				
Non Names			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</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>SECRETARY OF STATE</u></b>				
Anthony M. Amore	87	138	146	371
Blanks	35	67	43	145
Write-In's: (1)				
Eric James		1		1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</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>TREASURER</u></b>				
Keiko M. Orrall	82	150	147	379
Blanks	40	56	42	138
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</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>AUDITOR</u></b>				
Helen Brady	81	139	138	358
Blanks	41	67	50	158
Write-In's: (1)				
Daniel Fishman			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</u></b>

	<u><b>PRECINCT I</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT II</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT III</b></u>	<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>
<u><b>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</b></u>				
Peter D. Tedeschi	82	142	143	367
Blanks	40	63	46	149
Write-In's: (1)				
C. Hendricks		1		1
<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>	<u><b>122</b></u>	<u><b>206</b></u>	<u><b>189</b></u>	<u><b>517</b></u>

	<u><b>PRECINCT I</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT II</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT III</b></u>	<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>
<u><b>COUNCILLOR</b></u>				
Thomas F. Keyes	76	135	137	348
Blanks	46	71	51	168
Write-In's: (1)				
Marc C. Mercier			1	1
<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>	<u><b>122</b></u>	<u><b>206</b></u>	<u><b>189</b></u>	<u><b>517</b></u>

	<u><b>PRECINCT I</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT II</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT III</b></u>	<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>
<u><b>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</b></u>				
Blanks	121	203	188	512
Write-In's: (5)				
Emma Gomes	1			1
Tommy Lipsett		1		1
Brian Pimental		1		1
Bill Galvin		1		1
Mark Montigny			1	1
<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>	<u><b>122</b></u>	<u><b>206</b></u>	<u><b>189</b></u>	<u><b>517</b></u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Blanks	122	205	188	515
Write-In's: (2)				
Tommy Lipsett		1		1
Robert Koczera			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</u></b>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</u></b>				
Blanks	120	203	185	508
Write-In's: (7)				
Carvalho	1			1
Nancy Moniz	1			1
Sparky		1		1
Thomas Quinn		1	2	3
John Smith		1		1
James A. Ferreira			1	1
Lucas J. Ferreira			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</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	120	204	187	511
Write-In's: (6)				
Tom Fortin	1			1

Kevin Palmer	1			1
Marc A. Santos		1		1
Sparky		1		1
Robert N. Avellar			1	1
James Ferreira			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</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>REGISTER OF DEEDS</u></b>				
Blanks	120	204	189	513
Write-In's: (4)				
Jason Gomes	1			1
Scott Peitauni	1			1
Sparky		1		1
Frederick Kaliz		1		1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</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>COUNTY COMMISSIONER</u></b>				
D. Rosa	71	120	123	314
Blanks	51	86	64	201
Write-In's: (1)				
John Saunders			1	1
Non Name			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>122</u></b>	<b><u>206</u></b>	<b><u>189</u></b>	<b><u>517</u></b>

**RESULTS OF THE STATE PRIMARY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2018**  
**LIBRATARIAN 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>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>GOVERNOR</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>LT. GOVERNOR</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>ATTORNEY GENERAL</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>SECRETARY OF STATE</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>TREASURER</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>AUDITOR</u></b>				
Daniel Fishman	0	0	0	0
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>COUNCILLOR</u></b>				



Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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 IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>CLERK OF COURTS</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1

Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>REGISTER OF DEEDS</u></b>				
Blanks	0	1	0	1
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</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>COUNTY COMMISSIONER</u></b>				
<u>Blanks</u>	0	1	0	1
<u>Write-In's: (0)</u>				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1</u></b>

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Pamela A. Labonte, CMMC  
Town Clerk

Percentage of Votes Cast 16.71%

## **RESULTS OF THE STATE ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2018**

### **Register of Voters Eligible To Vote in the November 6, 2018 State Election** **Final Day of Registration – October 17, 2018**

	Cons	Pizza Party	United Indep Party	Dem	Green Rainbow	Lib	MA Indep Party	Amer Indep	Rep	Soc	Unenrolled	Pirate	Total
Prec I			5	677	5	7		1	169		1413	1	2278
Prec II	1	1	3	672		7	1		246	1	1661		2593
Prec III	1		2	739		3	2		195		1695		2637
Total	2	1	10	2088	5	17	3	1	610	1	4769	1	7508

### **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 1000 -100 = 900 plus 28 absentee ballots

Number of Early Voting ballots received 362

Number of ballots cast from tape 1252.

Number of ballots counted manually 14.

Number of ballots spoiled 10.

Number of Provisional ballots not cast 3.

Number of Unused ballots returned 11.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla

Clerk: Carolyn Fortin

Inspectors: Pauline Lincoln, Susanne Sounik, Louise Benoit, Anne

Marshall, Susan Perry

Police Officers: John Bolerinho, Danny DeAmaral

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 1252.

A true record: Attest:/s/

Carolyn Fortin

Clerk of Election Officers

Attest:

Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

## **CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II**

To the Town Clerk:

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

Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. by Maria Moore, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 1000 plus 150 additional ballots, plus 27 absentee  
ballots  
Number of Early Voting ballots received 387  
Number of ballots cast from tape 1477  
Number of ballots counted manually 47  
Number of ballots spoiled 16  
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 1  
Number of Unused ballots returned 23

The following officers were present:

Warden: Maria Moore  
Clerk: Diane Ferreira  
Inspectors: Pamela Tripp, Anne Marshall, Roberta Raymond, Cathy  
Audette,  
Everett Philla, Mary Lebeau  
Police Officers: Gene Robinson

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 1477.

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 Diana Couto, Warden.  
Box register when polls were opened 0.  
Number of ballots received 1000 plus 300 additional ballots, plus 27 absentee  
ballots  
Number of Early Voting ballots received 252  
Number of ballots cast from tape 1468.

Number of ballots counted manually 36  
 Number of ballots spoiled 21  
 Number of Provisional ballots not cast 3  
 Number of Unused ballots returned 51

The following officers were present:

Warden: Dianna Couto  
 Clerk: Joanne Cioper  
 Inspectors: Andrea Corrie, Russell Goyette, Christine Krause,  
 Donna Labrode  
 Police Officers: Tyler Lopes, Michael Lajoie

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 1468.

A true record, Attest:/s Joanne Cioper  
 Clerk of Election Officers  
 Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

### **RESULTS OF THE STATE ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2018**

	<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>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Elizabeth A. Warren	595	578	606	1779
Geoff Diehl	621	854	827	2302
Shiva Ayyadurai	30	59	34	123
Blanks:	23	33	36	92
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (1)				
Mookie Betts			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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>GOVERNOR &amp; LT GOV</u></b>				
Baker and Polito	882	1126	1134	3142

Gonzalez and Palfrey	341	338	316	995
Blanks:	46	52	50	148
All Others:		2		2
Write-Ins: (6)				
Jeff Kohner		1		1
Scott Lively		4	1	5
Robert Samson		1		1
John Macharo			1	1
Tom Zuber			1	1
Miky			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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>ATTORNEY GENERAL</u></b>				
Maura Healey	681	748	767	2196
James R. McMahon, III	542	728	690	1960
Blanks:	46	47	47	140
All Others:		1		1
Write-Ins: ( 0 )				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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>SECRETARY OF STATE</u></b>				
William Francis Galvin	711	796	828	2335
Anthony M. Amore	470	624	584	1678
Juan G. Sanchez, Jr.	32	37	23	92
Blanks:	56	67	69	192
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (0)				

<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</u></b>
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	<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>TREASURER</u></b>				
Deborah B. Goldberg	644	676	718	2038
Keiko M. Orrall	525	729	685	1939
Jamie M. Guerin	40	37	24	101
Blanks:	60	82	77	219
All Others:				
Write-In's: (0)				
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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>REP IN CONGRESS</u></b>				
Bill Keating	678	732	760	2170
Peter D. Tedeschi	541	736	684	1961
Blanks:	50	55	60	165
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (1)				
Peter Griffon		1		1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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>COUNCILLOR</u></b>				
Joseph C. Ferreira	688	768	780	2236
Thomas F. Keyes	503	663	622	1788
Blanks:	78	92	102	272
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (1)				
L.G. Sidney		1		1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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	959	1105	1136	3200
Blanks:	272	410	359	1041
All Others:	38			38
Write-Ins: (17)				
Jesse St. Gelais		1		1
Paul Santos		1		1
Laura Mitchell		1		1
Brian Pimental		1		1
Ian Abrue		1		1
Robert Samson		1		1
Brandon Cabral		1		1
Chico Amond		1		1
Rob Van Winkle		1		1
David Camara II			1	1
Tommy Lipsett			1	1
Chris McCarthy			1	1
Jacob Ventura			2	2
Amanda Mendes			1	1
Tom Zuber			1	1
Paul Enos			1	1
James Ferreira			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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>				
Christopher Hendricks	936	1061	1095	3092



Blanks:	302	453	399	1154
All Others:	31			31
Write-Ins: (19)				
Paul Mello		1		1
Ian Abreu		1		1
Robert Sampson		1		1
Robert Koczera		1	1	2
Chico Amond		1		1
John Bolarinho		1		1
Kim Harris		1		1
Joe Jones		1		1
David Steinfeld		1		1
Rob Van Winkle		1		1
Tommy Lipsett			1	1
Chris McCarthy			1	1
Amanda Mendes			1	1
Pack Fitz			1	1
Dave Freitas			1	1
William Nijn III			1	1
James Ferreira			1	1
R. Koczera			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</b>				
Thomas M. Quinn, III	955	1105	1137	3197
Blanks:	314	412	361	1087
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (13)				
Robert Sampson		1		1
Chico Amond		1		1
Les Dakin		1		1

K. Halle		1		1
Paul F. Walsh		1		1
Tim E. Rui		1		1
Rob Van Winkle		1		1
John Sylvia			1	1
Tommy Lipsett			1	1
		1		1
			1	1
Pack Fitz			1	1
Lia Cousa			1	1
Ryan MacFarlane			1	1
James Ferreira			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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>CLERK OF COURTS</u></b>				
Marc J. Santos	853	952	977	2782
John G. DeJesus	240	294	292	826
Blanks:	176	275	232	683
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (6)				
K. Halle		1		1
Robert Sampson		1		1
Rob Van Winkle		1		1
John Sylvia			1	1
James Ferreira			1	1
Jimmy Bajamas			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</u></b>

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<b><u>REGISTER OF DEEDS</u></b>				

Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr.	955	1106	1127	3188
Blanks:	314	413	367	1094
All Others:				
Write-Ins: (15)				
Chico Amond		1		1
Robert Sampson		1		1
Tim Souza		1		1
Kall		1		1
Rob Van Winkle		1		1
Amanda Mendes			1	1
Pack Fitz			1	1
Giselle Crowell			1	1
Samuel Simoes			1	1
John Sylvia			1	1
James Ferreira			1	1
Matt Bradshaw			1	1
Cathy Perry			1	1
Donald Camara II			1	1
Tommy Lipsett			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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>COUNTY COMMISSIONER</u></b>				
John Thomas Saunders	764	824	876	2464
D. Rosa	410	572	512	1494
Blanks:	95	127	115	337
All Others:		1		1
Write-Ins: (1)				
Darren Robittaille			1	1
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>1269</u></b>	<b><u>1524</u></b>	<b><u>1504</u></b>	<b><u>4297</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 2, 2018?

### ***SUMMARY***

This proposed law would limit how many patients could be assigned to each registered nurse in Massachusetts hospitals and certain other health care facilities. The maximum number of patients per registered nurse would vary by type of unit and level of care, as follows:

- In units with step-down/intermediate care patients: 3 patients per nurse;
- In units with post-anesthesia care or operating room patients: 1 patient under anesthesia per nurse; 2 patients post-anesthesia per nurse;
- In the emergency services department: 1 critical or intensive care patient per nurse (or 2 if the nurse has assessed each patient's condition as stable); 2 urgent non-stable patients per nurse; 3 urgent stable patients per nurse; or 5 non-urgent stable patients per nurse;
- In units with maternity patients: (a) active labor patients: 1 patient per nurse; (b) during birth and for up to two hours immediately postpartum: 1 mother per nurse and 1 baby per nurse; (c) when the condition of the mother and baby are determined to be stable: 1 mother and her baby or babies per nurse; (d) postpartum: 6 patients per nurse; (e) intermediate care or continuing care babies: 2 babies per nurse; (f) well-babies: 6 babies per nurse;
- In units with pediatric, medical, surgical, telemetry, or observational/outpatient treatment patients, or any other unit: 4 patients per nurse; and
- In units with psychiatric or rehabilitation patients: 5 patients per nurse.

The proposed law would require a covered facility to comply with the patient assignment limits without reducing its level of nursing, service, maintenance, clerical, professional, and other staff.

The proposed law would also require every covered facility to develop a written patient acuity tool for each unit to evaluate the condition of each patient. This tool would be used by nurses in deciding whether patient limits should be lower than the limits of the proposed law at any given time.

The proposed law would not override any contract in effect on January 1, 2019 that set higher patient limits. The proposed law's limits would take effect after any such contract expired.

The state Health Policy Commission would be required to promulgate regulations to implement the proposed law. The Commission could conduct inspections to ensure compliance with the law. Any facility receiving written notice from the Commission of a complaint or a violation would be required to submit a written compliance plan to the Commission. The Commission could report violations to the state Attorney General, who could file suit to obtain a civil penalty of up to \$25,000 per violation as well as up to \$25,000 for each day a violation continued after the Commission notified the covered facility of the violation. The Health Policy Commission would be required to establish a toll-free telephone number for complaints and a website where complaints, compliance plans, and violations would appear.

The proposed law would prohibit discipline or retaliation against any employee for complying with the patient assignment limits of the law. The proposed law would require every covered facility to post within each unit, patient room, and waiting area a notice explaining the patient limits and how to report violations. Each day of a facility’s non-compliance with the posting requirement would be punishable by a civil penalty between \$250 and \$2,500.

The proposed law’s requirements would be suspended during a state or nationally declared public health emergency.

The proposed law states that, if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect. The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 2019.

*A YES VOTE* would limit the number of patients that could be assigned to one registered nurse in hospitals and certain other health care facilities.

*A NO VOTE* would make no change in current laws relative to patient-to-nurse limits.

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
YES	371	436	433	1240
NO	828	1015	1006	2849
BLANKS:	70	73	65	208
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1269</u>	<u>1524</u>	<u>1504</u>	<u>4297</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 2, 2018?

***SUMMARY***

This proposed law would create a citizens commission to consider and recommend po-

tential amendments to the United States Constitution to establish that corporations do not have the same Constitutional rights as human beings and that campaign contributions and expenditures may be regulated.

Any resident of Massachusetts who is a United States citizen would be able to apply for appointment to the 15-member commission, and members would serve without compensation. The Governor, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, the state Attorney General, the Speaker of the state House of Representatives, and the President of the state Senate would each appoint three members of the commission and, in making these appointments, would seek to ensure that the commission reflects a range of geographic, political, and demographic backgrounds.

The commission would be required to research and take testimony, and then issue a report regarding (1) the impact of political spending in Massachusetts; (2) any limitations on the state’s ability to regulate corporations and other entities in light of Supreme Court decisions that allow corporations to assert certain constitutional rights; (3) recommendations for constitutional amendments; (4) an analysis of constitutional amendments introduced to Congress; and (5) recommendations for advancing proposed amendments to the United States Constitution.

The commission would be subject to the state Open Meeting Law and Public Records Law. The commission’s first report would be due December 31, 2019, and the Secretary of the Commonwealth would be required to deliver the commission’s report to the state Legislature, the United States Congress, and the President of the United States.

The proposed law states that, if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect. The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 2019.

**A YES VOTE** would create a citizens commission to advance an amendment to the United States Constitution to limit the influence of money in elections and establish that corporations do not have the same rights as human beings.

**A NO VOTE** would not create this commission.

	<u><b>PRECINCT I</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT II</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT III</b></u>	<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>
YES	733	891	913	2537
NO	479	554	527	1560
BLANKS:	57	79	64	200
<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>	<u><b>1269</b></u>	<u><b>1524</b></u>	<u><b>1504</b></u>	<u><b>4297</b></u>

**QUESTION 3: REFERENDUM ON AN EXISTING LAW**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, which was approved by the House of Representatives and the Senate on July 7, 2016?

**SUMMARY**

This law adds gender identity to the list of prohibited grounds for discrimination in places of public accommodation, resort, or amusement. Such grounds also include race, color, religious creed, national origin, sex, disability, and ancestry. A “place of public accommodation, resort or amusement” is defined in existing law as any place that is open to and accepts or solicits the patronage of the general public, such as hotels, stores, restaurants, theaters, sports facilities, and hospitals. “Gender identity” is defined as a person’s sincerely held gender-related identity, appearance, or behavior, whether or not it is different from that traditionally associated with the person’s physiology or assigned sex at birth.

This law prohibits discrimination based on gender identity in a person’s admission to or treatment in any place of public accommodation. The law requires any such place that has separate areas for males and females (such as restrooms) to allow access to and full use of those areas consistent with a person’s gender identity. The law also prohibits the owner or manager of a place of public accommodation from using advertising or signage that discriminates on the basis of gender identity.

This law directs the state Commission Against Discrimination to adopt rules or policies and make recommendations to carry out this law. The law also directs the state Attorney General to issue regulations or guidance on referring for legal action any person who asserts gender identity for an improper purpose.

The provisions of this law governing access to places of public accommodation are effective as of October 1, 2016. The remaining provisions are effective as of July 8, 2016.

**A YES VOTE** would keep in place the current law, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender identity in places of public accommodation.

**A NO VOTE** would repeal this provision of the public accommodation law.

	<u><b>PRECINCT I</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT II</b></u>	<u><b>PRECINCT III</b></u>	<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>
YES	644	706	710	2060
NO	573	753	754	2080
BLANKS:	52	65	40	157
<u><b>TOTAL</b></u>	<u><b>1269</b></u>	<u><b>1524</b></u>	<u><b>1504</b></u>	<u><b>4297</b></u>

Attest:

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Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk  
Percentage of Votes Cast 57%

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

In April 2018, Kevin Gaspar, Sr. was elected for his 3rd term as a member of the Board of Selectmen and Michael Cioper was elected Chairman.

### **Buildings**

The Parting Ways renovations of the interim are almost complete thanks to the hard work of the Town Hall Staff. The Conservation Agents Office & Town Clerk's Office has made their move over to the new offices in late November. The Planning Office, DPW Office and Board of Health Offices were also redone. The Building Department will also make a move the Parting Ways in Spring 2019. This couldn't be done without the funding from the Community Preservation Funding for restoring historic buildings.

### **Celebrations**

The ninth annual Main Street car show was held on August 30th with perfect weather and record crowds. The show seems to really pack them in, everyone enjoys to see all the vintage cars.

On Veteran's Day, November 11th the Veteran's Memorial held its first Veteran's Day Ceremony in their new home at Pope Park. The project wouldn't have been successful without the fundraising efforts from Tom DeCosta, his faithful team of organizers, donations from residents and businesses and all the exceptional volunteers.

### **Energy**

Through the Baker / Polito Administration's Green Communities Grant Funding, and with the help from RISE Engineering and the EVERSOURCE rebate program Acushnet has received over the past 5 years all the labor and materials for:

All new sensor controlled LED lighting in: Town Hall, Parting Ways, Fire Station 1  
Fire Station II, Fire Station III EMS, Acushnet Public Library, DPW Barn, Council on Aging, EMA Building, Acushnet Golf Course maintenance barn

All new lighting controls in both Ford Middle School and Acushnet Elementary School

All new LED street light heads for the 580 Acushnet Street lights. New 97% energy efficient LNG boilers and controls for: Town Hall, Parting Ways & Fire Station I.

This work included all new programmable thermostats for all the above including new boiler controls and automatic demand control ventilation for both schools.

New Air Source Heat Pumps to supply both heating and AC in the newly renovated Howard School which is now the Acushnet Public Library. This allowed Acushnet to have total control of the interior environment of this facility for the complete comfort of its patrons, making this the first completely controlled and most energy efficient building in the Town, even though the structure was originally built in 1919.

The program also provided cavity insulation and air sealing in all buildings which were supplied with new heating equipment and /or AC. This work was fully applied to Fire Station III, our EMS building, which was also supplied with seasonal controls to its existing system.



Through the program a commissioning of the heating systems for both Acushnet Schools was performed which provided new boiler controls, fresh air sensors, temperature controls and occupancy sensors which reduced the heating costs for the buildings by more than 20%. Totaled the Town has received just over 800,000 dollars in labor, equipment and materials to have this work completed, which through documentation has proven to reduce the Towns carbon footprint and energy costs by close to 30%. This is a direct saving of the resident's taxes against capital expenditures for operational costs of its infrastructure with no cost to our residents.

Being a Green Community, through acceptance of the Stretch Code, has also made the Towns Real Estate more sellable by producing a stock of new homes which must meet or exceed Energy Star criteria and at the same time providing lower operational costs to the occupants of these dwellings.

### **Finance**

The Town continues to receive clean audit reports. The goal of the audit is to provide the Selectmen and the Town resident's assurance that the information they are receiving from the Finance Team is accurate and factual. This year the Town lost its Treasurer/Collector, Ms. Kristie Costa. We would like to thank her for her years of service to the Town. We have since hired a new Treasurer/Collector, Ms. Catherine Muller and we would like to wish her all the best in her new position.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael A. Cioper, Chairman  
Roger A. Cabral  
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.

Brian S. Noble, Town Administrator  
Lisa Leonard, Executive Administrative Assistant

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

## **POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

Michael A. Cioper	2019
Roger A. Cabral	2020
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	2021

## **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

Brian S. Noble

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

Julie Hebert

## **TOWN TREASURER/COLLECTOR**

Catherine Muller

## **TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN**

Catherine Muller

## **TOWN COUNSEL**

Kopelman & Paige

## **TOWN INSURANCE BROKER**

MIIA Property & Casualty Group

## **POLICE CHIEF**

Michael G. Alves

## **FIRE CHIEF / EMS DIRECTOR**

Kevin A. Gallagher

## **ADA COORDINATOR**

James Marot

## **AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**

Scott Harding	Robert Gilmore, Jr.
Maria Goncalves	Richard Miranda
Norma York, Chair	Joanne Cioper, Alternate

## **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER/INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS**

Rebekah A. Tomlinson

## **ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

Anne Estabrook

## **BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

Barbara Dupuis, resigned  
Anne Marshall

## **BOARD OF APPEALS**

Raymond F. Leblanc	2020
Marc Cenerizio	2021
Richard J. Lally	2021
Carol Westgate	2019
Paul B. Hipolito (Chair)	2020
Amanda Baptiste, Alternate	2019
Robert Brown	2019

## **BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Raymond F. LeBlanc	2020
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## **INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS**

James A. Marot

**DEPUTY BUILDING INSPECTOR**

Nathan Darling

**GAS INSPECTOR**

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

**PLUMBING DEPARTMENT**

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

**WIRE INSPECTOR**

Frank Knox

**DEPUTY WIRE INSPECTORS**

Thomas DeCosta  
Victor Pereira

**BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Pamela Labonte	2019
Marc Laplante	2019
Raymond LeBlanc	2019
James A. Marot	2019
Leo Rousseau	2019
Carol Westgate	2019
John Howcroft	2019
Norval Stanley (Alternate)	2019
Michael A. Cioper	2019

## **COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)	2021
Chad Leclair (Park Commissioners)	2021
Lawrence Mulvey (Housing Authority)	2019
Heidi Pelletier (Conservation Commission)	2019
Robert Gilmore (Historical Commission)	2019
Evelyn Bouley (Citizen Member)	2019

## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Marc C. Brodeur	2021
Everett Philla	2019
Ted Cioper	2020
Robert Rocha, Jr.	2020
Heidi Pelletier	2021
Evelyn Boulay	2019
Paul Valente	2019

## **CONSERVATION AGENT**

Merilee Kelly

## **CONSTABLES**

Frank J. Adesso	2019
Marc E. Laplante	2019
Joseph Latimer	2021
Kelli A. Tomlinson	2019
Herve W. Vandal, Jr.	2019

## **COUNCIL ON AGING**

Marie Hardy	2021
Paulette Hudson	2021
Richard Debalsi	2019
Pauline Teixeira	2019
Gerard Bergeron	2020
Linda Guilbeault	2019

## **COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR**

Heather Sylvia

## **CULTURAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Jeannine Watts	2019
Stephen Watts	2019
Michelle Watts	2021
Pauline Teixeira	2020
Lisa Leonard	2021

## **ELECTION INSPECTORS**

Catherine L. Audette	Louise L. Benoit
Joanne K. Cioper	Lillian R. Contois, Warden
Andrea Corrie	Dianna Couto, Warden
Jeanne L. Duggan	Diane Ferreira, Clerk
Donna G. Forand	Carolyn C. Fortin, Clerk
Russell W. Goyette	Carol E. Gravanis
Paulette J. Hudson	Christine Krause
Donna Lebrode	Mary Lebeau
Pauline Lincoln	Anne Marshall
Maria M. Moore, Warden	Margaret M. Mota
Susan Perry	Gail Perzentz
Everett C. Philla, Jr.	Faye M. Philla, Warden
Roberta Raymond	Priscilla V. Santos
Joyce A. Wylie	Susanne Y. Sounik
Pamela G. Tripp	

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

Gerard Bergeron

## **ENERGY COMMITTEE**

Merilee Kelly  
Jim Marot  
Henry Young  
Roger A. Cabral  
Brian S. Noble

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

James A. Marot

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Michael Boucher	2021
Susan Delgado	2021
Robert Ferreira	2019
Eric McGlynn	2020
Robert St. Jean	2019
John Howcroft	2019
Jacqueline Stanley	2021

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

Kevin A. Gallagher

### **GOLF MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE**

John Abaray, Jr. (Member at Large)	2019
Robert Ferreira (Finance Committee Rep.)	2019
David Flynn (Member at Large)	2019
Manuel Goulart (Business Community Rep.)	2019
Edward Issac (Member-at-Large)	2019

### **HERRING WARDEN**

TBD

### **ASSISTANT HERRING WARDEN**

Scott Perdigao

### **HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Madeline Gwozdz	2021
Pauline Teixeira	2019
Robert Hall	2019
Dunstan Whitlock	2021
Robert Gilmore	2019
Scott Harding	2019

### **HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Henry Young	2019
Dan Menard (DPW)	2019
Michael Cioper (Housing Authority)	2019
Lynn Berube (Housing Authority)	2019
Nicholas Gomes	2019
Kevin Gaspar, Sr. (Selectman)	2019
David Davignon (Board of Health)	2019

### **INSPECTOR OF GARAGES**

Kevin A. Gallagher

### **INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Eric Arruda	2019
Ryan Lavoie	2019
Eric Abreau	2019
Michael Poitras	2019
Sue Picard	2019
Patricia Santos	2019

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

Dan Menard

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

Maurice St. Amand  
Evelyn Bouley  
Justin Brodeur

### **OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**

Marc Cenerizio	2019
Robert Rocha	2019



**PARKING CLERK**

Brian S. Noble

**PHASE II STORMWATER COMMITTEE**

Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)  
Brian S. Noble (Town Administrator)  
Merilee Kelly (Conservation Agent)  
James Marot (Building Inspector)  
Daniel Menard (Highway Superintendent)  
Joe Correia (Board of Health Agent)

**PORTABLE SIGN COMMITTEE**

James A. Marot

**PPWG - HARBOR TRUSTEE COUNCIL MEMBER**

Stephen Morrisseau

**PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATOR**

Kevin Gaspar, Sr.

**REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**

Joseph Costa	2021
Jeannie Soucy	2019

**SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Michael Alves (Police Chief)	2019
Brian S. Noble (Town Admin.)	2019
Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)	2019
James Marot (Bldg. Insp.)	2019
Dan Menard (Public Works)	2019
Joseph Correia (Board of Health)	2019

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES**

Theodore Machado

**SHELLFISH WARDEN/HARBOR MASTER**

Robert Medeiros

**SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

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

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

Dan Menard

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

Henry Young  
Merilee Kelly

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

Michael A. Cioper

**STREET NAME COMMITTEE**

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

**TILCON CAPALDI CLOSURE PLAN COMMITTEE**

Raymond LeBlanc

**(TILCON CAPALDI) WEIGHER**

Sarah Fitzgerald	2019
Ron Burke	2019
Claudio Moco	2019
Rick Leaver	2019
Nancy Franco	2019
Mike Oliveira	2019
Jonathan Souza	2019

**VETERANS AGENT**

Ronald Cormier

## **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

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

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

Matthew Lopes won a third term as a Board member in 2018 unopposed. He will serve the Board for another three years. Congratulations to him on his victory.

Fiscal 2019 (assessments as of January 1, 2018) is an interim 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 2016 through December 2017. Residential property owners will see their actual assessments reflect this timeframe. The Department of Revenue, Bureau of Local Assessments, historically requires communities to complete a revaluation every three years. The next anticipated revaluation year is scheduled Fiscal 2020. The tax rate was certified on November 5, 2018. The cyclical inspection process is in year 4 of the 10-year process. The cyclical inspection process is also a statutory requirement by the Department of Revenue for communities to successfully execute. This process is done on a year-to-year perpetual basis. We are working rigorously to maintain this schedule in accordance with the DOR requirements.

Fiscal 2019 was also the ninth year executing QUARTERLY tax billing for the Town of Acushnet. Taxpayers received their FIRST and SECOND quarters PRELIMINARY bills on July 1, 2018. The preliminary tax run was committed based on the current value of the real property multiplied by the Fiscal 2019 tax rates. The Fiscal 2019 ACTUAL tax commitment executed successfully, and taxpayers received their mailing including the THIRD and FOURTH quarter installment coupons on December 31, 2018. As a reminder the actual billing statements do have the newly certified assessment information listed along with the current fiscal 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 \$220,611 in new growth. This amount was approved by the Department of Revenue on October 29, 2018. These funds are part of the tax levy calculation for FY 2019 purposes. This increase in growth for the tax base this year is reflective of any improvements and discovery of data of real property as well as new construction..

The tax rate for FY 2019 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 2019 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

proper interest due to be calculated and committed to the Collector’s office. There were also 2 Phase II Sewer Betterment Privilege fees committed during calendar 2017. There assessments were made to parcels receiving the sewer privilege within the existing project that were not part of the initial assessment. There has been an increase in Privilege fee assessments since the acceptance of the Residential Village zoning in 2014. Also beginning in Fiscal 2019, the Phase III Sewer betterment program commencing including 15 parcels.

The Board of Health tie-in loans apportioned installments for Fiscal 2019 were also committed. This betterment loan program currently has no accounts with pending liabilities as of Fiscal 2019 year. 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 2019.

<b><u>TAX SUMMARY</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2018</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2019</u></b>
Total Amount to be raised	\$ 32,399,383.79	\$ 34,733,725.06
Total estimated receipts from other revenue sources	\$ 15,336,596.00	\$ 17,052,713.00
TAX LEVY	\$ 17,062,787.79	\$ 17,681,012.06

  

<b><u>VALUE BY CLASS</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2018</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2019</u></b>
Single Family (101)	\$ 925,884,500.00	\$ 976,906,600.00
Condominiums (102)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2 & 3 Family (104 & 105)	\$ 41,116,400.00	\$ 42,183,400.00
Multi Family (111-125)	\$ 6,265,500.00	\$ 6,647,000.00
Vacant land (130-132,106)	\$ 25,234,700.00	\$ 26,674,000.00
Others (103,109, Res mixed use)	\$ 45,871,107.00	\$ 48,227,133.00
Commercial (3**)	\$ 30,707,733.00	\$ 31,066,947.00
Chapter 61, 61A, 61B	\$ 1,665,964.00	\$ 1,433,010.00
Industrial (4**)	\$ 23,779,760.00	\$ 24,558,820.00
Personal Property	\$ 52,113,601.00	\$ 56,895,252.00

TOTAL TAXABLE RE AND PP VALUE: \$ 1,214,592,162.00  
TOTAL RE EXEMPT VALUE: \$ 58,219,600.00

TOTAL RE TAXABLE ACCOUNTS: 4485      TOTAL PP ACCOUNTS: 251  
TOTAL RE EXEMPT ACCOUNTS: 146  
REAL ESTATE TOTAL COUNT: 4631

**TAX RATE FY 2019 (rate/\$1000 of value)**  
Residential = \$ 14.18      Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property = \$ 18.20  
(125% shift)

**AVERAGE ASSESSED VALUE SINGLE FAMILY HOME      \$ 294,340.00**

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

# VITAL STATISTICS

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS 2018

### BIRTHS:

In Acushnet	0
In other Municipalities	62
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>
Resident	62
Non-Resident	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>
Male	35
Female	27
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>

### MARRIAGES:

In Acushnet	9
In other Municipalities	34
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>
Resident Bride and Groom	33
Resident Groom	2
Resident Bride	2
Non-Resident Bride and Groom	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>

### DEATHS:

In Acushnet	35
In other Municipalities	72
<b>Total</b>	<b>107</b>
Resident Deaths - Female	50
Resident Deaths - Male	57
Non-Resident Deaths - Female	0
Non-Resident Deaths - Male	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>107</b>

Attest:

Pamela A. Labonte  
Town Clerk

## **FINANCE DIRECTOR**

The Finance Department provides financial support to all departments, boards and committees of the Town of Acushnet. The office maintains a complete set of financial records for all Town accounts, appropriations, debts, and contracts. Payments to all Town vendors and employees are processed through this department. The office is responsible for budgetary development and oversight, while also ensuring compliance with Federal and State laws, Town Meeting authorizations, and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

In our second year in Acushnet, the Town Administrator and I were again able to provide a balanced budget with another 30% reduction in free cash dependence, despite the typical budget constraints of level-funded state aid. We were able to invest an additional \$453,417 into stabilization to bring our total two-year contribution to \$945,023. We are continuing to work toward developing a fiscally prudent FY20 budget that satisfies the residents' needs for excellent services at the lowest cost possible by researching new sources of revenue and developing procedures for better financial oversight of all accounts.

To all the department heads, employees, committees and boards – I would like to express my appreciation for your continuous cooperation and communication with the Finance Department. We look forward to working with you in the coming fiscal year! I would also like to thank my Assistant Town Accountant, Melissa Forgue, and Senior Clerk, Jessica Rego, for their exceptional hard-work and constant support to maintain a professional and efficient environment within the Finance Department.

The following reports provide combined balance sheets and fund activity for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Julie Hebert  
Finance Director

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash

July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

## Balances per Reconciled Bank Statements

Bartholomew	Stabilization	2,243,477.71
Bartholomew	OPEB Stabilization	200,520.29
Bristol County Savings Bank	Money Market	2,140,435.25
Bristol County Savings Bank	Police Station Project	103,446.20
Bristol County Savings Bank	Depository Account	959,637.55
Bristol County Savings Bank	CPA Account	668,348.72
Bristol County Savings Bank	School Lunch	213,685.01
Bristol County Savings Bank	Collectors' Account	624,347.35
Bristol County Savings Bank	Lockbox Account	803,773.02
Bristol County Savings Bank	Solar Tax Revenue	51,309.94
Cape Cod Cooperative	Sewer Account	1,113,272.08
Cape Cod Cooperative	Money Market	1,134,986.11
Harbor One	General Fund CD	781,291.83
Harbor One	Money Market	248,988.05
Rockland Trust	Money Market	123,922.94
Mansfield Bank	Money Market	1,001,818.26
Rockland Trust	Payroll Account	8.26
Rockland Trust	Golf Course	1,053,034.47
Rockland Trust	Sewer Account	495,895.34
Rockland Trust	Vendor Account	49.99
UNIBANK	Dept Accts	748.75
UNIBANK	General Fund MM	1,003,620.19
UNIBANK	Online Account	482,988.92
		15,449,606.23
Cash on Hand		1,744.00
Bartholomew Various Town Trusts		545,167.78
Bristol County Planning Board Solar Trusts		75,888.33
Bristol County Various Town Trusts		216,823.56
Bristol County Various Planning Board Trusts		28,744.43
		868,368.10
<b>Total of All Cash and Investments for the Town</b>		<b>\$16,317,974.33</b>

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Catherine Muller



**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types & Account Groups**  
**Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018**

	Governmental Fund Types			Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Groups	Totals (Memo Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise	Internal Services	Trust and Agency	Long-term Debt	
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	5,665,399.90	6,561,836.33	71,638.94	1,030,226.67		3,277,401.28		16,606,503.12
Investments								-
Receivables:								-
Personal property taxes	22,896.60							22,896.60
Real estate taxes	367,820.28	2,803.83						370,624.11
Deferred taxes		46,408.76						46,408.76
Allowance for abatements and exemptions	(783,245.78)							(783,245.78)
Special assessments		1,411,038.50		123,000.00				1,534,038.50
Tax liens	311,195.97	33,793.80		1,757.83				346,747.60
Tax foreclosures	313,870.51							313,870.51
Motor vehicle excise	190,964.25							190,964.25
Other excises								-
Utility Charges		401,537.43		155,610.54				557,147.97
Departmental		767,559.82						767,559.82
Other receivables								-

Due to/from other funds				-
Due from other governments	741,979.03	27,075.00		769,054.03
Prepays				-
Inventory				-
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation			10,113,906.60	10,113,906.60
Amounts to be provided - payment of bonds			2,625,000.00	11,288,482.35
Amounts to be provided - payment of capital leases			179,420.38	179,420.38
Amounts to be provided - vacation and sick leave				-
Total Assets	6,830,880.76	9,224,978.47	98,713.94	14,228,922.02
			-	3,277,401.28
				11,288,482.35
				44,949,378.82
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>				
Liabilities:				
Deferred revenue				-
Real and personal property taxes	(392,528.90)	2,803.83		(389,725.07)
Deferred taxes		46,408.76		46,408.76
Prepaid taxes/fees				-
Special assessments		1,411,038.50		1,534,038.50
Tax liens	311,195.97	33,793.80		346,747.60
Tax foreclosures	313,870.51			313,870.51

Motor vehicle excise	190,964.25				190,964.25
Other excises					-
Utility Charges	401,537.43		155,610.54		557,147.97
Departmental	767,559.82		40,721.17		808,280.99
Deposits receivable					-
Other receivables					-
Due from other governments	202,522.03	97.17	27,075.00		229,694.20
Due to other governments			3,242.94		3,242.94
Accounts payable	950,920.94	239,069.54	81,196.82	118.14	1,271,305.44
Warrants payable					-
Accrued payroll and withholdings	775,513.99	21,865.90	13,980.05	7,031.25	818,391.19
Other liabilities	8,679.24			110,775.47	119,454.71
IBNR					-
Bonds payable			2,625,000.00	11,288,482.35	13,913,482.35
Capital Lease Obligation			179,420.38		179,420.38
Vacation and sick leave liability	857.25				857.25
Total Liabilities	2,361,995.28	2,924,174.75	27,075.00	117,924.86	19,943,581.97
Fund Equity:					
Reserved for encumbrances	68,002.85	127,120.26	4,426.30		199,549.41

Reserved for expenditures	2,058,982.00	1,172,846.85	150,000.00	3,381,828.85
Reserved for continuing appropriations	341,561.42		38,350.64	379,912.06
Reserved for petty cash				-
Reserved for appropriation deficit				-
Reserved for snow and ice deficit				-
Reserved for debt Service				-
Reserved for premiums	24,793.41			24,793.41
Reserved fund balance		207,698.24		207,698.24
Undesignated fund balance	1,975,545.80	5,000,836.61	71,638.94	698,308.75
Unreserved retained earnings				2,951,778.18
Investment in capital assets			10,113,906.60	
Total Fund Equity	4,468,885.48	6,300,803.72	71,638.94	11,004,992.29
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	6,830,880.76	9,224,978.47	98,713.94	14,228,922.02
				-
				3,159,476.42
				-
				11,288,482.35
				44,949,378.82

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**Undesignated Fund Balance Roll-forward**  
**as of June 30, 2018 (Unaudited)**

<b>Beginning Undesignated Fund Balance</b>	<b>2,600,379.86</b>
Prior Year Reserved for Encumbrance	302,274.09
Prior Year Reserved for Expenditures	1,427,969.00
Prior Year Reserved for Continuing Appropriations	419,351.03
Prior Year Reserved for Petty Cash	
Prior Year Reserved for Debt Premium	26,343.41
Prior Year Reserved for	
Prior Year Reserved for	
Prior Year Reserved for	
Prior Year Reserved for	
Prior Year Reserved for	
Less:	
Prior Year Reserved for Appropriation Deficits	
Prior Year Reserved for Snow and Ice Deficits	
Prior Year Total Fund Balance	4,776,317.39
Deduct:	
Current Year Reserved for Encumbrance	68,002.85
Current Year Reserved for Expenditures	2,058,982.00
Current Year Reserved for Continuing Appropriations	341,561.42
Current Year Reserved for Petty Cash	
Current Year Reserved for	24,793.41
Current Year Reserved for	
Current Year Reserved for	
Current Year Reserved for	
Current Year Reserved for	
Current Year Reserved for	

Add:

Current Year Reserved for Appropriation Deficits

Current Year Reserved for Snow and Ice Deficits

Add:	<b>Current Year Revenue Closeouts</b>	<b>27,052,014.76</b>
	<b>Other Financing Sources (Accrued State Revenue)</b>	<b>567,840.00</b>
	<b>Audit Adjustments (Prior Year Purchase Orders Liquidated)</b>	<b>5,874.90</b>

Less:

	<b>Current Year Expenditure Closeouts</b>	<b>27,933,161.57</b>
	<b>Other Financing Uses</b>	
	<b>Audit Adjustments</b>	

Current Year Undesignated Fund Balance	<b>1,975,545.80</b>
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DEPARTMENT	Original Budget	Approp. Transfers	Final Budget	Salaries YTD	Expenses YTD	Total Encum- bered	Closed to Fund Balance
Reserve Fund	200,000	(168,769)	31,231	-	-		31,231
Town Meetings & Elections	3,500	(1,776)	1,724		1,724		0
Moderator	1,095		1,095	725	-		370
Selectmen	249,118	(14,363)	234,755	199,849	28,540		6,366
Finance Committee	2,575	-	2,575	1,564	210		801
Finance Director	-		-	-	-		0
Town Accountant	191,433	3,500	194,933	160,386	31,263	1,037	2,247
Assessors	152,425	3,000	155,425	106,361	42,305	6,309	451
Town Treasurer	87,766	5,275	93,041	84,737	7,031	216	1,057
Town Collector	125,169	-	125,169	114,771	4,537	563	5,297
Town Counsel	84,500	(12,500)	72,000	-	65,291	590	6,119
Technology	150,989	16,777	167,766	18,025	147,188	2,553	-0
Town Clerk	116,068	11,876	127,944	121,753	4,653		1,538
Registrar of Voters	14,250	4,992	19,242	10,842	7,862		538
Conservation Commission	66,986		66,986	57,176	9,158	53	599
Soil Board	1,050	3,995	5,045	998	3,995		52
Planning Board	54,468		54,468	51,998	266		2,204
Board of Appeals	4,180		4,180	653	491		3,036
Town Buildings	229,231	(3,485)	225,746	117,303	97,369	2,832	8,242
By-Laws	200		200		-		200

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,735,003	(151,478)	1,583,525	1,047,141	451,882	14,154	70,348
Police Department	2,162,832		2,162,832	1,860,361	287,476	14,125	870
Fire Department	435,135	102,655	537,790	411,019	126,462	175	135
Emergency Medical Services	532,858	17,000	549,858	445,705	101,347		2,806
Building Department	123,135		123,135	105,470	9,178	937	7,551
Sealer of Weights & Measures	1,101		1,101	1,101	-		0
Emergency Management Agency	11,590	-	11,590	990	8,929		1,671
Animal Control	45,007	-	45,007	41,157	2,793		1,057
Forestry	8,375		8,375	600	5,195	-	2,580
PUBLIC SAFETY	3,320,033	119,655	3,439,688	2,866,402	541,379	15,237	16,669
Old Colony Regional School	1,756,434	-	1,756,434		1,756,434		0
School Department	13,861,932		13,861,932	7,979,914	5,859,902	21,899	217
EDUCATION	15,618,366	-	15,618,366	7,979,914	7,616,336	21,899	217
Department of Public Works - Highway	637,782	50,000	687,782	340,589	324,375	12,172	10,646
Snow Removal / Ice Control	110,000	55,000	165,000		164,076		924
Street Lights	60,000	(11,655)	48,345	-	41,307	1,311	5,726



Semass	836,900	(17,900)	819,000	17,439	787,950	13,611
Cemetery	6,789	-	6,789	5,464	1,023	302
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	<b>1,651,471</b>	<b>75,445</b>	<b>1,726,916</b>	<b>363,492</b>	<b>1,318,732</b>	<b>31,209</b>
Health Department	165,017	4,168	169,185	147,306	19,251	623
Council on Aging	118,765		118,765	92,713	20,734	5,318
Veterans	245,629	(9,270)	236,359	19,284	211,875	5,200
<b>HUMAN SERVICES</b>	<b>529,411</b>	<b>(5,102)</b>	<b>524,309</b>	<b>259,303</b>	<b>251,860</b>	<b>623</b>
Library Department	232,483		232,483	179,130	52,628	725
Recreation Department	19,687	-	19,687	-	16,510	517
Park Department	39,337		39,337	20,412	15,685	95
Historical Commission	5,800	3,481	9,281		8,888	3
Miscellaneous	15,849		15,849	4,121	9,595	2,133
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>	<b>313,156</b>	<b>3,481</b>	<b>316,637</b>	<b>203,663</b>	<b>103,305</b>	<b>615</b>
Retirement of Debt - Principal	300,000		300,000		300,000	-
Retirement of Debt - Interest	161,048	-	161,048		161,048	-
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>461,048</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>461,048</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>461,048</b>	<b>-</b>

County Tax	121,458	121,458	121,458	-	0
State Assessments	200,794	200,794	-	82,463	118,331
Pensions	1,349,794	1,349,794	1,339,040		10,754
Workers Compensation	170,000	170,000	79,016		90,984
Unemployment Compensation	30,000	30,000	12,753	-	17,247
Flexible Benefit Plan	2,500	-	2,396	-	104
Health Insurance	1,325,000	20,000	1,345,000	-	-106,341
Liability Insurance	221,000	221,000	177,549	1,964	41,488
UNCLASSIFIED	3,420,546	20,000	3,440,546	-	1,964
G F OPERATING BUDGETS	27,049,034	62,001	27,111,035	12,719,917	67,975
Transfer to Enterprise Fund	-	-	-	-	0
Transfer to Special Revenue Fund	-	-	-	-	0
Transfer to Trust & Agency Funds	491,606	5,000	496,606	-	0
Transfer to Capital Expenditure Fund	29,000	(70)	28,930	45,181	-16,251
	520,606	4,930	525,536	-	-16,251
GRAND TOTAL G.F. BUDGETS	27,569,640	66,931	27,636,571	12,719,917	67,975
			14,552,344		296,336

General Fund Articles (Continuing Appropriations)						
STM 11/16 #4 - CWMP Plan	338,002	-	338,002	73,444	264,558	-0
STM 11/16 #16 - Wage/Classification Study	22,200		22,200	9,800	12,400	0
STM 4/02 #5 - GASB Contract	10,843		10,843	650	10,193	0
ATM 6/17 #19 - R.E. Inspections		12,500	12,500	6,250	6,250	0
STM 10/08 #2 - Munis Training	5,495		5,495	1,280	4,215	-0
ATM 6/17 #11 - Update Technology		100,000	100,000	100,000	-	0
STM 10/14 #22 - Update By-Laws	7,908		7,908	-	7,908	0
STM 5/14 #17 - Replace Blinds	375		375	-	-	375
STM 10/03 #4 - CD Roms	929		929		929	0
STM 10/11 #10 - Dog License Program	751		751		-	751
STM 10/04 #16 - Zoning By-Law	4,316		4,316	-	4,316	0
STM 7/97 #28 - ADA Compliance	2,059		2,059		2,059	0
STM 10/15 #10 - HE Gas Boiler	14,000		14,000		14,000	0
STM 11/16 #2 - Repair Town Hall Roof	4,433		4,433		4,433	0
ATM 6/17 #10 - EMS Turnout Gear	-	17,520	17,520	15,260	2,260	0
ATM 6/17 #13 - Dump Truck		70,000	70,000	63,239	-	6,761
ATM 6/17 #13 - Utility Truck		40,000	40,000	40,000	-	0
ATM 6/17 #18 - School Paving		50,000	50,000	48,733	-	1,267
STM 11/16 #22 - Large Item Pickup	7,608		7,608	-	7,608	0
STM 10/15 #14 - Historical Signs	433		433		433	0
<b>GENERAL FUND ARTICLES</b>	<b>419,352</b>	<b>290,020</b>	<b>709,372</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>358,656</b>	<b>9,154</b>

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET

## General Fund Revenues

### Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018

#### Cherry Sheet

Line #	Description	Budget	Actual	Variance (\$)	% Received
<b>Receipts:</b>					
A1	School Aid Chapter 70	6,286,522	6,286,538	16	100.0%
A2	School Transportation	-	22,920	22,920	100.0%
B1	Unrestricted General Government Aid	1,514,693	1,514,693	-	100.0%
B5	Veterans Benefits	161,687	200,401	38,714	123.9%
B6	Exemptions: Vets, Blind & Surv Sp.	56,309	52,464	(3,845)	93.2%
B7	State-Owned Land	32	32	-	100.0%
	Additional State Aid		45	45	100.0%
<b>Total Receipts</b>		8,019,243	8,077,093	57,850	100.7%

#### Local Receipts

Line #	Description	Budget	Actual	Variance (\$)	% Received
1	Motor Vehicle Excise	975,000	1,540,949	565,949	158.0%
3	Penalties & Interest on Taxes	100,000	137,636	37,636	137.6%
5	Charges for Services - Water	1,497,932	1,616,677	118,745	107.9%
8	Charges for Services - Solid Waste Fees	2,000	13,207	11,207	660.4%
10	Fees	32,500	36,362	3,862	111.9%

