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ANNUAL REPORT



*North Tower on Thacher Island*



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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**Of the**  
**Town Officers**  
**For the year ending**  
**December 31, 2014**



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***WE REMEMBER***  
***Those who passed on in the year 2014***

***Robert P. Aspesi***

***John E. Bennett***

***Marguerite H. Brown***

***Myra Hope Coffman***

***Albert V. Dapolito***

***Eleanore A. Fisher***

***Frederick R. Grover***

***Marion A. Horgan***

***Mary “Tina” C. Ketchopulos***

***Miriam E. Lane***

***Beverly Quint***

***Ann Sheinwald***

***John W. Sparks***

***Margery M. Story***

***We are grateful***  
***for the years of faithful service***  
***to the Town Of Rockport***



**M. Hope Coffman**  
Rockport Public Library Director  
1999-2014

The trustees and staff of the Rockport Public Library, as well as the larger library community, mourn the loss of, but also fondly remember, Hope Coffman, who passed away unexpectedly on May 27, 2014. A consummate library professional, Hope possessed great erudition and boundless curiosity, sharing her love of books, music and art with all those she encountered. Inspired by personal instruction and engagement with a number of noted college and university professors, she had wide-ranging interests in literature, drama, the Renaissance, French philosophy, and the role of information science in enlightening the world. These passions were reflected in her daily existence and were passed on in many ways to those whose lives she touched.

Hope was a woman of exquisite taste and style and fostered a sense of community and common purpose with her employees, colleagues, and friends. In describing the Rockport Public Library, Hope was proud to call it “a community resource for all,” which also accurately describes the role that she herself played in the town of Rockport. She was a fixture in town, whether pitching in at the Rockport Rotary’s events, taking in the opera or a musical performance, shopping for the perfect gift, or dining with friends.

A progressive thinker, Hope was instrumental in widening and enlivening the library's appeal to its patrons, building an array of offerings, including book groups, feature films, author appearances, and a wide assortment of children's programs year-round. She directed ongoing upgrades and expansion of computer services at the library, effectively incorporating new methods of information sharing along with more traditional library services. She initiated library collections of books on CDs and MP3 players, DVDs, ebooks, and downloadable audiobooks and music.

Prior to becoming director at the Rockport Public Library, Hope served for many years as the manager of the Technical Information Center at Charles Stark Draper Lab in Cambridge and was also Assistant Director of the Manchester Library. She was an active member of the Special Libraries Association and also served on the Board of the Merrimack Valley Library Consortium. Born in Hartford, Connecticut, Hope received a BA from Boston University and an MLS from Simmons College.

Although her untimely loss left a huge void in the Rockport library community, she also left a huge legacy of innovation, team building, and sheer love of the place that public libraries hold in the lives of the patrons they serve. She will long be remembered more for what she left to Rockport's library -- a sensibility that all were welcomed, appreciated, and well served -- than for the manner of her leaving. Hope was a true Rockport resource and a person who will be well and truly missed.



## **John W. Sparks**

March 20, 1941- May 22, 2014

### **Rockport will miss John Sparks.**

The quiet man was a driving force with Rockport Music as they tackled the task of building a \$20 million performance center in downtown Rockport. He was a key player during the years it took to plan and build the Shalin Liu Performance Center.

For his devoted and intense support of Rockport Music over the years, he was given the Christine Lovgren Award for Distinguished Volunteer Service in 2013.

Then John took on Rockport's Millbrook Meadow and Mill Pond. This beautiful four-acre piece of green right behind Front Beach near the center of downtown was slowly fading.

John saw this and he began plans to come up with a program to restore Rockport's "green jewel". Working closely with the Department of Public Works (DPW), John and his wife, Barbara, joined Millbrook Meadow Committee. Then, with the help of the Department of Public Works and the Committee, he began the project of restoring the Meadow.

John, who held a PhD. in chemistry, retired from a career at Polaroid and he and Barbara came to live in Rockport. He went back to school, Rhode Island School of Design, and earned a Master's degree in Landscape Architecture.

With his natural intelligence and his new-found expertise in landscape design, when John looked at the Meadow and Pond, he saw a problem that needed solving.

John set to work studying everything that engineers and designers had done in building the new dam, and he reviewed reams of old papers and plans, and took his own measurements and did everything to sell his ideas.

Others joined his cause. John obtained \$162,000 from the Lura Hall Phillips Trust. He led the charge to obtain Town funding, including money from the Community Preservation Act.

John helped the DPW select a contractor, and just as they were completing their initial survey work, John fell ill with bacterial meningitis and after several days in a coma, died.

The Millbrook Meadow Committee and the new Rockport Millbrook Meadow Conservancy are moving forward to continue where John left off. We owe him a tremendous debt for his drive, intelligence and leadership, and we hope that many Rockporters will join us to make this restoration a reality.

## **Ann Sheinwald**

June 28, 1922 - October 16, 2014

One qualification for a volunteer in civic life is persistence: the ability to see a need and pursue a goal, often for years, as it labors toward completion. Ann Sheinwald had this qualification. She made preservation of Rockport's open spaces a major priority.

Years before 1989, when Town Meeting instituted the permanent Rights of Way Committee, Ann organized preliminary meetings, research, and field trips to identify trails that needed protection. After its establishment, Ann chaired the ROW committee until her retirement in 2003. She excelled at rounding up volunteers for ROW activities like seasonal brush clearing. A major project, the creation of the Atlantic Path, eventually required gaining legal access to 48 separate properties along the 2-mile stretch from Pigeon Cove to Halibut Point. ROW's long-term project to map the town's public paths culminated in the publication of the Guidebook to Public Paths and Town Landings in 1996 by the Friends of the Rights of Way (FORROW).

Ann and the committee received recognition in 1997 from the national conference Coastal Zone '97, for protecting public access to Rockport's shoreline. "Hugging the Shore," a documentary about the shore paths, was produced by the committee and funded by the Mass. Department of Environmental Management and FORROW.

In addition to her work on the Rights of Way, Ann was a strong advocate for open space and trail preservation, notably Old Garden Beach and its associated footpaths. She was an active member of Rockport's Garden Club and organized regular picnics at Andrews Point.

As a member of the Rockport Democratic Town Committee, which she chaired for 20 years, Ann served as a delegate to Democratic national and state conventions. In July 2013 she was honored by the DTC, along with five other staunch Democrats, at a special ceremony in Rockport.

## **Beverly Quint**

January 19, 1921 - October 10, 2014

Beverly Quint was a most remarkable woman who was well known for her indefatigable defense of Cape Ann's only hospital, Addison Gilbert. She was tireless in that pursuit and in working for equitable healthcare for all. Ms. Quint's energy and keen intelligence were the assets that made her a force with which to be reckoned. Her interests were not only focused on institutions, but also, as a psychologist, on helping individuals find peace and well being in their lives. Ms. Quint's interests extended to the arts, visual and performance and she was a patron and supporter of many cultural efforts on Cape Ann.

When I began the Cape Ann Shakespeare Troupe, she was most encouraging and generous in her support and was present in the audience for most of the productions, even when it became difficult for her to venture out.

Beverly Quint's life is an inspiration for anyone who wishes to make a difference in the world around her or him.



## **Mary “Tina” Ketchopulos**

November 2, 1949 -July 25, 2014

On July 25, 2014 Rockport lost a very special person. Tina Ketchopulos passed and left a huge void. She loved Rockport dearly and volunteered her time to numerous causes and organizations. Most recently she was a member of the Rockport Council on Aging in addition to having served on the Public Health Nursing Service Committee for the Town of Rockport from 1975-1978. Tina also volunteered for the Open Door Empty Bowl events and volunteered for over 35 years for the American Cancer Society on numerous fund raising events.

Tina had worked for over 35 years at Beverly Hospital and most recently at Addison Gilbert Hospital as Coordinator of Community Relations.

We cannot forget Tina’s love of animals having served as a board member at the Cape Ann Animal Aid in Gloucester from 1972 to 1986. That did not end her involvement, having worked tirelessly at numerous fund raising events and brining food and other supplies to the shelter. Tina also wrote the “Pet of the Week” column for the Gloucester Daily Times. Wherever Tina went she would always ask if anyone needed a “fur baby” to become part of their family!

Tina will be remembered for her quick smile, her kind and giving nature and the ability to make everyone she met feel like family.

We miss you Tina!

## TOWN OF ROCKPORT *ELECTED OFFICIALS – 2014*

***TERM***

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN: TOWN OFFICE BUILDING 34 BROADWAY 978-546-6786**

2015	SARAH WILKINSON (Chair)	23 HIGHVIEW ROAD	978-546-9130
2015	WILHELMINA SHEEDY MOORES	76 MAIN STREET	978-546-6555
2016	ELIZA N. LUCAS	57 HIGH STREET	978-546-2112
2017	ERIN M. BATTISTELLI	57 PHILLIPS AVENUE	978-546-2820
2017	PAUL F. MURPHY	21R PLEASANT STREET	978-546-7765

**ASSESSOR OF TAXES: TOWN OFFICE BUILDING 34 BROADWAY 978-546-2011**

2015	TIMOTHY W. GOOD IV	3 HOOPER COURT	978-546-7699
2016	PAUL P. FUHS (Chair)	16 SMITH ROAD	978-546-2805
2017	GEORGE H. HOBBS	167 GRANITE STREET #A	978-546-6639

**TOWN CLERK: TOWN OFFICE BUILDING 34 BROADWAY 978-546-6894**

2016	PATRICIA E. BROWN	3 JERDEN'S LANE	978-546-7816
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**PLANNING BOARD: TOWN HALL ANNEX 26 BROADWAY 978-546-5008**

2015	CAMERON L. SMITH	10 ROWE POINT	978-546-9209
2016	HERMAN S. LILJA	6 BAYRIDGE LANE	978-546-3638
2016	EDWARD HAND	20 LANDMARK LANE	978-546-3643
2017	HENRY T. BETTS (Chair)	13 PENZANCE ROAD	978-546-5220
2017	TERENCE P. DUFFY	158 GRANITE STREET	978-546-5008

**LIBRARY TRUSTEE: ROCKPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY 17 SCHOOL ST. 978-546-6934**

2015	LANA RAZDAN	10 ATLANTIC AVENUE	978-546-2614
2016	ROBERT AUDANO, JR	12A MCKAY'S DRIVE	978-546-5230
2017	HOLLIS A. FRITHSEN	19 HODGKINS ROAD	978-546-6934

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE: RKPT. COMM. EDUC. CTR 26 JERDEN'S LN 978-546-1200**

2015	MICHAEL S. KELLEY (Chair)	18 SUMMER STREET	978-546-7075
2015	TRACY MCLAUGHLIN-VOLPE	6 OAKLAND AVENUE	978-546-2981
2016	SUSAN BRISSON	27 PARKER STREET	978-546-3544
2017	COLLEEN COOGAN	7 SOUTH STREET COURT	978-546-8988
2017	MARTHA R. MORGAN	3 STOCKHOLM AVENUE	978-546-8339

**ROCKPORT HOUSING AUTH.: MILLBROOK PARK 13 MILLBROOK PK. 978-546-3181**

2015	BETHANY A. BROSNAN	11 POOLLES LANE	978-546-6204
2016	JOHN M. TWOMBLY, JR.	2 GLENMERE ROAD	978-546-7326
2018	MATTHEW WIGTON	11 SUMMER STREET	978-546-2036
2019	PAULA A. MURPHY	31 MT. PLEASANT STREET	978-546-1465
	KATHLEEN HAPSHE -- <i>STATE APPOINTEE</i>	21 CURTIS STREET	978-546-9520
	CLAUDIA KEARNS -- <i>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</i> (Appt. by RHA)		978-546-3181

**TOWN MODERATOR: NO OFFICE**

2017	ROBERT VISNICK	40 JERDEN'S LANE	978-546-6635
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Five Year term for Housing Authority, Three Year term for all others.

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## KEY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police 911 (978-546-3444 for regular business)

Fire 911 (978-546-6750 for regular business)

Ambulance 911 (978-546-6648 for billing information)

<i><b>Department</b></i>	<i><b>Telephone Number</b></i>
Board of Assessors	978-546-2011
Board of Health	978-546-3701
Board of Selectmen	978-546-6786
Building Department	978-546-9218
Conservation Commission	978-546-5005
Council on Aging	978-546-2573
Department of Public Works	978-546-3525
Dog Officer	978-546-9488
Elementary School	978-546-1220
Forest Fire	978-546-3556
Harbormaster	978-546-9589
High School	978-546-1234
Info. Systems & Technologies	978-546-1233
Library	978-546-6934
Middle School	978-546-1250
Parking Clerk	978-546-6547
Planning Board	978-546-5008
Recreation	978-546-7402
Superintendent of Schools	978-546-1200
Town Accountant	978-546-3691
Town Administrator	978-546-5183
Town Clerk/Voter Registration	978-546-6894
Treasurer/Collector	978-546-6648
Veterans' Agent	978-546-5007

## ROCKPORT ALMANAC

Incorporated:	1840
Size:	7.08 square miles
Shore line:	4.8 miles
Population:	7,112
Registered Voters:	5,547
Government:	Board of Selectmen (meets every other Tuesday) Annual Town Meeting (1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday in April) Fall Town Meeting (2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday in September) Annual Election (5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday after 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday in April)
Voter Registration:	Town Clerk's office during normal Town Hall hours. Special weekend and evening sessions before each election.
Meeting Notices:	All Town board and committee meeting notices are posted on the Town Hall bulletin board, town website and are usually published in the Gloucester Daily Times.
Tax Rate:	\$11.27 per thousand of assessed evaluation
Taxes Due:	May and November
Town Hall Hours:	Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Friday, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Library Hours:	Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 1:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Tuesday, 1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. Saturday, 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.
Transfer Station Hours:	Monday, Closed Tuesday, 7:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. Thursday, Closed Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. Saturday, 7:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

**Resolution of Appreciation  
for  
Chief John T. McCarthy**

- WHEREAS: **John T. McCarthy** grew up in Rockport on Oakland Avenue, and;
- WHEREAS: He began his service with the Town of Rockport as a captain of the Rockport Forest Fire Department in 1973, as a seasonal police officer in 1977 and became a permanent intermittent officer in 1978, appointed a full-time officer in 1984. He graduated from the Massachusetts State Police Academy finishing number 1 in his class, promoted to sergeant in 1987, acting chief in 1997, and was appointed police chief in September 1998, and;
- WHEREAS: He introduced a new community policing philosophy within the department, rebuilding relationships throughout the community, and;
- WHEREAS: He served as a drug investigator with Cape Ann Regional Drug Task Force for 4 years, and received a commendation from the DEA for his outstanding work, served on three building committees for the town including the new police headquarters that opened in 2004. The Rockport Police Department was the tenth police department in the Commonwealth to obtain certification from the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission in 2003, full accreditation in 2005, and successful reaccreditation three times after that with the most recent in October 2014, and;
- WHEREAS: After several years of planning and coordinating efforts, the town approved the \$3 million construction project for a new police headquarters in 2001 in which he utilized his engineering background during the construction phase when he served as the liaison with the contractor and the town, and;
- WHEREAS: He was a member of the Essex County Chiefs of Police Association, served as secretary, vice president and president, the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, the New England Chiefs of Police Association, and;
- WHEREAS: He promoted the development of many community outreach programs and efforts initiated by his officers including the creation of senior citizen programs, the establishment of the police memorial, the development of the Cape Ann Regional Response team, the creation of an annual holiday lunch with elementary school students in a precedent-setting relationship between young school students and police officers, the appointment of a school resource officer, reorganization of the hierarchy within the police department by instituting a lieutenants position, promoting the pursuit of grants that modernized the department, and;
- WHEREAS: He has received numerous commendations and letters of appreciation, including employee of the year from the Town of Rockport in 2010, recognition from the Office of the Secretary of Defense as a patriotic employer, and;
- WHEREAS: He served 37 years on the Police Department, 17 of those years as Chief of Police, retiring on October 31, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Rockport, Massachusetts on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015, do hereby adopt this Resolution of Appreciation in honor of Chief John T. McCarthy on behalf of the citizens of Rockport for his 37 years of outstanding service to our town, and that a copy of this Resolution be kept as a part of our permanent government records.

  
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*Wilhelmina Shvedy Moore, Vice - Chairperson*

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*Eliza N. Lucas, Member*

  
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*Sarah J. Wilkinson, Chairperson*

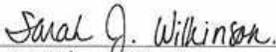
  
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*Paul F. Murphy, Public Safety Liaison*

  
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*Erin M. Battistelli, Member*

*Resolution of Appreciation  
for  
Richard J. Meringer*

- WHEREAS: **Richard J. Meringer** served as a member of the Rockport Board of Health for the past 18 years, and;
- WHEREAS: with great sensitivity and exceptional diplomacy, he negotiated a satisfactory conclusion to the "rooster ruckus" of the 1990's, and;
- WHEREAS: with continued commitment to his oath, he oversaw the installations of multiple septic systems and kept them on the plumb and up and up, and;
- WHEREAS: with the utmost delicacy, he was able to divine the difference between aesthetics and risks to public health, and;
- WHEREAS: with continued vigilance and steadfast foresight, he helped shepherd the state of Rockport's public health from the 20<sup>th</sup> century into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

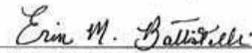
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Rockport, Massachusetts, on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015, do hereby adopt this Resolution of Appreciation in honor of Richard J. Meringer on behalf of the citizens of Rockport for his outstanding service to the Town, and that a copy of this Resolution be kept as a part of our permanent government records.

  
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*Sarah J. Wilkinson, Chairperson*

  
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*Wilhelmina Sheedy Moores, Vice-Chairperson*

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*Eliza N. Lucas, Member*

  
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*Paul F. Murphy, Member*

  
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*Erin M. Battistelli, Member*

**Resolution of Appreciation  
for  
Frank L. Hassler**

- WHEREAS: **Frank Hassler** and his wife, Elaine, lived in Rockport for the summers beginning in 1978, and moved permanently to town in 1992, and;
- WHEREAS: He studied at Yale University and Brown University achieving his PhD in Physics, and;
- WHEREAS: He retired to Rockport from the position of Director of the Office of Transport and Information Resources in the U.S. Department of Transportation in Cambridge, MA. He had moved there after working at several positions in the Defense Department in Washington most recently at the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, where he was a designer of the National Military Command and Control System, and;
- WHEREAS: He was appointed to the Granite Pier Committee in 2001 where he assisted with record keeping and mailings, and;
- WHEREAS: He was appointed to the Finance Committee in 2002, and;
- WHEREAS: He used his time and expertise in service to the Town in redesigning the Town's budget and financial control systems. He used those systems to create and operate the financial budgets presented to and voted by Town Meeting voters for several years, and;
- WHEREAS: He spent considerable time and effort to educate members of the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and the School Committee in the essence and details of the budget and its process, and;
- WHEREAS: He served as an advisor to several negotiating committees who were working on settling union contracts, and;
- WHEREAS: He became an expert in Massachusetts municipal laws and regulations as they apply to the Town of Rockport, becoming the "go-to" authority for many of the town volunteers, and;
- WHEREAS: He served twelve years on the Finance Committee, stepping down in May, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Rockport, Massachusetts on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015, do hereby adopt this Resolution of Appreciation in honor of Frank L. Hassler on behalf of the citizens of Rockport for his thirteen years of outstanding service to our town, and that a copy of this Resolution be kept as a part of our permanent government records.

 _____ <i>Sarah J. Wilkinson, Chairperson</i>	 _____ <i>Paul F. Murphy, Member</i>
 _____ <i>Wilhelmina Sheedy Moores, Vice - Chairperson</i>	 _____ <i>Erin M. Battistelli, Member</i>
 _____ <i>Eric N. Lucas, Member</i>	

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

As I sit at my desk and look out at our yard, currently covered in over 4 feet of snow I am quickly reminded of one main theme when thinking about the town over the past year. Simply put how lucky we are. I am sure that the logistics as well as cost of this year's record snowfall and blizzard will be covered in next year's report (because they mostly cover the calendar year), but one thing I can cover is how lucky we are to have the staff and volunteers that we do that have gotten us through this insane winter. Our resources have been tested at all levels and our employees and volunteers have stepped up wherever they can so that the town can function and our citizens can be assisted wherever possible. We thank all of you for keeping us safe!

The Selectman's Office continues to be run effectively and efficiently by Town Administrator Linda Sanders. This past year Mitch Vieira was promoted to Assistant Town Administrator. Debbie Powers continues to manage the office. All three are extremely helpful to the Board, the public and the staff at Town Hall. We are so thankful to have this team.

Here is just a snippet of some of the action by the Board of Selectman this past year:

- We are in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of a combined School and Town IS&T department. So far this combination department has worked extremely well. We have semi-annual meetings to check on the status of the partnership and so far it seems to be working for everyone and a cost savings for all.
- This fall we bid farewell and a much deserved happy retirement to Town Accountant Roberta Josephson. After a large several month search and current staff members stepping up to keep the Town Accountant's office afloat, I am happy to report that the BOS recently appointed Glenn Wheeler as our new Town Accountant – Welcome Glenn!
- The town recently took control of three properties for non-payment of taxes. After town meeting voted to put the properties in the hands of the Selectman, town staff spent months getting the properties cleaned up and ready for disposition. One of the properties was returned to the previous owner's relatives after the taxes were paid. In the fall the dwelling at 59 High Street was demolished and the town will auction the property off in the upcoming months. The third property on Marmion Way will be auctioned off as well.

- In December the Board hosted a holiday gathering to thank all staff and volunteers and welcome anyone new and interested in volunteering. We had an excellent turnout and a great time at the Community House.
- And last but certainly not least; this past November we bid a very happy retirement to Police Chief Tom McCarthy. Chief McCarthy was in law enforcement for 36 years and the Chief in Rockport for 17 years. It truly was an honor and a privilege to have Chief McCarthy serve our town and lead such an important department for so many years. We wish him nothing but the best as he enjoys retirement with his family.

Now the Board has taken on the task of hiring a new Chief. As soon as Chief McCarthy officially retired we contracted an Interim Chief to manage the day-to-day operations of the department. We were lucky to find Chief Jim Mulligan who has been ably leading the department for almost 4 months. We also set up a screening committee made up of town staff, committee members and citizen volunteers who are in the midst of a rigorous selection process that will hopefully send between 3 and 5 finalist candidates to the BOS for final interviews.

As I look back on the actions of the Board over the past year I am struck by how many appointments we made to town Boards and Committees. It is not an exaggeration to say the town literally could not run without the dozens of people who volunteer hundreds of hours of their own time to keep the town running and to keep it such a great place to work and live.

We are always looking for new board and committee members and welcome anyone to come to a Board of Selectman's meeting or contact any of us to learn more about the open opportunities. We always love to see new faces! The BOS meets every other Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room A of Town Hall. You can also contact us via email at [selectmen@rockportma.gov](mailto:selectmen@rockportma.gov), or contact any of us individually.

As always, it is a pleasure to serve you.

Best,  
Sarah J. Wilkinson  
Chairperson

**BOARD of SELECTMEN  
LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS  
July 8, 2014**

A. Finance and Administration

- \*\*Finance Committee:** Erin Battistelli
- Assessors:** Erin Battistelli
- Town Accountant:** Erin Battistelli
- Treasurer/Collector:** Erin Battistelli
- Information Systems & Technologies:** Erin Battistelli
  
- \*\*Schools:** Paul Murphy
  
- \* Moderator:** BoS Chair
- \* Legal:** BoS Chair
- \* Town Government By-Law Committee:** BoS Chair
- \* Town Clerk, Elections & Registration:** BoS Chair
- \* Personnel Board:** BoS Chair

B. Public Safety

- Police:** Paul Murphy
- Fire:** Paul Murphy
- Ambulance:** Paul Murphy
- Forest Fire:** Paul Murphy
- Building Inspector:** Paul Murphy
- Dog Officer(s):** Paul Murphy
- Animal Inspector:** Paul Murphy
- Harbormasters/Shellfish:** Paul Murphy
- Harbor Advisory Committee:** Paul Murphy
- Parking Clerk:** Paul Murphy
- \* Emergency Management:** BoS Chair

C. Land, Buildings & Natural Resources

- Conservation Commission:** Mina Sheedy
- \*\*Planning Board:** Mina Sheedy

**Zoning Board of Appeals:** Mina Sheedy  
**Zoning Enforcement Officer** (See Building Inspector)  
**\*\*Department of Public Works:** Erin Battistelli  
**Rights of Way Committee:** Mina Sheedy  
**Economic Development Committee:** Mina Sheedy

D. Human Services, Culture & Recreation

**Council on Aging:** Eliza Lucas  
**Veterans' Services:** Eliza Lucas  
**Millbrook Meadow Committee:** Eliza Lucas  
**Board of Health:** Eliza Lucas  
**Board of Library Trustees:** Eliza Lucas  
**Historic District/Historical Commission:** Eliza Lucas  
**Beautification Committee:** Eliza Lucas  
**Rockport Housing Partnership:** Eliza Lucas  
**Old Firehouse Trust:** Eliza Lucas  
**Community Preservation Committee:** Eliza Lucas  
**Cultural District:** Eliza Lucas

\*\* Two delegates needed for regular meetings of the **Capital Improvement Planning Committee** from Labor Day on to prepare for Spring Town Meeting.