13	Departmental Revenue - Library	-	-	-	-
16	Other Departmental Revenue	70,000	79,376	9,376	113.4%
17	Licenses & Permits	160,000	201,771	41,771	126.1%
19	Fines & Forfeits	10,000	12,098	2,098	121.0%
20	Investment Income	13,500	45,728	32,228	338.7%
21	Medicaid Reimbursement	75,000	78,713	3,713	105.0%
23	Miscellaneous Nonrecurring	-	9,439	9,439	100.0%
<b>Total Local Receipts</b>		2,935,932	3,771,956	836,024	128.5%

**Tax Revenues**

Line #	Description	Budget	Actual	Variance (\$)	% Received
4110	Personal Property	799,223	956,469	157,246	119.7%
4120	Real Estate	16,263,565	16,036,182	(227,383)	98.6%
4199	Tax Liens	-	57,262	57,262	100.0%
<b>Total Tax Revenue</b>		17,062,788	17,049,913	(12,875)	99.9%

**Interfund Transfers**

Line #	Description	Budget	Actual	Variance (\$)	% Received
	Transfer from Special Revenue Fund	327,920	337,571	9,651	102.9%
	Transfer from Capital Expenditure Fund	-	-	-	
<b>Total Transfers In</b>		327,920	337,571	9,651	102.9%

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**Special Revenue Fund Balance Detail**  
**as of June 30, 2018**

<b>Fund #</b>	<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>Deferred Revenue</b>	<b>Fund Balance 6/30/18</b>	<b>Receipts thru 9/30/18</b>	<b>Remaining Deficit 6/30/18</b>
1090	EMPG Grant			0.00		0.00
1310	FEMA Grant			0.00		0.00
0400	Title 1			655.39		0.00
0420	Title 2 - PI 94-142			27,300.54	37,434.00	0.00
0430	Early Childhood Grant			540.00		0.00
0480	Early Child SPED #298 Grant			0.00		0.00
0700	Teacher Quality in Education			(924.00)	715.00	(209.00)
0710	SPED Program Improvement Grant			0.00		0.00
1000	EECBG Sub-Grant			224.00		0.00
						0.00
1060	Downtown Steering Committee			5,653.73		0.00
1860	Elections/Extended Polling Grant			0.00		0.00
1010*	DEP - Mass EVIP Grant			0.00		0.00
1015	Wage/Classification Grant			1,666.67		0.00
1200	D.A.R.E. Grant			59.27		0.00
1230	SRPEDD - Homeland Security Grant			0.00		0.00
1235	Cops in Shops Grant			1,190.01		0.00
1250	SETB Support Incentive Grant			0.00		0.00
1255	Police Reimbursable Grant			3,271.34		0.00
1270	SWAT Training Grant			0.00		0.00
1287	SETB Training Grant - 911			0.00		0.00
1300	Fire S.A.F.E Grant			1,869.97		0.00
1350	Ambulance Task Force Grant			192.77		0.00

2110	Chapter 90 WRRP Program Grant			0.00		0.00
0350	SPED Circuit Breaker			8,991.00	4,305.00	0.00
0460	Tech Lighthouse Grant			384.75		0.00
0470	MKEA Initiative Grant			0.00		0.00
1600	Arts Lottery Council Grant			3,622.90		0.00
1650	Council on Aging Formula Grant			0.00		0.00
1400	LIG/MEG/NRC			19,810.78		0.00
1420	Library Guiding Grant			12.99		0.00
1430	Library-CD Anti-Trust Settlement			185.16		0.00
1440	<b>Public Libraries Fund Grant</b>			5.43		0.00
1500	<b>Board of Health Grant</b>			64.00		0.00
1740	<b>BOH Mini Grant</b>			38.58		0.00
1760	Green Communities Grant			3.00		0.00
						0.00
2700	Water Special Revenue Fund	402,774.85	402,774.85	1,247,883.77		0.00
0790	Asthma Friendly School Grant			3,000.00		0.00
0791	Physical Activity School Grant			0.00		0.00
0800	Ford Middle School			23,097.22		0.00
0810	Elementary School Fund			19,240.59		0.00
0820	School Building Rental			124,638.54		0.00
0830	Medical Fund Non-Smoking Grant			396.90		0.00
0300	School Lunch Fund			122,427.19	18,634.32	0.00
1100	Community Preservation Fund	4,515.42	4,515.42	702,463.98		0.00
1570	Sewer Tie-Ins			168.49		0.00
1280	Police Gift Fund			150.00		0.00
1410	Library Gift Fund			168,712.49		0.00

1530	Animal Gift Fund	2,931.92		0.00
1540	Celebrations Gift Fund	22.91		0.00
1550	Park Department Gift Fund	1,300.00		0.00
1555	September 11 Memorial Gift Fund	357.72		0.00
1560	Fire Department Gift Fund	2,038.46		0.00
1565	Veterans Memorial Park/ Celebrations Gift Fund	5,002.00		0.00
1670	Council on Aging Gift Fund	4,226.54		0.00
1010	Building Maintenance Fund	897.46		0.00
1020	EMA Certification Grant	0.00		0.00
1030	Cable Education & Government Access	39,872.53		0.00
1040	PEG Access	440,272.51		0.00
1050	Empowerment Fund	1,872.96		0.00
1220	Law Enforcement Trust	2,688.04		0.00
1655	COA - MCOA Age Friendly Grant	(713.24)	723.24	0.00
1660	Coastline Chair Yoga Grant	86.00		0.00
1665	COA - SouthCoast Health Grant	1,086.18		0.00
1680	COA - Strong Women Grant	546.46		0.00
1685	COA - Able Bodies Balance Program	0.00		0.00
1690	ARAW Grant	17,608.20		0.00
1700	Parting Ways Beautification	50.00		0.00
1750	Notice of Intent	21,931.09		0.00
1791	Back Bay Watershed Minigrant	0.00		0.00
1840	Agricultural Committee Grant	555.73		0.00
1900	Insurance Reimbursement Fund	(866.70)		(866.70)



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**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**Combining Balance Sheet - Enterprise Funds**  
**as of June 30, 2018**

	Sewer Enterprise Fund	Golf Enterprise Fund	(Memorandum Only)
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	387,581.25	642,645.42	1,030,226.67
Investments			-
Receivables:			
Personal property taxes			-
Real estate taxes			-
Deferred taxes			-
Allowance for abatements and exemptions			-
Special assessments	123,000.00		123,000.00
Tax liens	1,757.83		1,757.83
Tax foreclosures			-
Motor vehicle excise			-
Other excises			-
Utility Charges	155,610.54		155,610.54
Departmental			-
Other receivables			-
Due to/from other funds			
Due from other governments			-
Prepays			-
Inventory			-
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation	4,144,864.10	5,969,042.50	10,113,906.60
Amounts to be provided - payment of bonds		2,625,000.00	2,625,000.00
Amounts to be provided - payment of capital leases		179,420.38	179,420.38
Amounts to be provided - vacation and sick leave			-
Total Assets	4,812,813.72	9,416,108.30	14,228,922.02
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>			
Liabilities:			
Deferred revenue			-
Real and personal property taxes			-

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**Combining Balance Sheet - Enterprise Funds**  
**as of June 30, 2018**

Deferred taxes			-
Prepaid taxes/fees			-
Special assessments	123,000.00		123,000.00
Tax liens	1,757.83		1,757.83
Tax foreclosures			-
Motor vehicle excise			-
Other excises			-
Utility Charges	155,610.54		155,610.54
Departmental		40,721.17	40,721.17
Deposits receivable			-
Other receivables			-
Due from other governments		3,242.94	3,242.94
Accounts payable	35,969.90	45,226.92	81,196.82
Warrants payable			-
Accrued payroll and withholdings	1,099.51	12,880.54	13,980.05
Other liabilities			-
IBNR			-
Bonds payable		2,625,000.00	2,625,000.00
Capital Lease Obligation		179,420.38	179,420.38
Notes payable			-
Vacation and sick leave liability			-
Total Liabilities	317,437.78	2,906,491.95	3,223,929.73

Fund Equity:

Reserved for encumbrances	19.61	4,406.69	4,426.30
Reserved for expenditures	50,000.00	100,000.00	150,000.00
Reserved for continuing appropriations	38,350.64		38,350.64
Reserved for petty cash			-
Reserved for appropriation deficit			-
Reserved for snow and ice deficit			-
Reserved for debt Service			-
Reserved for premiums			-

Undesignated fund balance	262,141.59	436,167.16	698,308.75
Unreserved retained earnings			-
Investment in capital assets	4,144,864.10	5,969,042.50	10,113,906.60
Total Fund Equity	4,495,375.94	6,509,616.35	11,004,992.29
 Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	 4,812,813.72	 9,416,108.30	 14,228,922.02

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET

## Capital Project Fund Balance Detail

as of June 30, 2018

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**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**Non-Expendable Trust Fund Balance Detail**  
**as of June 30, 2018**

<b>Fund #</b>	<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>Deferred Revenue</b>	<b>Fund Balance 6/30/2018</b>	<b>Receipts thru 9/30/2018</b>	<b>Remaining Deficit 6/30/2018</b>
7200	Charles Beals Library (Restricted)			5,000.00		0.00
7210	A Leconte Library (Restricted)			2,500.00		0.00
7220	Allen Rhonda Russell Library (Restricted)			590.38		0.00
7230	Russell Library Maintenance (Restricted)			5,000.00		0.00
7240	F Sowa Library (Restricted)			3,000.00		0.00
7250	W/G Owen Art Week (Restricted)			1,000.00		0.00
7300	Parting Ways Green Trust (Restricted)			13,457.86		0.00
7500	Long Plain School (Restricted)			5,000.00		0.00
7510	Sylvia Manter School (Restricted)			10,000.00		0.00
7520	H Rogers Parting Ways Building (Restricted)			5,000.00		0.00
7530	Russell Public School (Restricted)			7,500.00		0.00
7540	Earl Burt School Library (Restricted)			3,000.00		0.00
7550	Ruth Tabor Scholarship (Restricted)			4,000.00		0.00
8000	Long Plain Meetinghouse (Restricted)			10,000.00		0.00
8010	Meeting House Restoration (Restricted)			100,000.00		0.00
8100	Cemetery Perpetual Care (Restricted)			18,150.00		0.00
8120	Russell Protestant Poor (Restricted)			11,500.00		0.00





**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**Expendable Trust Fund Balance Detail**  
**as of June 30, 2018**

<b>Fund #</b>	<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>Deferred Revenue</b>	<b>Fund Balance 6/30/18</b>	<b>Receipts thru 9/30/18</b>	<b>Remaining Deficit 6/30/18</b>
7010	Haydon-Candage Flower			429.28		0.00
7030	Omev/Cottie Flower			19,692.89		0.00
7040	Tavis/Ellis Flower			2,642.92		0.00
7200	Charles Beals Library (Unrestricted)			2,549.58		0.00
7210	A Leconte Library (Unrestricted)			1,282.75		0.00
7220	Allen Rhonda Russell Library (Unrestricted)			10,462.61		0.00
7230	Russell Library Maintenance (Unrestricted)			3,418.83		0.00
7240	F Sowa Library (Unrestricted)			10,604.71		0.00
7250	W/G Owen Art Week (Unrestricted)			557.22		0.00
7300	Parting Ways Green Trust (Unrestricted)			685.69		0.00
7500	Long Plain School (Unrestricted)			2,353.88		0.00
7510	Sylvia Manter School (Unrestricted)			52,555.04		0.00
7520	H Rogers Parting Ways Building (Unrestricted)			11,108.49		0.00
7530	Russell Public School (Unrestricted)			38,715.71		0.00
7540	Earl Burt School Library (Unrestricted)			1,885.93		0.00
7550	Ruth Tabor Scholarship (Unrestricted)			4,108.57		0.00
7800	Adam Fluegal BOH			2,013.79		0.00

7810	RN Swift 1 BOH	6,126.09	0.00
7820	RN Swift 2 BOH	649.23	0.00
8000	Long Plain Meetinghouse (Unrestricted)	231.94	0.00
8010	Meeting House Restoration (Unrestricted)	30,408.92	0.00
8100	Cemetery Perpetual Care (Unrestricted)	90,711.03	0.00
8110	Instructive Nursing	12,701.37	0.00
8120	Russell Protestant Poor (Unrestricted)	40,238.82	0.00
8130	Russell Town Hall (Unrestricted)	10,006.75	0.00
8200	Stabilization	2,243,477.71	0.00
8220	OPEB Stabilization	200,520.29	0.00
8240	Golf Course Farm Land Act	151,638.14	0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
Total Expendable Trust Fund Balance		0.00	0.00
		2,951,778.18	0.00

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**Agency Fund Balance Detail**  
**as of June 30, 2018**

<b>Fund #</b>	<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>Deferred Revenue</b>	<b>Fund Balance 6/30/18</b>	<b>Receipts thru 9/30/18</b>	<b>Remaining Deficit 6/30/18</b>
255001	Braley Hill Estates			-		0.00
255002	Edgewood Estates			863.17		0.00
255003	Erin Heights			-		0.00
255004	Rockett Rolar Bond Guarantee			75,888.33		0.00
255005	Gendron Estates			799.20		0.00
255006	Maple Ridge Estates			81.54		0.00
255007	Edgewood Acres #2 Escrow			101.07		0.00
255008	TRC - Anrad Filing Conservation			142.90		0.00
255010	Maple Ridge #2 - Performance Escrow			3,783.29		0.00
255011	Deep Brook Estates #4			-		0.00
255012	Farm Pond Estates (FY12)			-		0.00
255014	Tripp Estates			650.73		0.00
255016	Lucy/Winston Street			113.69		0.00
255029	Deep Brook Estates			22,351.74		0.00
255050	Outside Police Details			(34,784.25)	42,603.00	0.00
255060	Police Regional Radio Network			68.41		0.00
255070	Perry Hill Church Legal Fund			40,715.65		0.00



## ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of Dogs Unrestrained & Returned to owner because of their dog license	64
Number of Dogs Picked Up Unrestrained (Brought to the Shelter)	5
Number of Dogs Claimed	1
Number of Dogs Transferred & Adopted	4
Number of Dogs Euthanized	0
*Number of Kennels Inspected	10
Number of Cats/Kittens Brought to the Shelter	37
Number of Cats Adopted	37
Number of Cats Euthanized/Hit by M.V. or Injured	16
Number of Dogs hit by Motor Vehicles (Deceased/Injured)	2
Number of Dead Animal Picked Up (Including Deer)	269
Number of Complaints Investigated	1,353
Number of Hearings by Selectmen	0
Number of Citations Issued	227
Number of Court Hearings	58
Mileage	6,496
Animal Gift Fund Donations	\$296.00

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rebekah Tomlinson  
Animal Inspector

## ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Total Number of Quarantines	14
Number of Dogs Quarantined	10
Number of Cats Quarantined	4
Number of Rabies Investigated	0
Number of Rabies Investigated – Positive	0
Number of Rabies Cases – Negative	0
Number of Rabies Cases – Unsatisfactory	0
Number of People Who went for Rabies Vaccine	0
*Animals Were Unavailable for Quarantine	
Number of Barn Inspections	91
Number of Oxen Inspected	2
Number of Buffalo Inspected (Water Buffalo)	2
Number of Cattle Inspections (incl. Dairy, Bulls, Heifers & Calves)	257
Number of Horses, Ponies & Minis Inspected	107
Number of Alpacas Inspected	8
Number of Donkeys Inspected	4
Number of Llamas Inspected	0
Number of Mules Inspected	0
Number of Sheep Inspected	181
Number of Goats Inspected	125
Number of Swine Inspected (2 Potbellies)	10
Number of Chickens Inspected	910
Number of Roosters Inspected	53
Number of Turkeys Inspected	21
Number of Peacocks Inspected	4
Number of Guinea Hens Inspected	9
Number of Waterfowl Inspected	174
Number of Swans Inspected	7
Number of Pheasants Inspected	47
Number of Geese Inspected	40
Number of Rabbits Inspected	154

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson  
Animal Inspector

# BOARD OF HEALTH

## Board Members

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

## Office Staff

Wanda L. Hamer, Senior Clerk  
Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk  
Joseph Correia, Health Agent

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet,

## Nursing Health Care Programs:

Blood Pressure Screenings were held by the Community Nurse and Hospice Care of Fairhaven every Wednesday from 9:00 am to 10:00 am at the Council on Aging Building at 59 ½ South Main Street. Monthly Blood Pressure Screenings were held at the Acushnet Presidential Terrace – 23 Main Street – for all residents located at the premises. The Community Nurses followed up with 34 communicable diseases that were reported to the Board of Health Office.

Blood Drives performed by the American Red Cross and sponsored by the Acushnet Board of Health were held on the following dates at the American Legion:

January 8; March 27; May 31; July 31, 2018.

## Inspections:

Septic System	136	Mobile Home Park	3
Title V Insp. (Witnessed)	78	Food Service	51
Septic System Abandonments	7	Housing	16
Soil Evaluations (Witnessed)	154	Complaints (General)	15
Percolation Tests (Witnessed)	78		

## Permits:

Septic System Repairs	50
Septic System New Const.	17
Food Service	66
Farmers Market	5
Stable/Animals-Farm	48
Tobacco	8
Offal	7
Well	14
Body Art Establishment	3
Body Art Practitioner	5

## Total Receipts

Permit Fees	\$66,728.00
Mobile Park Fees	\$ 8,712.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$75,440.00</b>

Board of Health Meetings	10
Septic Plans Reviewed	59
Homeland Security Meetings Attended	8
Informational Meetings Attended	12
DPH Conference Calls/Webinars	6

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

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health held several conference calls with Local Boards of Health regarding Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and West Nile Virus (WNV). The Agent and Staff posted notices around Town and on the Local Cable Channel warning residents of the risk, to wear mosquito spray, long sleeves and to curtail outdoor activities.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:

Alison Novak, Emergency Planner for Bristol County Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coalition worked with the Board of Health regarding Emergency Dispensing Sites (EDS). Ali assisted 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 the Planner 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 December 4, 2018 the Board of Health conducted a mandatory call down drill under the direction of the Bristol County Planner. The drill was conducted using the Health & Homeland Alert Network (HHAN) system. All results were compiled and sent to the Department of Public Health to meet the State mandates.

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. Originally founded in 1956, SRPEDD (pronounced “sir-ped”), is one of 13 regional planning agencies (RPAs) across the state and one of approximately 550 across the country.

SRPEDD serves 4 cities and 23 towns in southeastern Massachusetts. Through our work, we address common issues facing the region, including economic development, growth and land use, safe and efficient transportation, environmental stewardship, municipal partnerships, and general planning. A Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members, and at-large members govern SRPEDD. Federal and state grants, local assessments, and local contracts fund our activities. In 2018, the Town of Acushnet paid \$1,836.92 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 17.829 cents per capita.

SRPEDD also functions as the region’s staff for the Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) and the regional Economic Development District (EDD) with the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Please visit the SRPEDD’s website at [www.srpedd.org](http://www.srpedd.org) to review Highlighted Projects ([www.srpedd.org/highlights](http://www.srpedd.org/highlights)), including our Regional Data Center, Drone Program, and various municipal projects. Our website also includes departmental web pages, a calendar of events, and recent news.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, concerns, or project ideas.

### **Local citizens representing Acushnet in SRPEDD activities:**

Henry Young on the SPREDD Commission.

Henry Young and Merilee Kelly on the Joint Transportation Planning Group (JTPG).

### **In 2018, SRPEDD provided technical assistance to Acushnet in the following areas; please note that funding sources are indicated in parentheses:**

- Continued assistance to South Coast Bikeway Alliance (Acushnet represented) with mapping, funding guidance, route planning, and public outreach (MassDOT).
- Conducted traffic counts on Mattapoisett Road north of New Boston Road; South Main Street south of Main Street and Hamlin Street east of Middle Road (MassDOT).

### **Highlights from SRPEDD’s general 2018 Work Program include the following:**

- SRPEDD updated the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for Southeastern Massachusetts, a regional document maintained by SRPEDD and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA). The CEDS maintains eligibility for the region’s cities and towns to receive EDA funding.
- SRPEDD completed the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which

sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds. The Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) endorsed the FY 2019-2023 TIP.

- SRPEDD completed numerous local technical assistance projects through direct local contract, our Municipal Assistance (MA) program, and the District Local Technical Assistance (DLTA) program. Projects include, but are not limited to, Master Plans, Economic Development Plans and Guides, Housing Production Plans, Complete Streets and Green Communities Program Participation, interactive mapping, and assisting with Community Compact Cabinet (CCC) Best Practices.
- SRPEDD initiated a Drone Program.
- SRPEDD continues as the lead agency for the Resilient Taunton Watershed Network (RTWN). The RTWN is a collaborative of local, non-profit, regional, and state and federal government representatives interested in the future health and resilience of the Taunton River Watershed. The RTWN provides information, conducts outreach and educational efforts, resources and tools to protect existing natural resources, reduce flooding, promote restoration, and develop sustainability (EPA).
- SRPEDD provides fiduciary support services to the Southeast Regional Homeland Security Council (SRAC), comprised of 96 municipalities and the Wampanoag Nation.
- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic-counting program and maintains a computer file of available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 152 traffic counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD continued to provide administrative and technical support to the Taunton River Stewardship Council (TRSC) through a Cooperative Agreement with the National Parks Service. The Council is a multi-community, multi-agency collaborative established through the designation of the Taunton River as a Federal Partnership Wild & Scenic River in 2009.
- In partnership with the TRSC, SRPEDD provides public education and stewardship opportunities to Taunton River Watershed communities, as well as access to local project funds through its Mini Grants Program.
- SRPEDD is a member of two National Estuary Programs (NEP) including the Narragansett Bay Management Committee and Buzzards Bay Steering Committee, created to protect the resources and promote the stewardship of their respective watersheds. The Buzzards Bay and Narragansett Bay Watersheds together encompass the entirety of the SRPEDD area. As a member of these oversight committees, SRPEDD participates in the development of their respective Management Plans for both programs.
- SRPEDD continues to operate the Pavement Management Program, evaluating pavement conditions on federal-aid eligible roadways in the region's cities and towns.
- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 380 signalized intersections in the region. SRPEDD conducted 90 turning movement counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD continue to assist communities under the Regional Bicycle Plan

addressing infrastructure needs and recommendations on how to improve connectivity throughout the region.

- SRPEDD initiated the Regional Pedestrian Plan to examine existing conditions in the region's cities and towns and provide recommendations to improve pedestrian connectivity.
- SRPEDD provides technical planning to two regional transit authorities, SRTA and GATRA, including route evaluations, rider surveys, performance standards and federal reporting. SRPEDD completed a Regional Transit Plan for GATRA that will guide transit improvements in the near future.
- SRPEDD has initiated the Regional Bus Stop Capital Investment Plan following the completion of the Regional Bus Stop Inventory in 2016. The inventory of data collected for GATRA and SRTA bus stops is available to assist on proposed capital improvements.
- SRPEDD has been providing technical assistance to the South Coast Climate Change Coalition whose mission is to increase public awareness of the probable consequences of climate change, help communities incorporate resiliency planning, and take actions that help communities adapt to and minimize the consequences of climate change.
- SRPEDD is a member of the Board of Directors of Southeast Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL). SEEAL is a non-profit organization whose mission is to help provide quality environmental education and stewardship opportunities to communities in southeastern Massachusetts. SEEAL runs a Mini-Grants Program to support local projects that address climate change, alternative energy, urban agriculture, and youth conservation education.
  - SRPEDD maintains an extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program. The mapping program contains a number of data layers including, land-use, zoning, water resources, soils, habitats, transportation network, economic development, priority protection and priority development areas, and other data and information.
- SRPEDD operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals

# HOUSING AUTHORITY

April, 2018 marked the 44th year of service to the Town of Acushnet, providing low income housing to elderly and handicapped individuals.

In fiscal 2008, the Authority was awarded Community Preservation Funds to research the land owned by the authority, but not yet developed. The goal of the Acushnet Housing Authority is to develop the land in order to provide Acushnet with additional housing to meet the needs of its present and future elderly population. In 2014 The Town of Acushnet Selectman approved a Housing Partnership Committee. The purpose of this committee will help the Housing Authority, along with the town to help Acushnet residents with housing needs.

The Authority continues to receive Capital Improvement Funding for repairs. We are in the engineering stage to replace our rear sidewalks. In the past year, we have replaced the benches around the grounds, the tops of our swings, and added a gate for our residents to have access to the Coalition land. The Funding will continue to allow us to do improvements into fiscal year 2022.

The Bristol County Sheriff's Office inmate program is still a success for the Acushnet Housing Authority. Some of the jobs that they have completed last year were shoveling snow on our walkways, painting some vacant units, cleaning our common ways and repainting our shutters and front doors.

The Garfield St. Facility opened its doors in 1992 and continues to work successfully in assisting the Department of Mental Health to house people who are mentally challenged. The maintenance and upkeep of the Garfield St. property falls under the Acushnet Housing Authority. The Acushnet Housing Authority has added new flooring, roof, furnace, air conditioner and a rear deck. The funding was provided by the Capital Improvement Funding.

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 their hometown of Acushnet.