1. Mina Sheedy
2. Eliza Lucas

\* BoS Chairperson will cover

\*\* Assignments with significant meeting/coordination time needed. Each Selectperson will need to assume one of the \*\* assignments and in some cases two \*\* assignments.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
LICENSES/PERMITS GRANTED  
2014**

<i>LICENSE/PERMIT TYPE</i>	<i>AMOUNT</i>
Antique Dealers	2
Cinema	1
Common Victuallers	36
Entertainment	8
Filming	1
Fortune Teller	1
Hawkers & Peddlers	10
Home Occupation	5
Home Occupation – Guest House	0
Innholders	17
Junk Dealers	1
Laundromats	1
Livery	0
Lodging House	8
Outdoor Display	11
Parking Lots	5
Street Performers	22
Taxicab	14
Transient Vendors	0
Used Car Dealer's, Class II	2

*ALCOHOL LICENSES 2014*

Annual Alcohol	4
Seasonal Alcohol	6
One-Day Alcohol	4

**TOTAL LICENSE ISSUED 159**

**2014 APPOINTMENTS**  
*(By Board of Selectmen unless noted)*

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR Linda Sanders	DEPUTY SHELLFISH CONSTABLES (3 yr. term) 2016 Rosemary Lesch 2016 Ron Petoff
TOWN ATTORNEY Darren R. Klein Kopelman & Paige, P.C.	ASSISTANT KEEPERS OF THE FLOATS Chief of Police, Sergeants & Police Officers
TOWN ACCOUNTANT Vacant	INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, ZONING AGENT, FENCE VIEWER AND SIGN VIEWER (3 yr. term) Paul M. Orlando, 2017
TREASURER/COLLECTOR Carrie Arnaud	ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR <i>(Appointed by Inspector of Buildings)</i> George C. King
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS <i>(Appointed by DPW Commissioners)</i> Joseph Parisi	ASSISTANT WIRING INSPECTOR <i>(Appointed by Inspector of Buildings)</i> Kirk Keating
TRUSTEE OF LEANDER M. HASKINS PROPERTY AND FUNDS Erin M. Battistelli Paul F. Murphy Sarah J. Wilkinson Wilhelmina Sheedy Moores Eliza N. Lucas	PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR <i>(Appointed by Inspector of Buildings)</i> Joseph P. Guzzo
DOG CONTROL OFFICER Officer William Budrow Officer Dan Mahoney	TREE WARDEN <i>(appointed by Director)</i> Charles J. Osmond
ASSISTANT DOG CONTROL OFFICER Andrea Lucas	VETERANS' AGENT, BURIAL AGENT, SOLDIERS AND SAILORS, AND DIRECTOR OF VETERAN'S SERVICES Adam Ludovicz, Interim
CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER Linda Sanders	WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AGENT Melissa Cox, Financial Technical Assistant
COMMUNITY OIL SPILL RESPONSE COORDINATOR Larry Wonson	KEEPER OF THE LOCKUP Chief John T. McCarthy
CUSTODIAN OF TAX TITLE PROPERTY Linda Sanders	CONSTABLES John T. McCarthy, Chief Mark Schmink, Lt. Robert Tibert, Sgt. Timothy Frithsen, Sgt. Michael Marino, Sgt. Mark Rowe James Hurst, Jr. Michael Soares Philip Wesley William Budrow Gregory George Colleen Daniels Daniel Mahoney Michael Anderson Jason Balzarini Adam Ludovicz
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT Mark Schmink, Director Daniel Mahoney – Asst. Dir.	
FIRE PREVENTION OFFICER James W. Doyle	
FOREST FIRE WARDEN Michael Frontierro	
CO-HARBORMASTERS AND KEEPERS OF THE FLOATS Rosemary Lesch Scott W. Story	
ASSISTANT HARBORMASTER AND KEEPER OF THE FLOATS (3 yr. term) 2015 Story R. Reed 2016 Ron Petoff	
SHELLFISH CONSTABLE (3 yr. term) 2016 Scott W. Story	

PERMANENT INTERMITTENT POLICE OFFICERS

Paul Moginot  
Mary Edgerton  
Corbin Keating

PARKING CLERK

Kurt Bradley  
NORTH SHORE REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
(Appointed by Moderator)  
Rockport Representative  
Bruce Perkins

**BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES**

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON TOWN WATER SUPPLY

(Appointed by Moderator)  
Nicola A. Barletta  
Dorothy G. Carvalho, Chair  
Stephen Scatterday  
Laura Evans

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Stephanie Woolf, Chair  
Terry Duffy  
George Syrigos  
Martha M. Finta  
Betsy Giannoccaro  
Fran Pierce  
Amnon Goldman  
Heidi Goodwin  
Christine Grenier  
Mary Zivkovic  
Mary Minz  
Nina Samoiloff  
Phineas Kelly

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

Fire Chief James Doyle  
Asst. Chief Kirk S. Keating  
Asst. Chief John Porter

BOARD OF HEALTH (3 yr. term)

2015 Richard J. Meringer  
2016 Dr. Sydney M. Wedmore, Chair  
2017 Dr. Russell Sandfield

BUILDING STUDY COMMITTEE

John P. Campbell, Chair  
Russell C. Anderson  
Randy Saville

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Board of Selectmen:  
Wilhelmina Sheedy Moores  
Eliza N. Lucas  
Finance Committee:  
Laurene Wessel  
William Wagner  
Town Administrator  
Linda Sanders

Treasurer/Collector

Carrie Arnaud  
Town Accountant  
Vacant

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

\* Julie McMahon  
\* Melvyn Michaels  
\* Ruth George  
\* Phil Crotty  
Bethany Brosnan  
Patricia Edgerton  
Mary Ann Lash  
Stephen DeMarco  
James Gardner  
(\* Appointed By Moderator)

CONSERVATION COMMISSION (3 yr. term)

2015 Charles Allen  
2016 Robert Claypool  
2017 Lawrence Neal, Chair  
2017 Alan MacMillan, Jr.  
2017 Mary Ann Lash

CONSERVATION AGENT

(Appointed by Conservation Commission)  
Geraldyn Falco

COUNCIL ON AGING (3 yr. term)

2015 Faye Anderson, Chair  
2016 Roger Lesch  
2016 Suzanne Blake  
2016 Maureen Beeley  
2016 Christine Marek  
2017 Joanne Wood  
2017 Gilbert McCarthy  
2017 Donald E. Sudbay, Jr.  
2017 Shirley Conway

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (3 yr. term)

2015 Bruce Reed  
2016 Paul D. Sena, Chair  
2017 James K. Gardner

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE

Lana Razdan, Chair  
James M. Cox  
Peter W. Beacham  
Rollyn Hoffman  
Stephen C. Attwood  
Robert Liebow  
Theresa Scatterday  
Suzan Galpin

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
(3 yr. term)

2015 June Michaels  
2015 Laurene Wessel  
2016 David Coyne  
2016 Carl Engel  
2016 Michael Hughes  
2016 Walter R. Hess, Chair  
2017 William Wagner  
2017 Elizabeth Dailey  
2017 Tamsen Endicott

GRANITE PIER COMMITTEE

Charles Nichols, Chair  
John W. Thompson  
Eric Rask  
Frank Levesque  
Michael Tupper

HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (3  
yr. term)

2015 Edmund Montello, Chair  
2015 Kevin Carrigan  
2016 Philip Crotty  
2016 Stephen Fritch  
2016 Dana Jorgenson  
2017 Chris Murch  
2017 Fred Hillier  
2017 Lawrence Stepenuck

HISTORICAL/HISTORIC DISTRICT  
COMMISSION

(3 yr. term)

2015 Lynn Finnegan  
2015 Thomas Stockton  
2016 Stephen DeMarco,  
Chair  
2016 Paul Woodbury  
2017 James Theophanis  
2017 Russell Liddle Jr.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE (3 yr. term)

2016 Russell E. Dailey  
Vacancy  
Town Accountant, ex officio  
Treasurer/Collector, ex  
officio

MBTA STATION PLANNING  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Nicola A. Barletta, Chair  
Henry T. Betts  
George Robertson  
Samuel Coulbourn  
Ellen Canavan

MEDICAL INSURANCE ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE (Chapter 32-B, Section 3)

AFSCME, General  
Scott Wonson  
AFSCME Supervisor  
Ronald Hale  
Teachers  
Robin Crocker,  
Non-Union Personnel  
Diane Lashua  
Educ. Support Staff  
Allison Rudolph  
Patrolmen  
Colleen Daniels  
Superior Officers  
Tim Frithsen  
Retired Employees  
Sheila Irvin

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE  
COMMITTEE

Claire Franklin, Chair  
June Sullivan  
Gail Zeman  
Brian Sullivan  
Darlene Trumbour  
Kendra Dagle

MILLBROOK MEADOW  
COMMITTEE

Samuel W. Coulbourn, Chair  
Marcia Lombardo  
Shannon Mason  
Charmaine Blachard  
Frederick Tarr III  
Barbara Sparks  
Aileen Morrissey  
Stephanie Woolf

OPEN SPACE & RECREATION  
COMMITTEE

Peter H. Van Demark  
Lawrence Neal, Chair  
Frederick H. Tarr III  
Stephanie Cunningham

PERSONNEL BOARD (3 yr. term)

2015 James B. King  
2015 Elwin Richter  
2015 Thomas J. Delaney

PERSONNEL BOARD (cont.)  
 2016 Susan Crown  
 2017 David W. Kearns,  
 Chair

RIGHTS-OF-WAY COMMITTEE  
 (3 yr. term)  
 2015 Jane Moginot  
 2015 Marcia B. Siegel  
 2016 Jill Soloman  
 2016 Tom Kerans, Chair  
 2017 William Mueller  
 2017 Mary Devaney  
 2017 Philip Morrow

ROCKPORT CULTURAL COUNCIL (3  
 yr. term)  
 2015 Linda Teahen  
 2015 Jacquelyn Ball  
 2015 Julie Andrews  
 2015 Darlene Trumbour  
 2016 Janice M. Beacham  
 2016 Marie E. Alfieri  
 2016 Shirley Christenson

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER  
 ASSIGNED TO ELDER AFFAIRS  
 Roger Lesch

THACHER & STRAITSMOUTH  
 ISLANDS TOWN COMMITTEE  
 Dr. Sydney Wedmore, Chair  
 Seth Cutter  
 Richard W. Morris  
 Carol Delaney  
 Thomas Eldridge  
 Charles Allen  
 Lee Marr

THACHER & STRAITSMOUTH  
 ISLANDS TOWN COMMITTEE (cont.)  
 William Cardani  
 David Delaney  
 Ted Tarr III  
 Gail Zeman

TOWN ART COMMITTEE  
 Karen Sena-Berger  
 Linda Cote  
 Bryan McMullin  
 Bonnie Gray  
 Rosemary Pillarella

TOWN GOVERNMENT & BYLAW  
 COMMITTEE (3 yr. term)  
 2015 Elizabeth Fisher, Chair  
 2017 Kathleen L. Skrabut  
 2017 Robert Sonia

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
 (5 yr. term)  
 2015 Peter Bergholtz, Chair  
 2016 Alan Battistelli  
 2017 Charles W. Christopher  
 2017 Tacy D. San Antonio  
 2019 John Rees

ZONING BOARD ASSOCIATES  
 Lars-Erik Wiberg  
 Joyce P. Fossa  
 Frederick Frithsen  
 Michael Bace

ZONING ADMINISTRATORS  
 Charles Christopher  
 John Rees

**REPRESENTATIVES TO REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

ACTION, INC.  
 Roger Lesch

CAPE ANN TRANSPORATION  
 AUTHORITY (CATA)  
 REPRESENTATIVE  
 Mitchell Vieira

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
 REPRESENTATIVE  
 Sarah Wilkinson

METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING  
 COUNCIL (MAPC) REPRESENTATIVE  
 Frederick H. Tarr

MAPC REPRESENTATIVE TO THE  
 NORTH SHORE TASK FORCE  
 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT  
 PROGRAM  
 (TIP) REPRESENTATIVE

Joseph Parisi

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS  
 (3 yr. term)  
 2014 Linda A. Emerson  
 2015 Patricia Brown  
 2016 Ann Patrice Hickey  
 2017 Jonathan Ring

ELECTION WORKERS, PRECINCT ONE  
 Marilyn Halmen  
 Linda Johnson  
 June Carlson  
 Susan Kielinen  
 Laura Ferazzi  
 Marie Rowell  
 Janice Ramsden  
 Gunille Caulfield  
 Cynthia Kielinen

Elana Brink  
Christina Doyle  
Sue Lee  
Lynda Decourcey  
Heather Atwood  
Mary Jane Morrill  
Darlene Spittle  
Margaret Justice  
Elizabeth Flannagan

ELECTION WORKERS, PRECINCT TWO

Justine Quinn  
Helen Barnett  
Kurt Bradley  
Paula Eldridge  
Rosemary Baron  
Marcia Peterson  
Terri Krause  
Lilia Orozco  
Christina Christopher  
Bonnie Gray  
Debra Legg  
Charles Christopher  
Marie Lopresti  
Melanie Waddell  
Marcia Audano  
Holly Frithsen  
Camilla Ayers

ELECTION WORKERS, PRECINCT  
THREE

Sheila Irvin  
Karen Anderson  
Barbara Brewer  
Mary-Helen MacLeod  
Diane Lynn  
Daniel Lynn  
Andrea Ritchie  
Frank Dunton  
Barbara Arnold  
David Arnold  
Janet O'Donnell  
Jaclyn Hansbury  
Deborah Goldberg-Beaton  
Joanne Wood  
Jane Hyry  
Betsy Giannoccaro  
Steven Giannoccaro  
Judith Harris  
Stephen Rowell

## **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

The year of 2014 was another productive and rewarding year in the world of Rockport town government. Major accomplishments included leading the first, and highly successful, appeal of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) updated Massachusetts' maps denoting flood risk and flood plain insurance based on an inaccurate methodology projecting wave patterns off the coast in an effort to protect homeowners and business owners from the consequential exorbitant increases in flood insurance premiums. Rockport's success led State and Federal congressional delegations to require FEMA to suspend their new flood maps based on the Town of Rockport's evidence that the FEMA wave models were untested and inaccurate for the Northeast. Another major accomplishment in conjunction with the Treasurer/Collector and Finance Committee was attaining a Standard and Poors bond rating upgrade to AA+ with a stable outlook. The Town also completed the mandatory ethics compliance program for the first time which was a monumental feat of coordination and perseverance on the part of the Assistant Town Administrator.

In support of the Board of Selectmen my office worked to clean out and prepare two tax title properties, 8 Marmion Way and 59 High Street, for eventual auction. With the remarkable help of the Department of Public Works, we successfully cleaned out the properties and demolished 59 High Street. The office is in the process of preparing a Request for Proposals (RFP) to sell the properties by sealed bid. The RFP will be widely advertised in local and state publications, the Town website, and Town Hall Bulletin Boards, where it will detail the terms and conditions of the sales.

My office continued to provide daily support to all departments and committees. Some examples include the construction of the New Data Center for the Information Systems and Technologies department in the Town Hall Annex, working with the Recreation department to move into new office space in the old police department with equipment storage that they needed, thanks to the efforts of the Department of Public Works, and working with the Police Department, the Dog Control Officer and Assistant Dog Control Officer to solve the problems within their department. The Board of Selectmen adopted my proposed structure

change of Dog Control operations which included reinstating Animal Control coverage within the Police Department.

Ongoing operations in the finance, legal, and human resource areas consumed the lion share of my time and effort throughout the year. I continued to hold quarterly management meetings to solidify the collaboration among all departments, boards, committees, and commissions as well as using the occasions to solve cross-departmental issues. Topics of discussion at the meetings included the State Ethics Compliance program, performance improvement plans for employee evaluations, finances and legal matters. The big accomplishment in the finance area was the selection and purchase of SoftRight™ as the new financial management system, including the planned transition from the antiquated accounting and fragmented treasury software. Amid these major achievements, I development the annual Town budget, prepared the Town Meeting Warrants, and covered many of the Town Accountant functions in the absence of an employee in that position. The Assistant Town Administrator implemented the new CORI Policy for license holders as well as all new hires and committee volunteers while the Office Manager administered all of the Licenses and Permits and provided constituent assistance throughout the year.

Human resource matters included the recruitment of candidates to fill multiple positions. Two department heads retired this year, the Town Accountant and Police Chief as well as the Information Services and Networks Manager. In addition to employment ads and job postings, I engaged a law enforcement placement firm to supply candidates for an Interim Police Chief while the Town searches for a permanent Chief. This resulted in the temporary hiring of Chief James Mulligan in November. After a long 8½ month search process and numerous advertisements, the Town hired a Town Accountant using a professional accounting placement firm. We also established a new position with the help of the Personnel Board for an Interdepartmental Administrative Assistant to assist the Board of Health, the Conservation Commission and the Information Systems & Technologies departments. In addition to recruiting, there were staff and volunteer trainings on the Public Records, Open Meeting, and Anti-Harassment and Discrimination laws.

Some employee accomplishments in 2014 were the accreditation awarded to the Assistant Assessor who became Rockport's first Certified Public

Assessor and the Town Clerk moving closer toward her certification. The Assistant to the Town Administrator, Mitchell Vieira, was promoted to be Rockport's first Assistant Town Administrator by the Board of Selectmen. It has worked out extremely well with reducing response times for citizens, departments and committees. He also serves as Rockport's representative to CATA where he took part in interviewing and hiring a Deputy Administrator/Planner for CATA and is the Town's representative on the Regional Cable Advisory Committee which is in the process of renewing the contract for cable television on Cape Ann. Of course, the friendly face that greets you when you arrive in the office is Debbie Powers, our Office Manager. Debbie keeps the office functioning and does it with a smile even on the busiest of days. She handles all licensing, schedules the reappointments of committee members, administers leases, and commitments. She also provides support when needed to various other departments such as the Parking Clerk, the Town Clerk, and Accounting offices.

2014 brought many different filming companies to Rockport. A French TV show requested to shoot footage on Thacher Island during the summer and focus on the volunteer host program. A German broadcasting network spent several days in Town working on a made-for-television movie based on the books by British author Katie Forde. A small independent film called "The Greens Are Gone" filmed at the Keystone Bridge and Granite Pier for the end of their movie. Due to the high volume of filming inquires Meg Montanigno Jarrett was designated as Rockport's Film Liaison to the Massachusetts Film Office. I am very pleased to work with such a talented volunteer as Meg on the filming activities in Rockport.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their ongoing involvement and taking on key projects throughout the year, the professional government Staff with their focus on providing continuous customer service improvements, the many dedicated Volunteers that support their community and, finally, the good Citizens of Rockport.

Linda Sanders  
Town Administrator

## **TOWN COUNSEL REPORT**

We are pleased to present our annual report as Town Counsel to the Town of Rockport. In calendar year 2014, we advised the Board of Selectmen and other Town officials and employees with respect to contracts, lease renewals, procurement, conservation restrictions, licensing, zoning board, planning board, and conservation commission appeals, enforcement proceedings, sale of Town property, wastewater collection, municipal health insurance and pension plans, water quality certification, conservation matters, cable television license issues, contract and collective bargaining negotiations, employment policies, labor matters, and on various other general municipal matters. This past year, Town Counsel responded to requests for opinions from Town officials on a wide variety of legal matters, including appointments, public and private ways, cemetery regulations, CORI policies, land use, election inquiries, employment matters, code enforcement, commercial licenses, Town Meeting procedures, site plan review, employee benefits, collective bargaining, use of Town owned land, Town leases and renewals and municipal finance. Town Counsel prides itself on providing Town officials and employees with efficient, effective, and responsive answers to requests for advisory opinions. We consider any request for an opinion as being urgent and requiring a prompt response. Town Counsel also assisted in 2014 in the drafting of numerous policies, contracts, easement documents, and cease and desist orders.

Town Counsel is very involved with preparation for the Fall and Spring Annual and Special Town Meetings and attends all such meetings to assist with answering legal questions and drafting proper motions. In 2014, Town Counsel again reviewed and assisted in the drafting of several bylaws and amended bylaws that were presented to Town Meeting for approval. Town Counsel also provided support by drafting proper motions for various Board meetings and by answering various procedural, governance and quantum of vote questions, as well as assisting the Town with respect to public record requests and open meeting law matters. At the request of the Town Administrator or Board of Selectmen, we attended meetings of the Board of Selectmen and other Boards to provide advice on pending litigation and to assess the Town's risk management on legal matters. We also provide periodic updates to the Board of Selectmen at no charge on all pending litigation and non-litigation matters.

Town Counsel believes one of our highest priorities and goals is to provide proactive legal advice that prevents the Town from engaging in litigation. That being said, Town Counsel is always ready, able and willing to zealously litigate on behalf of the Town when it becomes necessary. We continue to work diligently to effectively represent the Town in all pending litigation. In 2014, Town Counsel represented the Town and its officers in proceedings before the Massachusetts Superior Court, Land Court, the Housing Court, the American Arbitration Association, the Appellate Tax Board, and the Department of Environmental Protection. In addition to effectively litigating on behalf of the Town in these matters, Town Counsel, whenever possible, works to promote conciliatory efforts on behalf of the Town and negotiate cost-effective resolutions to disputes that address the Town's best interests and priorities. In conjunction with the efforts of the Town's administration, this proactive approach has once again assisted in mitigating the Town's litigation costs and the number of pending cases. A list of the pending and resolved cases at the close of 2014 may be obtained through the Board of Selectmen's office.

The office of Town Counsel has also continued to work with the Town to reduce municipal legal costs by researching many issues of municipal law and issuing Memoranda and email blasts addressing those issues at no charge. In 2014, we advised the Town on case law, legislative developments and necessary policy updates through these Memoranda and emails on issues and areas of law that included: Sexual Harassment and Anti-Discrimination, Earned Paid Sick Leave, Modifications to Wireless Facilities, Gun Violence Legislation, Blue Laws, Denial or Revocation of Licenses or Permits, the Domestic Leave Violence Act, the Affordable Care Act, Public and Private Ways, Social Media Policy, Municipal Health Insurance and HMO Premiums, Campaign Finance Law, Amendments to Budget Bill, Amendments to Municipal Finance Law, Amendments to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), Public, Educational and Governmental (PEG) Access and Cable Related Enterprise Fund, Municipal Tort Liability, and New Funding Opportunities for Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure. Additionally, training is always offered at no charge by Town Counsel to Town officials and employees on various legal issues and topics of concern through live seminars and electronic webinars. During 2014, Town Counsel provided multiple trainings on

Defendable Land Use Decisions and Discrimination/Harassment Avoidance, which were attended by many Town employees and officials.

In 2015, Town Counsel's objective, as always, is to be a partner in the Town's continued achievement, success, and wellbeing by providing the highest quality legal services to the Town during these challenging times in a responsive, flexible, timely, proactive and effective manner at a reasonable cost. We take very seriously the Board of Selectmen's vision and strategic plan for the future and intend to assist in anyway we can to help the Town move towards its goals. We will continue to work with Town officials to find creative, efficient and sensible solutions to the legal issues facing the Town. Town Counsel will continue to work with Town officials to handle and respond to the decisions and challenges that lie ahead and to help further the Town's core mission, community values and progress, as well as to help protect the Town's interests in 2015.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the Board of Selectmen for their continued confidence in retaining our firm, and we appreciate the cooperation, assistance and collaboration we have received on all matters from the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator and other Town Boards, officials and personnel. We look forward to our continued work with members of the Rockport Town government in the future.

Respectfully  
submitted,

Darren R. Klein, for  
the firm of Kopelman  
and Paige, P.C.,  
Town Counsel

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT**  
**2014 ANNUAL LIST OF CASES**

1. **THE FOLLOWING LITIGATION WAS PENDING AT THE  
END OF CALENDAR YEAR 2014:**

52 Residents of Long Beach v. Town  
Appellate Tax Board No. F324323, et al.

In this matter, 52 residents of Long Beach filed separate petitions for abatements of their FY2014 taxes with the state Appellate Tax Board.

Fortin v. Bernard v. Town  
Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 13-00316

In this Complaint, the Plaintiff alleges that Defendant's house encroaches onto their lot. The Defendant filed a Third-Party Complaint against the Town, alleging that the Town entered into leases with both parties knowing that the Defendant's house encroaches onto Plaintiff's lot. Both parties have also brought claims against the Town, which the Town has moved to dismiss.

Landing Group, Inc. v. Commonwealth of Massachusetts et al.  
Land Court, Case No. 14 MISC 488766

This action concerns the right to use and control activities in Pigeon Cove Harbor. The Complaint alleges that the plaintiff has rights to control activities in Pigeon Cove Harbor, which was allegedly authorized by an 1830 statute to construct the breakwater in the Harbor and charge fees for the Harbor's use.

Stone-Ashe Realty Trust et al. v. Town  
Essex Superior Court, C.A. No. 04-01629

This is an action brought by the plaintiffs alleging trespass and other damages caused by the general public's use of a Town right of way encumbering property owned by the Stone-Ashe Realty Trust. The

Appeals Court issued a decision that confirmed the Town's easement, and declared a right of foot passage in the inhabitants of the Town to include a broader right of foot passage available to members of the public. The Appeals Court remanded the case to the Superior Court for further proceedings.

Town v. Brown  
Essex Superior

On or about October 21, 2014, the Town, by and through its Building Inspector, brought an enforcement complaint relative to defendants' alleged violations of the building code and zoning bylaw. On January 6, 2015, Town Counsel filed a Complaint and Motion for Preliminary Injunction to have the defendants comply with the enforcement order.

Roma III, Ltd. v. Yankee Clipper, LLC et al.  
Land Court, Case No. 14 MISC 486378

Plaintiff Roma III, Ltd. ("Roma") is appealing the grant of a special permit to co-defendant Patricia Fox, Trustee of the Bullfinch House Realty Trust ("Fox"), for the conversion of a two-family residence at 96 Granite Street into a 9-unit inn. Yankee Clipper, as the current recipient of the special permit, is defending the permit's validity.