Respectfully submitted,

Rene Racine, Chairman  
Lawrence Mulvey, Vice Chairman  
Isabel Sousa, Treasure  
Lynn Berube, Executive Director  
Michael Cioper, Maintenance Mechanic

Robert Brown Governor Appointee  
Julie Benedetto, Administrative Assistant  
Andrew Gomes, Treasurer

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Building Department issued 595 permits and collected \$122,963.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2018. The estimated value of work was \$19,747,809.00.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Permits</b>	<b>Fees Collected</b>	<b>Estimated Value of Work</b>
January 2018	31	\$6,617.00	\$935,820.00
February	41	\$9,783.00	\$1,685,491.00
March	32	\$5,829.00	\$784,217.00
April	49	\$7,023.00	\$1,065,813.00
May	56	\$6,724.00	\$735,370.00
June	40	\$12,151.00	\$1,848,947.00
July	48	\$9,957.00	\$1,770,371.00
August	56	\$5,763.00	\$739,646.00
September	35	\$41,666.00	\$8,222,203.00
October	41	\$5,661.00	\$684,294.00
November	34	\$4,702.00	\$584,316.00
December	23	\$4,357.00	\$691,321.00
<b>Subtotals</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>\$120,233.00</b>	<b>\$19,747,809.00</b>
Certificate of Occupancy	27	<b>Included with building permit fees</b>	N/A
Certificate of Inspection	19	\$800.00	N/A
Mechanical Permits	27	\$1,320.00	N/A
Sheet Metal Permits	28	\$250.00	N/A
Trenching Permits	2	\$100.00	N/A
Zoning Permits	5	\$210.00	
<b>Zoning Inquiries</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>\$122,963.00</b>	<b>N/A</b>

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

## BUILDING PERMITS

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The following permits were issued for the annual year ending in December 2018.

<b>Structures</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Additions	10
Chimney	3
Commercial	7
Decks	12
Demolitions	9
Doors	22
Dwelling	22
Garage	16
Insulation	43
Miscellaneous	17
Pool	20
Renovations	36
Roof	127
Shed	8
Siding	35
Signs	3
Solar	32
Temporary Structures	6
Windows	45
Woodstoves	13
<b>Totals</b>	<b>486</b>

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

## WIRING DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Wiring Department issued 264 permits and collected \$27,440.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2018.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Permits</b>	<b>Fees Collected</b>
January 2018	16	\$2,990.00
February	9	\$720.00
March	22	\$1,620.00
April	17	\$1,750.00
May	36	\$3,460.00
June	25	\$2,940.00
July	27	\$2,800.00
August	24	\$2,850.00
September	21	\$1,890.00
October	29	\$2,680.00
November	24	\$1,990.00
December	14	\$1,750.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>\$27,440.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,

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

## PLUMBING DEPARTMENT

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Plumbing Department issued 103 permits and collected \$9,116.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2018.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Permits</b>	<b>Fees Collected</b>
January 2018	8	\$568.00
February	6	\$488.00
March	5	\$336.00
April	10	\$870.00
May	5	\$504.00
June	10	\$922.00
July	9	\$850.00
August	10	\$992.00
September	10	\$888.00
October	21	\$1,920.00
November	6	\$360.00
December	3	\$418.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>\$9,116.00</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 189 permits and collected \$12,102.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2018.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Permits</b>	<b>Fees Collected</b>
January 2018	7	\$490.00
February	6	\$320.00
March	9	\$465.00
April	11	\$615.00
May	13	\$830.00
June	9	\$600.00
July	16	\$1,407.00
August	22	\$1,435.00
September	17	\$1,025.00
October	29	\$2,025.00
November	25	\$1,520.00
December	25	\$1,370.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>\$12,102.00</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 2018, the Zoning Board of Appeals received nine applications. Of those nine, two were for special permits, five were for variances, and two of the applications were withdrawn. The Board granted four of the cases and denied two; one case is still pending.

Anita Davis- Case #2018.04.03A – Special Permit- Granted  
Ronald Oliveira- Case #2018.06.12A- Variance- Denied  
Leanne Pereira- Case #2018.06.12B- Withdrawn  
Edward/Catherine Viveiros- Case #2018.07.10A- Variance- Denied  
Jay/Kelsey Janak- Case #2018.07.10B- Variance- Granted  
Kevin Paim- Case #2018.08.07B- Special Permit- Pending  
Architectural Consulting Group- Case #2018.07.07A- Withdrawn  
Andrew Corrigan- Case #2018.10.02A- Variance- Granted  
Anthony Lanzoni- Case #2018.11.03A- Variance- Granted

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amanda Baptiste  
Zoning Board of Appeals Secretary

# CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## **Objective:**

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

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

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

Conservation Commission Town Hall Office Hours:

- Monday, Wednesday, Thursday – 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
- Tuesday – 8:00 am to 7:00 pm
- Friday 8:00 am – 11:30 am
- Appointments are strongly advised, especially after noon

The Conservation Commission holds its public hearings every second and fourth Tuesday night of the month at 6:00 pm in the Conservation office located in the Parting Ways Building at 130 Main Street.

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

2018 Filings under MGL Chapter 131 Section 40:

- Notices of Intent – 8
- Order of Conditions Extension – 1
- Requests for Determination of Applicability – 24
- Requests for Certificate of Compliance – 9
- Request for Partial Certificate of Compliance – 1
- Site Visits – 51

## **What's New in 2018**

In 2018, the Conservation Commission underwent a lot of change. In March we had three people attend the annual conference of the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissioners, despite the massive wind-and rain-storm we had in Acushnet the day before. We always enjoy that conference and the chance to learn a lot and network with other commission members and staff. On Earth Day, April 21, we had about fifty volunteers help us with the annual neighborhood clean-up. They all helped out with picking up trash along our streets, including the local Cub Scout and

Boy Scout troops and the Ford Middle School Honor Society. In early summer we lost our faithful clerk, Christine Lagasse, who has moved on to other things. Our new clerk, Joann Demello, also works part-time in the Board of Health. She has adapted well to the Conservation office. Late in the summer Marc Brodeur, a longtime Commission member, retired. We will miss him, his diligence, and his sense of humor.

The pollinator garden, an acre-sized lot above the golf course on Main Street, continues to keep us busy. Pollinators are suffering from loss of habitat and other problems due to various diseases, parasites, and pesticides. Our garden is a safe, pesticide-free place to come forage between crops. The numerous flowers and flowering trees attract bees and butterflies. We've had some volunteer help in the garden this year, as well as from the golf course staff, which we appreciate very much. Late in the year we moved our office to a bright, sunny, newly refinished space on the second floor in the Parting Ways Building. It's big enough to hold most of our meetings there. As the year closes we still have an opening for a voting Commission member, which we hope to fill soon.

**Commission Membership:**

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

As of December 31, 2018, the Conservation Commission and staff included:

Robert Rocha, Chairman  
Ted Cioper, Vice Chairman  
Everett Philla, Member  
Heidi Pelletier, Member  
Evelyn Bouley, Member  
Paul Valente, Member

Merilee Kelly, Agent  
Joann Demello, Senior Clerk

Respectfully submitted,  
Merilee Kelly, Agent  
Acushnet Conservation Commission

# COUNCIL ON AGING

Heather Sylvia, Director  
Linda Guilbeault, Chairman of the Board  
Gerard Bergeron, Vice Chair  
Paulette Hudson, Secretary  
Pauline Teixeira, Board of Directors Member  
Marie Hardy, Board of Directors Member  
Maurice Samson, Board of Directors Member  
Richard DeBalsi, Board of Directors Member

The Council on Aging and Senior Community Center, 59 ½ South Main Street, is open and staffed Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Transportation is available daily 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

2018 New Employees and Board of Directors Members:

- Patricia Geggatt-Midurski, Outreach Specialist
- Janice Fortin, Receptionist
- Gerard Bergeron, Vice Chair, Board of Directors
- Richard DeBalsi, Member, Board of Directors

Below is a snapshot of the new activities the Council on Aging has offered in 2018:

- Memory Café for those with diagnosed Alzheimer's or other dementia and their care partner
- ABLE Bodies II, an advanced Fall Prevention Exercise Program
- Heart Healthy Holiday Health and Wellness Fair
- SHINE Counseling for Medicare and MassHealth recipients
- Expanded Senior Travel Club
- One Day Painting Classes
- The Savvy Caregiver Program
- My Life, My Health: Chronic Disease Management
- New Horizons Chorus

Information and referral is available both at the Senior Community Center and in the home by appointment. Residents new to our programs can speak directly with a staff member who can assess their needs and provide current information on services and programs available both through the Council on Aging and our partnering agencies. Health insurance counseling for Medicare and MassHealth recipients is also once again available at the Center from our two certified SHINE Counselors.

In 2018, 1026 unduplicated seniors took part in at least one program or activity not including Meals on Wheels. Transportation was provided for 66 unduplicated residents for a total of 1003 rides which included trips for early voting, grocery shopping, medical appointments, personal errands, the local Farmer's Market and more.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Acushnet Public Library staff and

Board of Directors for allowing us to use their community room for programming, the Acushnet Fire Fighter's Association for their generous donation to our Memory Café program, the Ford Middle School for holding a Thanksgiving food drive on our behalf and the Acushnet Elementary students for the beautiful holiday cards their students created for our seniors.

2018 Grant Funders:

- Association for the Relief of Aged Women (ARAW)
- Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA)
- Massachusetts Council on Aging (MCOA)
- Southcoast Health System
- Title III, Coastline Elderly Services, Inc.

To learn more about the Council on Aging visit our website at <https://www.acushnet.ma.us/council-on-aging>.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Heather Sylvia, Director

## **CULTURAL COUNCIL**

TThe Cultural Council was able to grant 49% of the applications received with the funds from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Town of Acushnet.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven Watts, Secretary  
Jeannine Watts  
Michelle Watts  
Christopher Saulnier, Chairman  
Pauline Teixeira  
Lisa Leonard

# **PUBLIC WORKS**

Daniel Menard - Director DPW  
Kathy Silva - Business Manager  
Anne-Marie Tomascik - Clerk

Highway Department  
Paul Fortin - Foreman  
Peter Fortin  
Thomas Menard  
Matthew Tripp  
Peter Westgate

Water/Sewer Division  
Cameron Barlow - Foreman  
Eric Abreu  
Ryan McCarthy  
John Westgate

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:

- Landscaped and replaced the lawn at the Police Station and landscaped the back and side areas of the Library.
- Completed major drainage projects on Green Meadow Drive, Brookside Drive, Hathaway Road, and Mattapoissett Road.
- Landscaped and constructed a new fenced in play area at the schools along with repaving the school driveway.
- Reclaimed and repaved Quaker Lane and Gammons Road.
- Collaborated with the State on implementing a plan for repairs of the Hamlin Street Bridge.
- All DPW employees completed a mandatory two day OSHA certified training course.
- Completed maintenance and repairs on all snow vehicles for the upcoming winter.

The Department of Public Works list of daily jobs consists of the patching of potholes, replacing street signs, cleaning and repairing catch basins and manholes, recycling, mowing and weed removal, sweeping, brush cutting, removing debris from roads after storms, regarding and compacting dirt roads, plowing, sanding and salting.

## **Water & Sewer Division**

The Water Department continues to replace broken meters and upgraded the entire radio read system over the summer. Each quarter seventy-five old water meters are replaced. Maintenance of the systems is always ongoing and consists of the vacuuming of curb boxes, gate boxes, exercising valves, maintaining, painting and flushing of fire hydrants



and water testing. Completed the repairs on the Saucier Street water leak.

The Sewer Division continues to maintain three sewer pump stations and also upgraded and added in a new flushing port for the pump station located on Middle Road. The maintenance consists of cleaning of the wet wells, replacing worn valves, cleaning the pumps, and removing any blockage in the check valves.

The DPW has been busy and has completed many projects over the last year. If you notice a problem with the roads, water or sewer, please contact the DPW at (508) 998-0230 so we can investigate the issue.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel Menard, Director DPW

## 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 2018, members of the Acushnet EMA continue to maintain the Acushnet EMA Headquarters located at 14 Thomas Street and to utilize this location as the town's Emergency Operations Center or EOC. Through software that we have to track the number of volunteer hours worked by the volunteers of Acushnet EMA, our volunteers have completed approximately 960 hours of volunteer community service to the town of Acushnet and the AEMA. At the FEMA dollar rate of volunteer service of \$31.17 dollars per hour (as noted on <https://independentsector.org/resource/the-value-of-volunteer-time/>), this would equate to \$29,923.20 of total donated work given to the town of Acushnet and its residents. We continue to have the designation from the Eastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) as the sub-regional command center for their organization, meaning Amateur Radio volunteers within AEMA would help staff the AEMA with Ham Operators for weather related and communication emergency incidents in Southeast Massachusetts based on ARES leadership discretion. During non-emergencies, the facility will be used for training of our emergency management agency, other local departments in the town of Acushnet and our other emergency preparedness partners including other town emergency management agencies and non-governmental organizations.

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 open a shelter/warming center in the town as necessary, support other town needs at other town department's request and to provide auxiliary support to Eastern Massachusetts ARES as the ARES sub-regional command center. AEMA HQ was also staffed to provide an Amateur Radio communications link for South Coastal Massachusetts, Cape Cod and between AEMA, MEMA and the National Weather Service previously in Taunton and now in Norton Massachusetts. Weather reports for the town of Acushnet and surrounding areas were relayed to MEMA and NWS via Amateur Radio by Acushnet EMA members and via the weather station on site at the agency throughout 2018 during severe weather with particularly notable events such as the January 4th, March 2nd, March 8th coastal storms, the March 13th blizzard and the November 15th-16th winter storm system and in the case of the November 15th-16th storm system, SKYWARN Amateur Radio Operations took place out of the Acushnet EMA building. Acushnet EMA was also utilized for an Amateur Radio Hurricane Net operation for Hurricane Florence late Thursday Afternoon and Evening September 13th and coincident with that event, Eastern Massachusetts ARES stand-by operations took place to monitor the Columbia Gas explosions in the Merrimack Valley Massachusetts region. Acushnet EMA was also utilized to support the Salvation Army Team Emergency Response

Network (SATERN) efforts during Hurricane Michael on October 10th through October 12th utilizing the Amateur Radio HF radio. Finally, it is noted that the AEMA through the efforts of Ed Caron, Operations Officer and Assistant AEMA Director, also supports the regular monthly tests of the MEMA Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES) and ARES Nets from the AEMA HQ facility where all communication capabilities of the AEMA are tested.

Acushnet EMA was activated several times for storm related responses during 2018. This occurred during the major winter storm of January 4th, the significant coastal storm with heavy rainfall and hurricane force wind gusts that affected the town of Acushnet and surrounding areas on March 2nd, and again for the blizzard that affected the region on March 13th. Acushnet EMA members assisted with warming center/shelter support during these storms as well as provided situational awareness from Acushnet and surrounding area on these storms before and during the storm events.

Through Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG), Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Citizen Corps grants written by AEMA volunteer Assistant Director Ed Caron, the town has succeeded in securing over 31,000 dollars in funding since 2009 and the AEMA secured approximately 3000 dollars in EMPG grant funding in 2018. This very recently received grant funding will be utilized to purchase a lighting system for use at public events and in the event of an emergency or disaster situation that requires use of the equipment to support town emergency response.

The town based activities for the past year included providing lighting at town events and traffic control at planned activities such as the Acushnet Rabies Clinic, the Fairhaven-Acushnet Little League Parade, Acushnet Youth Soccer Parade, Acushnet Car Show/ Cruise Night, the Labor Day Road Race, Apple Peach Parade, Halloween Parade and Christmas Light Illumination and Sing-A-Long at Acushnet Fire Station 1. We also provided mutual aid support for the town of Fairhaven for their Fathers Day Road Race for traffic management as well as mutual aid support to the city of New Bedford for the July 4th fireworks, the annual New Bedford High School Rally and Bonfire on Wednesday November 21st and the New Year's Eve fireworks.

The Acushnet EMA management staff also informed its members and where appropriate, town residents, of numerous other training classes for shelters, CERT and other classes that were held across the South Coastal Massachusetts area. AEMA held at its facility both basic EMT and paramedic refresher courses during 2018. Also, AEMA working with MEMA co-sponsored an Emergency Preparedness Workshop instructed by Doug Forbes of MEMA Region 2 on Tuesday September 25th at the Acushnet Council on Aging and Senior Community Center to educate the community on this important topic.

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

## MEMBERS OF THE ACUSHNET FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT

Listed by Seniority	Appointment Date:
Pimental, George	11/2/73
Makuch, David	11/22/77
Gallagher, Kevin	12/17/86
Krupa, Jeffrey	6/1/94
Monte, Brian	6/1/94
Tripp, Matthew	6/1/94
Barlow, Diane	9/11/95
Mentzer, Michael	3/31/98
Rawcliffe, Peter	5/1/98
Frysinger, Paul	1/1/99
Farland, Thomas	6/29/00
Johnson, Kathryn	6/26/02
Arruda, Eric	11/25/02
Stalter, Scott	10/1/06
Gonsalves, Laurie	12/18/08
Coffey, Michael	1/14/09
Ashworth, Wendy	11/6/09
Donohoe, Brian	7/1/10
Correia, Paul	7/11/10
Corrigan, Andrew	6/30/11
Leger, Michael	6/30/11
Morrisseau, Matthew	6/26/13
Pinhancos, Mark	7/1/13
Stupalski, Zachary	7/1/13
Charpentier, Nicholas	7/1/14
Dandurand, Nathan	7/1/14
Allen, Brad	1/2/15
Brassells, Chris	1/2/15
Carvalho, Aaron	7/1/15
Lincoln, Rachel	7/28/16
Demelo, Derek	11/20/16
Argentinis, Darius	12/4/16
Caswell, Gregory	7/1/17
Lemmer, Ryan	7/1/17
Reed, Nathan	7/1/17
Desroches, Kaylee	11/22/17
Rittenhouse, Courtney	1/1/18
Nasiff, Sarah	6/11/18
Ramos, Shain	6/11/18
Henriques, Josue	7/1/18
Pringle, Nathan	7/1/18
Rock, Nathan	10/5/18
Kalisz, Frederick	10/6/18
Bernard, Dave	11/1/18
Reis, Sarah	11/20/18

Vinjerud, Jessica	12/1/18
Horsely, Erik	12/3/18
Correia, Nathan	Recruit
DaSilva, Timothy	Recruit
Machado, Paul	Recruit
Silva, Sean	Recruit

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Acushnet Police Department had a very successful year in closing some difficult cases in 2018. We solved several residential and commercial burglaries, an armed robbery and stabbing, a vandalism case at the Acushnet cemetery and several significant larceny and fraud cases. Many of the cases we solved during the year were a combination of hard work, technology and good luck.

All of the criminal cases we resolve are very important to the individuals who are involved but there were three cases that absolutely stood above the rest. The reason why they should be highlighted is because of the degree of difficulty and the low rate of success for similar cases.

We were able to solve a telephone fraud case which is extremely rare to do. Our elderly resident lost over 75K in this scam and by the time we handed the case off to other State and Federal agencies there were four individuals arrested, over 50 victims from 5 different States and \$1.5 million stolen from the collective group of victims. The four individuals that were arrested were foreign nationals in the US on student work visa's living on the military base in Newport in surplus government housing. The Newport Police Department and the United States Naval Criminal Investigation Service partnered with us once we located the first suspect in Newport. We handed the case off to the NCIS and the United States Attorney General's office.

We charged a 15-year old juvenile for damaging 18 grave stones at the Acushnet Cemetery which does not sound that extraordinary on our part. The amazing twist in this case is that we located a palm print for the suspect on one of the damaged stones and we were able to locate a match for that print from someone so young. The juvenile had escaped from a DYS facility and just happened to be passing through Acushnet and has no ties to our community. The individual is back in the custody of DYS.

We charged two individuals in connection with an armed robbery and stabbing case where the suspects and victim were all from Cape Cod. The extraordinary effort on our part was that we were the first police department in the State to obtain a search warrant for an insurance company driving monitoring device. The information we were able to obtain from the GPS device played a pivotal role in the case. All three of these cases like many of the cases we solve each year require hard work, attention to detail and some degree of good fortune.

We issued 285 firearms licenses which includes renewals and new license in 2018 which is a 13% increase over 2017. We have 341 licenses due to expire in 2019 which means we will be backed up this coming year so please have patients with us and submit your paperwork on-time. We will have extra staff aiding Detective Fontes however we are anticipating delays.

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.

### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

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

Activity	2018	2017	Difference
209A/Requested	6	9	-33.3%
209A/HPO Violation	21	17	23.5%
Abandoned Vehicle	4	1	300.0%
Accidental Injury	1	1	0.0%
Administrative Duties	42	69	-39.1%
Alarm Holdup/Banks & Other	488	440	10.9%
Ambulance & Emergencies	992	1039	-4.5%
Animal Complaint	229	232	-1.3%
Arrest by Other Dept./Our Warrant	1	0	
Arrest by Us, Other Dept.	7	2	250.0%
Arrest by Us, Our Warrant	1	1	0.0%
Assault with Dangerous Weapon	2	1	100.0%
Assault with Firearms	1	0	
Assault w/Hands, Fists Injury	6	5	20.0%
Assault with Knife	1	1	0.0%
Assault Simple, No Injury	11	5	120.0%
Assist Other Police Department	95	85	11.8%
Assist Agency, Not Police	31	31	0.0%
Attempt Service 209A/HPO	7	10	-30.0%
B&E w/Forced Entry	20	14	42.9%
B&E w/Unlawful Entry	4	4	0.0%
B&E Attempt Forced Entry	5	11	-54.5%
B&E Into A Motor Vehicle	28	14	100.0%
Death, Accidental	0	2	-100.0%
Death, Natural	6	6	0.0%
Directed Patrol	504	430	17.2%
Disabled Motor Vehicle	70	49	42.9%
Disorderly/Disturbing the Peace	15	25	-40.0%
Disturbance/Noise Complaint	97	109	-11.0%
Domestic Disturbances	71	102	-30.4%
Domestic Disturbances/Verbal	17	29	-41.4%

Activity	2018	2017	Difference
Driving Under the Influence	0	2	-100.0%
E911 - Abandoned/Hang up Call	99	78	26.9%
E911 - TTY Test Call	50	38	31.6%
Elder Affairs	2	0	
Erratic Operation	68	77	-11.7%
Explosives/Bomb Threat	1	0	
Family Resource	0	1	-100.0%
Fire Runs	241	231	4.3%
Fireworks	21	20	5.0%
Follow Up to Previous Calls	162	230	-29.6%
Forgery and Counterfeiting	2	2	0.0%
Found/Turned In Items	33	52	-36.5%
Fraud/Bad Checks	71	38	86.8%
Harassment	31	43	-27.9%
Humane Calls/Injured Items	59	43	37.2%
Hunting Violations	2	3	-33.3%
Illegal Dumping	4	7	-42.9%
Items Returned	28	31	-9.7%
Larceny	32	64	-50.0%
Littering	4	3	33.3%
Loitering/Curfew	2	0	
Lost Items	26	15	73.3%
Mental Health Investigation	5	8	-37.5%
Missing Person/Adult	18	18	0.0%
Missing Person/Child	3	2	50.0%
Motor Vehicles Theft-Auto	4	6	-33.3%
Motor Vehicle Theft-All others	0	2	-100.0%
Motor Vehicles Recovery	1	1	0.0%
Neighbor Problems	48	71	-32.4%
Notifications	66	60	10.0%
Offenses Against the Family	3	0	
Open Window/Door	5	6	-16.7%



Activity	2018	2017	Difference
Parking Complaint	35	34	2.9%
Person Assist/Residence Check	543	572	-5.1%
Phone Call, Annoying/Obscene	7	9	-22.2%
Police Information	294	307	-4.2%
Prisoner Transport	76	75	1.3%
Probate/Civil Complaint	1	0	
Protective Custody - Drunkenness	0	1	-100.0%
P/C-Other(Section 12 & 35)	19	20	-5.0%
Rape by Force	4	0	
Rape, Attempted	1	0	
Road/Safety Hazard	156	147	6.1%
Robbery by Firearm	0	1	-100.0%
Robbery w/Knife, Cutting Instrument	0	1	-100.0%
Robbery/Strongarm	1	0	
Runaway	1	1	0.0%
Sain Interviews	5	3	66.7%
School Resources	11	8	37.5%
Search Warrant Executed	3	1	200.0%
SEMLEC Activation	3	1	200.0%
Serve 209A/HPO	85	74	14.9%
Sex Offenses, not Rape, Prostitution	4	3	33.3%
Sex Offender Notification	1	1	0.0%
Sex Offender Registration	2	9	-77.8%
Shots Fired	17	18	-5.6%
Stolen Property: Buy, Sell, Receive	7	12	-41.7%
Suicide/Attempted Suicide	25	16	56.3%
Summons Service	25	135	-81.5%
Suspicion	72	59	22.0%
Suspicious Investigation	127	161	-21.1%
Suspicious Motor Vehicles	189	220	-14.1%
Suspicious Person	119	64	85.9%

Activity	2018	2017	Difference
Traffic Accident	188	224	-16.1%
Traffic Accident - Hit & Run	42	42	0.0%
Traffic Moving	881	682	29.2%
Traffic Non-Moving	37	38	-2.6%
Trespassing	10	5	100.0%
Threats	23	25	-8.0%
Turned in Items	1	1	0.0%
Unwanted Person	25	22	13.6%
Vandalism	43	48	-10.4%
Wire Down/Power Outage	97	61	59.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>7054</u></b>	<b><u>6997</u></b>	

## MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

### CHIEF OF POLICE

Michael G. Alves

### SERGEANTS

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

### FULL TIME OFFICERS

James D. Costa	Derek W. Cathcart
Michael A. Matton	Kevin K. Walsh
Jeremy T. Fontes	Danny B. DeAmaral
Gene W. Robinson	Ryan D. Hemphill
Ryan M. Lavoie	Andrew G. Cordeiro
Kraig A. Pimental	Jason T. White
Adam J. Hebert	

### PART TIME OFFICERS

Michael J. Nunes	Michael P. Lajoie
Tyler J. Lopes	Kevin M. Martins

**DISPATCHERS**

Suzanne M. Nocon  
Alan D. Bowen  
Laurent R. St. Jean

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISSTANT**

Christine A. Nunes

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael G. Alves". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" being the most prominent part.