Yankee Clipper, LLC. v. Roma, III, LTD. (Rockport Board of Appeals)  
Essex Superior Court C.A. No. ESCV2013-01794  
Land Court Case No. 14 MISC 483384

The plaintiff, who owns the land at 127 Granite Street, is appealing the decision of the Rockport Board of Appeals to grant a special permit to Roma III, Ltd., for a proposed building at 129 Granite Street (abutting the plaintiff's property).

Yankee Clipper, LLC v. Rockport Planning Board, et al.  
Land Court, Case No. 14 MISC 481930

This is an appeal of the decision of the Rockport Board of Appeals, which denied the plaintiff's appeal of the issuance of a building permit to Roma III, LLC for the construction of a large dwelling at 129 Granite Street in Rockport.

**2. THE FOLLOWING CASES WERE RESOLVED IN CALENDAR YEAR 2014:**

Campbell v. Rockport Zoning Board of Appeals, et al.  
Land Court, Misc. No. 472468

This is an appeal to the Land Court from the decision by the Zoning Board of Appeals to deny a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Bylaw, to allow for the construction of a single-family dwelling on property at 38 Jerden's Lane Extension. In June 2013, the Plaintiff filed a Motion for Summary Judgment and supporting Memorandum. The Town filed a Memorandum in Opposition and a Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment in July 2013. A hearing was held in the Land Court and the Land Court issued a Decision in December of 2013 in favor of the Board of Appeals, ruling that the Board had acted within its authority in denying the variance. The Court, therefore, denied the Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment, and granted the Town's Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment and entered judgment in the case. The Plaintiff did not file a timely appeal. Therefore, this case is now resolved.

Charles R. Pratt, et al.  
Land Court, Regis. No. 43282

This was a registration petition filed by an abutter to Long Beach property.

Granite Pier: FEMA Reimbursement Appeal

This matter was appeal by the Town to the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), concerning the amount of federal funds to be paid to the Town as reimbursement for repairs made by the Town (using private

contractors) to the Granite Pier, for damage caused by storms in 2007 and 2010. The Town's appeals were ultimately denied.

Kent v. Roma III, Ltd. et al. (Rockport Board of Appeals)  
Land Court Case No. 14 MISC 481842

This was an appeal of the decision of the Rockport Board of Appeals, which denied the plaintiff's appeal of the issuance of a building permit to Roma III, LLC for the construction of a dwelling at 129 Granite Street in Rockport. At a Case Management Conference on April 3, 2014, the private parties reported that they had agreed to terms for an Agreement for Judgment to settle this case. On May 1, 2014, the parties filed their "Request for Approval" and a proposed Agreement for Judgment, which was approved. This case is now resolved.

MCOP, Local 154 v. Town of Rockport  
(Compensatory Days Arbitration)

This case involved an arbitration filed by MCOP, Local 154, over two grievances regarding the denial of requests to use compensatory days off. Both Union grievances were denied by the Arbitrator, who held that the Town properly exercised its management rights in denying the employees' requests to use compensatory days.

Rosone-Franco, et. al. v. Town of Rockport, et al.  
(Rockport Board of Appeals)  
Land Court, Case No. 13 MISC 478923

This case was an appeal of the decision of the Rockport Board of Appeals to approve a special permit for additions to a single-family nonconforming structure at 43 Granite Street (Map 17, Lot 50). The private parties agreed to discuss settlement options, involving the location of private sewer lines on their properties. On February 26, 2014, the private parties reported to the Land Court that the case had been settled and a Stipulation of Dismissal was filed with the Court on October 4, 2014.

Town v. Marianna Doyle  
Northeast Housing Court C.A. No. 14H77SP000010

This action involved the tax title of property located at 8 Marmion Way. On January 22, 2014, the parties entered into an Agreement for Judgment, which awarded the Town possession of the subject property.

Town v. Anna Watson  
Essex Superior Court C.A. No. 13-1906-B

This matter involved an enforcement action against defendant relative to a home at 59 Main Street. On December 23, 2013, the Court entered a Preliminary Injunction requested by the Town, which directs the defendant to correct certain violations. On June 11, 2014, the Town filed a Complaint for Civil Contempt alleging the defendant was in violation of the Preliminary Injunction. After trial on July 22, 2014, the Court found the defendant to be in contempt of Court and appointed a Receiver to administer the property and remedy the code violations. The parties have resolved this matter.

Matter of Town of Rockport  
ACOP-NE-1N004-SUP

This matter involved an administrative consent order with the Department of Environmental Protection to address long-standing issues with excess flows to the wastewater treatment plant.

## **AD HOC WATER SUPPLY COMMITTEE**

The Ad Hoc Committee on Town Water Supply (also known as the Ad Hoc Water Supply Committee) was originally appointed by the Town Moderator at the 1980 Annual Town Meeting, and was appointed to assist the Director of Public Works in investigations and make recommendations relating to the Town's water supply. Its role has been extended by vote at the Annual Town Meeting and worked with the Director of Public Works since 1980 on many projects to improve the Town's water supply and its distribution.

In more recent years a three-man team of DPW Commissioners has assisted the Director, and the role which the Ad Hoc Water Committee is to play is not clear. We will be meeting soon to discuss these issues, and our place within the town in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy G. Carvalho, Chair  
Nicola A. Barletta  
Stephen Scatterday  
Laura Evans

## AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT

The Rockport Ambulance department continues to have an active group of On Call volunteer EMTs. The State of Massachusetts has converted to the National Registry of Emergency Technicians and all our EMT's have switched over to the national standards. To accommodate the needs of our department and EMT's in our area we will continue with McNeilly EMS Educators to provide monthly classes to maintain the national standards.

The newest member of our department is Mirwais Anwar. Mirwais is a Salem State college student who has become an active member of our department.

The Rockport Ambulance Department continues to host the annual Emergency Service Day. On May 18<sup>th</sup> the event was located on T Wharf with the wharf closed off displaying: ambulances, fire apparatus, forest fire equipment, police cruisers and equipment along with the 2 harbormaster patrol boats and special guest from USCG Station Gloucester-44' life boat. All apparatus and emergency personnel were available to the public.

Rockport EMT's provide coverage for the Rockport School department's boys & girls sporting events, also coverage for major events, holidays, parades and numerous road races.

Once again thank you to all emergency agencies along with the DPW who keep the town safe and secure throughout the year.

2014 - 666 calls

Rockport Ambulance Department Head/RAD Committee  
Rosemary Lesch  
Scott Story  
Ruth George



**EMS Day 2014**

## ANIMAL INSPECTOR – ROCKPORT BOARD OF HEALTH

The animal Inspector is nominated by the Board of Selectmen and appointed by the State Division of Animal Health. The Animal Inspector is responsible for the control of rabies in the domestic animal population and developing a census of domestic farm animals.

The primary duty of the Animal Inspector is rabies control in the domestic animal population.

Rabies Facts:

*Rabies is a viral disease that affects the central nervous system.*

*Rabies virus is spread by contact with the saliva of an affected animal.*

*The most common carriers in the U.S. are raccoons, bats, skunks and foxes etc. State law requires all cats and dogs be vaccinated for rabies even if they are indoor pets.*

*The Municipal Animal Inspector is contacted by local veterinarians when a client presents an animal that may have had an encounter with a potentially rabid animal. In the case of humans being bit or scratched, the attending physician will contact the Animal Inspector. There were 25 reported incidents of bites involving humans or other animals and there were 17 wounds of unknown origin all requiring quarantine.*

*The Animal Inspector is responsible for barn inspections to get a good census of the domestic animal population of the town. This information is used to make risk assessments of where help would need to be concentrated if facing a natural or manmade disaster. This year's census is: 58 horses (46 horses, 8 miniature horses and 4 ponies). There are 20 beef cattle, 1 llama, 2 sheep, 4 goats, one donkey and approximately 170 known poultry.*

*Eight samples were sent to the State lab for rabies testing and they were all negative.*

*If the Animal Inspector has not been to your address this year and you have any farm animals or poultry please call to report updates.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Elaine Somers,  
Animal Inspector*

## **BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

The Beautification Committee of the Town of Rockport is charged with coordinating the planting and maintenance of town gardens. The Committee plans and designs, purchases, prepares the beds, plants, weeds, waters, and otherwise maintains many gardens throughout the town. The Committee also coordinates the activities of several clubs and neighborhood associations which maintain town gardens.

2014 was a busy and productive year. The Committee continued with planting and maintaining many gardens and green spaces around town, and took responsibility for two additional spaces.

The Committee is especially pleased to have Rockport youth involved in its work. Committee member Christine Grenier is helped with the planting and maintenance of the gardens at Inner Harbor Park by her two children, Acadia and Camden. Tourists appreciate the space and in summer the benches are in use throughout the day. Committee member Heidi Goodwin is helped with the planting and maintenance of three small plots at the entrance to Rockport Elementary School by her two children, Madeleine and Simon. Our first youth Committee member, Phinneas Kelly, has taken responsibility for two granite planters in the open space at Front Beach.

The Front Beach project was given precedence this year – the lawn was fed and the trees bordered with local granite stones, and the large space between the walkway to the right of the restrooms and the motel was cleaned up and river gravel laid down. This space had long been neglected, and is now attractive and used by both townspeople and tourists. The DPW designed, built, and installed an attractive seagull-proof trash receptacle. Plans for this coming year include work on the space to the left of the restrooms, making it more attractive and useable. Collaboration with Rockport DPW has been both enjoyable and fruitful. Former Committee member Nan Blue plants and maintains Pingree Park, a small garden on Story Street next to the ball field. Despite heavy foot traffic, the garden remained vibrant and was enjoyed by many.

The clean-up of the rhododendron bed at the Transfer Station continue to be a priority in 2015. Although a difficult and time consuming project, the bushes will thrive when they are cleared of weeds.

The Committee actively seeks and welcomes new members. Many talents are needed. Four new members joined the Committee in 2014, including Phinneas Kelly, Mary Zivkovic, Mary Mintz, and Nina Samoiloff.

Submitted by Stephanie Woolf, Chair

Stephanie Woolf, Chair

Terry Duffy, secretary

Martha Finta

Christine Grenier

Betsy Giannocarro

Amnon Goldman

Phinneas Kelly

## BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors submits the following report which includes Fiscal 2015 Real Estate and Personal Property valuation totals:

REAL ESTATE PARCELS ASSESSED: 4138  
PERSONAL PROPERTY ACCOUNTS: 809

### RECAPITULATION

#### TAX RATE SUMMARY

Total Amount to be Raised	
34,315,801.93	
Estimated Receipts	14,474,767.97
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	19,841,033.96
Real Property Valuations	1,787,449,100.00
Personal Property Valuations	16,281,260.00
Total Property Valuations	1,803,730,360.00

Tax Rate \$11.00

Real Property Tax	19,661,940.10
Personal Property Tax	179,093.86
Total Taxes Levied on Property	19,841,033.96

#### Local Estimated Receipts:

Motor Vehicle Excise	855,000.00
Other Excise	428,500.00
Penalties and Interest	100,000.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	14,000.00
Water	1,600,000.00
Sewer	1,784,596.00
Trash Disposal	410,000.00
Other Services	80,000.00
Fees	35,000.00
Other Departmental Revenue	152,000.00
Rentals	839,280.00
Schools (Medicaid reimbursement)	45,000.00
Libraries	-0-
Cemeteries	28,000.00
Recreation	-0-
Licenses and Permits	245,783.00
Fines and Forfeits	139,587.00
Investment Income	32,206.00

WATER LIENS ADDED TO FISCAL 2013 TAXES	247,842.72
SEWER BETTERMENTS ADDED TO TAXES	7,152.46

Classification of real property in the town as of January 1, 2014 as far as valuation is concerned is as follows:

Residential	1,695,360,472.00
Commercial	87,274,928.00
Industrial	4,813,700.00

NUMBER OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAILERS ASSESSED 2014: 7696

TAX ON MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAILERS COMMITTED: 867,747.74

ABATEMENT TOTALS- FISCAL 2014

Real Estate	75,173.27
Personal Property	12,232.91
Motor Vehicle Excise	40,671.39
Boat Excise	636.36

One of the Assessors' duties is to verify the request of certain persons qualifying for exemption from taxation under the provisions of Chapter 59 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. For example, veterans with disabilities, widows of such veterans, and other qualifying veterans are entitled to exemptions. Persons over seventy years of age who qualify by residence standards, income and their whole personal estate are entitled to an exemption from a portion of their real estate tax. Certain persons sixty-five years of age or over may postpone payments of all or a portion of real estate taxes up to fifty percent of the owner's proportional share when deferral and recovery agreements have been entered into with the Board of Assessors.

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Tax Exempted Fiscal 2014</u>
Veterans with 10% or more disability	35	20,250.00
Paraplegic (widows)	1	3,740.51
Persons over 70 years of age	13	6,500.00
Blind and others	8	3,500.00
Deferred Taxes	2	6,638.81
Community Preservation Act		6,397.78

In addition to the foregoing individuals partially exempt from taxation of their real estate, the following are totally or partially exempt. Tax amounts are for Fiscal 2015.

Educational, Fraternal and Charitable Organizations:	167,733,500.00
Religious Organizations:	103,458,300.00
Government Exemptions:	<u>1,012,256,300.00</u>
	1,283,448,100.00

Paul P. Fuhs, Jr., Chairman  
George H. Hobbs  
Timothy W. Good IV

The Assessor’s Office continues to move forward. We continue to have our Data Collectors in the field gathering information on each parcel in town. As required by the State, each parcel must be inspected at least once during a 10 year period. The Data Collectors are verifying the information on the Field Cards, checking on Building Permits and making changes that they might observe during their visit. We have our Assessor Maps, Field Cards and Maps Online available on our website. Reaching this information is easy; go to the Town website [www.townofrockport.com](http://www.townofrockport.com) and visit the Assessor’s Department. The instructions will lead you in from there. We hope that this modernization will help you to understand the assessing process. We are always available to answer questions at 978-546-2011 or in the office. We are looking forward to another productive year.

Regards,  
Diane R Lashua  
Assistant Assessor

## **BOARD OF HEALTH**

The Board of Health consists of three members who are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. They are Dr. Sydney Wedmore, Dr. Russell Sandfield and Richard Meringer. The Health Agent is Leslie Whelan, R.S., Marianne Peters is the Administrative Assistant; Regina Ghidella, R.N. is the Public Health Nurse, and Laura Osmond the contracted Food Inspector.

The Board of Health has many important functions that serve to preserve and promote the health and welfare of the citizens of Rockport. The Board is responsible for enforcing Title 5 septic system regulations under the Massachusetts Environmental Code, and housing regulations under the State Sanitary Code. Semi-public swimming pools and recreational camps for children are also inspected by the Board of Health. In addition, the Public Health Nurse is responsible for checking on persons with certain communicable diseases.

There are various types of Food Establishments and Bed and Breakfast Establishments, which are inspected regularly, in accordance with the State Sanitary Code.

During the summer swimming season, water samples are collected from the town's public beaches and tested for bacteria. The results of beach testing in Massachusetts are available on line at the town webpage [www.townofrockport.com](http://www.townofrockport.com).

In the fall, the Public Health Nurse provided flu vaccinations to local shut-ins. Thanks to the Council on Aging and Senior Care for informing the community about the availability of flu vaccinations for the homebound population.

The Board of Health continues to work with the North Shore Cape Ann Emergency Preparedness Coalition (NSCAEPC) comprising 15 communities. The coalition creates plans and share resources for public health emergencies.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sydney M. Wedmore, M.D., Chairman

## BUILDING STUDY COMMITTEE

The Building Study Committee was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to provide the Board of Selectmen with recommendations for the usage, replacement, capital needs and possible disposal of the buildings currently owned by the Town of Rockport. In order to shepherd the town's funds, review of previous building study reports and current construction projects shall be the starting point for the work. As it is essential to understand the interconnection of the town's services and the buildings that house them, the committee shall meet semi-annually with the Board of Selectmen. On an annual basis, the committee shall prepare a report to the Board of Selectmen to review and pass on to the Capital Improvement Committee.

The Committee normally meets the first Wednesday of each month, but has deferred meetings until further issues arise.

Past Committee efforts have involved the following projects:

- **Town building project priorities** – The Committee has met with the Board of Selectmen and the CPIC to establish a list of priorities for the various projects. The Committee continues to consider this question and the sequence of events that would allow the most critical projects to proceed and to find economical ways of implementation. Among the projects under consideration:
  - **Town Hall renovations and /or addition**
  - **Site acquisition for new Pigeon Cove Fire Station or renovation.**
  - **Department of Public Works “Site and Facility” Project**
  - **Upgrade and repairs to the Central Fire Station/ old Police Station**
- **Town center planning – Town Hall Annex** – The committee developed plans for renovations supporting the purchase and occupancy of the former Granite Bank building. The resulting additional space relieved pressure on the Town Hall and provided more efficient offices for Inspectional Services, Planning Board, Board of health and the Conservation commission. The vacated space in the Town Hall provided new offices for the DPW Engineering Group.

- The committee will continue to coordinate with the Planning Board, Capital Planning, and Finance Committees in support of a cohesive town center as a part of the long-range town plan.
- **Building Construction Committee** -- The Building Study Committee participated with the DPW to establish a committee for the Community House project under its chartered responsibility for all town construction. Similar committees will be appointed for future large town projects.

The Committee anticipates participating in the proposed review of the Master Building Plan and will continue to consult with the Board of Selectmen and the Finance and Capital planning committees to coordinate and plan the next steps to accommodate the town's space needs.

**Committee Members:**

Russ Anderson

Jack Campbell, Chairman & Liaison to DPW

Randy Saville

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Capital Improvement Planning Committee (CIPC) consists of the Town Administrator, Treasurer/Collector and Town Accountant as well as two representatives from each of the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee. By working with each Town department, it studies the capital needs of the Town, and submits its recommendation for investments to the Board of Selectmen and to Town Meeting for approval. In the process, the CIPC meets with each Town department to get a thorough understanding of its capital requests. It requires each department to present all of its needs for the next five years to the best of its knowledge, and it then ranks each request according to the following priorities:

- 1. Highest priority projects are essential to allow the Town to comply with a critical legislative or governmental mandate or which will eliminate a proven or obvious hazard involving either the health or safety of the public, or protection of public or private property.*
- 2. Second priority projects are those without which an existing or critically needed municipal service cannot be properly delivered either in terms of quality or dependability.*
- 3. Third priority projects are not mandatory, but will either save the Town money or increase the economic base or are responsive to the desires of a significant segment of the community.*
- 4. Fourth priority projects are recommended for postponement because of doubt about their justification, lack of adequate planning, or other timing considerations, i.e. a project which is clearly too costly to fit into the Town's current financial picture.*

Next, the CIPC determines the best way for each request to be financed. The result is a five-year forecast of the Town's cash requirements for the requests that the CIPC expects to recommend over the period. Finally, the CIPC recommends the items and amounts for appropriation in the next budget along with their funding sources.

For the five years, FY15 through FY19, we received \$30 million of requests for 130 items. For FY15, 44 requests were received totaling \$5.7 million. We recommended approval of 26 of these for a total of \$1.5 million in FY15. About \$0.6 million of these are in the General Fund and

\$0.9 million are in the Enterprise Funds. All of the building related requests were deferred for consideration in subsequent years, some pending the results of the Master Building Plan currently underway. As these numbers indicate, there are a number of very large projects that the Town may face over the next few years. Among these are the Long Beach Seawall, Flat Ledge Dam, recommendations that will result from the update of our Master Building Plan, and several other public works related items.

Respectfully Submitted,  
William Wagner, Chairman, Finance Committee  
Carrie Arnaud, Treasurer/Collector  
Eliza Lucas, Selectwoman  
Linda Sanders, Town Administrator  
Wilhelmina Sheedy, Selectwoman  
Laurene Wessel, Finance Committee

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is committed to achieving community conservation goals including wetland, open space, and natural resource protection. The stewardship of land is one of our most important responsibilities. To give that work emphasis, the Commission discusses stewardship at the beginning of its meetings. Supporting the increase of protected open land in Rockport, Mel Michaels works through the Board of Selectmen's office to identify parcels of interest. MaryAnn Lash is our representative to the Community Preservation Committee. She pursues CPA funding for these parcels. In 2014 the Commission has worked on several stewardship projects including:

- Organized and participated in the Annual Earth Day activities in town
- Worked with the Rockport Garden Club to open up the area to the northwest of Mill Pond
- Worked with the DPW (Water Department) to have the area around Millbrook wells cleared of invasive vegetation
- Discussed with Essex County Greenbelt Association properties in town for sale and possible for protection as open space
- In conjunction with DPW cleared for public use the town's newest open space property (at the end of South Street overlooking Cape Hedge Beach)

The majority of the Commission's time is spent implementing the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the Rockport Wetlands Protection By-law (i.e., issuing wetlands protection permits). These laws protect wetlands and the public interests they serve, including flood control, prevention of pollution and storm damage, and protection of public and private water supplies, groundwater supply, fisheries, land containing shellfish, and wildlife habitat as well as erosion and sedimentation control, water quality, and recreation values deemed important by the community. The Commission holds public hearings, conducts site visits, and issues Determinations of Applicability and Orders of Conditions on proposed projects that fall within 100 feet of wetland resource areas and 200 feet from either side of perennial rivers. In addition, the Commission manages local conservation lands and seeks grant monies for pro-active conservation, restoration and open space projects.

The Conservation Commission is comprised of five (5) volunteer members as well as two (2) associate members. This year the Commission welcomed Bailey Coates as a student associate member; she will be on the Commission during the 2014-2015 school year. Bailey goes to Essex Technical High School and is studying environmental science, so volunteering her time on the Commission is a good match. The Commission also employs one full-time professional Conservation Agent, Geralyn (Gerri) Falco, and two part-time clerks, Marianne Peters and Andrea Nichols. Gerri is responsible for the daily management and coordination of all functions and services of the Conservation Commission. She also holds office hours in the Town Hall Annex, assists applicants in the permitting process, and answers questions from any person concerned with open space issues and conservation of natural resources in town. Marianne is new this year and assists in clerical work as well as office organization while Andrea provides her invaluable secretarial support at public meetings. The Commission thanks Paula Geehan for her twelve (12) years of clerical service to the Conservation Office. She retired from the town in the fall of 2014. Happy retirement Paula!

Proactive efforts of the Conservation Commission in 2014 include:

- Several Commission members attended courses, conferences and seminars including those that were presented at the yearly Massachusetts Association for Conservation Commissions Conference
- With the DPW, maintained access to all of the town beaches
- Worked with the Rockport Garden Club to expand permitting of invasive species (knotweed) removal
- Conducted a clean-up and trail clearing at the Commission's open space property at the end of Pigeon Hill Street
- The Conservation Agent reviewed all Board of Health and building plan applications for Conservation Commission issues; conducted more than 100 site visits on town-owned conservation land and applicants' private properties; continued to improve using electronic support at our meetings, thereby reducing paper, allowing for more efficient filing of permits by applicants, and improving the quality of presentations during our public hearings; streamlined the permitting process for the repair of septic systems; participated as Rockport's representative and aided as meeting organizer and discussion group leader for Maritime Gloucester's *Cape Ann Shoreline Change Workshop*; and facilitated Ch. 91 (the Massachusetts Public Waterfront Act which protects and

promotes public use of its tidelands and other waterways) license applications.

The Conservation Commission is represented on numerous town and regional committees. In addition, the Commission sees the further need to increase its work with the Rockport public schools on conservation issues. Its website (at [www.townofrockport.com](http://www.townofrockport.com) under the *Regulatory & Land Use* menu) has valuable information on many conservation issues and encourages all to visit it. The Commission generally meets on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month in Town Hall and holds weekly office hours at the Town Hall Annex. The Conservation Commission is always looking for new members, including associate members, and encourages citizens who have a concern in seeing the natural environment of Rockport preserved, to be a part of this Commission. Interested citizens are always welcome to attend our meetings.

With increasing climate changes, rising sea level and extreme weather conditions, conservation issues will require further community-wide awareness and monitoring. The Massachusetts Department of Energy and Environmental Affairs is leading an effort on how to best respond to changes in the environment. They have published the Massachusetts Climate Change Adaptation Report. The summary section and the full report can be found on line by searching for it using its title, or the link on our web site. We encourage all to read it.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lawrence Neal, Chairman  
Rob Claypool  
Charlie Allen  
MaryAnn Lash  
Alan MacMillan  
Melvyn Michaels, Associate  
David McKinnon, Associate  
Bailey Coates, Student Associate Member

Adaptation report link <http://www.mass.gov/eea/air-water-climate-change/climate-change/climate-change-adaptation-report.html>

## COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council held many programs for the seniors. Some of our most popular events were the dinners and service donated by our local restaurants this year. We would like to thank LoGrasso's Bistro, Top Dog, The Fish Shack, and My Place by the Sea for providing these special events for our local seniors.

Our fitness programs were very popular with 270 people participating in Yoga, Arthritis exercise, Strength/Balance exercise, and Tai Chi. Some of our other programs included Bingo, Scrabble, Knitting/sewing, jewelry making, flower arranging, wreath making, duplicate bridge, monthly birthday parties and birthday cards to those 70+, shredder, fitness room and a bimonthly newsletter to seniors 60+.

We offered the following lectures to seniors: Senior Care Options, Reverse Mortgage, Understanding Diabetes, Financial Solutions for Elders, De-Clutter and Organize your Life, Fire & Fall Prevention, Brain Games, Taking Control of your Future, A Legal Check Up, Growing Older – Staying Healthy, Antique Appraisal, Don't be Scammed, The Power of Positive Thinking, Reiki, Relaxing your way to wellness, AAA presents How to Go on Ice & Snow, Identity Theft, Medicare Open Enrollment and Tax Savings for Seniors.