Michael G. Alves  
Chief of Police

## TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk's Office provides information and is responsible for maintaining and overseeing the Town's official and historical records, for the residents of Acushnet. The Town Clerk is the chief election official of all elections and a Registrar of Voters. The additional services provided by this office are copies of vital records, voter registrations, dog licenses, marriage intentions, business certificates, raffle permits, zoning and general bylaws, town meeting article certifications, and archival and genealogy research.

The elections and town meeting calendar was a busy one in 2018. The following are the elections and town meetings prepared and executed by the Town Clerk's Office in the calendar year:

### 2018 Elections & Town Meetings

Annual Town Election	April 4 <sup>th</sup>
State Primary Election	September 6 <sup>th</sup>
State Election Early Voting	October 22 <sup>nd</sup> – November 2 <sup>nd</sup>
State Election	November 6 <sup>th</sup>
Annual Town Meeting	May 14 <sup>th</sup>

\*All 2018 results of elections and town meeting minutes can be found elsewhere in this town report.

### 2018 Highlights:

- ❖ Effective January 1, 2018 dog licensing fees for spayed and neutered dogs increased from \$9.00 to \$10.00 and unaltered dogs from \$12.00 to \$15.00 with no changes on kennel fees.
- ❖ 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 2018 annual dog licenses. The Town Clerk's licensing results were as follows:

License Type	Dog Licenses Issued
Spayed/Neutered	59
Unaltered	32
1-4 Dog Kennel	9
5-15 Dog Kennel	0
15+ Dog Kennel	0

- ❖ Beginning with the April 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Town Election, all voting precincts

were consolidated into one polling location in the Elementary School gymnasium. This decision was made with the support of the School Committee and Board of Selectmen.

- ❖ Early Voting, as mandated by Massachusetts General Laws was held two weeks prior to the November 6<sup>th</sup> State Election. The number of ballots cast during this period resulted in 24% of the 4,297 ballots casts.
- ❖ Although, 2018 was a busy year, the most exciting news of the year was the relocation of the Town Clerks office, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, to its new space, formally occupied by the Police Station in the Parting Ways Building.

## Dog Licenses Recap

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

Dog Licenses Issued	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Individual	1847	1807	1789	1797	1747
K (3-4 Dog Kennel)	93	77	85	86	96
KK (5-15 Dog Kennel)	11	9	10	15	19
KKK (15+ Dog Kennel)	5	4	4	3	2

## Financial Update:

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

General Ledger Accounts	FY2018 Revenue	FY2017 Revenue	FY2016 Revenue	FY2015 Revenue	FY2014 Revenue
Dog Licenses	\$23,455	\$18,335	\$19,590	\$20,096	\$19,345
Business Certificates	\$2,165	\$2,230	\$1,265	\$1,985	\$2,380
Town Clerk Fees*	\$8,899	\$8,060	\$8,640	\$7,936	\$6,507
Town Clerk Late Fees	\$4,797	\$3,545	\$2,930	\$2,210	\$2,900
Dog Fines	\$6,623	\$2,785	\$5,005	\$5,055	\$5,415
TOTAL REVENUE	\$45,939	\$34,955	\$37,430	\$37,282	\$36,547

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

**In Conclusion:**

In 2018, I have many thanks to extend, beginning with my sincere appreciation to my staff, Rachel Charbonneau and Nancy Clerc and my Assistant Registrar of Voters, Irene Decotis, to whom make the Town Clerk's Office run as a well-oiled machine.

I, also, want to extend my gratitude to the Residents of Acushnet, the Town Administrator, Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee for their support in recognizing the importance of offering a larger office space to better serve our town for, not only, today but having the foresight to create a space that will serve its residents well for many generations to come.

Thank you to the Building Inspector and Maintenance Crew for repurposing, the former police station, so beautifully, into the new Town Clerk's office and maintaining the historic charm of our Parting Ways building.

Finally, many thanks to the Election and Town Meeting employees, the Department of Public Works, Council on Aging and their volunteers, Rebekah Tomlinson and all others that have supported the Town Clerk's Office throughout the year and help us to better serve our residents.

2018 was a rewarding year in the Town Clerk's office and I look forward to continuing our progress in 2019.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pamela A. Labonte, CMMC  
Town Clerk

**Town of Acushnet**  
**FY19 Revenue Budget Estimate**  
**Includes Other Sources of Funds**

<b>Revenue Sources</b>	<b>FY18 Recap</b>	<b>FY19</b>
<b>General Fund Operations Revenue Estimate:</b>		
Fiscal Year Levy Limit	15,936,384	16,601,843
Fiscal Year 2.5% Adjustment	398,410	415,046
Fiscal Year New Growth	267,049	150,000
<b>Legal Levy Limit</b>	16,601,843	17,166,889
Add: Debt Exclusion	461,048	455,048
Less: Unused Levy Capacity	(103)	
<b>Actual Levy</b>	17,062,788	17,621,937
Less: FY Overlay (Allowance for Abatements/ Exemptions)	(416,330)	(250,000)
Less: Tax Title Certification		
Less: Other Deficits		
Less: Solar Farm Revenue to Cap Exp Fund	(28,930)	(37,200)
<b>Total Estimated Operational Tax Levy:</b>	16,617,528	17,334,737
FY Cherry Sheet State Receipts		
Chapter 70	6,286,522	6,310,802
Charter Tuition Reimbursement	-	-
Unrestricted General Govt Aid	1,514,693	1,567,707
Veteran's Benefits	161,687	166,201
Exemptions (Vets, Blind & Surviving Spouse)	56,309	52,966
State Owned Land	32	38
Plus: Public Libraries	14,702	15,761
<b>Subtotal Estimate State Revenue</b>	8,033,945	8,113,475
Less: FY Offsets - Public Libraries	(14,702)	(15,761)
Less: Assessments	(322,252)	(338,514)
	(336,954)	(354,275)
<b>Total Estimated State Aid:</b>	7,696,991	7,759,200
<b>Local Receipts Revenues:</b>		
Motor Vehicle	975,000	1,000,000
Penalties & Interest on Taxes	100,000	110,000

Charges for Services - Water	1,497,932	1,620,626
Charges for Services - Solid Waste Fees	2,000	7,000
Fees	32,500	32,500
Other Departmental Revenue	70,000	70,000
Licenses & Permits	160,000	160,000
Fines & Forfeits	10,000	10,000
Investment Income	13,500	13,500
Medicaid Reimbursement	75,000	75,000
<b>Total Estimated Local Receipts:</b>	<b>2,935,932</b>	<b>3,098,626</b>
 <b>Total Available for Appropriation</b>	 <b>27,250,451</b>	 <b>28,192,563</b>
 EMS Receipts Reserved Fund	 310,400	 516,367
Other Sources of Funds - Debt Premium F/B	-	1,550
Overlay	-	-
Uncaptured Enterprise Indirect Costs	-	231,858
Free Cash to Balance GF Budget	663,863	230,657
<b>Total Estimated Other Sources of Operational Funds:</b>	<b>974,263</b>	<b>980,432</b>
<b>Total Estimated General Fund Operational Revenue</b>	<b>\$27,704,300</b>	<b>\$28,224,714</b>



## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Appropriation:** An authorization to make expenditures and to incur obligations for specific purposes. An appropriation is granted by Town Meeting and is usually limited in time and amount as to when it may be expended. Any part of the general appropriation not spent or encumbered by June 30 automatically reverts to surplus, which may become Free Cash. A specific appropriation is carried forward from year to year until spent for the designated purpose or transferred by Town Meeting vote to another account.

**Assessed Valuation:** A valuation set upon real or personal property by the Board of Assessors as a basis for levying taxes.

**Budget:** A plan of financial operation consisting of an estimate of proposed expenditures for a given period and the means of financing them. The budget is voted in the spring at Town Meeting for the fiscal year that begins the following July 1st.

**Capital Budget:** A plan of proposed capital outlays and the means of financing them for the current year.

**Cherry Sheet:** An annual statement received from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue detailing estimated payments to the town for the next fiscal year and the estimated state and county government charges payable by the town. The Assessors in setting the tax rate use these amounts. The actual receipts and charges may vary from the estimates.

**Community Preservation Act (CPA):** The Town adopted the Community Preservation Act (CPA) in 2004. This Act allows the town to collect up to a 3% surcharge (Acushnet has voted only 1.5%) on property tax bills (the funds can be matched up to 100% by the state when funds are available), which creates the Community Preservation Fund, to use for Community Preservation purposes. Each year, the town must appropriate, or reserve (but not necessarily spend), 10% of the funds for each of the three Community Preservation purposes: Open Space, Historic Resources, and Community Housing. The remaining 70% of the funds can be appropriated or reserved used for any of the three purposes and for Recreation and for administration.

**Debt Service:** Payment of interest and repayment of principal to holders of the Town's debt instruments.

**Fiscal Year:** A 12-month period, commencing July 1 and ending June 30, to which the annual budget applies. Fiscal years are often denoted FYXX with the last two numbers representing the calendar year in which it ends, for example, FY18 is the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

**Free Cash:** Free cash is the portion of unreserved fund balance available for appropriation. It is not cash but rather is approximately the total of cash and receivables less current liabilities and earmarked reserves also reduced by reserves for uncollected taxes. This is also referred to as "available cash". The amount is certified annually by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

**General Fund:** The major town-owned fund which is created with town receipts and which is charged with expenditures payable from revenues.

**Grant:** A contribution of assets by one governmental unit or other organization to another. Typically, these contributions are made to local governments from the state and federal governments. Grants are usually made for specific purposes.

**Line-Item Budget:** A format of budgeting that organizes costs by type of expenditure such as expenses, equipment, and salaries.

**Overlay:** The amount set aside to allow for uncollected property taxes. An amount for the overlay is added to the appropriations and other charges. Overlay Surplus – see below.

**Overlay Surplus:** The unused amount of the overlay for prior years, which may be transferred, by a vote of the Town, to the reserve account or used for extraordinary items.

**Property Tax Levy:** The amount produced by multiplying the assessed valuation of property by the tax rate. The tax rate is expressed “per thousand dollars” of assessed valuation.

**Reserve Fund:** Money set aside by Town Meeting to be allocated by the Finance Committee for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures.

**Stabilization Fund:** A special reserve funded by Town Meeting for future expenditures.

**Tax Classification Tax Allocation:** Before setting the tax rate each year, a classification hearing is held by the selectmen to determine the shares of the tax levy to be paid by each class of property in the community, and whether to allow an open space discount, residential exemption, or small commercial exemption. The Assessors provide information about the impact of these options at the hearing. The decisions of the Selectmen are reported to the Bureau of Accounts and are referred to as the “Classification Tax Allocation.”

### **Terms associated with Proposition 2½:**

**Debt or Capital Exclusion:** The Town can assess taxes in excess of the levy limit by voting a debt exclusion or capital outlay exclusion. This amount does not become a permanent part of the levy limit base but does allow the Town to assess taxes for a specific period in excess of the limit for payment of debt service costs or payment of capital expenditures.

**Excess Levy Capacity:** The difference between the Town's tax levy limit and its actual tax levy for the current year. It is the additional tax levy that could be raised without asking for an override.

**New Growth:** The amount of property tax revenue that the Town can add to its allowable tax levy as a result of new construction, alterations, subdivisions or change of use which increases the value of a parcel of land by more than certain amounts.

**Override:** An amount, voted by the Town, which is permanently added to the levy limit.

A majority vote of the Selectmen allows an override question to be put on the ballot. Override questions must be presented in dollar terms and must specify the purpose of the override. Overrides require a majority vote of approval by the Town.

**Tax Levy Limit:** The maximum amount of the tax levy for a period under the restrictions of Proposition 2½. It is calculated as the prior year limit plus new growth plus 2.5% of the prior year levy limit.

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**Monday, May 14, 2018**

At Seven o'clock in the Evening  
at the Albert F. Ford Middle School, 708 Middle Road

WEATHER: Cool & Clear

LOCATION: Ford Middle School

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES: Approved by Nicholas A. Gomes, Moderator

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:08 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 135

TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:38 P.M.

**THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:**

Nicholas Gomes, Moderator  
Brian Noble, Town Administrator  
Roger Cabral, Selectman  
Kristie Costa, Treasurer/Collector  
Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk  
Dr. Michael Boucher, Finance  
Committee – Vice-Chairman  
Michael St. Onge, Finance Committee  
John Howcroft, Finance Committee

Jeffrey Blake, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council  
Michael Cioper, Board of Selectmen – Chairman  
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen  
Julie Hebert, Finance Director  
Robert St. Jean, Finance Committee – Chairman  
Susan Delgado, Finance Committee  
Robert Ferreira, Finance Committee

First Preliminary Motion made for nonresidents Mark Rasmussen of Buzzards Bay Coalition and Paulo Macaroco, Acushnet Youth Soccer Association President to speak at town meeting, despite not being residents.

The motion is made and seconded and passes unanimously.

Second Preliminary Motion made the reading of the call of meeting and the return of service not having to be read. The Moderator declared the documents are proper and in good order.

The motion is made and seconded and passes unanimously.

Moderator Gomes proceeds to explain a new format consisting of a Consent Agenda to be incorporated in Town Meeting if approved by voters this evening. Below is a description of the Consent Agenda and the articles to be included:

**2018 Acushnet Annual Town Meeting Consent Agenda**

A consent agenda's purpose is to act expeditiously upon certain types of articles that

historically have generated no controversy and can reasonably be voted upon without debate. With a consent agenda, a number of articles can be addressed with a single vote, thereby ensuring that a greater proportion of Town Meeting’s time is dedicated to articles that are the subject of genuine debate.

When the Consent Agenda is called, the Moderator will read out the number of each article, one by one. If a voter has a question or concern about a particular article’s inclusion on the Consent Agenda, s/he should say “hold” when the article’s number is called. If the purpose of the “hold” is only to ask a simple question, the Moderator will attempt to get the question answered quickly with the goal of leaving the article on the Consent Agenda. Failing that, or if the article is held for debate, the article will be removed from the Consent Agenda. After each article has been called, the Moderator will ask Town Meeting to pass all articles on the Consent Agenda that have not been otherwise removed in a single vote. It is hoped that voters will remove articles from the Consent Agenda only in cases where genuine concern exists.

The following Consent Agenda will be taken up before Article 1 of the Annual Town Meeting on Monday, May 14, 2018.

- ARTICLE 1:

To see if the Town will accept the reports of its Officers, Boards, Departments, Committees, and Commissions, as printed in the 2017 Annual Report, or act on anything relative thereto. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen) – (NO HOLD)
- MOTION:

I move that the Town hear and act upon the reports of the Officers, Boards, Departments, Committees, and Commissions as printed in the 2017 Annual Report.
- ARTICLE 4:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for state or federal grants, and to expend any monies received, as outlined in the appropriate grant application; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen) – (NO HOLD)
- MOTION:

I move that the Town Authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for state or federal grants and to expend any monies received as set forth in the appropriate grant applications.
- ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Town will vote to accept and expend any sum or sums of money that may be available from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Massachusetts Department of Transportation) for Chapter 90 type construction, improvements, and/or reconstruction of public ways and associated equipment; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts relative thereto, and to appropriate said sum or sums in anticipation of reimbursement from the Commonwealth; or take any other action thereon or in

relation thereto. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen) – (NO HOLD)

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to accept and expend any sum or sums of money that may be available from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for Chapter 90 type construction improvements or reconstruction of public ways and associated equipment, further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts relative thereto and to appropriate said sum or sums in anticipation of reimbursement from the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the consent of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Law (MGL), Chapter 44, §4, and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with MGL, Chapter 44, §17, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen) – (NO HOLD)

MOTION: I move the Article as written in the Warrant.

ARTICLE 41: 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 take any other action thereon or in relation thereto. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen) – (NO HOLD)

MOTION: I move this Article as written in the Warrant.

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the members of the Recreation Commission to perform work in the park and to determine the compensation to be paid to said members; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto. (Requested by the Board of Selectmen) – (NO HOLD)

MOTION: I move this Article as written in the Warrant.

ARTICLE 45: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Library Trustees to sell for the sum of \$1 the discarded books and periodicals of the Acushnet Public Library to the Friends of Acushnet Public Library, a non-profit library support group, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto. (Requested by the Library Trustees) – (NO HOLD)

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to allow the Board of Library

Trustees to sell discarded books and periodicals of the Acushnet Public Library to the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library for the sum of one dollar.

ARTICLE 47: To see if the Town will adopt the resolution outlined in Appendix 2 of this document, to wit

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the efficient administration of Town affairs is achieved through the largely voluntary assumption of official responsibilities by elected or appointed officers combined with the loyal and faithful service of salaried employees, and,

WHEREAS certain persons have during the calendar year of 2017 concluded periods of service during which they have made substantial contributions to the public weal,

BE IT RESOLVED that the names and nature of service of the following named persons be herewith noticed and recorded in the minutes of this Annual Town Meeting of 2018 in grateful recognition of their work on behalf of the Town,

or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.  
(Requested by the Board of Selectmen) – (NO HOLD)

MOTION: I move that the town recognize and express our gratitude to those employees, board, and commission members who completed their service to the Town in the calendar year 2017 by the adoption of the resolution as shown in Appendix 2 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant of 2018.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to take out of order, Articles 1, 4, 5, 6, 41, 42, 45, and 47, and that they be “passed by consent” in accordance with the motions shown on the “2018 Acushnet Annual Town Meeting Consent Agenda” distributed to Town Meeting attendees this evening.

MOTION MADE BY: MICHAEL A. CIOPER

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, the motion passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 1: Included within Consent Agenda - Passed

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a certain sum of money to be added to line item 0104423-529000, Snow Removal/Ice Control, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously in the amount of \$55,000.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$55,000 to the FY2018 Snow and Ice Budget to cover a deficit created by winter snow removal.

MOTION BY: ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article, unopposed, in the amount of \$55,000.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, the motion passes unanimously.

GENERAL FUND		FY18 APPROPRIATION	FY19 REQUESTED	FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:				
1110	RESERVE FUND			
	Expense Total	200,000	150,000	150,000
TOWN MEETING & ELECTIONS				
1113				
	Expense Total	3,500	11,000	11,000
MODERATOR				
1114				
	Salary Total	725	725	725
	Expense Total	370	370	370
1122	SELECTMEN			



	Salary Total	220,668	224,361	224,361
	Expense Total	28,450	39,300	29,300
1131	FINANCE COMMITTEE			
	Salary Total	2,025	2,025	2,025
	Expense Total	550	550	550
1135	TOWN ACCOUNTANT			
	Salary Total	162,633	164,165	164,165
	Expense Total	28,800	39,100	39,100
1141	ASSESSORS			
	Salary Total	106,370	107,252	107,252
	Expense Total	46,055	46,725	46,725
1145	TOWN TREASURER			
	Salary Total	79,466	81,931	81,931
	Expense Total	8,300	28,300	28,300
1146	TOWN COLLECTOR			
	Salary Total	115,069	113,891	113,891
	Expense Total	10,100	10,100	10,100
1151	TOWN COUNSEL			
	Expense Total	84,500	84,500	84,500
1155	TECHNOLOGY			
	Salary Total	18,025	18,386	18,386
	Expense Total	112,964	105,464	105,464

	Capital Outlay Total	20,000	5,000	5,000
1161	TOWN CLERK			
	Salary Total	109,893	125,980	125,980
	Expense Total	5,875	5,350	5,350
	Capital Outlay Total	500	500	500
1163	BOARD OF REGISTRARS			
	Salary Total	8,000	12,000	12,000
	Expense Total	6,250	10,850	10,850
1171	CONSERVATION COMMISSION			
	Salary Total	57,736	63,992	58,992
	Expense Total	9,250	9,750	9,750
1172	SOIL BOARD			
	Salary Total	1,000	1,900	1,900
	Expense Total	50	25,200	200
1175	PLANNING BOARD			
	Salary Total	52,443	53,242	53,242
	Expense Total	2,025	2,025	2,025
1176	BOARD OF APPEALS			
	Salary Total	2,030	2,030	2,030
	Expense Total	2,150	2,150	2,150
1192	TOWN BUILDINGS			
	Salary Total	118,231	132,346	132,346
	Expense Total	111,000	114,000	114,000

GENERAL			
GOVERNMENT TOTAL:	1,735,003	1,784,460	1,754,460
PUBLIC SAFETY:			
POLICE			
2210	DEPARTMENT		
	Salary Total	1,869,272	1,874,267
	Expense Total	182,120	195,570
	Vehicles Total	111,440	83,000
FIRE			
2220	DEPARTMENT		
	Salary Total	400,050	401,783
	Expense Total	35,085	48,240
2232	EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES		
	Salary Total	428,738	427,393
	Expense Total	104,120	98,150
BUILDING			
2241	DEPARTMENT		
	Salary Total	106,535	108,072
	Expense Total	16,600	16,850
SEALER			
WEIGHTS/			
2244	MEASURES		
	Salary Total	1,101	1,123
2291	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY		
	Salary Total	500	1,000
	Expense Total	9,890	10,564
	Capital Outlay		
	Total	1,200	1,500

2292	ANIMAL CONTROL			
	Salary Total	41,157	42,165	42,165
	Expense Total	3,850	4,500	4,500
2294	FORESTRY			
	Salary Total	600	600	600
	Expense Total	7,775	7,775	7,775
	PUBLIC SAFETY TOTAL:	3,320,033	3,322,552	3,322,552
	EDUCATION:			
	OLD COLONY			
3320	REGIONAL			
	Expense Total	1,756,434	1,855,472	1,855,472
3325	ACUSHNET SCHOOL DEPARTMENT			
	Expense Total	13,991,342	14,334,404	14,334,404
	EDUCATION TOTAL:	15,747,776	16,189,876	16,189,876
	PUBLIC WORKS:			
4422	DEPT. PUBLIC WORKS - HIGHWAY			
	Salary Total	341,782	386,155	386,155
	Expense Total	293,000	301,800	301,800
	Capital Outlay Total	3,000	5,000	5,000
4423	SNOW & ICE REMOVAL			
	Expense Total	110,000	110,000	110,000
4424	STREET LIGHTING			
	Expense Total	60,000	50,000	50,000
4431	SEMASS			

	Salary Total	17,700	17,700	17,700
	Expense Total	819,200	860,500	860,500
4491	CEMETERY			
	Salary Total	5,464	5,464	5,464
	Expense Total	1,325	1,325	1,325
4450	WATER DIVISION			
	Salary Total	151,785	152,055	152,055
	Expense Total	1,089,155	1,211,580	1,211,580
	Capital Outlay Total	50,000	50,000	50,000
7450	WATER - RETIREMENT OF DEBT			
	Expense Total	206,992	206,991	206,991
	WATER DIVISION TOTAL	1,497,932	1,620,626	1,620,626
PUBLIC WORKS TOTAL:		3,149,403	3,358,570	3,358,570
HUMAN SERVICES:				
5510	BOARD OF HEALTH			
	Salary Total	148,667	173,705	130,614
	Expense Total	16,150	16,150	16,150
	Capital Outlay Total	200	200	200
5541	COUNCIL ON AGING			
	Salary Total	98,025	103,082	100,357
	Expense Total	20,740	20,740	20,740
5543	VETERANS			
	Salary Total	19,284	19,670	19,670
	Expense Total	226,345	226,345	226,345

HUMAN SERVICES	529,411	559,892	514,076
TOTAL:			

CULTURE & RECREATION:

LIBRARY			
6610 DEPARTMENT			
Salary Total	179,820	199,719	199,719
Expense Total	52,663	58,076	58,076

6630 RECREATION DEPARTMENT			
Expense Total	19,687	19,687	19,687

PARK			
6650 DEPARTMENT			
Salary Total	20,420	20,420	20,420
Expense Total	18,917	18,917	18,917

HISTORICAL			
6691 COMMISSION			
Expense Total	5,800	5,800	5,800

2699 MISCELLANEOUS			
Salary Total	5,000	7,500	5,000
Expense Total	10,849	11,166	11,166

CULTURE & RECREATION TOTAL:	341,285	338,785	313,156
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DEBT SERVICE:

RETIREMENT			
7710 OF DEBT			
Expense Total	195,000	252,000	252,000

7751 INTEREST			
Expense Total	136,638	142,105	142,105

DEBT SERVICE			
TOTAL:	331,638	394,105	394,105
NON-DEPARTMENTAL:			
1911 PENSIONS			
Expense Total	1,349,794	1,412,808	1,412,808
1914 INSURANCE			
Expense Total	1,748,500	1,932,763	1,887,763
NON-DEPARTMENTAL			
TOTAL:	3,098,294	3,345,571	3,300,571
GENERAL FUND			
TOTAL:	\$ 26,726,782	\$ 27,685,685	\$ 27,552,369

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ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote, under the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 41, §108, or any amendments thereto, to fix the salaries of all elected officials for Fiscal Year 2019, and raise and appropriate any sum or sums therefor, and further raise and appropriate any sum or sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town, and for other necessary charges, in accordance with the amount recommended by the Finance Committee as shown in the final column of the Warrant;

FISCAL 2019 OMNIBUS BUDGET

or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article advances the Operating Budget for the Town for the Fiscal Year that begins on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Finance Committee has balanced the available revenue with the department requests and is advancing this budget for the approval of Town Meeting.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town fix the salaries of all elected officials for Fiscal Year 2019 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, 2019; all as set forth in the budget presentation by the Finance Committee, and, as funding therefor, to appropriate from Taxation the sum of \$17,334,737; transfer the sum of \$7,759,200 from Projected State Aid Receipts; the sum of \$3,098,626 from Estimated Local Receipts; and to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$462,515; and transfer from EMS Reserved Receipts account the sum of \$516,367 and further the sum of \$1,550 from Fund Balance Reserved for Debt Premiums. All to fund the budget as recommended by the Finance Committee as shown in the final column of Article 5 in the Warrant for the May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting.