The council offered nine sessions of art classes consisting of 8 week and 6 week sessions. These included Waking Up to Color, Basic Painting & Drawing Class, Drawing & Painting from Nature, New Methods of Working with Watercolor & Acrylics, Out into Nature, (2) Sky & Seascapes, (2) Watercolor & Graphite classes.

Thirteen day trips were held this past year. These included trips to the Larcom Theatre, North Shore Vocational School Luncheon, Boston Flower & Garden show, Peabody Essex Museum, Mohegan Sun Casino, Clydesdale & Anheuser Busch Tour, NH, Cape Cod Canal 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour, MA, Casablanca by the Sea, ME, Odyssey, Boston, MA, Lake Winnepesaukee, NH, Beauport Princess Tour, Gloucester, MA, Buddliner Tour, North Conway, NH, Merrimack Premium Outlets, Merrimack, NH.

SeniorCare Nutrition Program provided monthly special luncheons and the monthly traveling chef luncheons. SeniorCare Nutritionist, Linnea Hagberg, held a six-week Healthy Eating for Successful Living for Older Adults program. The Council together with SeniorCare held a blanket & coat drive at our senior center for the Action Shelter.

The council held special monthly luncheons with entertainment together with SeniorCare Nutrition program. The daily congregate program coordinated by Freda Collins provided 2,044 meals at the senior center and delivered 10,336 meals to 101 home-bound elders in Town. Meals were delivered by Tony Luzio, and volunteers, Linda Ames, Bob Beattie, Judy Boggage, Julie & Peter Fariel, Karolina LaTronica, Joan Locke, and Joe Zermani.

The Council on Aging together with the Open Door Food Pantry and SeniorCare provided 6,000 lbs. of food (fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, canned goods, pasta, yogurt, and milk) to 60 seniors with a total of 526 distributions at the Senior Mobile Market located at the center. SeniorCare provided 25 Farmers Market coupons to be distributed to low-income Rockport seniors to be used at the local Farmers markets.

Addison Gilbert Hospital provided diabetes, blood pressure, and lung screenings at the Senior Center. They also provided a monthly supper and lecture at the hospital for Rockport and Gloucester seniors. The hospital provided Sefatia Romeo Theken (SHINE) counselor monthly at our center to provide seniors assistance. Our bi-monthly newsletter was provided by Addison Gilbert Hospital.

Travel Slide shows to New Zealand and Hawaii were provided by Jim Wallius.

AARP provided tax aides Mary Gundy, Lenny Goodman, and Ron Alpert from February through April to assist seniors and others with their yearly taxes at no charge.

Together with the Rockport Police Department driver's education classes were held at the Police station community room.

Computer classes consisted of Digital Camera I & II, Facebook, iPad, and Beginner computer classes throughout the year.

During National Senior Health & Fitness Day, free classes in Tai Chi, Arthritis, and Yoga were held. This was a great way for seniors to try something new for their health.

Rite Aid provided the flu shot to 135 seniors this past year. Two hearing clinics were held by Mass Audiology.

During April school vacation, the senior center held a grandparent/grandchildren intergenerational program with a Magician at the center. Grandparents and grandchildren enjoyed a great time. The children were smiling from the time they arrived until the time they left.

This past spring, The Rockport High School class of 2014 under the direction of Principal Philip Conrad, held the “Seniors Helping Seniors” program providing 27 senior citizens assistance with their air conditioners, raking, tree trimming, planting, painting, and helping with storm windows. The students returned to the Senior Center for a pizza party after the work was completed.

Under the direction of Rockport Music Teacher, Anthony Covelli and Beth Fritsen at Rockport High/Middle School, students provided a holiday dance this December. The students were outstanding and the seniors enjoyed dancing to the music.

The Rockport MIS Department provided the Council on Aging 14 computers to be distributed for seniors in need of a computer.

Marge LeDuc of the VNA of the North Shore provided health screening and blood pressure clinics to Rockport seniors once a month throughout the year.

Den Mar Nursing & Rehabilitation provided a lobster roll luncheon for the seniors at the center. They have also provided the “Ask a Nurse Program” monthly at our center.

Senator Bruce Tarr’s office held monthly office hours at the center. Action, Inc. provided weekly office hours at our center assisting many people.

CATA provided excellent transportation for seniors to the doctor, dentist, hospital, medical center, the senior center, and various shopping destinations throughout Cape Ann, Peabody, and Danvers. We would like to thank CATA driver Peter Genest, who retired this past fall, for his outstanding service to Rockport seniors for the past 25 years.

The Rockport Council on Aging received a grant from the Rockport Cultural Council to attend the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem.

We would like to thank our senior center volunteers: Lydia Souza, Kathy Tettoni, Lilia Orozco, Kathleen Kearns, Judy Tocco, Faith Ronan, Freda Collins, Jim Wallius, Pat Olson, Janye Montecalvo, Terry Byrne, Joanne Wile, Betty Hurst, Jean Brandt, Barbara Anderson, Mark Coulburn, Bill Parsons, Ron Paskovitz, Judy Davis, Judy Maxfield, Roger Lesch, Gil McCarthy, and Judi Harris.

The Friends of Rockport Council on Aging financially assisted with a hot breakfast, continental breakfasts, art supplies, birthday parties, our luncheons and early dinner meals, a bus trip, ice cream socials, wreath making, and flower arranging. The Friends held their annual Duck race this past May.

We would like to thank The VNA of the North Shore, The Elder Insider, Bayada Home Care, SeniorCare, Element Care, Mass Bar Assn. member Natalie Simon, Addison Gilbert Hospital, The Open Door, CATA, Action, Den Mar Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, The Rockport DPW, Rockport High School, The Rockport MIS Department, Rockport Town Assessor Diane Lashua, The Rockport Fire Department, The Rockport Police Department, Senator Bruce Tarr's office, LoGrasso's Bistro, Top Dog, The Fish Shack, My Place by the Sea, The Red Skiff, Beauport Princess, Beadles, Audrey's Flower Shop, and Jim Wallius for providing services to our senior center.

In June and October, Council on Aging Board members, along with staff, town employees, Action employees, SeniorCare staff showed support to stop World Elder Abuse by holding signs at five corners.

The Council members include: Faye Anderson, Chairman, Gilbert McCarthy, Vice Chairman, Roger Lesch, Secretary, Don Sudbay, Jr.,

Christine Marek, Joan Wood, Sue Terry, and Maureen Beeley. Our dear council member, Tina Ketchopulos, passed away this past year.

I look forward to working with Council on Aging members, town employees, community groups, the Friends of Rockport Council on Aging and the Rockport senior citizens.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Bertolino  
Director

## CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Rockport Cultural Council received 13 applications requesting \$9,837 for FY 2014. The RCC was allocated \$4,000 from a pool of funds sent to Rockport by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency that supports public programs and educational activities in the arts, sciences and humanities.

The Town of Rockport is part of a grass-roots network of 329 councils that serves every city and town in the state. The program is the largest, most decentralized one of its kind in the United States. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Mass. Cultural Council, which then allocates funds to each local council based on population. Decisions on which activities to support are made at the community level by a board of municipally appointed volunteers.

Following are the organizations awarded funding:

Cape Ann Shakespeare Troupe	Shakespeare Performance 2013-14
Dona Lambert	Theatre Pie Workshops
Cape Ann Symphony Orchestra	Youth Initiative Program
Rockport Music	<u>Music and Film</u>
Rockport Public Library	<u>Fizz, Boom, READ!</u>
Rockport Council on Aging	<u>Peabody Essex Museum</u>
Rockport High School Drama	<u>Drama Festival 2014</u>
Windhover Performing Arts Center	Quarry Dance 3
Gloucester Stage Company	<u>Pay What You Can Program</u>
Mankita, Jay	<u>Eat Like a Rainbow</u>
Rockport Festivals	<u>Farmer's Market Stage</u>
Old Sloop Coffeehouse	Marc Berger and Band
Northeast MA Youth Orchestra	Youth Orchestra Chamber Ensembles

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rockport Cultural Council  
Julie Andrews, Co-Chair  
Darlene Trumbour, Co-Chair  
Members: Jacquelyn Ball, Marie Alfieri, Janice Beacham, Shirley Christenson, Linda Teahen, Maura Wadlinger (Ex-Officio)

## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

The Department of Public Works provides a variety of public services and public works improvements & maintenance for the Town of Rockport citizens, visitors, and other governmental agencies. The primary services provided are public road maintenance which includes road drainage and snow plowing, cemetery maintenance, filtration and distribution of portable water, collection & treatment of wastewater, solid waste disposal and recycling services, and public property maintenance, including buildings, playgrounds, beaches and ball fields. The Department of Public Works also performs a variety of administrative functions such as water & sewer utility billing, payroll, utility permitting and procurement & payment of contracts, materials and supplies.

During 2014 the GIS Program continued to expand within Public Works, starting with the development and roll-out of a service request system. A long term goal of the Program is to allow DPW and eventually all Town staff to use GIS to improve workflows and efficiency. The service request system allows DPW staff to track calls for service, both internal and external, to ensure work is completed in a timely manner, as well as to allow DPW management to see long term trends or potential clusters of similar calls for service throughout Town. 2014 also saw the completion of a Town-wide pavement inventory and management tool and the migration of the Fats, Oils and Grease inspection program to an internet-based and GIS-enabled system. Other upcoming projects include storm water infrastructure inventory to support compliance of the EPA's NPDES Storm Water Program, migration of DPW's street-opening and sewer connection permits to the same internet-based and GIS-enabled system, and expansion of the Town's offerings on Mapsonline.

The DPW Field Crews were very busy in 2014, accomplishing a number of challenging projects above and beyond their normal maintenance routines. There were a number coastal locations damaged by the previous year's Blizzard that were repaired by the DPW workforce, including Cape Hedge Beach, Granite Pier and Gap Gove on Marmion Way as well as temporary stabilization repairs to Back Beach Revetment. Public Works Crews also constructed an access road through the South Woods to the location of the Town's Bedrock Well Site. The work crews were even called upon to demolish a house that the Town had taken possession of for non-payment of taxes that was no longer in livable condition. The Water

Line Replacement Program continued in 2014 with the installation of the last section of water line to be replaced on Wallace Road. Additional drainage improvements were also accomplished by the field crews in 2014, including relaying drain lines on Granite Street and Beach Street as well as completing final drainage improvements on Penryn Way.

The Rockport Department of Public Works also accomplished a number of Capital Project Improvements in 2014. Roadway improvement efforts continued in 2014 with the completion of a resurfacing project on Penryn Way. The asphalt resurfacing was a follow up effort to our drainage swale improvements in 2013 at this location in order to properly direct storm water runoff from this roadway into the drain swale and to its outfall off of Ruthern Way. A significant exterior restoration project at the American Legion Building was conducted by the Engineering Office utilizing Community Preservation Funds in an effort to preserve the integrity of this old structure by replacing and restoring many of the building's exterior elements. Other capital project efforts include the completion of White Wharf storm damage repairs, Bradley Wharf Piling Replacement Project and the Dock Square Odor Control Project to name a few. The Department of Public Works also conducted energy efficient upgrades to the Water Filtration Plant and the Wastewater Treatment Plant in 2014 by installing energy efficient LED lighting at both plants and also installing energy efficient motors in the Cape Pond Low Lift Pump Station. These projects were funding primarily through Mass DOER energy efficiency grant funds and National Grid Energy Rebate Grants. The Department plans to continue its efforts in 2015 to further implement energy efficiency measures in order to reduce energy consumption and costs.

Respectfully Submitted  
Joseph P. Parisi Jr.  
Director of Public Works



**Granite Pier Revetment storm damage repairs performed by DPW Work Force**



**DPW Crews demolishing a house on tax foreclosed property located at 59 High St**

## DOG CONTROL OFFICER

The Town of Rockport Dog Control Department went through a transition in 2014. On April 29, 2014, William Budrow and Daniel Mahoney were appointed as animal control officers. Two assistants were also appointed, Andrea Lucas and Elaine Somers. The Animal Control Officers are on call and are responsible for responding to resident calls and enforcing the Town By-Laws.

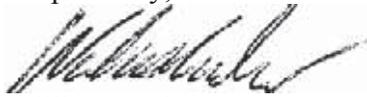
In 2014, there were 283 animal calls, 174 of these calls were dog related. The majority of these calls were complaints about barking dogs, and dogs running loose. When a loose dog was caught, we utilized the shelter located on Blue Gate Lane. Most of the time, the dogs were returned to their owners within a couple of hours.

It is very important to have your dogs licensed. Not only is it a requirement, but it helps officers find the owners. Dogs must be vaccinated for rabies prior to being licensed. You can get a license by going into the Town Clerk's office or you can download a mail-in form from the Town's website. There are 1,123 dogs registered in the Town of Rockport, only 549 are licensed. This is an area that we will be working on to make sure all dogs are licensed.

In general most people obey the dog ordinances. All residents need to be aware of the leash law here in Rockport. This information is posted on the Town's website under Public Safety/Dog Control.

We would like to thank former Dog Officer Andrea Lucas and Assistant Paula Geehan for making the transitions an easy one. We had a busy year in 2014 and are looking forward to 2015.

Respectfully,



William Budrow



Daniel Mahoney

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Rockport Economic Development Committee (EDC) pursued an aggressive agenda during the past fiscal year. Heeding warning signals that the town's demographics were aging and that the current real estate trends did not bode well for the future economic prosperity of the town, the EDC members initiated research, plans, and programs to directly address this situation and work to encourage a more positive outcome. Although faced with a budget cut of nearly 20 percent, the EDC was able to get a substantial amount of action items completed.

**Economic Blueprint/Analysis:** One of the most important projects was to work with Professor Barry Bluestone of the Dukakis Institute at Northeastern University to complete an economic analysis of the town. Using an exhaustive questionnaire, the EDC, with the assistance of many town departments, was able to determine the town's strengths and weaknesses. A preliminary visit by Professor Bluestone in November 2014 provided initial information about what businesses might be attracted to Rockport and some of the things needed to make the town more welcoming to them. Professor Bluestone will provide a final report in the spring of 2015 and recommendations for how to move ahead will be made at that time during an open public meeting.

**Promotion:** In addition to the economic survey, the EDC also worked with Warner Communications, a public relations agency, to promote Rockport in a variety of ways. Cultivating more visitations in the slower shoulder seasons of March/April and October/November was a major priority. Reaching out to younger people or families with young children, talking about Rockport's culture, arts, intimate school system, and sense of community, will help to attract potential new residents who can strengthen the tax base. Relaying information about Rockport's accessibility to Route 128 and the commuter rail and space available for small information technology or creative economy businesses may help to attract new contributors of jobs, taxes, and retail spending. The goal is to tell Rockport's story in a new, concise, targeted way to move people to think about living, working, visiting, or doing business here.

**Research:** The EDC has also administered a questionnaire focused on input from families with young children who live in Rockport to better determine what brought them here and what keeps them here. This information will be used to better develop press outreach via Warner

Communications. A focus group to further develop these themes is planned for spring 2015.

**Communications/Collaboration:** Visitors moving between the MBTA commuter rail station and downtown now have three walking routes to choose from, the result of a sidewalk painting project completed in the spring of 2014. Working with the four Cape Ann Cultural Districts, the EDC also provided seed money and staff assistance to develop a free app for smartphones focusing on helping visitors to explore the Rockport Cultural District and support our local businesses and attractions. Meetings were held to help coordinate activities and resources between Rockport's festivals groups, as well as with the Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce to provide better understanding and direction on mutual goals.

The Rockport Economic Development Committee looks forward to building on the preliminary foundation established during this fiscal year. We appreciate the continuing support of the townspeople as we work constructively to keep Rockport a vibrant and welcoming community.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lana Razdan, Chair

Members: Steve Attwood, Peter Beacham, Jim Cox, Suzan Galpin, Rollyn Hoffman, Rob Liebow, Theresa Scatterday

## FINANCE COMMITTEE



The Finance Committee's prime responsibility is to make recommendations to Town Meeting on all financial matters, including the annual operating budget, capital projects, borrowing, and funding sources. The Finance Committee advises and reports to the voters at Town Meeting. Our goal is to ensure that the voters understand the issues involved, and especially the financial implications, of the articles at Town Meeting, so that they may make informed decisions.

In recent years the Town has been able to maintain essential services, despite decreases in Federal and State aid, by adhering to a conservative approach to the Town budget. Upcoming issues with seawalls and Town buildings along with rising liabilities due to retirement benefits and health insurance for retirees will continue to put pressure on Town finances. Therefore it is prudent to continue this conservative approach to spending for the foreseeable future.

The Committee also manages a reserve account for the Town and votes on any requests it receives throughout the year. Requesting departments must demonstrate that the need was unforeseen when the budget was approved, and that the need is urgent. In FY2014 the reserve fund was \$303,500, and \$43,698 was unspent and returned to Free Cash that will be available in FY2016. The following table lists all approved requests.

<u>Department</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Approved</u>
Selectmen	FEMA Map Appeal	\$ 20,000
Police	Parking Meter Upgrades	\$ 6,861
Police	Cruiser Replacement Equip.	\$ 3,314
Accounting	W Comp Insurance	\$ 6,912
Inspections	33 Atlantic Ave.	\$ 4,165
Treasurer	Reg. School Assessment	\$ 11,491
Selectmen	FEMA Work	\$ 4,000
Forest Fire	Truck Brakes	\$ 2,193
Selectmen	Legal Fees	\$ 69,000
Police	Training Tuition	\$ 9,000
DPW	Fuel	\$ 30,000
Fire	Fuel	\$ 6,500
Council on Aging	Transportation	\$ 250
Millbrook Dam	Temporary Principal	\$ 86,000
Mem. Day Parade Wreaths		\$ 116
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$259,802</b>

Respectfully submitted,

Wally Hess, Chairman  
Laurene Wessel, Vice Chair  
Michael Hughes  
June Michaels  
William Wagner  
Carl Engel  
David Coyne  
Beth Dailey  
Tamsen Endicott

## FIRE DEPARTMENT



The Board of Fire Engineers would like to thank all members and their families for their service to the Town of Rockport. Countless hours of time by dedicated people make up the fire department.

We would also like to thank the Rockport Ambulance and the Police Department for their assistance at all fires, day and night we can count on them. Just being there gives a sense of safety to all on scene.

The Rockport Department of Public Works is always there when we need them. They supply a great water system to help us fight fires when needed. Their highway crew sands at slippery scenes and allows us a training area at the DPW yard. Thank you.

Most of all we would like to express our gratitude to the people of Rockport, who support us each and every year. Thank you.

The Rockport Fire Department had a very active year serving the Town of Rockport. This year we had a total of 223 runs which include Squad Calls, Engine II / Combination A calls, 5-5 Mutual Aid Engine I, and box alarms which is all apparatus responding.

We responded to several working house fires this year along with many calls for assistance from car accidents to lost people in the woods and water related rescues and recoveries.

Our Town's firefighters do far more than fight fires. We are the first responders called to either chemical and or environmental emergencies

ranging from the suspected presence of carbon monoxide to a gas leak. We may be called to rescue a child who has fallen through the ice or who has locked himself in a bathroom. We rescue people from stalled elevators and those who are trapped in vehicle accidents. Being a seaside town, our firefighters also respond to water-related rescues and recoveries. We test and maintain our equipment, ranging from self-contained breathing apparatus to hydrants, hoses, power tools, rescue rafts, and vehicles.

We are proud of all the men and women of the department who serve our town. Again this year we had two members complete the Massachusetts Fire Academy training program, this is no small achievement. Six months three days a week of their own time going through the rigors of fighting fires and classroom studies, this is what sets us up for success.

We would also like to thank our long time employees who retired this year: Lt. Bruce Rowell of Speedwell Engine Co. and John Jordan of Squad 1. Thank you for your many years of service, and we hope you enjoy retirement. You will be missed.

This year we had ongoing training by certified instructors in search and rescue. We had twenty members certified in pump operation. The companies also do intensive training on the company level in SCBA, and firefighting techniques. Ladder drills are conducted along with car rescue. Jaws of Life are trained with many times throughout the year.

On the Fire Prevention side, we have continued to go to local schools and educate our children in fire safety. This year we also educated the senior citizens of the Town of the hazards of fire related incidents. The department received a Safe Grant from the states Fire Marshalls' office that has allowed us to purchase smoke and carbon monoxide detectors for our citizens.

We have added four inch supply lines to all trucks to give us an adequate water supply at any fire. This year we will be looking to replace Engine 3 it is almost thirty years old and has failed its pump test. Repair cost will exceed the worth of the truck.

The Town's Fire Inspector continues to issue permits and complete fire inspections throughout the Town. The inspector is responsible for all smoke, carbon, oil burner, and fuel tank permits issued from the

department. He also oversees the fire drills at all the schools in town. The inspector also inspects multifamily rentals and businesses for compliance to state regulations.

Total of permits issued by the fire inspector are as follows:

- 190 smoke and or carbon monoxide inspections

- 81 propane gas permits

- 63 oil burner permits

- 4 blasting permits

The department responded to 223 calls from false alarms to working fires. The Squad and Engine Company 2 responded to many car accidents and water rescues and recoveries this past year. Speedwell continues to go on all carbon monoxide calls throughout the Town. Sandy Bay Engine Company 1 had many mutual aid calls this year assisting our neighbors in need.

The department is close to a full complement of firefighters, but always looking for dedicated members. Come and visit and maybe think about joining our team.

The following is the list of apparatus of The Rockport Fire Department:

Engine 1 1999 Pierce Saber 1500 gallon a minute pump

Engine 2 2009 Spartan/4 Guys 1500 gallon a minute pump

Engine 3 1986 Ford FMC 1000 gallon a minute pump

Squad 1 2005 HME Silver Fox 1500 gallon a minute pump

Ladder 1 2012 Sutphen 100 foot aerial

Combination A 1988 F-350 lighting plant and light rescue

The following is a list of officers of the Rockport Fire Department:

Chief James Doyle

Assistant Chief Kirk Keating

Assistant Chief John Porter

Captain Philip Tanson Speedwell Engine Company

Captain Andrew Porter. Sandy Bay Engine Company

Captain Mark Wonson Squad One

Captain Kevin Beaulieu Ladder One

Lieutenant Stephen Abell Jr. Speedwell Engine Company

Lieutenant Mike Larkin Speedway Engine Company  
Lieutenant Kristian Juncker Jr. Sandy Bay Engine Company  
Lieutenant Kevin St.Peter Sandy Bay Engine Company  
Lieutenant Lawrence Libert Ladder One  
Lieutenant Frank Favaloro Squad One

Respectfully submitted;  
James Doyle Chief of the Department  
Kirk Keating Assistant Chief  
John Porter Assistant Chief

## FOREST FIRE REPORT

The following is a summary of the Rockport Forest Fire Department of the year 2014:

### Our Equipment:

1941 Ford  
1977 Ford 4x4  
1985 Chevy 4x4  
2004 Ford 4x4  
John Deere “Gator”

### Officers:

Michael Frontierro, Warden  
Jerry Peckham, Deputy  
Millard Ring, Deputy

Brush Fires	7
Cellar Pumps	10
Investigations	6
Missing Person Search	1
Burning Permits	56

During 2014 the Department received a John Deere “Gator” from a federal grant. This will be used to haul equipment in and out of the woods. We will continue our efforts to maintain and identify fire roads throughout the Town.

I would like to thank all of the members of the Department for their dedication and hard work this past year.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Frontierro, Warden

## FRIENDS OF SCOUT HALL

Although the Rockport Friends of Scout Hall Committee is not a Selectmen appointed committee, the committee's focus is centered around the revitalization and operations of the historic Town-owned building known as the Alvin S. Brown Scout Hall at 47 Mt. Pleasant Street which is owned by the taxpayers of Rockport, and should be of interest in many of the readers of this year's annual report. This is an overview of the goals of the committee, our plans for the building, progress over the past year, and plans for the future.

The Alvin S. Brown Scout Hall was built in 1840. It was originally the Mount Pleasant Street School and was active as a schoolhouse up to the mid 1920's, and then used as a meeting place for Boy Scouts. In 1969 the building was dedicated to Alvin S. Brown who was a long time Scoutmaster in Rockport. In the mid-nineties, the building was closed to the public because of badly needed repairs. As the building sat idle, many options were discussed including demolition and selling the property. It was becoming clear that if some effort to the restore the building were not undertaken, the fate of this historic building would be dismal.

In 2003, a committee formed to and presented a business plan to the Selectmen to preserve, and restore the building, as well as regain a functional use of the building as a meeting place for the local Scouting community, which have not had a formal place to meet in several years. Our funding had been through three Community Preservation Act grants (2003, 2004, 2007, and 2011), fundraising, and in-kind donations of materials, labor, and services. To date, we have received \$292,396 from CPA funding, over \$20,000 from fundraisers and donations, and have had over \$120,000 in in-kind donations.



**Scout Hall being used for a Boy Scout overnight game night in 2014**

The Rockport Friends of Scout Hall is now a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization and currently is comprised of a committee represented by the local Scouting organizations active in Rockport. This includes the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Cub Scouts. The committee's goal is to provide guidance, leadership, to secure funding, and manage this project. The Board of Directors consists of the following members: Jeff Amero, Gary Lucas, Wanda Visnick, Jonathan Weaver, Jeff Hildonen, Kevin Ellis, Susan Collins, Fleur Irvin, Liz Finer, and Patti Tucker.