MOTION BY: ROBERT ST. JEAN

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

NOTES: Moderator makes a correction on line item 2220 – Salaries – Fire Department. The Finance Committee recommendation column that reads \$400,050 should read \$401,783. In addition, the expense line that reads \$35,085 should read 48,240. The total for the entire Omnibus Budget is correct.

A hold was placed on 1171 – Conservation Commission budget by Robert Rocha, Chair. After calling out all line items, the Moderator opens up discussion and requests Chair Rocha to discuss the hold. He responds by stating that while reviewing the General Fund Budget, he found the more detailed budget which answered his question.

Point of order called to the Moderator by Selectman Cabral who asks for confirmation that the budget being voted is that of the Finance Committee Recommendation not the FY 2019 Requested column. The moderator confirms the motion made is for the budget in the Finance Committee Recommendation column for \$27,552.369.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, the motion passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 4: Included within Consent Agenda - Passed

ARTICLE 5: Included within Consent Agenda - Passed

ARTICLE 6: Included within Consent Agenda - Passed

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ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to operate the Golf Club Enterprise Fund as shown below:



Reserve Fund	\$ 100,000
Salaries	520,094
Operation & Maintenance	390,034
Capital Outlay	99,392
Debt Service	354,550
TOTAL	\$ 1,464,070

and that this sum be raised as follows:

Golf Center Revenue	\$ 1,364,070
Golf Retained Earnings	100,000
TOTAL:	\$ 1,464,070

or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article authorizes the “Enterprise Fund” for the operation of the Golf Club. It permits the use of dedicated funds collected for the services provided to be spent within the fiscal year for the expenses of operating the Golf Club.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,464,070 to operate the Golf Club Enterprise authorized under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, §53F½, as set forth in Article 7 of the May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

MOTION BY: KEVIN A. GASPAR, SR.

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, the article passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter a five-year, \$1 buyout lease for maintenance equipment at the Golf Course; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

The Golf Club routinely leases fairway maintenance equipment, paid for from the Golf Enterprise Fund; however, leases for more than three years require Town Meeting authorization.

The Finance Committee will make its recommendation at Town Meeting.

MOTION: I move to indefinitely postpone this Article.

MOTION BY: MICHAEL A. CIOPER

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states there is no recommendation at this time.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, it passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to operate the Sewer Enterprise Fund as shown below:

Reserve Fund	\$ 50,000
Salaries	68,320
Operations & Maintenance	475,023
Capital Outlay	3,000
Debt Service	-
TOTAL	\$ 596,343

and that this sum be raised as follows:

Sewer Revenues	\$ 546,343
Sewer Retained Earnings	50,000
TOTAL:	\$ 596,343

or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article authorizes the “Enterprise Fund” for the operation of the Sewer Department. It permits the use of dedicated funds collected for the services provided to be spent within

the fiscal year for the expenses of operating the Sewer Department.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$596,343 to operate the Sewer Enterprise authorized under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, §53F½, as set forth in Article 9 of the May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

MOTION BY: ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: The motion passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize the Sewer Tie-In Betterment Loan Account and to repurpose \$36,000 in interest earned to be re-loaned to qualified residents for the purpose of connecting to Town Sewer; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article re-authorizes the loan account and adds the interest earned on previous loans to the total funds available to be used to loan Acushnet homeowners funds to tie into the Town's sewer lines.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to repurpose the sum of \$36,000 collected in interest in the Sewer Tie-in Loan account to be re-loaned to qualified residents for the purpose of connecting to the Town Sewer as set forth in Article 10 of the May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

MOTION BY: KEVIN A. GASPAR, SR.

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, the motion passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sums recommended, or any other sum or sums, for Capital Outlay for the Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical Services (EMS), as set forth in the following schedule and determine whether such sums will be provided by taxation or by transfer or by a combination thereof,

Department	Item Description	Department Request	Finance Committee Recommends	Source of Funds
Fire/EMS	Radio Replacements	\$25,000	\$25,000	
Fire/EMS	Ladder Truck	\$80,000	\$80,000	
	Reimbursement to General Fund			EMS Receipts Reserved
Fire/EMS	CPR Devices (2)	\$29,000	\$29,000	
Fire/EMS	Bio-Medical Waste Destruction System	\$48,000	\$48,000	
	Radio/Repeaters Replacement			Free Cash
Police		\$135,000	\$135,000	
Police	Defibrillators (Replacement)	\$12,000	\$12,000	EMS Receipts Reserved
Total		\$329,000	\$329,000	

or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article provides for some of the capital requests in the budget.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$194,000 from EMS Receipts Reserved and the sum of \$135,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of purchasing Police and Fire Radios, Reimbursing the Town for the purchase and refurbishing of a ladder truck, the purchase of two CPR devices, a bio-medical waste destruction system, and defibrillators and all necessary labor, and all accessory costs as incidental to the purchase and installation of the equipment aforementioned.

MOTION BY: MICHAEL A. CIOPER

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, the article passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for a sum not to exceed \$20,000 for the purpose of converting the Munis Chart of Accounts to the current State standard or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Town  
Accountant

The current Chart of Accounts is not in conformance with the State standard chart of accounts and the conversion would properly reform the chart and transfer the account histories.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer the amount of \$20,000 from Free Cash to fund the conversion of the Munis Chart of Accounts to the current State standard and fund any costs that my accrue in this conversion.

MOTION BY: ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no one in opposition, the article passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for a sum not to exceed \$10,000 for the purpose of a Wage & Classification Plan, including updating job descriptions for union town employees and positions, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

At the Special Town Meeting held in November of 2016 the Town voted to create a Wage & Classification Study for Non-Union Town Employees. This Article Funds a Wage &

Classification Plan for the Unionized Town Employees.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$10,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of drafting and developing a Wage & Classification Plan, including updating job descriptions for union town employees and positions.

MOTION BY: KEVIN A. GASPAR, SR.

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, the matter is passed unanimously.

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ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for a sum not to exceed \$20,000 for the purpose of purchasing and installing technology equipment, i.e. wireless microwave communication systems for voice and data, an access control system for doors, and the upgrading of computers, etc. at the Town Hall, Parting Ways, and Fire Department or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Chief  
Technology Officer

The Town is well underway in improving our cybersecurity and leveraging our technology between departments. This funding would continue that progress and allow improvements in efficiency and security in the three buildings mentioned above.  
The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the town appropriate from Free Cash the amount of \$20,000 for the purchase and installation of technology equipment for communications, access control, computers and other apparatus as may be necessary at the Town Hall, Parting Ways building, and Fire Department.

MOTION BY: MICHAEL A. CIOPER

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL:                                Seeing no one in opposition, the article passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for a sum not to exceed \$42,500 for the purpose of purchasing file cabinets, desks, chairs, and other furniture for the Parting Ways Building and Town Hall or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Town  
Accountant

Departments will start to move to the refurbished Parting Ways building in the fall. The Town Clerks office will require more filing cabinets for the purpose of proper record storage and the offices will need desks, chairs, and other furniture. While most offices will move with the furniture from their previous offices, some departments will need to replace as well as to add furniture. The proposal is for the acquisition of used office furniture in good condition and not new.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the town appropriate from Free Cash the amount of \$42,500 for the purchase of file cabinets, desks, chairs, and other used office furniture for the Parting Ways Building and Town Hall.

MOTION BY:                                ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED:                            MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL:                                Article 15 passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c. 41, §111M, and §111N which authorizes the Town to extend the disability income protection to emergency medical technicians and paramedics; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

Municipalities that accept this section for emergency medical service providers employed by the Town are guaranteed leave if they sustain disabling injuries as a result of their duties.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the town vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 41, Sections 111M and N as amended.

MOTION BY: KEVIN A. GASPAR, SR.

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, Article 16 passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c. 64L, §2, which authorizes the Town to impose a local sales tax upon the sale of restaurant meals originating within the Town at a rate of 0.75% of gross sales receipts; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article provides for the adoption of the meals tax in local restaurants.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article by a majority vote (5-2).

MOTION: I move that the town vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 64L, Section 2 as printed in the Warrant.

MOTION BY: MICHAEL A. CIOPER

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article by a majority vote, 5 in favor and 2 opposed.

NOTES: Mr. Joseph (resident), questions the new format of Town Meeting and why the articles are not being hand counted. The Moderator states, to move the meeting along, it is within his authority to make the judgement call by accepting voice responses. If there is a close call, that is when, he would move it to the next step and request a hand count.

DISCUSSION: Paul Hipolito (resident) questions if there are procedures documenting the implementation and how the tax will be reported taxable vs. non-taxable.

Town Administrator Noble responds in the affirmative, there are procedures and it can take



up to a year for education and implementation. The business will be billed as it is handled now.

Selectmen Cabral and Cioper speak in favor of the implementation of a meals tax in Acushnet.

Selectman Gaspar speaks against the implementation of a meals tax.

The following residents speak against the implementation of a meals tax: Norman Fredette, Tom Decosta, Gary Rawcliffe, David Davignon and Donny Williams.

Tommy Lipsett (resident) suggests speaking about how the money will be spent.

Eric Chew (resident) questions, if this article is funding the next article, can it be written so that it is not changed to fund something else.

Selectmen Gaspar responds by stating, not to his knowledge, once an article is written, it is written.

Town Administrator Noble responds, under state law, the earned revenue must be appropriated at Town Meeting each year. Each year and under the policy of the Selectmen, until changed, it will be received as revenue and re-appropriated to that expense.

PASS/FAIL: Moderator determined the voice count was too close and asks for a hand count. In favor: 28, opposed: 76. Article 17 did not pass.

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ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to reaccept the provisions of G.L. c.32B, §20, as amended by the Municipal Modernization Act, Chapter 218 of the Acts of 2016 (the “Act”), under which the Town has established an Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund (the “OPEB Fund”), for which the Treasurer serves as custodian of the Fund; designate the Treasurer/Custodian as the Trustee of the OPEB Fund, with all the powers and responsibilities identified under the Act and this vote; authorize the Treasurer/Custodian, as Trustee, to employ investment consultant(s), as well as outside custodial service(s) to hold the monies in the Fund, and to pay for those services from the OPEB Fund; authorize the investment of the OPEB Fund under the prudent investor rule established under G.L. c.203C; authorize the Treasurer/Custodian, as Trustee, to execute any and all documents necessary to utilize outside custodial service(s) and/or investment consultant(s), including but not limited to trust agreements, participation agreements, investment agreements, and administrative services agreements; and designate the Treasurer/Custodian as the “Plan Administrator”, as may be necessary to utilize outside custodial service(s) and authorize the Treasurer/Custodian acting as Plan Administrator to take any other action as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of the vote taken hereunder; and, further, that the balance in full be transferred from the OPEB Stabilization Account and the additional sum of \$100,000 be transferred from Overlay Surplus and deposited in the OPEB Fund; or take

any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

To move the town funds from a dedicated stabilization account to the State's Trust Fund which will cut auditing expenses and administration fees and dramatically reduce the Town's projected liability for OPEB.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: To move the town funds from a dedicated stabilization account to the State's Trust Fund which will cut auditing expenses and administration fees and dramatically reduce the Town's projected liability for OPEB.

MOTION BY: ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

DISCUSSION: Selectman Gaspar speaks against accepting the proposed provisions.

Selectmen Cabral and Cioper speak in favor of accepting the proposed provisions.

David Flynn (resident) questions what is being transferred as no dollar amount was mentioned in the article. He further states the \$100,000 should be read into the motion.

Selectman Cabral states the monies to be transferred are those, currently, invested in addition to \$100,000.00.

Donny Williams (resident) questions if the funds will be given up to the state. He further questions, what the current administration fees are.

Town Administrator Noble states an irrevocable trust would be created on our behalf. The administrative fees are less than 1% with the state and we are, currently, paying 4%.

Donald Marshall (resident) questions what the towns annual cost is for this expenditure and where is it expected to be in five years.

Selectmen Gaspar responds based on information from the actuaries for 25 years, fully funded, the first year (FY 2014), we would start out with \$141,000 and in the end (FY 2038) the net budget impact would be \$840,000.

Sue Delgado (Finance Committee member and resident) states, if we want to reform retiree benefits that is something we can look at later on but for right now we need to function as

though that liability is going to be there. She states if we do something now, it will help the residents that will be here in 25 years. She further states, in 25 years, we will not be able to sustain the liability we will end up with; we are trying to do something now to stop it from being a disaster down the road.

Gary Rawcliffe (resident) questions who invested the money at 2%.

Town Administrator Noble responds that it was the previous administration.

PASS/FAIL:                                There is opposition to Article 18 but it passes with a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority vote.

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ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sums recommended, or any other sum or sums, for Capital Outlay for the Highway and Water Departments, as set forth in the following schedule and determine whether such sums will be provided by taxation or by transfer or by a combination thereof,

Department	Item Description	Department Request	Finance Committee Recommends	Source of Funds
Highway	Truck – 10 Ton with Sander & Plow	\$230,000	\$230,000	Overlay Surplus
Water	Mini-Excavator	\$52,500	\$52,500	Water Surplus
Water	Remote Meter Read System Upgrade	\$60,000	\$60,000	Revenue
Total		\$342,500	\$342,500	

or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article provides for some of the capital requests in the budget.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$230,000 from Overlay Surplus and the amount of \$112,500 from the Water Surplus Revenue to the capital requests of the Highway and Water Departments as well as any incidental or necessary costs that may accrue with these purchases as printed in the Warrant.

MOTION BY:                                KEVIN A. GASPAR, SR.

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Hearing no opposition, Article 19 passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for a sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of repairing, replacing, or otherwise effecting a solution for the Septic System at the Acushnet Public Library, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Library  
Board of Trustees

At the time of this writing it was unknown if the entire Septic System or the leaching field, is failing at the Library. This appropriation will allow the Town to affect a solution to the issues at the Library.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$25,000 from Free Cash to fund the repair, replacement, improvement, or alteration, and all incidental and necessary expenses or otherwise fund corrective action to the Septic System at the Acushnet Public Library.

MOTION BY: MICHAEL A. CIOPER

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL: Hearing no opposition, Article 20 passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sums recommended, or any other sum or sums, for Capital Outlay for the School Department as set forth in the following schedule and determine whether such sums will be provided by taxation or by transfer or by a combination thereof,

<b>Item Description</b>	<b>Department Request</b>	<b>Finance Committee Recommends</b>	<b>Source of Funds</b>
Renovation to Boys Bathroom at AES	\$20,000	\$20,000	
Roof Preventative Maintenance Program AES/FMS	\$50,000	\$50,000	
Playground Reformation and Drainage	\$20,000	\$20,000	Free Cash
Security Cameras, Monitors and related equipment	\$75,000	\$75,000	
Clocks & Related Equipment AES/FMS	\$65,000	\$65,000	
Driveway Sealcoating & Patching AES/FMS	\$54,000	\$54,000	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$284,000</b>	<b>\$284,000</b>	

or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article provides for some of the capital requests in the budget.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$284,000 from Free Cash to fund capital projects at the Elementary and Middle Schools as printed in the Warrant.

MOTION BY: ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

DISCUSSION: Donny Williams (resident) questions the status on the playground.

Kristin Flynn (School Business Manager) responds that the \$20,000. is for the start of the playground renovations and to address the drainage issues.

Mary Lebeau (resident) questions the \$65,000 for clocks and related equipment.

Kristin Flynn responds that it will be used to cover the school clocks and bell system at

PASS/FAIL: Hearing no opposition, Article 21 passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to establish a School District Reserve fund under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 40, §13E, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

This law enables municipal school districts to establish a reserve fund that can be used in future years for unanticipated or unbudgeted costs of special education, out of district tuition and/or transportation. Funds in the stabilization fund can only be expended or transferred out after a majority vote of both the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer \$100,000 from Overlay Surplus for the purpose of establishing a School District Reserve Fund.

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed in the amount of \$100,000.

PASS/FAIL: Hearing no opposition, Article 22 passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article VI, Section A, regarding the Soil Conservation Board composition as follows:

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designee appointed by the Conservation Commission, and the Highway Superintendent, or a designee from the Highway Department, Fire Chief, and the Town Administrator; or a designee representing each of those town officers, or a designee from any one of these Boards. Each of the Boards having a representative on the Soil Conservation Board shall select its representative by majority vote of the Board so represented at any meeting which a quorum is present.

(Underline represents additional language, strikethrough represents removing language.)

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article expands the Soil Conservation Board membership to include additional Town Department/Officer representation.

MOTION: I move this Article as written in the Warrant.  
MOTION BY: MICHAEL A. CIOPER

VOTE REQUIRED: 2/3 MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee did not take a vote on this article.

DISCUSSION: Norman Fredette (resident), states that we, currently, have 6 members and asks for confirmation that they want to add two more members. This is confirmed in the affirmative. He questions the Moderator if there will be two members from the executive branch on the board, what qualifications do these new board members have and will they be paid. He further recommends no more members be added.

Donny Williams (resident) questions if the proposed two added members are already chosen.

Selectman Cabral states he is a member of the Board and the additional members are specifically, the Fire Chief and Town Administrator. We are broadening the definition to give the existing members some flexibility to appoint someone they feel would best serve the needs of the Soil Board. The purpose of this is to help the town by giving additional bodies and expertise and to add strength to the Soil Board.

Kevin Smith (resident) explains the reason and importance of having the extra members.

PASS/FAIL: Opposition is filed for Article 23 but passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote.

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ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for a sum not to exceed \$50,000 for the purpose

of a site plan review, compliance monitoring, legal representation and/or professional consulting services to aid the town departments in addressing the building, soil permits, etc. of a business permit(s) application; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen and the Soil Board, and Board of Health

PJ Keating has requested a building permit to move the asphalt plant to the front of their site on South Main Street. The plan triggers several issues that the Town does not possess the technical skills to complete the permit process in its entirety, meet its responsibilities to abutters, or to monitor compliance. This article provides funds to hire technical assistance.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$50,000 from Free Cash to fund the hiring of a consultant or consultants to assist the Town with the technical questions arising from PJ Keating’s plans to relocate the asphalt plant and other property alterations.

MOTION BY: ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

DISCUSSION: Mary Lebeau (resident) states the neighbors had a meeting six months ago with the health department and representatives of P.J. Keating and questions the request of \$50,000 and why it is being asked for now.

Kevin Smith (resident) responds that 6 months ago they had a meeting and asked local government for volunteers for a committee. P.J. Keating hired a consultant as a result. The consultant is part of this expenditure to review items such as their dust mitigation plan and to be sure they are following the laws. No one within the town has the expertise needed to protect the town. The consultant is to protect all of us.

Selectmen Cabral states, as a Town, we are going to begin to ensure that P.J. Keating is complying with the laws and the consultant will help us to do that.

PASS/FAIL: Article 24 passes with opposition by a majority vote.

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ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for a sum not to exceed \$125,000 for the purpose of building repairs, alterations, and improvements to the Senior Center located at 59 ½ South



Main Street; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen, the Council on  
Aging and the Emergency  
Management Director

The Council on Aging and the Emergency Management Director are requesting these funds to add handicapped showers, a full-building emergency generator and other improvements to the building that will serve the dual purposes of upgrading the Senior Center from a “Warming Center” to an Emergency Shelter and allow the Senior Center to further serve those needing additional assistance in non-emergency situations for bathing/showering needs.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$125,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of repairing, altering, and improving the Senior Center building including without limitation new plumbing, energy equipment, and any necessary or incidental costs that may come with these alterations and improvements.

MOTION BY: KEVIN A. GASPAR, SR.

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Article 25 passes by a majority vote with opposition.

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ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$12,000 from current year funds to pay for the Assessors Server Migration including the cost of hardware, software, and labor to install and migrate the data; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Assessors

The Board of Assessors was required to purchase and install a new data server for the Assessing software. This article allows for the transfer of funds from Overlay Surplus to pay for the associated costs.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$12,000 from Overlay Surplus to fund the Assessor's server migration and all incidental and necessary expenses.

MOTION BY: MICHAEL A. CIOPER

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, Article 26 is passed unanimously.

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ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 11 of the Annual Town Meeting of 2002 to increase the elderly exemption for income guidelines under MGL Chapter 59, §5, Clause 41A from \$40,000 to \$50,000; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen and the Board  
of Assessors

The Town adopted Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41A originally in 2002 to allow seniors to delay payment of their property taxes. A property tax deferral does not discharge the tax obligation but instead defers payment until the senior sells the property or passes away. A deferral allows seniors to use resources that would go to pay taxes to defray living expenses instead. Taxpayers who qualify for a personal exemption (for example, for seniors, disabled veterans, blind persons or surviving spouses) may defer all or part of the balance of their reduced taxes. This article raises the income eligibility to include more seniors.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote establish the income requirement for the applications of property tax relief under Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41A at \$50,000.

MOTION BY: ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing one in opposition, Article 27 passes by a majority vote with opposition.

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ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town’s General Bylaw by adding a new Section \_\_\_\_, Marijuana Establishments Prohibited, that would provide as follows, and further to amend the Table of Contents to add Section \_\_\_\_, non-medical “Marijuana Establishments Prohibited”:

Section \_\_\_\_ Marijuana Establishments Prohibited

Consistent with G.L. c.94G, §3(a)(2), all types of non-medical “marijuana establishments” as defined in G.L.c.94G, §1, including marijuana cultivators, independent testing laboratories, marijuana product manufacturers, marijuana retailers or any other type of licensed marijuana-related businesses, shall be prohibited within the Town of Acushnet.

This Section shall be effective upon approval by the Attorney General having previously been approved by the voters at the Town Election of April 2, 2018.

or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article creates a Town General Bylaw prohibiting recreational marijuana establishments.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to accept and establish the General Marijuana Bylaw as written in the Warrant and to further authorize the Town Clerk to assign an appropriate Section number.

MOTION BY: KEVIN A. GASPAR, SR.

VOTE REQUIRED: 2/3 MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Article 28 passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority vote with opposition.

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ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and enter into an agreement to transfer the building asset known as the Russell Memorial Library, located at 88 Main Street, as shown on Assessors Map 25 Lot 21Q to the care and custody of the Acushnet Housing Authority for development and expressed purpose of

Veteran's Housing; or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

Transferring the care and custody of the building to the Housing Authority is the first step in creating additional options for veteran's affordable housing in the Town. The agreement would create safeguards for the community that ensure the proper maintenance of the historic nature of the building and preserve the architectural integrity.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and enter into an agreement to transfer the care, custody, and control of the former Russell Memorial Library from the Board of Selectmen for the purpose it is currently being held to the Acushnet Housing Authority for veteran's housing.

MOTION BY: MICHAEL A. CIOPER

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Article 29 passes with a majority vote, unanimously.

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ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will reserve from FY 2019 Community Preservation Fund - Estimated Revenues, the sum of \$8,625 for administrative expenses, 10% (\$17,250) for open space purposes; 10% (\$17,250) for historic preservation; 10% (\$17,250) for affordable housing; and the remaining \$112,125 to the FY 2019 Community Preservation Fund budgeted reserve; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Community  
Preservation Committee

This Article follows Massachusetts General Law that requires the reserving of certain percentages of the Community Preservation Act funds for specific purposes. This is done annually at Town Meeting.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move the Town vote to reserve from FY 2019 Community Preservation Fund - Estimated Revenues, the sum of \$8,625 for administrative expenses, \$17,250 for open space purposes; \$17,250 for historic preservation; \$17,250 for affordable housing; and

the remaining \$112,125 to the FY 2019 Community Preservation Fund budgeted reserve.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, Article 30 is declared passed, unanimously.

CPA ARTICLES CANNOT BE AMENDED TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT RECOMMENDED BY THE CPC.

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ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 from the Community Preservation Fund balance for Affordable Housing for the purpose of funding a feasibility study to convert the former Russell Memorial Library into affordable housing for veterans, pursuant to the Community Preservation Program, or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen, the  
Historic Commission, and  
the Community Preservation  
Committee

This Article funds the plans to develop the Russell Memorial Building into affordable housing for veterans.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate for affordable housing a sum of \$15,000 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance reserved for Affordable Housing of the Community Preservation Act to contribute to the cost of conducting a feasibility study and drafting architectural plans to convert the former Russell Memorial Library into affordable housing for veterans.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, Article 31 is declared passed unanimously.

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ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$34,464.95 from the Community Preservation Fund balance for Open Space and \$535.05 from the Community Preservation Fund Budget Reserves and \$35,000 from other available funds and grant said sums to the Buzzards Bay Coalition for the purpose of funding a portion of the acquisition cost, including, but not limited to, related project costs, closing costs, legal fees and transfer expenses to purchase for open space conservation purposes the property shown as Lots 30, 34 and 35 on Acushnet Assessors Map 10, and further, to authorize the Conservation Commission and/or the Board of Selectmen to use any state, federal and/or other outside grants and funds, including a state Buzzards Bay Watershed Municipal Mini-Grant Program grant, to fund said appropriation, and further, to authorize the Conservation Commission and/or the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift or otherwise a conservation restriction over approximately 23 acres of said property for conservation and appropriate public passive recreational use, and further, that the Conservation Commission and/or the Board of Selectmen 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 conservation restriction acquisition; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Community  
Preservation Committee

This Article assists the Buzzards Bay Coalition in acquiring and preserving conservation and open space land known as “Tripp’s Mill Brook Headwaters” within the Town.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate for open space a sum of \$34,464.95 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance reserved for open space acquisition and \$535.05 from the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act and the additional sum of \$35,000 obtained through a mini-grant for the Town by the Buzzards Bay Coalition, and approve Article 32 as printed in the Warrant.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

DISCUSSION: Marc Rasmussen (Buzzards Bay Coalition) explains the purpose of the funds is to preserve more than 30 acres in the far southeast side of Acushnet. This parcel is near Tinkham Pond and where Acushnet, Fairhaven and Mattapoisett come together. This parcel drains to Tinkham Pond. This corner of Acushnet is ranked as one of the highest for wildlife habitat quality in the state and the town. It is adjacent to a 400+ acre reserve on the Mattapoisett River Reserve and this parcels acquisition would pull Acushnet into a regional wide trail network.

This parcel was under agreement with a developer but the Town gave the Coalition the opportunity to raise money to purchase the land. The Coalition has raised \$140,000, they have received a \$35,000 federal grant and with the approval of this CPA article for \$35,000 it brings the Coalition to \$210,000 against the \$375,000 purchase price. If they are unable to raise the funds within the required timeline, they would consider selling one house lot to secure the entire remaining parcel. He further stated there would be no profit from the sale of the house lot.

David Davignon (resident) states his concern for how the town is taking property off of the tax rolls and speaks of the lots off of Keene Rd. in 2008 then a few years ago the town purchased land off of Perkins Lane and then again last year on Hamlin St. He commends the Coalition for the work they do but opposes taking property off the tax rolls for the Coalition to sell as a house lot.

Selectman Cioper states his opposition and doesn't feel the town is in the business to be developing property.

Robert Rocha (resident) states this money is already in the Community Preservation Fund, it is not an additional tax. This money is there to be spent and he further states his support.

Laurell Farinon (resident) commends the Community Preservation Committee for bringing such great projects to the Town. She states her support that this is worthy project and will be one more project that will be maintained and a project we cannot afford to maintain.

Selectman Cabral states his support and further that this project is exactly why the voters approved the Community Preservation Fund.

PASS/FAIL: Article 32 passes with opposition.

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RECOMMENDED BY THE CPC.  
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ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$138,000 from the Community Preservation Fund balance for Affordable Housing and/or the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act Funds account and/or the FY19 budgeted reserves of the Community Preservation Act Funds for the purpose of upgrading the fire alarm system to all of the buildings within the Acushnet Housing Authority located at 23 Main Street to include the installation of emergency lighting in common hallways and the installation of a generator to power the Community Center, pursuant to the Community Preservation Act; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Community  
Preservation Committee

This Article funds the installation of a new fire alarm system in the Housing Authority

buildings at Presidential Estates.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer, for the purpose of granting to the Acushnet Housing Authority for preservation and/or support of affordable housing the sum of \$138,000 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance reserved for affordable housing of the Community Preservation Act and approve Article 33 as printed in the Warrant.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

DISCUSSION: Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief) speaks in favor of passage of the article. He states the current alarm system is the original; the detectors have been switched out but are more than ten years old.

PASS/FAIL: Article 33 is declared passed unanimously.

CPA ARTICLES CANNOT BE AMENDED TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT RECOMMENDED BY THE CPC.

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ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 from the Community Preservation Fund balance for Affordable Housing and/or the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act Funds account and/or the FY19 budgeted reserves of the Community Preservation Act Funds for the purpose of installing maintenance free composite trim and siding to a portion of the buildings within the Acushnet Housing Authority located at 23 Main Street, pursuant to the Community Preservation Act; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Community  
Preservation Committee

This Article funds the installation of a portion of the siding and trim the Housing Authority buildings at Presidential Estates.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer for the purpose of granting to the Acushnet Housing Authority for the preservation and/or support of affordable housing the sum of \$40,000 from the Community Preservation Fund reserve for affordable



housing and approve Article 34 as printed in the Warrant.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL Seeing no opposition, Article 34 is declared passed unanimously.

CPA ARTICLES CANNOT BE AMENDED TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT RECOMMENDED BY THE CPC.

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ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$14,500 from the Community Preservation Fund balance for Historic Preservation and/or the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act Funds account and/or the FY19 budgeted reserves of the Community Preservation Act funds for the purpose of preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of the Long Plain Museum, an historic resource, more specifically, for repairing of the asset and all incidental and related expenses, pursuant to the Community Preservation Act; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Community  
Preservation Committee

This Article funds repair and improvements to the Long Plain Museum Building.  
The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$14,500 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance reserved for historic preservation of the Community Preservation Act for the purpose of granting said funds to the Acushnet Historical Commission for the preservation and rehabilitation of the historic Long Plain Museum.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Article 35 is declared passed unanimously.

CPA ARTICLES CANNOT BE AMENDED TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT

RECOMMENDED BY THE CPC.

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ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 from the Community Preservation Fund balance for Historic Preservation and/or the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act funds account and/or the FY19 budgeted reserves of the Community Preservation Act funds for the purpose of constructing a 16’ x 20’ concrete vault at the Parting Ways Building for storage of vital records and all incidental and related expenses connected with the construction, pursuant to the Community Preservation Act; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Community  
Preservation Committee

This Article funds the installation of a town vault in the Town Clerk’s Office in the Parting Ways Building for the preservation of the vital records of the Town.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$50,000 from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act for the purpose of constructing a vault for the preservation of historic records.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS / FAIL: Article 36 is passed unanimously.

CPA ARTICLES CANNOT BE AMENDED TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT  
RECOMMENDED BY THE CPC.

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ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 from the Community Preservation Fund balance and/or the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act funds account and/or the FY19 budgeted reserves of the Community Preservation Act funds for the purpose of replacing the roof and expanding a canopy on the utility building at Pope Park, located at 96 Pope Street, pursuant to the Community Preservation Act; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Community

Preservation Committee

This Article funds the replacement of a roof and expanding the canopy coverage on the Pope Park Utility Building.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$10,000 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance reserved or from the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act for the purpose of rehabilitating and replacing the roof and expanding the canopy of the utility building at Pope Park.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

NOTES: The Moderator amends the motion to read as follows: Mr. Cenerizio is moving that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$10,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act for the purpose of rehabilitating and replacing the roof and expanding the canopy of the utility building at Pope Park.

PASS/FAIL: Article 37 passed unanimously.

CPA ARTICLES CANNOT BE AMENDED TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT RECOMMENDED BY THE CPC.

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ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$6,500 from the Community Preservation Fund balance for Historic Preservation and/or the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act Funds account and/or the FY19 budgeted reserves of the Community Preservation Act funds for the purpose of preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of the Quaker Meeting House, an historic resource, more specifically, for necessary preservation and repairs including but not limited to the gutters, downspouts, replacement windows and to add an ADA compliant ramp and subterranean drainage system and all incidental and related expenses, pursuant to the Community Preservation Act; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Community  
Preservation Committee

This Article funds the preservation efforts at the Quaker Meeting House.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer, for the purpose of granting said funds to the Acushnet Historical Commission for the preservation and/or rehabilitation of the historic Quaker Meeting House, the sum of \$6,500 from the Community Preservation Fund Balance reserved for historic preservation of the Community Preservation Act and approve Article 38 as printed in the Warrant.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL: Article 38 passes, by a majority vote, with one in opposition.

CPA ARTICLES CANNOT BE AMENDED TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT RECOMMENDED BY THE CPC.

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ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 from the Community Preservation Fund balance and/or the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act funds account and/or the FY19 budgeted reserves of the Community Preservation Act Funds for the purpose of improvement, expansion, and reconstruction of the School Fields located at 800 Middle Road, all pursuant to the Community Preservation Act; or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Community  
Preservation Committee

This Article funds expansion and improvement to the school fields.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$50,000 the Undesignated Fund Balance of the Community Preservation Act for the purpose of improving, expanding, and reconstructing the School fields located at 800 Middle Road.

MOTION BY: MARC CENERIZIO

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

DISCUSSION: Paul Mazaroco (President of the Acushnet Youth Soccer) speaks in favor of this article.

David Wojnar (resident) speaks in favor of this article.

PASS/FAIL: Article 39 passes, by majority vote, with one in opposition.

CPA ARTICLES CANNOT BE AMENDED TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT RECOMMENDED BY THE CPC.

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ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the unused balance of the amounts approved under Article 10 of the May 20, 2013 Special Town Meeting for the Emergency Management Building roof, and repurpose the remaining balance to replace the heating system and all incidental and related expenses, pursuant to the Community Preservation Act or take any other action relative thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation Committee

This Article repurposes the remaining \$5,893 for the use of replacing the heating system at the Emergency Management building.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move this Article as written in the Warrant.

MOTION BY: ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends the article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL: Hearing no opposition, Article 40 passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 41: Included in Consent Agenda – Passed

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ARTICLE 43: To see if the Town will vote to amend the general by-laws of the town by adding a new section to establish and authorize revolving funds for use by certain town departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

1. Purpose. This by-law establishes and authorizes revolving funds for use by town, departments, boards, committees, agencies and officers in connection with the operation of programs or activities that generate fees, charges or other receipts to support all or some of the expenses of those programs or activities. These revolving funds are established under and governed by General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½.
2. Expenditure Limitations. A department or agency head, board, committee or officer may incur liabilities against and spend monies from a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law without appropriation subject to the following limitations:
  - A. Fringe benefits of full-time employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund.
  - B. No liability shall be incurred in excess of the available balance of the fund.
  - C. The total amount spent during a fiscal year shall not exceed the amount authorized by Annual Town Meeting on or before July 1 of that fiscal year, or any increased amount of that authorization that is later approved during that fiscal year by the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee.
3. Interest. Interest earned on monies credited to a revolving fund established by this by-law shall be credited to the general fund.
4. Procedures and Reports. Except as provided in General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½ and this by-law, the laws, charter provisions, by-laws, rules, regulations, policies or procedures that govern the receipt and custody of town monies and the expenditure and payment of town funds shall apply to the use of a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law. The Town Accountant shall include a statement on the collections credited to the fund, the encumbrances and expenditures charged to each fund and the balance available for expenditure in the regular report the Town Accountant provides the department, board, committee, agency or officer on appropriations made for its use.
5. Authorized Revolving Funds.  
The Table establishes:
  - A. Each revolving fund authorized for use by a town department, board, committee, agency or officer,

- B. The department or agency head, board, committee or officer authorized to spend from each fund,
- C. The fees, charges and other monies charged and received by the department, board, committee, agency or officer in connection with the program or activity for which the fund is established that shall be credited to each fund by the Town Accountant,
- D. The expenses of the program or activity for which each fund may be used,
- E. Any restrictions or conditions on expenditures from each fund;
- F. Any reporting or other requirements that apply to each fund, and
- G. The fiscal years each fund shall operate under this by-law.

A Revolving Fund	B Department, Board, Committee, Agency or Officer Authorized to Spend from Fund	C Fees, Charges or Other Receipts Credited to Fund	D Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund	E Restrictions or Conditions on Expenses Payable from Fund	F Other Requirements/ Reports	G Fiscal Years
Conservation	Conservation Commission	Fees charged and received by the Conservation Commission	Training, supplies, and special equipment for conservation purposes			Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent years
Park & Recreation	Park & Recreation Commission	Fees charged and received for Park & Recreation Programs	Maintenance costs, supplies, equipment, and contracted services			Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent years

or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

This Article establishes these two accounts as permanent revolving funds in the Bylaws of the Town as required under Municipal Modernization.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move to amend the general by-laws of the town by adding a new section as presented in Article 43 of the May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

MOTION BY: ROGER A. CABRAL

VOTE REQUIRED: 2/3 MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Chair St. Jean states the Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.

PASS/FAIL: Seeing no opposition, Article 43 passes by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority vote, unanimously.

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ARTICLE 44: To see if the Town will vote to fix the maximum amount that may be spent during fiscal year 2019 beginning on July 1, 2018 for the revolving funds established in town by-laws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E½;

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend	Use of Funds	Revenue Source	FY19 Limit
Public Library	Library Trustees	Library Activities	Fees & Fines	\$6,000
Conservation	Conservation Commission	Commission's Activities	Fees Rec'd	\$2,500
Park & Recreation	Park & Recreation Commissioners	Park & Recreation Activities	Fees Rec'd	\$12,500
Council on Aging	Council on Aging Board	Senior Center Activities	Fees Rec'd	\$30,000

or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

The Article seeks to renew the authorization to use the funds collected through fines, permit fees, and application fees for the support of that department's activities. Two of the funds are established under the Bylaws of the Town, but Town meeting still needs to authorize the spending limit.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move that the town fix the maximum amount that may be spent during fiscal year 2019 beginning on July 1, 2018 for the revolving funds established in town by-laws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E½, as presented in Article 23 of the May 14, 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.



MOTION BY: KEVIN A. GASPAR, SR.

VOTE REQUIRED: 2/3 MAJORITY

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Boucher states the Finance Committee recommends this article unopposed.

PASS/FAIL: Article 44 does pass with a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s majority, unanimously.

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ARTICLE 45: Included in Consent Agenda – Passed

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ARTICLE 46: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a certain sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund as established in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 40, Section 5B, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Requested by the Board of  
Selectmen

The Finance Committee recommends this Article in the amount of \$453,417. The Stabilization Fund is Acushnet's "savings account" for the future needs of the Town. It is vitally important to the financial health of the Town to provide for the future.

The Finance Committee recommends this Article unanimously.

MOTION: I move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$453,417 to be added to the Town's Stabilization Account.

MOTION BY: BOB ST. JEAN

VOTE REQUIRED: MAJORITY

PASS/FAIL: Hearing no opposition, Article 46 passes unanimously.

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ARTICLE 47: Included in Consent Agenda – Passed

9:38 P. M. - Motion made to adjourn, was seconded and the Town Meeting of May 14, 2018 was declared adjourned.

You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting a copy thereof attested to by you in writing in each of eight public places in the Town at least fourteen days before the time for holding the meeting called for in the Warrant. Herefore fail not, and make do return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk of said Town on or before the \_\_\_\_\_ day of April 2018.

Given under our hands this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

\_\_\_\_\_  
Michael A. Cioper, Chairman

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Roger A. Cabral

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kevin A. Gaspar, Sr.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

BRISTOL, SS.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet by posting up attested copies of the same at the Town Hall, the Council on Aging, the Acushnet Post Office, Jason’s Variety, Scuttlebutts Variety, Ford Middle School, Acushnet Elementary School and the Acushnet Public Library, of said Town fourteen days at least before the date hereof, as within directed.

## PLANNING COMMISSION

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Planning Commission respectfully submits the following report for the calendar year 2018.

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

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

The Planning Department had a busy year of community service. Under the direction of Town Planner, Henry Young, we have moved forward on several projects including multiple ground mounted solar projects and residential subdivision site plan review and permitting. Day to day operation of the Planning Department is aided by the capable assistance of our veteran clerk, Donna Ellis.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Planning Commission  
Marc Cenerizio, Chairman  
Richard Ellis  
Mark DeSilva  
Phil Mello  
Bryan Deschamps  
Henry Young, Town Planner

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
STATE RECLAMATION AND MOSQUITO  
CONTROL BOARD  
BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT  
38R FOREST STREET \* ATTLEBORO, MA 02703  
Tel: (508) 823-5253 \* Fax: (508) 828-1868**

This year marks the 59th anniversary of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project and its services to the cities and towns of Bristol County. Our mission is to bring mosquito populations to tolerable levels using a variety of scientifically effective methodologies consistent with applicable laws. Surveillance, water management, biological and chemical controls are performed in an environmentally sensitive manner to minimize potential effects on people, wildlife and the environment. Over the years, our project has greatly reduced exposure to both Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and West Nile virus (WNV).

The Project continues to make investments in new technologies that increase our efficiency and accuracy when fulfilling our mandate. Upgrades to our pesticide application equipment, service request system and data collection programs have been made. We utilize GPS guidance systems on our spray trucks enabling our technicians to effectively schedule and conduct early morning applications and document pesticide application routes. We remain committed to applying environmentally responsible larvicide and adulticide products. We do this in order to be better stewards of the environment and reduce any unwanted effect on non-target organisms. We continue our practice of arbovirus and population surveillance through trapping and sending mosquito specimens to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for testing.

During the 2018 mosquito season, 26,960 mosquitoes were tested for the mosquito borne viruses EEE and WNV. There were no isolations of EEE and no human cases in the County. Bristol County had sixty-two (62) mosquito pools test positive for WNV with two (2) reported human cases. This has been the County's most active West Nile virus season to date. There were no equine cases for EEE or WNV.

The Project continues its year round efforts to reduce mosquito breeding areas through water management and source reduction. Our goal is to remove debris, silt and vegetation from drainage ditches to improve water flow, thus eliminating standing water conducive to larval development. Work is conducted using mechanized machines and by hand. During the period of January 1, 2018– December 31, 2018 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project:

- Sprayed over 1,896 acres
- Treated 14 acres with B.t.i. 16 locations for mosquito larvae
- Received 188 requests for spraying
- Cleared and reclaimed 2,350 feet of brush
- Treated 600 catch basins

Throughout the year, we strive to educate the public concerning mosquito borne diseases

and simple ways residents can protect themselves and prevent mosquito breeding on their own property. We have many types of outreach programs available including speaking at public health events, radio/newspaper interviews, visiting local schools, senior centers, and creating informational handouts for distribution. Be sure to check out our website: [www.mass.gov/eea/bristolcountymosquitocontrol](http://www.mass.gov/eea/bristolcountymosquitocontrol) or follow us on Twitter @BCMCPMOSQ for updates and information.

We 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,  
Priscilla Matton  
Superintendent

January 4, 2019

Bristol County Mosquito Control Commissioners:

Robert Davis, Chairman  
Gregory D. Dorrance  
Joseph Barile  
Christine A. Fagan  
Aaron G. Caswell

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Two thousand eighteen was a good year for the Long Plain Museum. We had the building scraped and painted with some necessary replacement of rotted wood on the building. With the help of the Sheriff's work crew and our Town workers it is almost complete. In the spring the rest of the building will be done and all new shutters will be installed.

This year we are looking to replace the windows in the museum which are in desperate need. They are very drafty and most of them do not open because the ropes are in need of repair. We are also trying to do some updating on the interior with having the ceilings repaired and also some painting being done.

The Acushnet Historical Commission will make the Meetinghouse and the Museum more visible to the public during the summer months with events planned like a car show at the Meetinghouse, with an animal zoo for the kids to enjoy.

We do need extra volunteers in the summer to help out with opening the museum and meetinghouse on Sunday's for tours. We don't have enough members anymore to help out. If you might be interested in joining the Historical Commission please send a letter of interest to the selectmen.

The meetinghouse has also been getting some work done especially the windows. All the original windows have been removed one at a time and repaired and broken glass replaced and painted. We are going to try to get some more windows done this winter.

Our Town workers are going to finish replacing the gutters and down spouts and painting where needed. All the siding has been replaced because of rotted wood. The Commission would like to replace the lighting on the outside of the meetinghouse so that it is protected at night.

The Acushnet Historical Commission has been very active in keeping up with Town projects, in the future we would like to see the Perry Hill Church completed so that it can be utilized if only as a church. There are a lot of families in that area that belonged to the church back then and would like to see it used again.

The White's Factory also is in disrepair, it is owned by the Fairhaven and Acushnet Land Trust. But the trust is not keeping up with taking care of it. Surprising enough to see weddings there all summer long it is an ideal spot.

And recently open is Hamlin Crossing on Hamlin Street with walking trails and in the future, use of the river it self with canoes going down the river to the Acushnet Sawmills. PJ Keating Woods is on So.Main Street also with walking trails going down to the Acushnet River.

If you haven't been up to the Long Plain Museum it is worth the trip on a Sunday afternoon from April – September from 1:00-4:00 to come by and look at some of the wonderful items that we have on display. Selling History of Acushnet Books, Ancient Cemetery books, and maps, collectable plates, postcards and etc.

Always looking for new members or volunteers to help out.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline Teixeira-Chairperson

Eric Whitlock-Acting Secretary

Madeline Gwozdz

Bob Hall

Robbie Gilmore

Scott Harding

Acushnet Historical Commission

## **PARK DEPARTMENT**

Town of Acushnet, the Park and Recreation department submit the following report for calendar year ending December 31, 2018.

2018 again kicked off on our senior field with both Fairhaven High School and Old Colony using our field as their varsity home field when dry. We also opened the Fairhaven Acushnet Little League season on Knox Field in April. In 2018 Park Supervisor Mike Ashley continued to do an excellent job, which has led to nothing but compliments on the condition of our park and fields. In 2018 Michael Matton began his first year on the board and had some wonderful ideas that we hope to be able to work on implementing in the years to come. Mike was re-elected to complete his final 2 years of his term. Chad Leclair was re-elected for another 3 year term and will sit as the chair of the board.

In July, Cathy Jason continued leading the towns Summer Rec. program. Cathy and this program are both great assets to our town, her program sees local kids doing arts and crafts, playing games and sports, as well as interacting with others for two hours of daily activity for 6 weeks of the summer. The kids are supervised by local adults and teenagers who help and participate with the children on all activities. Thank you Cathy for you and your crew's hard work and dedication each summer.

Our Park Superintendent is in his 3rd year, Mike Ashley was assisted by Christian Letourneau, Hunter Soares, Cole Letendre and Jack Pelletier. Jack Pelletier is currently our longest tenured employee and continues to assist Mike with his duties in between his duties as an Army Reserve, thank you for your service to our park and country. Hunter, Cole and Christian are high school students that come to work with Mike and Jack after their school year is over. Thank you for all that you did for the park in 2018.

In 2018 we saw the completion of the Veteran's Memorial and had two successful ceremonies, the revealing ceremony and a Veteran's Day ceremony, both were a huge success. Thanks to former Park Commissioner Tom DaCosta for making Pope Park even more attractive. In 2018 we were approved to have a current utility building between the playground and the Veteran's Memorial transformed into a Pavilion and will be completed in early 2019. As a board, Michael Matton, Chris Anderson and Chad Leclair, we have some great ideas that have been discussed and our goal is to begin some of them in 2019 and in the years to come, please stay tuned. In closing, I want to thank our workers for all that they do to keep the park looking as good as it does. To Elf's Landscaping, Tru Green, the DPW, and many others for your work around the park keeping the grass green and the water wet. Our goal is to improve on 2018 with a better 2019, thank you.

Respectfully yours,  
Acushnet Park Board  
Chad Leclair – Chairman  
Chris Anderson  
Michael Matton



## ACUSHNET RIVER VALLEY GOLF COURSE

Acushnet River Valley Golf Course is holding true to the vision of creating a high quality upscale municipal championship recreational golf facility that is designed to accommodate all levels of golfers.

As stated last year 'the competitive landscape continues to change and evolve as the economic climate changes and real estate developments continue to flourish in the south coast area'. After experiencing outstanding weather conditions for the last golf season which offered overnight rain, mild summer temperatures, and an early spring, as well as an extended summer, this season offered a few challenges. We experienced high humidity and a very hot and humid summer followed by a very wet and stormy fall season. All things considered we maintained a strong position in the golf market. These conditions were extremely difficult to manage consistent outstanding turf conditions. The golf community has very high expectations when it comes to their home golf course. Whenever golf is presented on television these tournaments are conducted on perfectly manicured golf courses with unlimited budgets and they are often shut down to play and prepared over two to three weeks' time. This unachievable perception puts the pressure on every private and public golf course that exists. The impact extensive heat and high humidity creates is a multitude of problems, from proper water levels to controlling molds and insect infestations. These conditions change and occur fast. This caught many New England golf courses by surprise causing them to lose several, if not all their putting green surfaces throughout the golf course. Once you lose a green the impact is IMMEDIATE word of mouth travels like a California wildfire, especially with social media posts are instantly shared of every imperfection detail imaginable. The revenue impact is instantaneous while reparations take weeks or months sometimes an entire season possibly two depending on the severity of the situation. I share this with you because we avoided all of these situations entirely. Not only did we avoid them but we enhanced the golf course by making several improvements to some of our listed high priority projects (sand bunkers). The word spread about other golf courses troubling conditions followed by recommendations by our clientele supporting the outstanding conditions we offer and sharing this insight creating an opportunity to capture new customers. Our operation directly interacts with our clientele throughout a customer's round of golf thereby offering an opportunity to entice these players to frequent our Municipal Championship recreational golf facility.