Operations have continued in 2014. This year we had the most use of the building since it reopened, hosting over 150 events throughout the year including Scout meetings by the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Cub Scouts, and other Scouting related activities in the hall such as rank advancement, overnights, movie nights, and leader meetings. Troop 20 Boy Scouts, many Girl Scout troops, and Pack 55 Cub Scouts are still using the building on a regular basis. The children in these organizations range from 6 to 18 years of age and there are over 250 registered Scouts in Rockport.

The hall was also used for several events and meetings outside of Scouting which fulfilled our plan to make the facility open for community based use. Again we hosted two music events for Rockport New Year's celebration. Other uses for Scout Hall included play rehearsals, a townwide music event, use by Rockport fireworks committee, some community committee meetings and a few private events.

In 2014 we saw the completion and permitting of our oven & stove. This was an expensive addition as it needed to comply with commercial kitchen standards. The kitchen is now fully permitted for use of the stove and by the Rockport Board of Health as a commercial kitchen. We are continuing on some improvements to the exterior and basement by using the remaining Community Preservation Act funding.

Please support our efforts to restore this building for community use! For more information on this project, contact any of our committee members, write to us at P.O. Box 262, or e-mail us at [friendsofscouthall@yahoo.com](mailto:friendsofscouthall@yahoo.com).

Jeff Amero  
President  
Rockport Friends of Scout Hall, Inc.

## GRANITE PIER COMMITTEE

**MARCH** – We were informed that a possible fireworks display was proposed to be launched on the top level of the pier sometime on August 9th. The committee discussed this and if all of the fire department state fire marshal and other town safety officers were in agreement that this can be done to meet all of the safety codes as in 2013 were in favor of the project.

**APRIL** - We discussed plans for the Spring with the boats going into the water and a cleanup.

**MAY** -- The month was spent preparing for the boats to be removed from the winter storage area and put into the water.

**JUNE** -- We met with Tim Collins to discuss and make plans for the 9<sup>th</sup> of August and what the committee has to do to make this happen. C. Nichols was selected to work with Tim Collins for the project.

**JULY** -- C. Nichols met with the Corps of Engineers U S Army and the Harbormasters to discuss what effect the work on the main harbor breakwater will affect the Granite Pier which will be a lot.

**AUGUST** – Plans were made as to how we would regulate the pier for the August 10 2013 fireworks. How the top of the pier should be closed off on the 9<sup>th</sup> for the fireworks company the use of the police department on the 10<sup>th</sup> the work with the harbor Department and the Coast Guard to close off an area in the water near the pier was accomplished. This year the fireworks display was even more incredible then last year.

**SEPTEMBER** -- C. Nichols attended another meeting with the Army Corps of Engineer representative and learned that the top of the pier will be a storage space for all of the huge granite stones which will be transported by barge to the harbor breakwater.

**OCTOBER** – The major effort was bringing the 2014 winter storage vessels out of the water and into the assigned storage area then winterize the pier.

**NOVEMBER** – Discuss plans for next year, the next meeting will March 3 2015

**Respectfully submitted C. Nichols**

**Granite pier Committee: C. Nichols Chairman, E. Rask Secretary, F.**

**Levesque, J. Thompson, M. Tupper**

## HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Harbor Advisory Committee was busy in 2014. The Committee meets monthly with the Harbormasters. In 2014 the HAC acquired two new members bring the total to eight members.

The Committee commenced the new year by receiving proposals from three engineering firms. The proposals were necessary to accompany an HAC application to the Rockport CPC committee to fund a feasibility study for the possible extension of Granite Pier. That project was originally proposed by the Army Corps of Engineers in 1965 and rejected by *the* Town at that time. The Harbor Advisory Committee, Harbormasters, and Granite Pier Committee—as well as the DPW Commissioners—are interested in taking another look at the project. In February, 2014 an application was presented to the CPC committee for funding a feasibility study. CPC approved funding in the amount of \$5,500, and the Rockport Town residents approved the funding at the town meeting in September, 2014. The Town has met already with the Army Corps of Engineers; and the Harbormasters have met with State Senator Tarr regarding some funding from the Seacoast Management Fund. At this time preliminary information is being prepared for the Army Corps of Engineers as requested.

The Harbor Advisory Committee also discussed the Tool Company's Chapter 91 application and its Planning Board application to construct a number of homes and commercial space at its Pigeon Cove location. The HAC is concerned about public access to the shoreline. The HAC submitted its position in writing to the DEP, and is awaiting the DEP's determination on the project.

The HAC is also keeping abreast of the repairs about to start at the Bearskin Neck breakwater, and hopefully at Pigeon Cove harbor in 2015.

In 2015 the Committee will look into revising harbor regulations and bylaws, if necessary.

Respectfully Submitted,

Skip Montello, Chairman

## HARBOR DEPARTMENT

2014 opened with a string of winter storms, winds and sea conditions were from the NNE 40-50 mph for several weeks. On January 3<sup>rd</sup> one of the largest waves washed over the Bearskin Neck breakwater and crashed down over the #6 day marker at the entrance to Rockport Harbor. The force of the water pushed the huge block with day marker structure attached into the water. This storm continued to damage an already damaged breakwater along with causing problems at Granite Pier and Pigeon Cove harbors.

In early spring plans with the Army Corp of Engineers and the town of Rockport were finalized, after many years of work, the bid to rebuild the Bearskin Neck breakwater was awarded to Classic Site Solutions, the work would be started in 2014.

Later in the spring the harbor masters and a crew from the Sandy Bay Yacht club contracted a crane service to launch the town & yacht club floats (over 100) and the volunteer crews towed them to and secured them in the designated harbors.

On May 18 the Rockport Ambulance hosted its annual Emergency Service Day on T Wharf. All fire apparatus, ambulances, forest fire trucks, police cruisers, harbor patrol boats and USCG Station Gloucester's 44' life boat were on display and open to the public for tours.

The summer months proved to be active with a busy 4<sup>th</sup> of July and then the arrival of 4-44' Navy sailing vessels that traveled to Rockport in mid-July.

On August 9<sup>th</sup> the second annual fireworks display was executed from the top of Granite Pier. The weather was perfect with flat seas conditions and a high tide. These conditions made for a spectacular display from land or sea.

During the season several boating incidents caused problems: one was a 45' sail boat that had gone aground in the gap between Straitsmouth Island and the main land. There were no injuries and with some coaxing and assistance from the Rockport Harbor patrol boat the vessel floated free and was back underway under its own power. A mayday call brought us back to Straitsmouth Island later in August to assist a 25' power vessel that had gone aground, in a heavy NW wind, on the island. The 2 persons on board were safely taken off the island and the boat was removed by a private contractor the next day.

The summer continued to be busy with several medical calls, a boat fire, and kayakers in distress along with assisting numerous boaters for a variety of situations. A large number of transient boaters came and went over the 6 months

of our active season: day trippers and overnight guests ranging in size from 16' to over 80' in length.

October and November brought needed work around the harbors, 22 pilings were installed at Bradley Wharf by C. White Marine Inc. Danvers, Ma. This work was done from a barge and tug-the job was completed the first week of November. The Rockport DPW continues to work with the harbormasters to maintain the ladders and floats, this is an endless job.

Santa Clause arrived on December 6<sup>th</sup> aboard the Freemantle Doctor which was escorted by the Rockport patrol boat, Alert 2 and the USCG 44' motor life boat.

The Bearskin Neck Breakwater/Army Corp of Engineers project work is continuing to prepare for the arrival of a barge and tug which will do the reconstruction on the breakwater. Large stones 14-22 ton and larger continue to be delivered to Granite Pier. Once all the materials are in place, the work will begin with the tug/barge picking up the designated stones at Granite Pier and transporting them across the bay to Rockport Harbor. The stones will be lifted off the barge and placed in assigned locations on the breakwater per the direction of Classic Solutions, Inc. and the Army Corp of Engineers.

The Rockport Harbormasters continue to remain active in the Massachusetts Harbormaster Association, the North Shore Harbormaster Association and the Governors appointed Massachusetts Harbormaster Training Council. The Harbor Department is a participant in the State Clean Vessels Act-Pump Out program for over 15 years and members of the Maritime Consortium drug testing program.

Rockport Harbormasters

Rosemary Lesch, Scott Story, Ron Petoff and Story Reed

[rockportharbormaster@rockportma.gov](mailto:rockportharbormaster@rockportma.gov)



**Piling Work at Bradley Wharf**

## INSPECTIONAL SERVICES

Paul M. Orlando  
Inspector of Buildings

Joseph P. Guzzo  
Plumbing and Gas Inspector

George King  
Wiring Inspector

Nancy Kearns  
Administrative Assistant

The mission of the Department of Inspection Services is to ensure that the built environment within the Town of Rockport is a safe place for all people to live, learn, work, worship or visit. This is accomplished through fair and consistent enforcement of, and inspection for compliance with, all State and Local Rules and Regulations applicable to construction and building occupancy. It is our wish to assist every applicant to achieve their goals within the Codes, Ordinances, Rules and Regulations under our jurisdiction.

During the year of 2014 this office has issued 935 permits and our inspectors have conducted over 2,300 site inspections. Permit activity remained steady with a 1% increase in total number over the previous year. The fees collected through the issuance of such permits account for the department's entire operating cost. The Inspection Services staff devoted a great deal of time and attention to the various construction projects in the Town through reviews, multiple inspections and meetings. This office worked closely with property owners to assist them in understanding the revisions to the Flood Insurance Rate Maps that became effective July 16<sup>th</sup>.

In addition to our permitting and inspections, our inspectors have attended training seminars during the year to keep current on recent code changes, new materials and different applications as they become available. The Inspector of Buildings completed multi-day joint training provided by the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services concentrating the commissioning of new buildings/occupancies. We work hard to make the local contractors and homeowners aware of these changes and how they affect the development projects in Rockport.

The following is a breakdown of permits issued by our department:

Building Permits	417
Plumbing / Gas Permits	298
Electrical Permits	220

## **INFORMATION SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGIES DEPARTMENT**

The Rockport Information Systems and Technologies Department's (IS&T) mission is to create Rockport technology related systems and infrastructures that are robust, resilient, agile, mobile and streamlined for maximum efficiency. The newly minted IS&T Department continues to evolve and improve as we take on new projects and personnel. The combined Dept. has proven to be able to more easily handle staff changes, on going life cycling, maintenance and major projects. This has been the Rockport Technology Department's most productive and rewarding year.

For the IS&T Dept., 2014 marked a year of several important large projects with an eye towards the future. The old infrastructure was fractured, largely based on the building, with each environment being slightly different. This limited our ability to take advantage of emerging technologies, economies of scale and to generally provide technology tools that increase the overall productivity of all government employees.

The new Municipal Fiber network that connects nearly all Town Buildings and the Schools, as well as the new Rockport Data Center, will provide the IS&T Dept. with the ability to centralize many systems. Instead of each general department having to implement, manage, and fund several different technology related systems, the IS&T has begun to efficiently centralize those technologies and services, creating previously unattainable synergies between departments.

Internet connections will be consolidated as each building is brought on line. The Internet capacity has been increased 400%. The new computer network will allow for the Government and School Internet connections to be the back up for the other.

The new phone system will allow all Rockport Gov. and Ed. Depts. to move away from the less reliable existing copper phone lines. The new system will be implemented in February. The school intercom will now work in conjunction with the new phone system for improved communications and security.

Fifty percent of all Gov. and Ed. wireless systems have been upgraded. Eventually there will be a single wireless system, allowing for the increasing density of digital devices, a more agile system for added mobility, and elevated security to match the world we live in.

The Data Center is now a private cloud and will become the central point for most of the vital computer and communication systems, allowing for a more robust set of systems with the resiliency and flexibility to meet the future needs of each department's diverse set of requirements. Part of this project was to

replace all Town Hall and Annex network equipment and wiring where necessary.

Quick Notes from the Schools:

- Another 12 rooms have had wall or ceiling mounted projectors and interactive whiteboards installed.
- The 8 year-old iMacs for the Middle School computer lab were replaced.
- As part of the phone project, all electronics were upgraded, 225 new computer/phone drops were installed. This was done to fix existing issues and add capacity for classroom phones or more wireless access points.
- Weekly Tech training continues to improve staff use of their Tech Tools.

Quick Notes from general Gov:

- The new financial system implementation is nearly finished, which is allowing for wider spread access and accountability by all departments.
- Progress is being made on the new Town website.
- The DPW has become the second department to transition a large number of important documents from paper to electronic. The Treasury will be the next Dept.
- IS&T provided funding for the Town Library's new Servers.
- IS&T will provide funding for the new Police Dept. Server, phones and other upgrades

The next vital Town wide system under review for an upgrade is the communications and security systems for the Police Department, DPW, Fire, Ambulance, Harbormaster and Schools. This would include all radio communications and IP based cameras for town infrastructure and school safety. The communications and security systems will be able to take advantage of all of the recently finished and on going IS&T infrastructure upgrades.

Respectfully submitted by:

Monty Hitschler

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## ROCKPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY

### **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

Changes large and small, and their resultant challenges, drove the agenda for the Rockport Public Library during the past year. Although a community resource is by its very nature constantly in transition, this was an especially complex period for the library staff and the patrons they serve. Working together, the trustees and staff addressed each issue as it arose, drawing strength from each other and building a more cohesive team.

#### ***Personnel (and Personal) Adjustments***

Perhaps the most devastating change was the untimely death of Director Hope Coffman. Much loved and respected by her staff as well as by the Rockport community, she had built a vibrant library, offering a strong collection of materials, as well as a robust schedule of programs and events. In addition, she fostered camaraderie with her staff and brought a sense of intellectual curiosity to the job each and every day. Her abrupt passing left an emotional rift for all those who knew her and worked with her and it has taken time to process and accept this huge loss. Following the 2013 retirement of long-time Children's Librarian Jane Knight, her successor Carol Bender, has worked hard to get to know local children and their parents, and will continue to develop programming and adjust the collection to better serve their needs.

#### ***Physical Trials***

The Rockport Public Library also faced its share of unique and complicated infrastructure challenges. In the spring, when bees began to invade the children's room, a little detective work by a local beekeeper revealed a massive hive located behind fascia board that had recently been restored with Community Preservation Act funds. The thousands of bees had to be painstakingly removed and transported to a new home, without damage to the fascia board or the library staff and patrons. The trustees and the DPW continue to seek permanent fixes for a persistent basement sewer pipe leak and damaging roof leaks, as well as replacement of aging fire escapes and heating systems.

#### ***Technology Transitions***

E-books, downloads, public use computers, open source consortium software . . . the technology landscape changes daily. The types of collections housed in the library, the technology tools used, the ability of the staff to adjust to changing trends, how the library communicates with the local community as well as with the larger MVLC consortium, are all questions which drive everyday library operations. The ability of the library to use the best of the new technologies while maintaining basic library services, such as a physical collection, requires nimbleness as well as forethought, and will continue to redefine the library of the future.

## **YEAR IN REVIEW**

Throughout 2014 the library continued its role as a year-round community resource center. Grants and donations enabled us to provide a range of programs for children and adults. The library staff and trustees greatly appreciate this support.

### ***Programs***

**AUTHOR VISITS:** More than 630 people attended the ninth Meet the Author series sponsored by the Library, the Friends of the Library, and Toad Hall Bookstore. Residents had the opportunity to meet and hear from the following local and nationally recognized writers: Ben Bradlee Jr., William Cohan, Hank Phillippi Ryan, Anita Diamant, Anthony Ambrose, Dan Kennedy, Lea Wait, Elisabeth Elo, Ellen Cooney, and Tom Mickey.

**MOVIES:** The eighth annual series of “Cabin Fever Movies” featuring light-hearted films designed to brighten the gray days of winter and “Saturday Matinees” offering recent award-winning movies broke previous attendance records. More than 900 people attended the weekly films from mid-January through mid-March.

**BOOK GROUPS:** This year brought some changes to the library reading groups. Shaken by the loss of Hope Coffman, their leader, both the Current Issues Reading Group and the Sunday Book Chat reorganized with new leadership and continued to delve into topics of interest. The Shakespeare Readers finished reading all of his plays and morphed into the Greek Drama Group under the leadership of Sarah Clark. In its thirteenth year the History Book Club led by Sam Coulbourn broadened its focus from geographical areas to include such topics as the history of medicine, art, public education, and religion. Suellen Wedmore continued to lead the Poetry Readers through works by contemporary authors.

**GENEALOGY:** A loyal corps of volunteers kept the Rockport Room—where local history resources are stored—open and available on Mondays from 1:00 until 8:00 o’clock. Assistance with online genealogy research is offered each Monday evening.

**OUTREACH SERVICE:** Rockport residents who were house-bound for a time due to illness or while recovering from surgery or injury received home deliveries from the Outreach Librarian. Through this ongoing service, she delivers print and audio books, music CDs, and DVDs on a schedule that fits the needs of recipients. Arrangements for home delivery can be made by calling the library at 978-546-6934.

### ***Resources***

The library provides resources in electronic media and traditional formats. Free downloads are available for eBooks, audiobooks, music, and language learning databases.

Full text of more than 35,000 technology, digital media, and business books are available at the click of a mouse. Topics include desktop and web applications, digital media, engineering, information technology and software development, math and science, and personal and professional development. Just click the link for Safari Tech Books Online on the library's website: [www.rockportlibrary.org](http://www.rockportlibrary.org).

Also on our website are links to Freegal Music Service, which provides music—from classics to hip hop—for 28,000 labels, including the Sony Music Catalog. Other databases provide access to Morningstar Investment Research Center, the Library of Congress Today in History site, and the Gale Biography database.

Public access internet computers and WiFi service are used by local residents daily. The library maintains a book collection of more than 65,000 volumes and our circulation tops 66,000 items a year. The mix of data in electronic and traditional formats provides the community with a wide range of information resources.

### ***Junior Department***

2014 was a busy year in the Junior Department. We started the year with Valentine card-making for the library's outreach patrons and DenMar residents in mid-January. Club Lego, a self-directed building program for children ages 5+, debuted in February thanks to the Friends of the Library and many private donations. A full week of programming was offered during both February and April school vacations including stories, music, movies and Lego Club.

In June, the Children's Librarian visited all the Rockport Elementary School classes to invite students to participate in the Summer Reading Program: Fizz, Boom, Read! Reading Bingo was played with a grand prize 'Topsfield Fair Prize Packet' awarded to everyone who completed the program. In addition to the 8-week Summer Reading Program, a full schedule of programs and special events were offered:

- The Deedle Deedle Dees Family Music Concert
- Museum of Science: Science is Magic
- Nile: the Whalemobile
- ScienceTellers: Dragons and Dreams
- Drum to the Beat with Otha Day
- Reading to Ruby, a therapy dog reading program for emergent readers
- Stories in the Meadow met weekly on the big parachute in Millbrook Meadow
- Club Lego met weekly and we also hosted 'The Lego Movie'

Our thanks to the Friends of the Library, the Rockport Cultural Council, the Museum of Science, the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners and the Boston Bruins for helping make our Summer Reading Program a success!

In October we focused on our youngest patrons and their families with the Halloween Costume Parade and 'Not Too Scary Stories' with Lucille Lepage and a Music Together Program with Teresa Coelho. A generous gift has made it possible for Ms. Coelho to return for a monthly program through May 2015.

We continue to offer a weekly Story Time and monthly Pajama Story Time throughout the year.

**OUTREACH & COLLABORATION:** Monthly story time visits were made to local preschools and the Integrated Preschool at Rockport Elementary School. Amy Larsen at Pathways for Children met with the Children’s Librarian to discuss early literacy partnership opportunities in the upcoming year. A partnership between the library and Teen Center was forged to discuss collaborative programming for teens. There was continued collaboration with Rockport School Librarians for the Summer Reading Lists.

**TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM:** The library and YMCA Teen Center ran our first Teen Summer Challenge. Teens entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade+ were invited to participate in an on-line program where they entered points for reading and participating in Library and Teen Center activities. Teens who completed the challenge had the chance to win a trip to Canobie Lake Park. Special thanks to the Friends of the Library, the YMCA Teen Center and Top Dog of Rockport for generously supporting this pilot program!

### *Community Support*

The library depends heavily on—and is most grateful for—the support of the Rockport community to maintain our level of service. Donations received from individuals and organizations as well as the many hours of volunteer work done on a regular basis year-round enable us to keep our collections current with readers’ interests and demands.

**DONORS:** The town budget provides funding for labor and annual state certification, but it does not fully cover the cost of providing library services. Gifts from individuals and state and local grants enable us to provide a wide range of programs and services that make the library a true community resource.

**VOLUNTEERS:** We sincerely thank the people who regularly give their time and effort to help maintain the library and its services. Last year 92 volunteers donated approximately 2,400 hours of service. They helped prepare books, DVDs, and CDs for circulation. In the Junior Department, volunteers assisted with a variety of weekly chores and special events. In the adult stacks, volunteers helped to weed out older items to make room for new acquisitions. Volunteers also staffed the Rockport Room on Mondays and assisted with special projects as needed.

**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY:** Many thanks go to the members of the Friends who spend countless hours sorting and moving books for their summer, fall and winter sales. Their generosity and dedicated volunteer efforts are deeply appreciated.

The Friends offered great support to the library staff in the wake of Hope Coffman’s loss and provided the reception following her memorial service. The group also cosponsored the Meet the Author series and provided funding for

children’s programs, museum passes, the public photocopier, movie licensing rights, and staff education and transportation to workshops and training classes.

**ROCKPORT GARDEN CLUB:** The club’s work to enhance the appearance of the library grounds and Reading Garden is a delight to all who pass by the building. The time, talent and resources of the club’s volunteers keep the area bright with seasonal plantings throughout the year.

**DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION:** The local chapter continues to support the local history and genealogical collections in the Rockport Room. Their ongoing gifts will enable us to provide these resources for generations of Rockporters to come.

**LIBRARY STAFF:** Staff members were key to the services and programs provided to the community throughout the year. Their loyalty, dedication, and positive attitude while grieving the director’s death were key to the maintaining library services and programs through the last half of the year. We are truly grateful for all their efforts both in interacting with the public and working behind the scenes to make the library a valuable community resource.

Library Trustees: Lana Razdan, *Chair*                      Camilla Ayers  
Rob Audano, Jr.    *Acting Director*  
Holly Frithsen

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**Two-year-old Isabel Porter gazes at Nile: the Whalemobile during Summer Reading event in the Rockport High School gym.**

## MILLBROOK MEADOW COMMITTEE



**Rockport's Mill Pond is still popular! (Photo by Becca Morris Campbell)**

**Millbrook Meadow Committee, since 2012, has been devoted to a massive project for the Town—the restoration of the four-acre parcel in downtown Rockport, adjacent to King and Beach Streets and Mill Lane.**

The family of George Todd donated the Pond to the Town in 1936. Rockport's Garden Club gave the property now known as the Meadow to the Town in 1938.

In 1951 Lura Hall Phillips began efforts to save the Meadow from becoming a town parking lot, and over the next 40 years worked to protect and preserve this beautiful parkland. When she died in 1994 she left money in trust for the Meadow.

Over many decades Rockporters have enjoyed the Meadow for festivals, fairs, picnics, weddings, games and just fun. For over a century Rockporters have skated on the Mill Pond, and it was once a good place to catch small fish.

The dam between the Pond and Meadow, originally built in 1702, blew out in 2006, and was finally replaced in 2012, and it was then that the Committee, led by John Sparks, began a very comprehensive project to restore the area.

Construction of the new dam dramatized the poor condition of the Pond and the Meadow. The Pond was filled with silt, its original eight-foot depth now reduced to four feet or less and badly clogged with aquatic plants.

The Meadow was often soggy, the Brook was clogged with loose stones and debris, and several large trees were dead or dying.

Barbara and John Sparks led the Committee's drive to obtain funding from Town Meeting and from the Community Preservation fund. The Committee obtained \$162,000 from the Lura Hall Phillips Trust, and went to Town Meeting and townspeople voted \$60,000 in regular Town funds and \$100,000 in Community Preservation Funds (total of \$322,000) to begin the restoration. We plan to request additional funds at Fall Town Meeting in 2015.

The year 2014 began with a contractor hired to begin the long-awaited restoration. Milone & MacBroom began with a complete program of soil testing, sampling of the Pond bottom, and a complete study of the four-acre parcel.

**Membership:** Members of Millbrook Meadow are Charmaine Blanchard, Shannon Mason, Barbara Sparks, Ted Tarr, Marcia Lombardo, Aileen Morrissey, Stephanie Woolf and Sam Coulbourn. Shannon continued as vice-chair, Sam chair, and Marcia treasurer.

**Fund-Raising Committee.** In January Shannon Mason organized a Fund Raising subcommittee, with Charmaine Blanchard and Sam Coulbourn as members and with Susan Gray and Betsy Giannoccaro as advisors. The subcommittee initiated an application for membership in Essex County Community Foundation (ECCF) in order to create a structure for providing a tax-exempt organization, qualified to accept tax deductible contributions. We have raised \$23,000 in private donations to date.

**Conservancy Formed.** Since Millbrook Meadow Committee, as a town government entity, could not serve as fund raiser, the Committee began creating a board for the Rockport Millbrook Meadow Conservancy. This Conservancy is an independent organization, qualified to solicit donations to be collected by ECCF. The Conservancy Board works closely with Millbrook Meadow Committee and provides their individual experience and expertise in the Restoration project, associated fund raising, and stewardship of the park into the future.

Named to the Board were Dianne Anderson, Tim Corrigan, Linda Cote, Chester Clark, Martha Jane Coulbourn, Deborah Cowan, Karl Norwood, Maura Wadlinger, Barbara Sparks, and Sam Coulbourn. Because of pressing duties, Linda resigned at the end of the year.