Our decision to experiment with Golf Now online booking engine allowed us to reach new customers from all around surrounding states that utilized the Golf Now app on their mobile phones. It is proving to be an incredible idea for market exposure. It is the attention we devote to the small details and implementing them for our customers earning their appreciation and more endearing customer loyalty. We continue to assist loyal local community charities in establishing golf tournament fundraisers resulting in thousands of dollars to be raised for their charities, over the past decade these charities have raised hundreds of thousands to help those in need. Acushnet River Valley impacts the community in a very positive manner. It is with great pride I share the insight or our dedication, devotion and commitment to our surrounding communities as the foundation of an outstanding amenity and recreational facility provided by the town of Acushnet.

We continue to manage our costs we most recently decided to buy our equipment on an

as needed basis rather than negotiate 3 year rollover lease to own contracts. This allows us more flexibility to accomplish necessary projects while rotating through our equipment fleet without having the debt hang over our heads for multiple years at a time. We are attempting this on a trial basis and we will review the condition of the fleet and manage the required maintenance (or replace a troubled equipment if needed). We aggressively pursue online/radio medium marketing which incurs no additional costs but provides us with flexibility to adapt to current market conditions and demands. This has been a successful strategy and we will continue to maximize it to its fullest potential. We have maintained our reputation and continue to get positive feedback regarding our level of commitment updating our website offering our customers with promotions, images of the golf course's condition.

An important fact to process is we are the affordable comfort for this area, we have grown to develop a loyal customer base that elect to bring their family, friends and business clients to Acushnet River Valley golf course because they know they will be treated with respect. We are proud of this customer perception and value it, driving us to maintain and strengthen our relationship to exceed expectations. Thus far we have decided to hold our rates moving into the new golf season after last season's increases. In New England tradition is a part of our culture, we have a hard working mentality living with four seasons of weather. We have experienced probably the best sports in Boston's history in the past 15years. The impact of witnessing this is the realization that hard work and dedication does work, it does create success. Our entire department comes to work every day like a traditional New England sports team, we ask each of our town employees to do more, dig a little deeper recognize one more thing they can contribute as we build our business. 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. The dedication to this vision is starting to bear fruit, our culture at the golf course is a winning attitude and it is contagious. It rubs off on our customers and on our vendors and then you realize we are all in this endeavor together. The more success we have creates more success for all those involved.

We have a great ACUSHNET RIVER VALLEY TEAM. 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. As a professional we understand our customers deserve more. They deserve "the best", so that is exactly what we give them a feeling of community.

Thank you for your commitment and continued support. Respectfully submitted,

Dana Przybyszewski

## ACUSHNET PUBLIC LIBRARY

With the FY2019-2023 Strategic Plan as a guide, the staff and Trustees of the Acushnet Public Library set out to achieve new goals in 2018. The need for a Children's Room Assistant had been evident to all since the relocation to Middle Road in 2015, and the position was created and funded by mid-2018 and then filled in October. This new role allows for increased services to children and their families, as well as greater outreach opportunities to the Town schools. The Library, in partnership with the Acushnet Council on Aging and Senior Community Center, also launched a popular homebound delivery program in January of 2018. By year's end, 369 items had been delivered to Acushnet residents not able to physically visit the Library.

Additional 2018 highlights include:

- 32% increase in program attendance from 2017, with over 32,000 people visiting the Library throughout the year, which also represents an enormous 700% increase over numbers seen at the Russell Memorial Library.
- A 20% increase in overall circulation from 2017, which also represents a 76% increase in overall circulation since moving from the old Russell Memorial Library facility three years ago.
- Through the SAILS Library Network membership: a mobile app available in the Google Play and Apple stores, and automatic renewals of borrowed materials.
- 268 new library cards were issued.
- Presentations from local and regional authors including Christopher Daley, Stephen Kurkjian, Catherine McLaughlin, and Filomena Tripp, art workshops and a popular outdoor summer music series.

### **Library Mission and Offerings – Materials, Programs, Services**

The mission of the Acushnet Public Library is to inspire lifelong learning and strengthen the entire community, through its materials, programs and services, in a welcoming space that is open to all.

The Library offers books, DVDs, audiobooks, music CDs, eBooks, newspapers, magazines, public computers, wifi, online databases, and mobile device and technology assistance, all at no cost. There are two ways to download books, DVDs, music, and more to personal devices and at no cost to Acushnet Public Library cardholders: Overdrive and hoopla. Printers, a copy machine and a fax machine are available to the public for a small fee.

Free children's programs support emerging literacy and are always in demand. Regular story times are offered throughout the year. The annual Summer Reading Program encourages children to read during the summer months while reinforcing the skills gained during the school year. Hands-on programs for kids, including LEGO Club and Take Apart Workshops, are sought after. A book club for ages 12+ remains popular. The Library also offers programs for adults. Member-driven book groups meet monthly, in addition to a Knitters Group that meets bimonthly. Regular Technology sessions are scheduled, and the Community Room continues to attract various local and state non-profit groups to hold meetings and workshops.

The Library currently holds visitor passes to Buttonwood Park Zoo, The Hall at Patriot Place, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Massachusetts Parks Pass Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), Mystic Aquarium, New Bedford Whaling Museum, Plimoth Plantation, Roger Williams Park Zoo, USS Constitution Museum, and Zoo New England. Patrons in good standing are able to check out passes, which provide free or discounted admission to these destinations.

The Library's Museum Pass Program, new Laptop Loan program, and many special events are made possible by the generosity of the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library, a non-profit community service organization that supports and enhances library services for the community. We are grateful to them for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. Information about how to join the Friends and the group's work can be found on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/AcushnetPublicLibFriends](https://www.facebook.com/AcushnetPublicLibFriends), and on the Library's website.

To obtain a free library card, please present a photo ID and proof of address. Children ages 5+ may have a card with parental permission. No card is required to use materials and services within the Library, with the exception of public computers.

### **Library Hours of Operations, Staff, and Board of Trustees**

The Library is open year-round. Hours of operation are 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Monday and Wednesday; 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday; and 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Saturday. It was announced in late 2018 that the Library will also be open 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Friday, beginning in January of 2019. The telephone number is 508-998-0270 and the fax number is 508-998-0271. The website is [www.acupl.org](http://www.acupl.org), and the Facebook page is [www.facebook.com/AcushnetPublicLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/AcushnetPublicLibrary).

Staff of the Acushnet Public Library: Dina M. Brasseur, Director, M.S.L.I.S.; Sandra Medeiros, Patron Services Associate; Bethany Vieira, Children's Room Assistant; Elisabeth Botelho, Dolores Henry, Mary Marshall, Lesley Perkins, and Cynthia Souza, Library Technicians; Diane Fuller, Custodian.

The six-member Board of Library Trustees has the custody and management of the Library and all related property. The Board typically meets monthly. Acushnet Public Library Board of Trustees: Jennifer Alves, Diane Ferreira, Nancy Francis, Jeri Howland, Kristen Leotti (Chair), and Henry Preston.

### **State Certification and Interlibrary Loan Benefit for Patrons**

The Library maintained state certification in 2018. Required: a Director with a Master's Degree in Library Studies from an accredited institution and certification by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners; a minimum of 40 hours open per week; a minimum of 16% of the total budget expended on materials; a municipal appropriation that increases by 2-½% each year over a three year average.

Certification entitles Acushnet residents to borrow materials from other Massachusetts libraries and qualifies the Town to apply for state aid and state grants to libraries –

these elements allow the library to provide residents with a wider variety of materials, and also allow the library to provide additional services.

The Library is a full voting member of the SAILS Library Network. Through SAILS, library patrons have access to the collections of over 70 libraries. In addition to the automated system, SAILS provides cataloging services, technical support and continuing education. The SAILS system allows users to search the catalog, reserve materials, and renew items from home.

The Library is also a member of the Massachusetts 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 Board of Trustees thanks the residents of Acushnet, Town officers, and other Town departments for their support throughout the year. In addition, we thank the businesses, organizations, and individuals who fund our very popular Summer Reading Program, and the many library patrons who donate time and materials.

Respectfully submitted,  
Acushnet Public Library Board of Trustees

## LIBRARY STATISTICAL REPORT 2018

Active Borrowers	4,997
Children's Programs Held	107
Attendance at Children's Programs	2,573
Tween/Teen Programs Held	31
Attendance at Tween/Teen Programs	139
Adult Programs Held	132
Attendance at Adult Programs	1,188
Computers Available for Public Use	11
Computers Available with Internet Access	9
Sessions Held on Computers Available with Internet Access	2,950
Community Room Use	91
Study Room Use	332
People Counter	32,459

### Materials Holdings (Number of Items)

Books	21,842
Periodical Subscriptions	90
DVDs	3,386
Audio	910
Downloadable eBooks/Audio/Video	42,042

### Circulation (Times Borrowed)

Books – Adult and Teen	21,867
Books – Children	26,264
Periodicals	3,011
DVDs	13,466
Audio	2,858
eBooks	2,513
Downloadable Audio/Video	2,387
Museum Passes	243
<b>Total Items Circulated</b>	<b>72,609</b>

## 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 or tele-conference) before the Board of Veterans' Appeal on their behalf. The VSO acts as liaison between State and U.S. representatives on behalf of veterans and their dependents.

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

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

I am responsible for assisting the VFW and Legion with flag memorials, and to organize and/or assist with recognition celebrations within the Town of Acushnet. I am available to answer any veterans' questions or requests, or those of their widows, simply by contacting my office. The majority of VSOs in the state are full time (40 hrs. wk) with several working 10 to 20 hrs./week.

As the present position of VSO in Acushnet is a “part time” due to the Towns’ population, it is generally my policy to be in my office at the Town Hall Mondays from 8a.m.-12 p.m. and Thursdays 10am -1 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. I also am in the office on an additional day each week, however, that day is flexible and not open to the public. The hours are to be determined by the requirements of the work load and could vary occasionally.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald T. Cormier --- Veterans Service Officer



## PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The 2017-2018 school year was a productive one for the Acushnet Public Schools. The School Committee hired an interim Superintendent, Michael Shea, to lead the district for a year while they focused their efforts on the search process for a new Superintendent to begin in July 2018. Dr. Paula J. Bailey was hired and was able to transition into the district during the spring 2018. This annual report will highlight and support the abundance of initiatives, activities, and achievements that took place in our town's public schools this past year.

### **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:

Jody Tavares, Chair	Sarah Gomes, Vice-Chair
Jennifer Downing, Secretary	David DeTerra
Craig Sumner	

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

- Budget Subcommittee - Jennifer Downing and Sarah Gomes
- Negotiations Subcommittee - Jennifer Downing and Craig Sumner
- Policy and Evaluation Subcommittee - Sarah Gomes and Jody Tavares
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Additionally, the School Committee maintains other positions as follows:

- Old Colony Vocational Appointment Committee - David DeTerra, Sarah Gomes, and Craig Sumner
- Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative (SMEC) Representative - Sarah Gomes

### **A Message from the Superintendent**

As of July 1, 2018, I began my tenure as the Superintendent of Schools, replacing Interim Superintendent Michael Shea. The transition was smooth as I was able to spend time in the district during the Spring 2018.

Entry Plan: I developed an Entry Plan to assist me in developing a comprehensive understanding about the Acushnet School District. An inclusive approach was utilized to gain all perspectives from the various stakeholders throughout the district and community. I was able to obtain insight and feedback from students, teachers, administrators, support staff, families, community members and the school committee. My initial transition consisted of a "Listening Tour" to include all the stakeholders meeting with me in small groups. During this time, I learned about the many positive successes within the district. I was able to also gain an honest insight about the direction and areas for growth opportunities as we move forward.

Initial learning walks at each school were conducted as well as an extensive review

of existing documents and plans to further my understanding of the instructional and managerial systems within the district. In September 2018, I spent one full day shadowing the principals at each of our schools – Acushnet Elementary School (AES) and Ford Middle School (FMS).

All of the information I gathered and learned is being used to develop and update an aligned strategic plan that will best meet the needs of our students and school community. Strategic Plan: The district’s strategic plan is current and outlines a plan from January 2017 through January 2020. While the plan contains a lot of valuable information and action steps, it lacks alignment between AES and FMS. Therefore, our District Improvement Team and Leadership Teams are tasked with updating this “living document” as we set goals that align with our vision, core values and corresponding action steps.

In the fall, we had professional development that focused on our core values, the educational evaluation system and best instructional practices.

Core Values: Through a process of gathering input from leadership and educators throughout the district, we compiled a list of core values that guide our work. In addition, to the existing emphasis on collaborative environment and community engagement, our educators identified the following:

- Relationships and Trust
- Student Enthusiasm and Creativity
- Critical Thinkers and Problem Solvers
- Growth Mindset and Effort
- Meeting Students’ Academic and Social Emotional Needs
- Respect for each child’s uniqueness and abilities
- Respect for cultural differences
- Advocacy for our students
- Professional Growth

Curriculum and Instruction: The significance of identifying our core values is to ensure that they are embedded in all our efforts, and most importantly are tangible in our classrooms. Hence, we have begun the process of identifying how consistently our classrooms embrace core values such as critical thinking and problem solving, and student enthusiasm and creativity, and enhance students’ growth mindset. As in all our efforts to date, we are conducting this work in a cross-district manner. That is, educators from both the elementary and middle school are part of the process. Specifically, our efforts include:

- Monthly walkthroughs of a given school conducted by a team of building leaders from both schools and the Superintendent.
- A more vertically aligned system of professional development for staff, where the two levels collaborate to ensure consistency.
- Monthly meetings of the District Improvement Team (DIT) with goal of developing a consistent instructional model that works across grade levels and content areas.

- Review of existing curricular to ensure vertical alignment as well as alignment with the core values of critical thinkers and problem solvers, student enthusiasm and creativity, and meeting students' academic needs.

Acushnet does not maintain a high school. As a result, Acushnet sends its students to several area high schools, which include Bristol County Agricultural High School, Fairhaven High School, New Bedford High School, and Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School. All but the latter high school is accounted for in the school department's budget.

Several students were enrolled in various schools as part of school choice. As of December 2018, 25 students were enrolled in School Choice placements as follows:

- Old Rochester Regional: 13
- Freetown-Lakeville: 8
- New Bedford: 1
- Berkley: 1
- Middleborough: 1
- Academy at Greenfield (virtual school): 1

Albert F. Ford Middle School During the 2017-2018 School Year, we continued to experience an increase in our enrollment. As we continue to grow our rigorous academic programming, our focus remains on student achievement and maximizing growth for all students. As of June 2018, we had 414 students in grades 5-8 (101 students in the 5th grade, 116 in the 6th grade, 120 in the 7th grade and 77 in the 8th grade).Curriculum and Instruction: All content areas are working on standards based units of instruction, with high levels of rigor and student participation. Our Social Studies department will be revising their curriculum to reflect the newly adopted 2018 MA History and Social Science Curriculum Frameworks. This revision includes an emphasis on civics for all grade levels.

Social Emotional Learning: To support students who struggle with therapeutic and behavioral needs as well as all students, we have one guidance counselor and 1.5 School Adjustment Counselors. We also have a full time counselor from Child and Family in our district. We opened a Therapeutic Learning Center (TLC) this year for any qualifying student in grades 5-8. The goal of the TLC Program is to provide a safe setting designed to motivate learning and assist students in developing their self-confidence and to empower students to become active members of the school community based on their individual strengths and abilities. Students will work on self-regulation and management of his/her behavior in the least restrictive environment and will have opportunities to integrate into the general educational setting based on their individual program needs.

Technology: We are continuing our 1:1 Chromebook program with our 7th and 8th graders who currently participate in the program. All students (grades 5-8) have access to their own Google account. Teachers are using the Google classroom and many Google Apps throughout the school day. We currently have three educators who are Level 1 Google certified and will be training additional educators for Level 1 certification.

**Afterschool Activities:** This year we are able to offer extramural sport programs during the fall, winter and spring seasons. We have girls' and boys' soccer, girls' and boys' basketball, volleyball, and flag football. Our teams compete at home and away with three middle schools in New Bedford and several of the local charter schools. We also offer many after school clubs for our students. Clubs include: Art, Media, Yearbook, Drama, Fitness, Student Council, and Knitting. The school library is open Monday through Friday after school until 3:45 p.m. for any student looking to work on the computers, complete homework or study with a friend. We offer a late bus on most Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the school year. Ford Middle School's Band and Chorus proudly participate in several music festivals and competitions throughout the year.

Our National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) is very active in our school community as well as the community of Acushnet. NJHS members volunteer at many in-and-out-of-school events throughout the year. For example, their volunteer efforts have included organizing food drives for the Acushnet Council on Aging, volunteering many hours at Gifts to Give and collecting cans of soup for our local food pantry.

Ford is also home to an accredited NASA Solar System Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Cote. Our program has junior Solar System Ambassadors consisting of 15 students in Grades 5-8. This group of talented and passionate students study and give presentations for our school community and the greater community of Acushnet on NASA topics and areas of study. We have launched several weather balloons and continue to explore and support the STEM curriculum. We also host a very active Boys Scout Program. Troop 11 has approximately 60 Cub and Boy Scouts.

### **Acushnet Elementary School**

Acushnet Elementary School (AES) has approximately 575 students in grades preschool through four. There continues to be five self-contained classrooms in grades one through four, two preschool classrooms, and two resource classrooms. Students in grades kindergarten through four receive instruction in art, computer technology, music, physical education and STEM (Science Technology, Engineering and Math).

The following curriculum initiatives ground all our professional collaborative meetings and student-centered instruction and assessment:

- We use data to provide targeted and standards-based instruction for the academic, social, emotional, behavioral and physical domains;
- We collaborate within grade levels (horizontal) and across grade levels (vertical) to align our expectations for assessing the Massachusetts Common Core Standards. This work includes discussions to calibrate how teachers in grades K-4 assess to mark Meeting (M), Partially Meeting (PM), Not Meeting (NM), or Exceeding (E) for our new standards-based report cards; and
- We strengthen our referral system to ensure appropriate supports for academic and social, emotional learning. This work includes looking at ongoing anecdotal and formative data during our regularly scheduled Student Teacher Assistant Team (STAT) meetings.

As a result of our focus areas, professional development opportunities continue to strengthen and equip each educator's capacity to provide high quality, standards-based instruction to all learners. Professional development meetings and workshops have included:

- Developing cross-curricula opinion writing lessons and rubrics and creating a writing scope and sequence map to guide our writing instruction. A rubric is an assessment tool to guide teachers in determining a student's level of progress on any given standards-based lesson.
- Establishing a collaborative data talk model (predict, go visual, observe trends/patterns, and form conclusions) to align how we measure student growth and achievement, as well as provide interventions for at-risk learners.
- Creating look-fors to identify students' levels of mastery in the social and emotional curriculum standards. Our guidance team will support teachers in
- providing appropriate interventions for students who need assistance to be self-aware, to self-regulate and self-manage, and to be responsible decision makers.

AES has an active School Council that meets approximately five times a school year. Last year, Student Council's main projects included a Valentine's Day Celebration, Volunteer Thank You letters for National Volunteer Day and Wildcat News at monthly assemblies. This year, we are working on starting a school store and surveying families and students on having a salad bar.

The Little Toy playground area is undergoing reconstruction to include two levels of recreational areas and two playground structures. School and community fundraisers are being facilitated by the PTO, with the support of educators and community members. AES continues to offer a wide range of extra-curricular school and community activities. These include: our annual Vocabulary Day parade and Veterans Day program, monthly PBIS school assemblies, PTO-sponsored field trips in each grade level, Rockin' Runners and Garden clubs, basketball, field day for grades pre-kindergarten to grade four, grade-level events (i.e., Pajama Read-a-thon Day- grade K; Gingerbread Houses with Families-grade 2; Science/Research Fair-grade 4), and before and after school extra help.

### **Special Education**

Acushnet Public Schools is committed to providing students with disabilities access to the curriculum and general education programs. With in-district resources and necessary consultative services we are able to provide the instruction necessary to help students with disabilities close the gap between their skill abilities and their grade level expectations. Working together, general education staff and special education staff ensure equal opportunity, full participation and increased outcomes for all learners including students with disabilities.

The district has strengthened its early childhood program with the addition of an intensive, substantially separate program. There are also two integrated preschool classrooms consisting of four sessions, which provide early childhood experiences for our youngest learners. At the elementary and middle school levels, we have combined substantially separate classrooms. Both AES and FMS have a substantially separate

program for grades 3-4 and 5-6 for students with significant cognitive deficits, learning disabilities, autism, and communication weaknesses. The district also developed a Therapeutic Learning Center (TLC) at FMS which focuses on social emotional and behavioral needs.

For any student with disabilities or learning needs, services in general education with supplementary aids is provided when possible in the least restrictive environment in the neighborhood school. There are special education teachers and paraprofessionals for each grade level, pre-k through 8, which helps support the inclusion model. Special education teachers provide in-class academic support through a co-teaching model. Eighty-four percent (84%) of students, ages 3-5, are in full inclusion classrooms, 69% of students ages 6-21 are also in inclusive classrooms.

The Special Education Department spent the summer preparing for the Massachusetts Tiered Focus Monitoring Review. This entails a self-assessment in specific areas of focus, including Identification Processes, IEP Development and Programming and Support Services. An onsite visit from the Department of Education is scheduled for Spring 2019. The current district accountability report for special education by the department of education has given the district a classification of not needing assistance or intervention.

The Acushnet School District continues to be a full member of the Regional Educational Assessment and Diagnostic Services (READS) Collaborative along with Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative (SMEC). These collaborative programs provide specialized instruction and support to students beyond the scope of in-district programs.

### **McKinney-Vento**

Acushnet families who find themselves displaced or lacking fixed, adequate, regular housing are swiftly accommodated so that student attendance at school is not interrupted. Transportation is the primary resource provided to students and families who are considered homeless.

### **Districtwide Technology**

The technology department continues to make improvements to the overall technology infrastructure of the district. The department consists of Chief Technology Officer, Christopher Oliver; a Registrar & Data Specialist; a full-time and a part-time Computer / Network Technicians. Along with managing the day-to-day district technology, the department is also tasked with overseeing the town-side I.T. infrastructure.

As our technology needs grow, we as a town and society become more dependent on a fast, secure, and reliable I.T. environment. Everything from computers, printers, telephones, security, and HVAC depend on our network to be functional.

During the summer of 2018, significant improvements were made to the district's security camera system. The new system is digital and replaced an antiquated, analog system. In addition, the P.A., clocks, and bell systems were replaced in both schools. Each project was funded by a town meeting capital expense article.

Another major milestone was the conversion to and implementation of our new Student Management System, Aspen. Aspen is a centralized database for all aspects of student and staff data. The new system will allow the Acushnet Public Schools to streamline data entry and retrieval. Report cards and online parent access to student information is also part of this new system. Finally, the technology department continues to maintain, upgrade, and troubleshoot the I.T. equipment already in place across the district.

**Budget and Grants**

In May, Town Meeting appropriated \$14,207,094 for the school department for its FY 2019 budget. This budget was a 2.49% increase from the prior fiscal year. No new positions or programs were added in FY19.

The District applied for and received several grants for FY19:

Grant	FY19 Allocation	FY 18 Allocation	Change
Title IIA, (140)	\$15,274	\$17,961	(\$2,687)
SpEd IDEA, (240)	\$263,848	\$258,541	+\$5,307
Early Childhood SpEd, (262)	\$6,570	\$6,312	+\$258
Title I (305)	\$68,299	\$75,177	-\$6,878
Title IV (309)	\$5,404	0	
		Total	+\$1,404

In total, the District received \$1,404 more in grant funds in FY19 than in FY18. Grant funds are used as follows:

**Title IIA**

Provides supplemental resources to school districts to support systems of support for excellent teachers and learning. Funds primarily used for mentors for new educators and administrators.

**IDEA 240**

Ensures that eligible students with disabilities receive a free and appropriate public education that includes special education and related services designed to meet their individual needs. Funds used for salaries, contract services, and supplies.

**Early Childhood SpEd**

Ensures that eligible 3, 4, and 5 year olds with disabilities receive a free and appropriate public education that includes special education and related services designed to meet their individual needs in the least restrictive environment. Funds used to offset preschool salaries.

**Title I**

Helps provide children significant opportunity to receive a fair, equitable, and high-quality education and to close educational achievement gaps. Funds used for teacher salaries, professional development and testing materials.

#### Title IV

Provides supplemental resources to build capacity and to ensure that all students have equitable access to high quality educational experiences. Supports well-rounded educational opportunities, safe and healthy students, and effective use of technology. Funds used for professional development and supplies.

We also recently received the Governor's Local Law Enforcement Equipment and Technology Grant in the amount of \$19,919. Police Chief Michael Alves applied for this grant with the assistance of School Resource Officer, Derek Cathcart, Chief Technology Officer, Chris Oliver, and Kristin Flynn, Business Manager. Funds will be used to purchase security cameras that were not able to be purchased with our recent capital article. Thank you to Chief Alves for spearheading this effort to keep our schools safe!

Respectfully submitted:

Paula J. Bailey, Ed. D.

Superintendent of Schools



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