**Web Site:** Also in January with help of Laurie Ann Condon LePine, the Conservancy initiated a website at [www.millbrookmeadow.org](http://www.millbrookmeadow.org)

**Fighting Knotweed.** During the year the Rockport Garden Club, aided by Millbrook Meadow Committee, conducted several cutting

sessions along the Mill Brook bank and on the shore of the Pond. The Knotweed team collects the cut stalks and they are gathered up and taken to Franklin Park Zoo, where the giraffes, zebras and gorillas enjoy them. Control of invasive plant life is a key item that will be carried forth in plans for restoration of the Meadow and Pond.

**Eagle Scout Trail.** When Sayles Kasten approached the Committee to plan a project for his Eagle Scout badge, John Sparks worked with him to plan a trail around part of Mill Pond. Sayles worked with boards and committees to obtain permission and in March, led a group of fellow Boy Scouts to cut a path through dense growth which would enable people to enjoy more of the flora and fauna of the Pond.

**Liaison Group.** The Committee formed a special liaison group to work with the Contractor and DPW. John Sparks headed this effort, with Sam Coulbourn and Eric Hutchins, as Environmental Advisor.

**Death of John Sparks.** In May, as the contractor prepared to deliver a comprehensive briefing of its findings, John Sparks fell ill of meningitis, and died on May 22, 2014.

After John died, his wife Barbara took over his role as liaison. She added new advisors: Gunilla Caulfield, Frank Hassler, John P. Campbell, AIA, and Laura Hallowell.



**Blanchard, Sparks and Hassler at HarvestFest 2014**

**Getting out the Message.** All year Millbrook Meadow Committee and Conservancy members worked hard to get the message about Restoration out to the public. Members manned booths at Motif No. 1 Day, Harvest Fest, the Acoustic Festival and the Garden Club's two-day

Garden Tour. We held numerous public meetings, a visioning session, and provide detailed information on our website, [www.millbrookmeadow.org](http://www.millbrookmeadow.org)



**Rockporters share visions for Meadow with Jason Williams of MMI**

**Master Plan.** In December the Committee agreed with the Master Plan proposed by Milone & MacBroom, and now the contractor is hard at work designing the plans for actual construction, to begin in spring 2016.

**Restoration Plan.** The plan for the Meadow and Pond will include these items:

1. **Dredging** of the Mill Pond, removing tons of sediment deposited over many years, and also much of the invasive aquatic plants on the part of the Pond near the dam. The granite stones along the bank will be re-set.
2. **Rebuilding of the watercourse** that carries water in Mill Brook to the sea. It will be widened to reduce the chances of its flooding its banks, and the course will be slightly sinuous, to make it more favorable for fish, eels and aquatic plants. The new design will make the Brook more accessible to children, as well.
3. **Willows.** Replacing the old, dying willow trees with new, vibrant willow trees and other species.
4. **The Meadow** will be graded and re-shaped, its drainage improved to reduce the chance of flooding.
5. **Rain gardens**, designed to absorb water runoff from the adjacent parking lot, will be located along the Meadow path.
6. **The Meadow path** will be rebuilt using pervious paving, and low-intensity path lighting will be installed.
7. **Planting throughout the Meadow** will be restored, using primarily native species, with special steps taken to eliminate invasive, alien species, like Japanese Knotweed.

8. **The playground** will be refurbished with new equipment.
9. **The Frog Pond** will be dredged and made more accessible.
10. **Boardwalk.** As the dredging in the Pond is completed footings will be installed for a future boardwalk that will allow people to walk along both sides of the Pond and then cross over in the area between the Union Cemetery and Holbrook Court, where they can view the ducks, frogs, turtles, birds and aquatic plant life.
11. **Water and Electricity.** For the first time since the park has existed, a water supply will be provided. Likewise, electrical receptacles will be provided for use during special events in the Meadow, and for low-level, night-sky friendly overhead lighting.

**Plan for 2015.** Millbrook Meadow Committee, our Conservancy and Advisors are working closely with the Department of Public Works and Milone & MacBroom toward making the Restoration a reality. Losing John Sparks was a blow for us, but we have gained some tremendous volunteer talent, and we are resolved to produce a restored Meadow and Pond that Rockporters will treasure for generations to come.

We welcome volunteers who would like to join our Conservancy!

Respectfully Submitted,

Samuel W. Coulbourn,  
Chairman

## **OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

The Open Space and Recreation (OSR) Committee efforts are to preserve and improve the Town of Rockport's natural environment and recreation areas.

The state-approved 2009 Rockport Open Space and Recreation Plan (2009OSRP) will require a formal update before January 1, 2017. This approval will maintain the town's eligibility to apply for several related grants. The committee completed a review and updated the draft plan to ensure it continues to stay current. This will reduce the effort needed for the formal reapprove process. We expect to complete our review work by updating the plan's action list and private parcels of high interest for protection.

The state of Massachusetts recently published a new and expanded map of its Core and Critical Habitat land areas. Many of these are intact or connected natural areas and they must exist to support healthy natural plant and animal life. This land is emphasized by the state to be protected and maintained as open space. These new areas identified by the state in Rockport coincide directly with our 2009OSRP. It is encouraging to see the local work done on our plan some years ago is supported by the new work done by the state. Related to this, several efforts continue among the Town of Rockport, Essex County Greenbelt Association and private residents to protect land and the trail system outlined in 2009OSRP. This land combines for over 100 acres that, if protected, would improve long term protection and access to watershed, woodlands, quarries, inland wetlands, coastal areas and publicly-used trails. All of this is a great and varied resource available for our residents' use and enjoyment. It appears there could be a further significant protection success in 2015, but all involved have learned this work can be one of very long-term effort with many false starts before success is reached.

Early in 2012 our committee had been approached by representatives for the owner of parcel 28-20A on South Street. This parcel is oceanfront property located at the very end of South Street and overlooks Cape Hedge Beach. After much discussion the longtime owner generously decided to gift the land, assessed at a value of \$900K, at no cost to the town at the end of 2013 with the stipulation that it be managed by the Rockport Conservation Commission. All the administrative work has been

completed, and it is now public land. The DPW has done an initial cleanup of the site that included removing over growth, old fences, signs, and a portion of a crumbled foundation. The land can be walked on now, it has a spectacular sweeping view of Thatcher's Island, Pebble Beach to the North and past Long Beach to Bass Rocks to the South. Further clean-up work is planned for the coming spring.

During 2013 our committee members have also met and contributed with many groups and organizations to instigate, support and generally promote local open space and recreation efforts. These include other town boards and departments as well as Essex County Greenbelt Association, Gloucester Dogtown Conference Members, and Cape Ann Trail Stewards.

Matt Cegelis unfortunately had to leave the committee this year. In his short time with us he was a very active and productive member. He walked the trails to update the mapping and regularly worked with other related groups and organizations.

We have four members and are now looking for a fifth member with an interest in open space planning, land protection or the town's trail system.

Our meetings are typically held on the second Monday evening of each month at the Town Hall Annex. The public is welcome to participate!

OSR Committee members are:

Stephanie Cunningham – Resident  
Frederick H. Tarr – Resident  
Lawrence Neal – Concomm and Chair  
Peter Van Demark – Cartographer

Respectfully Submitted,  
Larry Neal

## PARKING CLERK

The Parking Clerk position is in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 90, Section 20A and mandates that the Clerk shall supervise and coordinate the processing of parking notices and the collection of fines. The Clerk works closely with the Police Department and the seasonal Parking Enforcement Officers to ensure a fair and equitable practice of parking violations. The Clerk also serves as the Hearing Officer for the appeal of parking tickets.

This past year the Parking Clerk continued to assist personal, telephone and mail inquiries concerning parking regulations and violations. The Clerk's office hours are Monday thru Friday from 9:00 AM until 12:30 PM at 37 Broadway; across from Town Hall. Payments may be made in person at the Parking Clerk's Office, at Town Hall (Town Clerk's Office), by mail (Parking Clerk, Town of Rockport, 37 Broadway, Rockport, MA 01966), online at [www.parkingticketpayment.com/rockport](http://www.parkingticketpayment.com/rockport) or by phone (1-866-980-5363).

The installation of solar, digital meters this past year resulted in a number of problems which necessitated voiding parking tickets, which effected the collection of fines this past year. Upon detection of the problems, the new meters were removed and the Town's previous meters were reinstalled.

During 2014 a total of 3,788 violations were issued. A total of \$104,239 was collected in fines and fees. Eighty-three Registry of Motor Vehicle certified receipts were personally issued by the Parking Clerk for payment of fines and other assessments during the year and more than double that number of electronic Registry clears. The Hearing Officer held approximately thirty formal hearings in connection with parking tickets were held during the year and about double that number of informal hearings was held by the Parking Clerk.

The Parking Clerk thanks Police Chief McCarthy, Lieutenant Schmink, Sergeant Tibert, Sergeant Frithsen, Sergeant Marino, all the Patrolmen, the Parking Enforcement Officers and the Town Clerk, Pat Brown, and Assistant Town Clerk, Linda Emerson, for their valuable cooperation and assistance this past year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kurt M. Bradley  
Parking Clerk

## **PERSONNEL BOARD**

The Personnel Board is charged with administering the Town's personnel regulations, policies and procedures for all non-union employees. The Board also recommends changes in employee compensation to the Selectmen and to Town Meeting and hears grievances for some unionized employees.

Members of the Personnel Board are Susan Crown, Tom Delaney, David Kearns, James King, and Elwin Richter. David Kearns was re-appointed this year and served as the Board Chair.

Among the actions taken by the Board in 2014 include the following:

- Recommended at the Annual Town meeting for FY15 a compensation budget for merit performance bonuses of \$35,000 for eligible employees who qualify for merit through the performance evaluation process.
- Compensation Schedules A through I were updated and revised.
- Reviewed and provided feedback on the Harassment Policy. Continuing efforts on the complete review of all Articles in the Personnel Regulations which will continue into 2015.
- Developed a comprehensive benefits survey including health & welfare, retirement, time off, and work life. The Board is looking to administer the survey in 2015 surveying comparable communities.
- A new annual performance evaluation form was reviewed and piloted this year. In an effort to provide greater consistency across all departments, all employee annual evaluations were reviewed prior to completion and feedback was provided to managers/boards for clarity.
- Reviewed the following positions for a change in salary, classification, hours or revisions to job descriptions: Assistant Town Administrator, Library Director, Town Clerk, Town Accountant, Human Resources Manager, Interdepartmental Administrative Assistant, Parking Clerk, Election Workers, and Assistant Dog Officer.
- Susan Crown, Tom Delaney, James King, and Elwin Richter represented the Board on various employment screening panels including Town Accountant, Information Services Network

Manager, Interdepartmental Administrative Assistant, Veteran's Agent, Accounting Support Specialist, and Chief of Police.

- Tom Delaney represented the Board at the Town Administrator's management meetings.
- James King represented the Board regarding the Sick Leave Fund.
- No grievances were presented to the Personnel Board this year.

The Personnel Board thanks all the dedicated employees, committee members and boards of the Town for their efforts and contributions throughout the year. Members of the Personnel Board express their gratitude to Linda Sanders, Town Administrator, and Mitch Vieira, Assistant Town Administrator for working with the Board and Eileen Hines for her support as the Meetings Support Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,  
David W. Kearns, Chair

## PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board serves the Town of Rockport by helping steer the community into the future by combining the wisdom of citizens and officials with the advice of outside experts. The Board has been assisted by a planner, Kirk W. Baker, and Secretary, Mary Bourguignon.

The Planning Board is updating the status of recommendations found in the “Master Plan for Downtown Rockport”, and will complete the task in first quarter of 2015.

The master plan for Downtown Rockport can be viewed on the Planning Board’s Section of the Town website at:

[www.town.rockport.ma.us/doc/004/DMP-COM11-2-11.pdf](http://www.town.rockport.ma.us/doc/004/DMP-COM11-2-11.pdf).

Hard copies can be found in the reference section oot the Rockport Public Library and at the office of the Town Clerk.

### ZONING REVISIONS

Revisions to the zoning by-laws require a 2/3 vote at Town Meeting. An important part of the Planning Board’s work is writing or revising the by-laws after gathering input from the Board of Appeals or other boards and committees, reviewing with Town Counsel, and holding public hearings to inform and answer questions.

No zoning revisions were presented in 2014.

### CASES:

In 2014 the Planning Board conducted six Site Plan Reviews for residential properties along with six ANR reviews. The Board also presented its position to the Commonwealth concerning Chapter 91 matters at the old Cape Ann Tool Company site.

### THE BOARD:

The Rockport Planning Board consists of five officials each elected for three year terms. The present members are: Henry T. Betts, Chairman, Cameron Smith, Vice-Chairman, Herman S. Lilja, Edward S. Hand, Jr. and Terence Duffy. Mr. Betts was re-elected in May, 2014 and Mr. Duffy was elected in the May, 2014 election, both for three year terms. One position will be up for election in May, 2015.

Each Board member serves as liaison to one or more Town Committees. This fosters good communications and helps all of us work towards common goals for the common good of the community.

PROJECTS FOR 2015:

The Board will continue its efforts guiding the Selectmen in optimizing our downtown parking for the benefits of visitors and residents alike.

The Board will continue working with boards, committees, and individuals implementing the Downtown Master Plan's recommendations.

We will continue efforts which address issues affecting the whole Town. Among them are investigations of alternative energy sources, review of sewer needs and a sewer extension policy with the DPW, planning affordable housing and its effect on residential demographics.

WEBSITE:

Informative information about the Planning Board include meeting minutes, zoning by-laws, regulations, the Downtown Master Plan and other useful reports can be found on the Towns' website. Residents encouraged to send comments to the Planning Board at the following address: [planningboard@rockportma.gov](mailto:planningboard@rockportma.gov) or to call the office, 978-546-5008.

Submitted:  
Henry T. Betts,  
Chairman

PLANNING BOARD work is defined by Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 41, Section 81. The Board is charged with preparing a Master Plan designed to provide a basis for decision making regarding the long-term physical development of the Town. The Planning Board is responsible for administering *the subdivision control law, which included conducting Site Plan Review. The Board also has responsibility for holding public hearing and for making recommendations on amendments to the Zoning By-Law.*

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

The members of the Rockport Police Department are committed to excellence in law enforcement and are dedicated to the people, traditions and diversity of our Town. In order to protect life and property, prevent crime and reduce the fear of crime, **we will provide service with understanding, respond with compassion and perform with integrity.** These are our fundamental beliefs from which our agency sets policy, delivers services and implements programs. Values set standards for our members in executing their public safety duties.

The department applied for and received the following grants and acquisitions in 2014 (at no cost to the Town):

1. 01/05/2014 – Bulletproof Vest Grant - \$14,100.00 – State and Federal split with town providing the difference (\$3,600.00)
2. 01/13/2014 – PSAP 911 FY14 Grant - \$21,688 for dispatch equipment and upgrades as well as direct labor.
3. 01/20/2014 – EMD FY14 Grant - \$10,000.00 for dispatchers and officers continuing education training.
4. 01/16/2014 – Brinks Armored Truck acquired from National Guard/ MEM Police – Valued at over \$10,000.00 – for use by all 5 mutual aid communities and the SWAT Team for Cape Ann.
5. 02/07/2014 – Pet Shelter Supplies Box – NERAC, \$500.00 value.
6. 02/10/14 – Monadnock Flex Cuffs – Army National Guard - \$175.00 value.
7. 2/28/2014 – Hemorrhage control kits (6) – NERAC, \$600.00 value. Distributed 2 Ambulance, 2 Fire Apparatus, and 2 Line Cruisers.
8. 3/21/2014 – Quick Series Pocket Guides (Emergency Incidents) – NERAC – (54)/ \$150.00
9. 7/22/14- 2 Gators – for Forest Fire Dept. and town – wide usage, GSAX Grant/ Acquisition. \$9,000.00 value.
10. EMPG 2014 9/9/14 – ATV acquisition PD – Beaches, Quarries, Forest trails – \$4,435.00
11. 9/17/14 – RRT Equipment utilized to make and acquire 102 Town of Rockport ID Cards for all Town Employees - \$500.00.



*New Police Cruiser (2015 Ford Explorer Interceptor)*

**Chief of Police John T. McCarthy** officially retired from the Police Department on November 1<sup>st</sup> 2014. Chief McCarthy successfully led the department for 17 years as Chief. His accomplishments on behalf of the Department and the Town are numerous and include (most notably): the acquisition of a new Police Headquarters, Police Memorial, and achieving Accreditation. He has left a legacy that has laid the foundation for the future of the Department for all Police Officers employed by the Town. His friendships forged over his career will last a lifetime and he will be missed. The members of the Department wish him congratulations on his retirement at the end of a distinguished career and wish him the best in his future endeavors.

**Special Officer Roger Lesch** continues his outstanding work in the area of elderly affairs. His tireless efforts in the Senior Watch Program, File of Life, and Persons at Risk files for Alzheimer's victims have made a difference in many lives for our residents and beyond. He has led driver safety programs and spoken to numerous business organizations regarding elder scams and frauds. New this year is the implementation of a Hoarding Program with assistance from **Officer Colleen Daniels**.

Several members of the police department were recognized locally and statewide for various accomplishments in their capacities as Officers for the Town of Rockport – These include: **Officer Mary Edgerton** and **Officer Philip Wesley** – Life Saving Awards, **Lieutenant Mark Schmink** and **Officer Daniel Mahoney** – Medals of Valor, **Officer Mary Edgerton** and **Officer William Budrow** – Letters of Appreciation, and **Sergeant Robert Tibert**, **Officer James Hurst** and **Officer Gregory George** – Letters of Commendation.

The Department was assessed and re – accredited as one of 34 departments in the state to achieve this status. **Lt. Mark Schmink** supervised and **Sergeant Michael Marino** led the department in these efforts with help and support from the entire department and its employees.

The Rockport Police Association awarded two \$2,000.00 scholarships to deserving graduating seniors. The Association contributed to numerous programs for elementary, middle and high school students. Contributions were also made to several civic organizations such as Rockport Youth Soccer, Action, Inc., Cape Ann YMCA, and Friends of Rockport Athletics. The Rockport Police Association is very grateful to the citizens of Rockport for their generosity and never ending support.

On December 22, 2014 members of the Rockport Police Department participated in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Turkey Dinner which was organized by **Sergeant Timothy Frithsen**. Turkey dinners were served to the elementary school students in collaboration with the Principal Sean Maguire and Administrative Staff, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all participants. The Rockport Police Association donated the turkey dinners and all leftovers were donated to the Homeless Shelter in Gloucester.

The men and women of the Rockport Police Department are committed to the Town of Rockport and its' citizens. They devote countless hours both on and off duty to training, developing and implementing programs, and improving services for the Town of Rockport. The Department is committed to the community policing philosophy and dedicated to serving and protecting its citizens throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted,

**James E. Mulligan**  
*Police Commissioner*

**Mark W. Schmink**  
*Lieutenant/ Executive Officer*

January 2, 2015

The Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town Office Building  
Rockport, MA 01966

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I herewith submit a detailed report of automobile accidents investigated by this department in 2014.

MONTH	FATAL	HIT/RUN	INJURED	PEDESTRIAN	CYCLIST	TOWED	TOTAL ACCIDENTS
JANUARY	0	2	2	1	0	2	10
FEBRUARY	0	1	1	0	0	1	4
MARCH	0	2	0	0	0	0	4
APRIL	0	2	0	0	1	2	10
MAY	0	1	0	0	0	2	7
JUNE	0	4	2	1	1(Motor)	5	19
JULY	0	4	0	0	0	1	20
AUGUST	0	2	4	0	2	4	12
SEPTEMBER	0	1	0	0	0	0	8
OCTOBER	0	3	3	0	0	3	15
NOVEMBER	0	0	3	0	0	4	8
DECEMBER	0	3	4	0	0	5	14
TOTALS	0	25	19	2	4	29	131

Accidents not investigated 22

Respectfully submitted,

James E. Mulligan  
Police Commissioner

January 2, 2015

The Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town Office Building  
Rockport, MA 01966

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Parking meter collections and money received for use of the copying machine and other revenue for the year 2014

Meter Collections:

January–March	\$	3,432.00
April	\$	11,031.97
May	\$	18,645.68
June	\$	33,000.54
July	\$	43,815.00
August	\$	40,014.27
September	\$	34,104.75
<u>October – December</u>	\$	<u>17,540.50</u>
TOTAL	\$	201,584.00

Copy Machine Receipts \$ 477.53

Parking Tickets Issued 3788 \$ 126,365.00

License To Carry and Firearms  
Identification Cards Issued \$ 6,900.00

Town By-Law Violations \$ 700.00

Monies Collected by the Treasurer's  
Office for Private Duty Police Details \$ 10,470.49

Police Auction \$ 231.46

Respectfully submitted,

James E. Mulligan  
Police Commissioner

January 2, 2015

The Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town Office Building  
Rockport, MA 01966

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the detailed annual report of the acts and doings of the Rockport Police Department for the year 2014.

<u>Total Incidents Reported</u>	12,814
<u>Arrests</u>	53
<u>Additional Criminal Charges</u>	
Abuse Prevention Order Violate	4
❖ Annoying Phone Calls	6
❖ Annoy/Accost Person Opposite Sex	1
❖ Assault, Dangerous Weapon	4
❖ Assault and Battery	6
❖ Assault and Battery, Domestic	11
❖ Assault and Battery with Dangerous Weapon	4
❖ Assault to Murder	1
❖ Breaking and Entering, MV	2
❖ Breaking and Entering Dwelling, Nighttime	1
❖ Breaking and Entering Dwelling, Daytime	1
❖ Disorderly Conduct	6
❖ Drug Possession – Class B	3
❖ Drug Possession – Class C	4
❖ Drug Possession – Class E	3
❖ Enticement of a Child	1
❖ Fail to Stop for Police	2
❖ File False Police Report	1
❖ File False Name	1
❖ Indecent Assault & Battery over 14	1
❖ Indecent Exposure	1
❖ Intimidate a Witness	1
❖ Junior Operator Violation	2
❖ Larceny	14
❖ Larceny by Check	9
❖ Larceny from Building	3

❖ Larceny of Credit Card	1
❖ Larceny of Drug	2
❖ Larceny from Person	1
❖ Larceny of a Motor Vehicle	1
❖ Leaving the Scene of an Accident (Property Damage)	3
❖ Liquor Procurement for Minors	3
❖ Malicious Destruction of Property	3
❖ Minor in Possession of Alcohol	12
❖ Obscene Matter to Minor	2
❖ Operating After Revocation of License	6
❖ Operating After Suspension of License	8
❖ Operating Revoked/Suspended Registration	8
❖ Operating To Endanger	6
❖ Operating Under the Influence-Alcohol	8
❖ Operating Uninsured MV	6
❖ Operating Unlicensed	18
❖ Open and Gross Lewdness	1
❖ Possession of Child Pornography	1
❖ Possession of Class D Less Than One Ounce	7
❖ Possession Open Container in Motor Vehicle	3
❖ Protective Custody	7
❖ Shoplifting	7
❖ Threats to Commit a Crime	3
❖ Trespass	6
❖ Use of Motor Vehicle without Authority	8
❖ Utter False Script	7
❖ Violation of Harassment Order	5
❖ Vandalism	2
❖ Warrant Arrests	14

### Incidents

❖ Motor Vehicles Towed	52
❖ E-911 Calls Received	1821
❖ E-911 Hang-ups	51
❖ D.P.W. Notified	85
❖ Utility Company Notified	94
❖ Medical Aid Response	588
❖ Security Alarms Activated	213
❖ Vandalism	34
❖ Fire Calls Sounded	149

❖ Miscellaneous Investigations	2860
❖ Lost and Found Turned In	184
❖ Burglary	20
❖ Domestic Violence Responses	70
❖ Motor Vehicle Lockouts	74
❖ Motor Vehicles Disabled	51
❖ Request for General Services	3034
❖ Animal Reports Received	283
❖ Larceny	65
❖ Summons Served	63
❖ Noise Complaints	133
❖ Police Escort Provided	35
❖ Restraining Orders	34
❖ Civil Harassment Orders	12
❖ Building Check	745
❖ Town By-Law Violations	31
❖ No Trespass Orders	14
❖ Miscellaneous Investigations	2610

Motor Vehicles:

❖ Stopped By Cruiser	619
❖ Civil Citation Issued	49
❖ Written Warnings Issued	142
❖ Criminal Citations	18
❖ Verbal Warnings	410

Respectfully submitted,

James E. Mulligan  
Police Commissioner

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Recreation Department is pleased to sponsor programs to a wide cross section of our community. Our department services residents ranging from 5 years old to 85 years young.

Our mission remains the same. We want all of our citizens to have the opportunity to participate; by offering quality programs for a reasonable fee. The Recreation Department encourages diversity and our programs are ADA accessible.

Our year round Exercise Program has expanded greatly, but our most popular program continues to be senior fitness; Forever Fit is fortunate to be led by Elizabeth with a very loyal following.

We have added some additional fun exercise and recreation activities too. Adult Indoor Soccer continues to be a big hit with sessions running in both the fall and spring. We also began Picke Ball this past fall for adults and this quickly gained popularity with the adults in this community thanks to Sandra and Erin Caniff.

Each winter we sponsor youth basketball. This is for boys and girls from grade 1 to grade 6. Each Saturday in the winter you can find over eighty-five children participating in this terrific program. Phil Whiteley is in his second year of directing this program. We are pleased with the turn out in numbers and the direction the program has taken. Of course the children are excited to have this Saturday activity! The program would not be a success without the great number of high school volunteers who participate faithfully each week.

Come spring we sponsor Tee-Ball for our younger grade school children. A variety of folks will be involved in helping out this year. Kevin Merz has been directing this program for the last several years and has done a wonderful job with this program.

We offer twice per year now a certified babysitting program for our young teenagers through the American Red Cross.

Our Tennis program continues to blossom. We are fortunate to have Bailey See direct this program. She has tremendous experience and will

again bring Rockport's Tennis program to a new level. Her experience is vast and she is a Pro. Bailey received her Master's Degree in Recreation with her thesis on Tennis Instruction. Adults and children benefit each summer from this program.

Each summer you will find many of our children still attending school! However, it is to attend our Summer Fun Program at Rockport Elementary School. The children of Rockport come and participate in a wide variety of games, sports, arts, crafts, and outdoor activities. This program serves children going into Grades one through five.

Middle School Blast is now going into its third year and we are thrilled with the participation of our middle schoolers. We have kayaking, paddle boarding and basketball for our young teenagers to participate in all summer. It is quite the site to see 40 young people come blasting into the Rockport harbor.

We also offered basketball to our elementary and high school students in the summer.

Swim came back this past summer with a great splash! We had Chandra Contrino return as the director and we had a fantastic turn out. Children ages 3 to 11 were instructed in swim at Front Beach. Next summer we hope to bring back our full American Red Cross Certificate Program.

To visit us on the internet our new web site is  
[www.rockportrecreation.com](http://www.rockportrecreation.com).

The Recreation Department would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of all of our volunteers that give so many hours to benefit our community. We would not have these wonderful programs without these committed individuals. Our pledge remains to keep our programs affordable for the community while maintaining the highest standards possible. As always we welcome new volunteers to help with the programs and of course all ideas are invaluable.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Marshall

## RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

The Rights of Way Committee (ROW), initially a subcommittee of the Conservation Commission, was made a permanent Town committee by the 1989 annual Town meeting. The Committee continues its mission to "identify, mark and maintain access to public property and public rights of way over private property." This year we were active working on several issues and projects.



In April of 2014 our annual cleanup on Earth Day had volunteers from the community that included the High School Environmental Club and Boy Scout and Cub Scout troops. This year we gathered on the Atlantic Path where we cleared and reopened a disused rest area at the end of Reed's Lane, designating it with a sign, before we proceeded to other paths in town.

This summer, with encouragement from the Board of Selectmen, we procured a grant of \$3,500 from the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries enabling us to maintain the Atlantic Path. The grant also allowed us, with oversight from the Rockport Conservation Commission, to initiate masonry repairs to shore up areas on the path that had been damaged by storms, thus ensuring safe access for walkers and recreational fisherman.

In November we instituted an annual fall cleanup day and cleared the Atlantic Path, as well as trails in the Andrews Woods/Phillips Avenue area.

Two of our members were appointed by the Board of Selectmen to serve on a special committee that addressed the issue of graffiti on Rights of Way and other Rockport properties, increasing public awareness of these extensive defacements and facilitating a first round of cleanup efforts.

In December our committee worked with Linda Sanders and the Town Attorney's office to initiate and organize the Public Land Use seminar, which was attended by members of the Open Space and Recreation Committee, the Conservation Commission, the Planning Board, and other interested citizens. The session, led by Ilana Quirk, a land use specialist from the firm of Kopelman and Paige, helped to clarify some longstanding legal issues related to paths and open space, and generated a lively discussion.

We sought to strengthen ties, and coordinate our efforts with other local trail organizations, such as Cape Ann Trail Stewards and Essex County Greenbelt Association. Committee members have participated in a number of their events over the past year.

We continued our efforts to lobby for retention of the shore walkway at the site of the former Cape Ann Tool Company under Chapter 91, working to assure public access to the ocean.

The Rights of Way Committee meets on the fourth Monday of the month (with the exception of December) at the Town Hall in Conference Room A at 7pm. We welcome the public to attend our meetings and to volunteer at our various activities!

Respectfully submitted by  
Thomas Kerans, Chair

The Rights Of Way Committee:

Mary Devaney  
Thomas Kerans  
Jane Moginot  
Philip Morrow  
William Mueller  
Marcia B. Siegel  
Jill Solomon

## **THACHER AND STRAITSMOUTH ISLAND TOWN COMMITTEE**

The Thacher and Straitsmouth Island Town Committee consists of 12 citizens of the Town of Rockport who are charged with the oversight, maintenance and upkeep of the Islands at the behest of the Board of Selectmen. The Committee includes Charles Allen, Bill Cardani, Seth Cutter, Carol Delaney, David Delaney, Paula Eldridge, C. Thomas Eldridge, Lee Marr, Richard Morris, Frederick Tarr III, Sydney Wedmore and Gail Zeman.

Thacher Island was opened on 1 June 2014 and closed on 17 September 2014. During this period of time the Principal Keepers were Jeanette Haynes, John and Darlene Fulton. They oversaw the activities and work of the 30 Assistant and Intern Keepers. Those Keepers included:

Ann Patrice Hickey, BJ & Marjorie Hatcher, Charles Allen & Tom Ottaway, Dewey & Camille Glick, Diane & Gary Johnson, Dick Whittaker & Nancy Jaretz, Donna Cusick, Ian & Margie Deweese-Boyd, Joe Napolitano & Peggy Flanagan, Kathy Michaud, Linda Bosselman, Nathan Cohen, David & Sharron Cohen, Patty Wegmann & Paul Sena, Syd & Suellen Wedmore, Wayne & Anita Smith, David & Susan Murphy

These Keepers and Assistant Keepers oversaw the visitation of 1,843 visitors to the Island – 803 who came by kayak, 467 who came by the Thacher Island Launch and the remainder came by private boat.

This activity generated approximately \$7,500 in revenue that was turned over to the General Fund for the Town of Rockport. The Town of Rockport budget for Thacher Island was approximately \$19,000 which included \$6,000 for fuel, \$9,000 for operating the boat, and \$4,000 for maintenance and materials.

Major accomplishments this year were:

1. Replanking the ramp
2. Rebuilding the infrastructure of the cistern
3. Construction and implementation of a fire hydrant system
4. Widening and installation of new doors on the Oil House to accommodate the newer, wider wheeled Kaboda

Lesser projects included placement of a video camera for surveillance of the ramp on the Boat House; motion detectors and 12 volt light system for the North Tower to enhance visitor safety; placement of interpretive signs on the Island and maintenance of the trails.

This year there were 73 work crew boat trips and nearly 3,000 hours of volunteer labor.

Additional activities included a French film crew out for three days, filming a documentary on the Volunteer Program on the Island; Fish and Wildlife were out for two days doing an egg count; volunteers from General Electric did a one day painting trip as a civic activity; Rockport Boy Scouts did an overnight stay; a tour of the Island by the Lighthouse Lovers Association; a visit by the DPW administration, Cape Ann Museum officials and Beverly News. There was also an Artists Day, Photography Shoot and a Ham Radio Communication Marathon.

The Committee worked with the Town and the Mass Audubon Society to conclude a 30 year renewable lease for the Keepers' House on Straitsmouth Island. Plans are underway to begin the renovation of the interior of the house with a goal of a seasonal Keeper program on Straitsmouth as we have on Thacher Island.

Next year attention will be focused on improving safe access to Straitsmouth Island and the refurbishing of the Keepers' House. Initial funding has begun through the able work of Paul St Germain, Chairman of the Thacher Island Association, which includes a \$25,000 grant from the CPC as well as private contributions.

As always, the Committee again wishes to thank the citizens of Rockport for their continued support and is always looking for new volunteers to help.

Submitted by,

Sydney M. Wedmore, MD

Chairman, Thacher and Straitsmouth Island Town Committee

## TOWN ART COMMITTEE

The Town Art Committee continued to work with conservators to restore 25 paintings and frames which received a CPF grant from the town collection. Work was late in commencing and proceeded at a slower than anticipated pace due to difficulties with the community preservation grant process. To date three paintings have been restored and three of the ten frames slated for conservation or replacement. We expect the work to continue during the coming months.

A photographic mural previously considered lost found its way back to town hall.

Mindy Trafton donated to the town a granite sculpture of Motif #1 in memory of her mother Louisa Poole Matson. A watercolor painting of the Sea Scout training boat has been donated by Betty Wiberg.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Berger, Chair  
Bonnie Gray  
Bryan McMullin  
Rosemary Pillarella



**Bryan McMullin rehanges "lost" photographic mural.**



**Mindy Trafton gifts Motif #1 Sculpture in memory of her mother Louisa Matson Poole**

## **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

The Zoning Board of Appeals (the Board) is authorized to grant variances and special permits from the Rockport Zoning Bylaws and the Massachusetts Zoning Act (Chapter 40A). In addition, the Board is authorized to hear appeals from the Building Inspector under Chapter 40A and petitions filed under Chapter 40B (affordable housing comprehensive permits). In fulfilling these responsibilities, the Board works closely with the Town Clerk's office, the Building Inspector, the office of Tax Assessors and the Town Counsel.

The Board, appointed by the Selectmen, is currently composed of 5 full members (five year terms), 4 associate members (one year terms), and a part time secretary. It is the practice of the Board to annually elect the chair and other officers, at the end of the fiscal year.

Associate members provide replacements when a Board member is absent or there is a conflict due to personal, business, or property proximity reasons. When selected by the Board to sit on panels for hearings, the Associates have the same duties and responsibilities as Board members and are thereby provided the opportunity to gain training and experience to become full Board members.

The Town of Rockport has chosen an option offered in Chapter 40A to appoint members to serve as Zoning Administrators (ZAs) who hear appeals for limited types of special permits and variances. The ZA, acting unilaterally, conducts a public hearing in lieu of a scheduled Board hearing and writes the decision. A hearing before the ZA may reduce the overall time from filing date to decision, but the same documentation and legal notices are required.

Board hearings are regularly scheduled for the last Tuesday of each month, commencing at 7:30 PM in the Peggy Dirk Brenner room of the Rockport Public Library. Hearings are posted on the Town Hall bulletin board along with the current month's schedule of petitions. It is a legal requirement that meetings must also be advertised in a local newspaper for two successive weeks prior to the hearing. This requirement when added to the necessary preparation time means that Petitioners must file applications with the Town Clerk approximately four weeks before the

scheduled hearing. Filing date deadlines are available at the Town Clerk's office.

Petitioners are required to submit a completed Petition Application form that includes descriptions of the property and the relief sought a comprehensive set of plans and additional information as detailed in the Board's Rules of Procedure. The form and the Rules of Procedure are available at the Town Clerk's office. On completion of the form, it is officially received in the Town Clerk's office and assigned a Docket Number. The current fee for filing any petition application is \$300 and that amount is used almost exclusively to cover the cost of the legally required advertisement that appears in the Gloucester Daily Times in the legal section of its classified ads.

Upon submission of an application, a Petitioner may request a ZA hearing; The Board Chairman will review the petition and assign it to a ZA at the earliest possible date. The Chairman may however take the option of assigning that petition to a full board hearing.

At each regularly scheduled Board meeting, five members are selected by the Board's Chairman to sit on the panel to hear the petition. One member of the panel is appointed by the Chairman to write the Board's legal decision. The decision is based on the panel's post-hearing discussion and motions as they support the Board's legal arguments according to the Rockport Zoning Bylaws and the Zoning Act. The Chairman also assigns a second member of the panel to assist in the decision writing process. That person has the responsibility of editing the originally written decision for errors, clarity of reasoning, and fidelity to the Bylaws and Zoning Act. The final decision must then be signed by the Chairman or presiding member of the participating panel. Electronic signatures may be used to sign decisions. The Town Clerk then officially records the signed document, signifying the Filing date and the beginning of the public review period. When the Board approves a petition, the Petitioner must wait 20 days from the Filing Date before commencing any work related to the petition. The 20 day period allows the public to make a final review of the decision and if anyone desires, to file an appeal with the appropriate Massachusetts Court of Appeals.

In 2014 the Board received 48 applications for zoning relief:

- 35 Special Permits were granted.
- 1 Variance/ Special Permit were granted.
- 4 Petitions were denied.
- 3 Petitions were withdrawn.
- 2 Petitions are pending.

Three Board decisions were appealed in 2014 and are in preliminary stages.

The Board welcomes Rockport residents who may wish to participate in Town government by serving on the Board. Useful, but not necessary, are backgrounds in law, civil engineering, architecture, management, construction, municipal planning and government. For anyone interested in sitting on the Board, please feel free to contact any member of the Board or its Secretary for a review of a Board member's duties, responsibilities and commitments.

Members of the Board invite and encourage the public to attend and participate in the Board's advertised "last Tuesday" and ZA hearings.

Respectfully for the Board of Appeals:

Alan Battistelli, Chairman  
Charles W. Christopher, Vice Chairman, Zoning Administrator  
Tacy D. San Antonio, Clerk  
John N. Rees, Member, Zoning Administrator  
Peter Bergholtz, Member

Joyce Fossa, Associate Member  
Michael Bace, Associate Member  
Frederick Frithsen, Associate Member  
Lars-Erik Wiberg, Associate Member

Helen Barnett, Secretary

**ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
ROCKPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
For the Year Ending  
DECEMBER 31, 2014**



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## **ORGANIZATION OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Michael Kelley, Chairman	Term expires 2015
Martha Morgan , Vice-Chair	Term expires 2017
Tracy McLaughlin-Volpe	Term expires 2015
Susan Brisson	Term expires 2016
Colleen Coogan	Term expires 2017

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held in the High School/Middle School Library, 26 Jerden's Lane, on Wednesdays, starting at 7:00 p.m., as posted. Members of the community are requested to notify the Superintendent of Schools by the Wednesday, preceding any posted regular meeting, if they wish to bring a matter to the attention of the Committee. Public participation on any agenda item is welcomed at any meeting.

### ROCKPORT COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTER

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DIRECTOR OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Thomas Budrow  
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SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Jeffrey Stockman  
289 Washington St.  
Gloucester, MA  
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FOOD SERVICE DIRECTOR

MarthaJo Fleming  
24 Jerden's Lane  
978-546-1200 X233

**AN OVERVIEW OF THE  
SCHOOL YEAR IN ROCKPORT**

**Report from the Superintendent of Schools**

It is a great honor to report on the successes of the Rockport Public Schools during the last year and also to reflect upon the challenges that we still face as a school system. I am now serving in my third year as your Superintendent of Schools and I am proud to share with you that your educational professionals continue to meet the academic, social and emotional needs of the children of Rockport and those that we are pleased to say have selected to attend our schools through the school choice program. Our students clearly thrive in a school culture that is enriched and supported by a community with such a high commitment to the education of its young people and for that we thank you!

During the past year we have been concentrating on several major goals and projects to improve the educational opportunities our schools have to offer. Our major effort this fall, following a yearlong study, has been the implementation of a new K-8 math program entitled Envisions. This new program is aligned closely to the new Common Core of Learning that was recently adopted by the State of Massachusetts. This cutting edge program has a highly engaging technological component that allows parents to work closely with their children while at home as they acquire new skills in this vital area of our curriculum as an extension to the regular classroom experience. The final piece of the math puzzle will be the hiring of a district math specialist for the upcoming school year. This individual will work closely with students who are struggling with math concepts so that they don't fall critically behind in this progressive subject area and will also offer support and provide professional development for teachers in honing their instructional skills. In addition, we were fortunate to be able to hire an Assistant Principal/Curriculum Director for the Rockport Elementary School this

school year. Heather Castonguay has filled this new role admirably and she now works in conjunction with Todd Simendinger, the Assistant Principal/Curriculum Director at the Rockport Middle/High School to oversee our new K-12 curriculum review cycle that was put in place this fall. This new structure to oversee our curriculum and instruction has positioned us to move our schools further forward to offer the optimal education our students deserve. All of our future work to improve our schools is now guided by the 3-year RPS Strategic Plan that was adopted last summer after soliciting community feedback. This plan is available for review on the school system's website. The intent is to review and update this document each spring to keep it current with our needs and to refresh our vision and commitment to crafting a superior school system.

We are excited to have hired Jennifer Jones as our new Director of Special Services. Jennifer comes to us from one of the largest school systems in Georgia where she served as the Compliance Director for the Gwinnett County Public Schools. One of her special interests is in the establishment of a Co-teaching model for delivering instruction to our students with special needs. In this model, a regular education teacher works side-by-side with a special educator to provide supportive instruction in the traditional classroom setting rather than in a separate pull-out format or alternative location. This model of teaching focuses on the strengths of each learner as they maximize their potential as learners and provides them with the best instruction possible.

This marks the second year of the implementation of our new Staff Evaluation Process for all of our employees. All of our teachers are now fully involved in a two-year cycle of review. We are working diligently to develop and pilot the District Determined Measures (DDMs) that will determine a teacher's overall impact on student learning. New to the system this fall, and the last phase of this innovative statewide evaluation system, has been the survey of our students regarding their teacher's performance through the eyes of our young people.

During the budget development process last spring, the voters of Rockport approved our request for the establishment of a Special Education Reserve with an initial appropriation of \$200,000. We are extremely grateful to have these back-up funds if necessary in case of extreme unpredictable costs. In situations where our budget expenditures allow in this area we will be adding to the fund to make it an even better financial resource in times of need.

In the area of technology, the partnership with the Town of Rockport continues to go well. We have not lost a beat in the quality of the services provided by the outstanding staff of this department. A new intercom system went on line this fall and we look forward to the changeover to a new phone system in February.

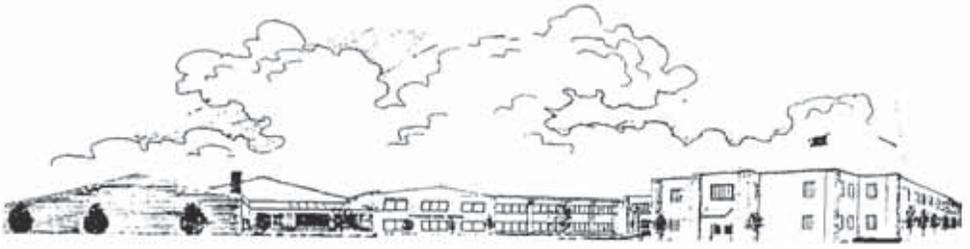
Both of these modern systems add to our communication ability especially in time of a serious crisis. In addition, we now have fully deployed interactive white-boards in all of the classrooms at the Rockport Elementary School, which offer our students an even more engaging and challenging learning tool.

We are extremely grateful for the money appropriated for the capital improvement of our aging school buildings and grounds. This past year we were able to continue the much-needed upgrade of outdated kitchen equipment, extremely worn classroom and office carpeting, make ongoing improvements in our bathroom facilities throughout the school and to replace our rusted-out school pickup. In addition, we were very fortunate to receive funding from the Community Preservation Fund to resurface the tennis courts at the school that are used by so many children and adults in the town.

The Schools are fortunate to receive a high level of taxpayer support. We are also deeply grateful to the Rockport Parents and Teachers Organization, the Friends of Rockport Athletics, the Rockport Educational Foundation, the Rockport Rotary Club, the Rockport Art Association, and Rockport Music for the continued support of our school programs. The contributions of these great organizations provide the vital resources necessary to supplement our programs and improve our school facilities allowing us to best meet the needs of the students we serve.

Our greatest strength and also our greatest challenge is the relatively small size of our school system. School personnel fully realize the financial challenges that face our community as it tries to find ways to support all the worthy interests in the town with the availability of limited funds. We ask for your continued support to help maintain the high quality of our schools and we pledge to work cooperatively with town officials and citizens to find ways to make these efforts sustainable well into the future.

I consider myself very fortunate to serve as your Superintendent of Schools and to have now purchased a home in this great community. I often tell people I know in Maine that I have found my dream job in a dream community. My sincere thanks for the trust you have placed in me to care for and provide for the education of our most precious resource and our greatest investment, our young people. Please feel free to contact me by email or phone call if I can be of any assistance or answer any questions whatsoever at any time.



**Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System**

The following are the results of MCAS tests that were given to students in grades 3 through 10. All high school seniors in the class of 2014 passed the MCAS test, which is now a requirement to receive a high school diploma.

**MCAS TESTS OF SPRING 2014**

Grade/ Subject	A	P	NI	W/F	Students Included
3 Reading	8	75	17	0	6
3 Mathematics	24	48	25	3	63
4 English Language Arts (ELA)	18	58	20	5	66
4 Mathematics	23	40	35	2	65
5 English Language Arts	22	46	28	4	69
5 Mathematics	49	17	26	7	69
5 Science and Technology	28	36	30	6	69
6 English Language Arts	28	57	11	4	79
6 Mathematics	30	33	28	10	80
7 English Language Arts	3	74	19	3	94
7 Mathematics	10	24	37	29	94
8 English Language Arts	21	72	5	1	76
8 Mathematics	18	24	39	18	76
8 Science and Technology	7	51	41	1	76
10 English Language Arts	44	52	4	0	79
10 Mathematics	63	23	14	0	79
10 Science/Technology/Eng	29	48	19	4	75

A = Advanced P = Proficient NI = Needs Improvement W = Warning (Failure)

## SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY INFORMATION

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) is designed to meet the requirements of the Education Reform Law of 1993. This law specifies that the testing program must

- test all public school students in Massachusetts, including students with disabilities and English Language Learner students;
- measure performance based on the Massachusetts Curriculum Framework learning standards;
- report on the performance of individual students, schools, and districts.

As required by the Education Reform Law, students must pass the grade 10 tests in English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics and one of the four high school Science and Technology Engineering tests as one condition of eligibility for a high school diploma (in addition to fulfilling local requirements).

In addition, the MCAS program is used to hold schools and districts accountable, on a yearly basis, for the progress they have made toward the objective of the No Child Left Behind Law that all students be proficient in Reading and Mathematics by 2014.

Massachusetts' accountability system measures each school and district's progress toward the goal of reducing proficiency gaps by half between the 2010-11 and 2016-17 school years. Massachusetts uses the Progress and Performance Index (PPI) and school percentiles to classify schools into one of five accountability and assistance levels. Schools making sufficient progress toward narrowing proficiency gaps are classified into Level 1, while the state's lowest performing schools are classified into Levels 4 and 5. In general, districts are classified into a level based on the level of their lowest performing school.

Rockport Elementary School	Title I School	Level 2
Rockport Middle School	Non-Title I School	Level 2
Rockport High School	Non-Title I School	Level 1

**ENROLLMENT - OCTOBER 1, 2014**

<u>Elementary School</u>		<u>Middle School</u>		<u>High School</u>	
Pre-K	15	Grade 6	90	Grade 9	77
Kindergarten	61	Grade 7	88	Grade 10	89
Grade 1	65	Grade 8	<u>99</u>	Grade 11	89
Grade 2	66		256	Grade 12	<u>91</u>
Grade 3	67				304
Grade 4	66				
Grade 5	<u>65</u>				
	405				

Total Public School students enrolled as of October 1, 2014: 965

Number of students in Rockport Public Schools (above)	965
Number of students in from other districts (School Choice)	228
Number of students in special needs placements (out of district)	15
Number of students in special needs placements (public schools)	3
Number of Students in Non-SPED Placements	2
Number of students in other public schools (School Choice)	31
Number of students in private schools (June 2014)	39
Number of students at Essex NS Agricultural & Technical School	15
Number of students in home schooling programs	8
Total number of school-age children residing in Rockport	850

**ROCKPORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Rockport Elementary School currently services 407 children Pre-Kindergarten through Fifth Grade. We have a total of 19 classrooms which break down as follows:

One Pre-Kindergarten Classroom	15 students
Three Kindergarten Classrooms	60 students
Three First Grade Classrooms	65 students
Three Second Grade Classrooms	67 students
Three Third Grade Classrooms	67 students
Three Fourth Grade Classrooms	66 students
Three Fifth Grade Classrooms	67 students

This year Rockport Elementary School welcomes six new staff members:

Beth Zerilli - Grade 3, Sally Ann Holtzman - Special Education Teacher, Katherine Schwinden - Library, Kaitlin Shaw-Reese - Music, Jaime Nichols - School Psychologist.

We are excited to announce our new Assistant Principal and Director of Curriculum, Pre-Kindergarten through 12, Heather Castonguay. She comes to us with 6 years administrative experience and 20 plus years in education. She is focusing on students' needs and she is taking the lead role in implementing our new math program, "enVisions Math."

Rockport Elementary School is deeply committed to the planning and implementation of the Common Core Standards specifically in our content area of mathematics. The School Committee along-side a Math Program Review Committee researched and selected the math program enVisions kindergarten through grade 5. This program tool aims to improve our students' knowledge, skills and understanding of mathematics at all learning levels. Rockport Elementary strongly believes that an excellent school system possesses rigorous learning and we are committed to student achievement. Teaching staff has been committed to professional develop support throughout this year.

The Rockport Educational Foundation continues to provide support to our Rockport Elementary School. They continue to fund the Gloucester Maritime Heritage Program, as well as our Kestral Science Program, and many other ancillary programs.

The Rockport Fire Department, led by Fire Chief James Doyle, continues to remain active and vigilant of our elementary school. Each year they do a fire awareness program for every elementary student in our school. Chief Doyle and the Rockport Fire Department continue to lead our annual Halloween Parade to Den-Mar as they do each year.

I would like to thank the Rockport Police Department for their continued presence in our elementary school. I especially want to recognize the Rockport Police Department for their generous turkey dinner they provided again this year prior to winter vacation. They provided the dinner **and served** the turkey dinner for each child and staff member in our school!

### **ROCKPORT MIDDLE SCHOOL**

The Middle School continues to offer students a wide variety of programs. Our core offerings of math, English, social studies, and science are enhanced with the study of technology, computers music, art, reading, and great books. The school continues to welcome school choice students from throughout Cape Ann and the

North Shore. The influx of choice students helps our school maintain our class sizes, and allows us to utilize our resources in an efficient manner. Our Middle School teachers continue to write their curriculum in the Understanding by Design format while also aligning it to the new Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. These frameworks are aligned with the national Common Core Standards. Students will soon transition from the MCAS assessments to the PARCC assessments.

Our school was very active this year. The drama program included a fall production of "William Shakespeare's Land of the Dead," the musical "Grease," and the middle school drama festival entry "This Dog's Life." Which was an original piece written by Mr. McCarthy. It was performed at the Lynnfield Middle School.

The sixth graders took their annual trip to the North Shore Music Theater to see "The Christmas Carol". This trip coincided with students reading of Charles Dickens "The Christmas Carol" in the English classes. Students also attended the Peabody Essex program *Images and Words: Writing in the Museum* featuring the exhibit *Midnight to the Boom: Painting in India After Independence*. This trip provided students with a vocabulary for talking about art as well as coinciding with the study of India in their social studies classes.

The seventh graders traveled on their annual Salt Marsh trip. This trip is done in conjunction with Mass Audubon, who has been conducting a long-term study of invasive plant species in the salt marsh. This was our 13<sup>th</sup> year of participation. All of the data we collect is given to the Mass Audubon staff. The seventh grade also attended a two-day field trip to Gordon College to participate in Adventure Pursuits (previously GORP). Adventure Pursuits is an exhilarating and adventurous program, which encourages personal growth and group unity. Students are challenged with activities designed to test their initiative, teamwork, and perseverance.

Finally the seventh graders went on the annual "Kids to College" trip. The Education Foundation generously sponsored this trip for Rockport. The objective of the program is to give our students an initial exposure to college.

This year the 7th grade students participated in an Environmental Stewardship Project. The goal was to have the students, working in small groups, selecting environmental areas to be cleaned up. Students plan and carry out these activities.

The Middle School participated in the National Geographic Society Geography Bee. The Bee is a school-wide event open to all students sixth through eighth grade. Seventh grader Noah Rawson won this year's Bee.

The Middle School Tech-Minecraft Club regularly packs the Mac Lab when they meet. Indeed, new additions to the club now need to bring their own laptops in order to participate as all 24 iMacs are often occupied. Minecraft is an active way for students to become capable and comfortable with technology, and often leads to interest in deeper computer science realms, such as programming.

The Middle School band program, under second-year director Anthony Covelli, nearly doubled in size with the Middle School Jazz Ensembles performing in outreach concerts at the Den Mar Nursing home now three times a year. The Middle School Marching Band also doubled in size and participated in Rockport's Memorial Day Parade.

The Rockport Middle School Orchestras continued to expand into their tenth year in the Rockport Schools. Members of the orchestra program continued to participate in mentoring, forging relationships with both older and younger musicians and helping all the musicians aspire to deepening their music making.

The Band, Orchestra, and Chorus students all convened in 4-12 grade music summits in the fall. Students worked with other students of different ages and with clinicians from around Cape Ann.

Through Rockport Music's Education and Outreach Committee, students in the Middle School continued to be exposed to world-class musicians, many of whom came to perform for students during in-school residencies. In addition, Rockport students continued to have the privilege of staging several concerts at the Shalin Liu Performance Center.

In the 2012-2013 school year, the 8th graders were able to have many education experiences. They collected field data at a research-based field trip to Millbrook Park. They participate in this trip with the help of the Garden Club and NOAA volunteers. They also toured Gloucester Engineering's wind turbines with the construction engineer of the project. Students built model turbines in technology design, calculated the wind swept area in math, and learned about energy transfer in science class. Finally, the 8th graders traveled overnight to New York City, where they experienced such things as a narrated educational harbor cruise to see the Brooklyn Bridge, Statue of Liberty, and the NYC sky line, a Broadway Musical, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Central Park, the 9/11 Memorial, and the architecture of St. Patrick's Cathedral.

## ROCKPORT HIGH SCHOOL

The Class of 2014 took part in our annual Seniors Helping Seniors day. Our students worked in teams to assist senior citizens with household chores. The program was coordinated with the Rockport Police Department and the Rockport Council on Aging.

During the first weekend in October 2014 a team of educators from throughout New England visited the Rockport Middle/High School. The team conducted our decennial visit and worked with the faculty, staff, students, and parents to review the school's adherence to the seven standards of accreditation. The visiting team under the leadership of Mr. Paul Daigle and Mr. Paul Vieira spent four days at school reviewing and validating the self-study reports that the school had spent two years preparing. Principal Conrad was informed later that fall that the school had done a thorough review and was granted continued accreditation.

The Rockport High School DECA program continued to experience success. Each spring since 2008, Rockport has qualified students to the National DECA Competition. The organization, which is nationwide, helps to develop young entrepreneurs and fosters leadership, group decision-making, business skills, and service. During 2013-14 Rockport High School DECA registered a membership to 90 students. In addition, the chapter, with the help of the PTO and the Innkeepers of Rockport sponsored their annual holiday fundraiser--*Sea Shells and Jingle Bells Holiday Inn and Home Kitchen tour*. Over 200 visitors took part in this event. Students competed at the District, State, and National Level sending 3 students to compete at the International Career and Development Conference in Atlanta, GA during late April 2014.

The Music Department enjoyed performance tour abroad in Ireland over April Vacation. Spending 8 days experiencing the Irish culture and geography. Students visited Dublin, Cork, Limerick and Galway while performing at the Christchurch Cathedral, Redemptorist Church, and Cork School of Music. Students also participated in master classes and traditional music workshops. The trip was so successful that the music department is considering further travel and will look to alternate between domestic and international destinations.

The HS Jazz Ensemble performed and hosted the first annual Senior Citizen Swing Dance as part of the Junior Class community service project. The HS Marching Band performed a complete drill show featuring music from the hit series Glee in addition to leading Rockport's Memorial Day Parade. The entire Music Department collaborated on Frank Ticheli's *Shenandoah* in the Spring Concert. Music department seniors Gil Clark, Rowan Lampert, and Mariella Travis led the graduation performance.

The Chorus and Madrigal Choir, under the direction of Patti Pike, continued to perform at events around town. In December the Chorus and Madrigals sang for Rockport Music at their annual Community Sing and in May the HS Chorus enjoyed singing for the Rotary Club of Rockport. All of our choral groups grades 6-12 performed at the NEASC committee reception on October 6th.

The Orchestra program expanded into its tenth year in the Rockport Schools. In addition to its regular concerts and growing student mentor program, it also continued its outreach concert for kindergarten and preschool students at the Shalin Liu Performance Center. The performance, showcasing Camille Saint Saens' introduction to the orchestra, "Carnival of the Animals," drew heavily on student leadership as the players addressed the audience and introduced each of the movements and instruments. The High School Orchestra also performed for residents of Den Mar Nursing Home.

The Band, Orchestra, and Chorus students all convened in 4-12 grade music summits in the fall. Students worked with other students of different ages and with clinicians from around Cape Ann.

The students in Rockport Schools' music department continued to benefit from collaborations with Rockport Music, who again generously donated the use of the Shalin Liu Center for performances by students. Through Rockport Music's Education and Outreach Committee, students in the high school continued to work closely with world-class musicians, including Ghostlight Chorus from New York City and Classical Jam from Boston. The latter ensemble worked with RHS student composers to write film music to be performed live at the Shalin Liu Performance Center alongside two professional composers' works. All three compositions were played as soundtrack to a short film made at Andy Warhol's Factory in New York. Rockport Music also provided two residencies aligned with the interdisciplinary theme *Migration*. Different departments throughout the school approached the theme in different ways. In the music department, students learned about the migration and evolution of jazz music from the American South following the Civil War. As always, the High School music staff worked with visiting artists to align curriculum to maximize the impact of residencies.

After several years of hard work and persistence, students in the Technical Design class earned a first place trophy in the annual Connecticut Electrathon, held in Lime Rock Park, CT. Over the course of the school year the team continued to modify and improve their two electric vehicles, repairing a broken steering shaft from the fall competition and performing a complete overhaul. Competing against over 20 other schools in the May Electrathon, the Rockport Electrathon team posted 47 laps in the composite division, setting a team record

and winning first place. Many thanks to the Educational Foundation of Rockport for their generous sponsorship of this program.

High School Guidance Department hosted our annual Career Day, which featured over forty professionals from the community who volunteered their time to speak to high school students about careers and education. Thank you to the Rockport Rotary who hosted a breakfast for all of the community volunteers. Another Guidance Department initiative was the sophomores to College Day. Sophomores chose colleges of interest to visit. This year students met with admissions staff and went on tours of campuses such as Boston College, Lasell College, Salem State University, Gordon College, Boston University and Emmanuel College. Thank you to the Educational Foundation for Rockport for their generous sponsorship of this event.

The Guidance Department teamed up with Salem State University to offer college courses free of charge. Students have successfully completed and earned college credit for Psychology, Public Speaking and Sociology courses. The Guidance Department has also worked with North Shore Community College to offer STEM courses free of charge to high school students.

The Rockport High School Quiz Team finished 9<sup>th</sup> at the National Academic Quiz Tournament in Atlanta in May of 2013. Rockport played 10 rounds in a Round Robin tournament with over 250 other schools. Sophomore Corey Silver also placed 83rd out of 1270 students as an individual scorer. The team was supported by individual donations and a generous contribution from the Educational Foundation for Rockport.

Our Virtual High School online membership funded by the Educational Foundation for Rockport provides students an opportunity to take classes not otherwise offered at RHS. Classes included AP Human Geography, AP Music Theory, Creative Writing, Constitutional Law, and AP World History.

For a small community, Rockporters are very generous. We have a significant number of local scholarships. The Rockport community awarded \$121,650 to 58 our exiting seniors. 87% of this group of seniors was accepted to four-year colleges. This increase is up from the previous year's rate of 75%.

Peer Leaders is a group of high school students dedicated to community service, outreach and leadership. Activities for the group included monthly trips to the local preschool and elementary schools to talk to the younger students about important character-building issues, an annual leadership event for the freshmen class, and leadership trainings.

Student Council began the school year began off with the annual Kick-off Cookout. Students also organized a "Blue Ribbon" day to raise funds for the Colleen Ritzer scholarship fund, a Breast Cancer awareness campaign, a Coat Drive, and the annual "Dress for Sox-cess Day" to support the Jimmy Fund. The Student Council Constitution was reviewed and updated, as was the nomination process for class office. The annual Spirit Week in March was planned and organized by student council members. All games and competitions demonstrated the "Music" theme. The week was full of sportsmanship and healthy competition among classes. Penny Wars raised money for scholarships.

The drama program mounted three successful performances. The fall play was "The House at Pooh Corner," which featured the work of 42 student actors and technicians. Selections from this children's show were successfully shared with elementary school students and teachers. The second show, "Mirrors," was prepared for Drama Festival. The piece dealt with issues of mental illness and how we cope with loss. Approximately 30 students travelled to Manchester-Essex Regional High School to share their work with seven other schools from around Massachusetts. Several students were recognized for their work in acting and costuming. The spring musical was "Little Shop for Horrors," which boasted over 50 participants. One of the many highlights of this show was the series of man-eating plant puppets constructed by our own students. In addition, for the second summer in a row, RHS Drama produced its summer show – Rocks and Pebbled Cabaret – which featured both current and former students of the program.

Rockport Accepting Diversity (R.A.D.), a GSA group dedicated to the advocacy of student diversity, continued work on related educational, safety, and acceptance issues. The group plans support and awareness events, and RAD members often join other area school GSAs in attending the annual Youth Pride Day parade and rally in Boston in May.

High School Peer Leaders participated in field trips to the Sandy Bay Pre-School to work on projects, read stories and assist the classroom teachers. This experience is a wonderful way for the students to be positive role models for younger children. They also facilitated the second annual Freshmen Leadership Workshop on February 14, 2013 in which all Freshmen worked with our Peer Leaders on such topics as: being grateful, thinking positive, achieving their goals and being kind.

For our Promoting Positive School Culture Initiative, the Rotary Club generously provided funding opportunities for us to have powerful guest speakers for our middle and high school students. April 30th, 2012, John Morello in his presentation called "DIRT", a moving performance that focused on

understanding our connection with each other, substance abuse and choices. April 24th 2013, John Halligan in his "Ryan's Story" presentation, told the students his moving story about his son that took his own life as a result of cyber bullying. He focused on preventing teen suicide and inspiring bystanders to speak up and help each other. May 16th and 21st, 2013, Ed Gerety gave an incredible presentation to all of our middle and high school students focusing on the power of respect and responsibility and the impact and consequences of our choices and decisions.

The RHS Science and Technology programs have engaged students in a wide variety of learning experiences that exercise their exploring, critical thinking, problem solving, collaborating, and communicating skills. Tufts University astrophysicist Danilo Marchesini who discussed dark energy, galaxy birth and galaxian evolution with them visited AP Physics students. Chemistry students traveled to Salem State University to attend lectures as part of the Darwin Festival. AP Physics students traveled to the University of New Hampshire to attend the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium (JSHS). Life Science carried out extensive laboratory investigations relating to Biotechnology. This program was sponsored by a grant from the Amgen / Bruce Wallace Foundation. AP Biology students dissected calf hearts provided by the Harvard Life Sciences Outreach Program with personal support from Harvard Anatomy & Physiology professor Jen Carr. Marine Science students carried out a research expedition aboard the pinky schooner Ardelle. Students collected biological samples and measured various indices of water quality. Superintendent Rob Liebow provided tutorials on navigating Gloucester's inner and outer harbor. Students in a variety of courses participated in the cross-curricular theme of "Migration." Physics students addressed the physical challenges that were faced more than a thousand years ago by East Asians, as they migrated against prevailing winds and currents to Polynesia. Superintendent Rob Liebow provided tutorials on how to navigate in the presence of contrary currents. Technical Design students designed, built, tested, and revised sailing rafts similar to those of the Kon Tiki that sailed from Peru to Polynesia in the 1960s. The Science Club (aka Students Exploring Earth and Space [SEES]) carried out a wide variety of "citizen science" research projects via the Zooniverse online portal and other venues. Eight students earned Certificates of Achievement in Scientific Inquiry that were signed by Raji Patel, co-director of the Massachusetts Space Grant Consortium (MASGC), and Jeff Hoffman, MASGC co-director and former NASA astronaut.

### **ROCKPORT HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC PROGRAM**

The athletic program at RHS/RMS continues to have a high participation rate among our students. The comprehensive program offers 24 different teams in three seasons at both the varsity and sub varsity levels. Our athletic programs

rely on the support that we receive from our outstanding booster organization, the Friends of Rockport Athletics. We continue our cooperative program relationship with Manchester-Essex and Gloucester High School, which enables students to participate in football, girl's gymnastics and boy's tennis.

For the fifth year in a row the 2013 ice hockey team qualified for the state tournament. Captain Mike Tupper was named league Co-MVP and All-Conference (All-League); Jonathan Ferrante, Colby Foster and Kyle Nelson were all named as Commonwealth Athletic Conference All-Stars. The young basketball teams worked very hard and both improved their records and have high hopes for the future of their programs. Tucker Meredith was named to the CAL All-League basketball team.

The softball team had many new faces but competed each and every game - the future looks very promising. The baseball team concluded the regular season in exciting fashion by winning the Rockport Memorial Day Bank Classic – thus punching their ticket to the state tournament. And the girls tennis team – although young and somewhat inexperienced - continued to show steady improvement. Those recognized with league all-star honors include: Conor Douglass (baseball), Caleb Tanson (baseball), Hannah Lorden (softball), & Kayla Parisi (softball) – Mollie Watson was named a CAL All-League player. Although she competed in the fall – Abby Hood represented Rockport in the MIAA State Girls Golf Tournament – she placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the qualifier and had a strong showing in the State Match finishing 9<sup>th</sup>. Abby moved on to compete in the New England Interscholastic Golf Championships and finished 8<sup>th</sup>. Abby was also named Boston Globe & Boston Herald All-Scholastic.

In the fall the young golf team battled some very tough Cape Ann League opponents. Highlights included Senior Captain Abby Hood shooting 1-under par at Turner Hills Golf Club – Abby was also named an All-League player with All-Star honors going to Junior Kyle Nelson. The field hockey team flirted with qualifying for the state tournament, but came up short - Captain Heather MacArthur was named CAL All-League, and Shelby Battistelli CAL All-Star. The girls' soccer continues to show improvement and things look very bright for the future. Captain Meghan Tupper and Shelby Gale were recognized as CAL All-Stars.

The boys soccer team once again dazzled us with superior play and continued their reign as a dominant team in the CAL being crowned CAL Baker Division champions for the second year in a row. Captain Michael Carbone, Sam Roell and Matt Tibert were named CAL All-Stars and Senior Captain Shaun Aspesi was named a CAL All-League player.

During the year the following teams were recipients of Cape Ann League Sportsmanship Awards: baseball, softball, golf, and girls soccer.

## **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

The Office of Student Services currently supports 150 students who are eligible for special education services, of the 965 total students in our district. It is our goal to provide appropriate programs with sufficient support services to permit the student to benefit educationally from the instruction in the least restrictive environment. The delivery of special education services requires Rockport to provide personalized instruction tailored to the student's needs to make meaningful educational progress.

Children ages 3-22 are serviced in a variety of programs, which could include Speech and Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Counseling, and the Specialized Skills reading and writing program at the Middle School. Special education and related services are for students who have an identified disability under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requiring specially designed instruction, and are having difficulty progressing effectively within the general education program/curriculum. Sometimes special education support services are provided within the regular education classroom, while other students receive small group or individualized services within a resource room setting. The IDEA intended that public schools and classrooms recognize all students as integral members of the learning community, striving to ensure their full participation while respecting their uniqueness.

The Rockport Public School District also has an Integrated Preschool program. The Integrated Preschool brings together students with special needs along with typically developing student peers to learn and grow within a rich, language-based classroom environment. The children receive a unique educational experience with a high level of individual attention from trained and experienced staff. For additional information, you can contact the Office of Student Services located in the Elementary School. In addition to the preschool program, Rockport has opportunities for support in general education classrooms, resource room support, and substantially separate environments for more intense academic support.

The Rockport Middle School provides a special education program designed to address the comprehensive needs of students with more significant cognitive and learning disabilities. This program strives to teach strong communication skills, mastery of functional academics, social development and independence. The program provides opportunities for structured teaching in small groups as well as integration into regular education classes to address functional and socially

significant goals. All schools strive to provide the continuum of placement options based on each individual's needs as determined by the IEP team.

The Rockport Parent Advisory Council (RPAC) is a dedicated group of parents that meet monthly. This committee will serve as the community liaison(s) between the Director of Student Services, School Committee, parents, and the community. Collectively, this group joins together with the Director of Student Services and gives input in the ways in which educational services are provided. The RPAC membership includes families of students who are eligible for special education services and who have an Individualized Educational Plan, families of children with Section 504 accommodation plans, families who have children in out-of-district educational placements, and anyone else interested in special education issues. Please contact the Student Services' Office (978) 546-1210, if you are interested in attending this meeting. Information regarding meeting dates can be found on the school's website.

### **COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROGRAM**

The *Rockport Community Schools* is a totally self-funded program that provides continuing education classes by offering a variety of courses to the residents of Cape Ann and the surrounding area. This past year the program consisted of a drawing and painting class and the popular Health & Body classes; Fitness with Marsha and Yoga with Janet. The music tutoring program is starting its third year and offers a bass instructor, a violin/viola instructor, a fiddle instructor, and a new cello instructor for private after-school lessons for our multi-talented students...an extension of the ever expanding music department.

The revenues from classes and school-facility rentals assist in maintaining and replacing equipment used by the entire Rockport school community. This past year, the program again paid for a custodian on Sunday mornings to cover two sessions of the innovative Math Circle class that has been so popular that it was expanded to include all elementary school students. It also paid for a custodian to cover for the Math Circus that was held in the spring. The program also purchased new theater lights and paid for repairs and supplies for the John Lane Auditorium, which is used by many groups from the North Shore area; including the local Rockport Dance Academy, who uses the auditorium twice a year for their annual Christmas show and again at the end of the school year for their dance recital.

The Community Schools program utilizes the talent of local people to teach their skills to all interested individuals. It provides affordable classes to the people in the community who want to expand their knowledge and improve their well-being. It also helps maintain an active relationship between the public schools and the residents of the North Shore area.

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOLS

### *The Friends of Rockport Athletics'*

The Friends of Rockport Athletics' booster organization continued this year to be actively involved in supporting student athletes. Major items purchased in 2014 were floor spots for the middle school and high school basketball teams, a ball machine for the tennis team, softball and baseball bats, hockey socks, girls JV soccer uniforms, and boys Varsity and Junior Varsity soccer uniforms. The FRA also donates money for education programs for Rockport coaches. The major fundraising activity for the year was a successful golf tournament. A basketball fundraiser in conjunction with the PTO was held in March. The FRA runs a concession stand at high school sporting events. Two fundraisers were also held at the Cape Ann Brewery where the FRA received a percentage of the sales for the evening. The FRA also received monies from the sale of athletic uniforms no longer used. In October, a Trivia night fundraiser took place. Proceeds from these events are used by the FRA to directly support the athletic programs for Rockport students as well as fund scholarships for graduating seniors. Funding from the FRA continues to provide wonderful enhancements for the school district's athletic program.

### *Rockport Parent Teacher Organization,*

Rockport's Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is an active and committed group of volunteers who work toward promoting close relationships between the community and the Rockport Public School System to assist in the education of the students. The PTO works diligently throughout the year to provide the school with the "extras" that enhance the educational experience of each student within the Rockport Public School.

Proceeds generated by the PTO's fundraising efforts help fund teacher requests which support specific classroom initiatives not able to be included within the annual school budget, provide funds for educational field trips and cultural enrichment activity programs and college scholarships. The PTO is excited to continue to provide a variety of activities outside of the school. The PTO has partnered with the Rockport Education Foundation, and Friend of Rockport Athletics for fundraising events.

The Rockport PTO is greatly thankful for the ongoing community support of our events, such as the wrapping paper sale, the Holiday Fair, and our bi-annual auction. This tremendous community involvement supports our goal of enhancing the experience for all students at the Rockport Public Schools.

**2014-2015 Salary Schedule (2.0% increase)**

Step	BA	MA	MA+15	MA+30	MA+45	MA+60	MA+75
2	40614	44333	45661	47716	49386	50867	51884
3	41968	45954	47332	49463	51195	52731	53786
4	44671	47980	49421	51644	53451	55056	56157
5	47846	50008	51509	53826	55710	57382	58530
6	50550	53929	55546	58044	60077	61878	63116
7	52577	55955	57633	60229	62337	64207	65491
8	54604	58660	60419	63138	65348	67310	68655
9	57578	61904	63760	66629	68961	71030	72451
10	61091	68052	70092	73246	75813	78086	79648
W	62091	69052	71092	74246	76813	79086	80648
X	63091	70052	72092	75246	77813	80086	81648
Y	64091	71052	73092	76246	78813	81086	82648
Z	65091	72052	74092	77246	79813	82086	83648

- W after 10-14 years of service in Rockport = \$1000
- X after 15-19 years of service in Rockport = \$2000
- Y after 20-24 years of service in Rockport = \$3000
- Z after 25+ years of service in Rockport = \$4000

## CHANGES IN THE ROCKPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS FACULTY/STAFF

2014-2015

### **Retired in 2014:**

- Pam Arnold (EL TA)
- Lana Bergmann (EL TA)
- Bonnie Brugger (EL Adjustment Counselor)
- Karen Davis (EL Teacher)
- Buddy Garlick (Custodian)
- Annette Hale (EL Caf)
- Kathy Hilliard (HS Art Teacher)
- Patricia Hussey (EL School Librarian)
- Jane Hyry (EL Teacher)
- Fran Pierce (EL Music)
- Kim MacLeod (EL Teacher)
- Ed Quirk (Director of Buildings and Grounds)
- Eileen Tebo (EL Nurse)

### **Resigned in 2014:**

- Patty Callen (MS English)
- Karen Lohnes (MS TA)
- Nate Conant (TA)
- Laurie Twombly (EL Monitor)
- Pam Girouard (SPED Dir.)
- Heidi Wakeman (MS Foreign Language)
- Starry Joseph (MS SPED)
- Nicole Lucido (K TA)
- Margaret Thompson (French)
- Elaine Mistretta (HS Math)

### **Return from Leave**

- Sara Corcoran
- Ann Clifton-Stoops
- Shelagh St. Laurent
- Kerri Hermann

### **Left due to Reduction in Force:**

#### **Increase/Decrease**

- Barbara Swanson decrease .2 FTE to .8 FTE (Science)
- William Waller increase .2 FTE to .6 FTE (Science)

## **Sabbatical**

### **Contract ended:**

- Guy Fiero
- Bill Sclafani
- Constance Joy Hennessy
- Beth Zerilli (hired)
- Samantha Stokes (hired)

### **New Faculty/Staff 2014-2015**

- Thomas Budrow (Director of Buildings and Grounds)
- Kaitlin Shaw (EL Music)
- Jamie Nichols (K-12 Psychologist)
- Jennifer Jones (Director of Student Services)
- Zachary O'Brien (HS Art)
- Katherine Schwinden (EL Library)
- Samantha Stokes (MS English)
- Sarah Jayne Russett Sawyer(EL Nurse)
- Beth Zerilli (Gr 3)
- Kimberly Shaw (MS Reading)
- Sally Ann Holtzman(EL Substan/Sep Classroom Teacher)
- Eric Vendt (HS Math)
- Gillian Twombly (Foreign Language)
- Joan Wood (Caf Worker)
- Lisa Littlefield (Caf Worker)
- Jonelle Beaton (Caf Worker)
- Linda Morris (Caf Worker)
- Stephen Scatterday (Maintenance)
- Thomas Burnham (Custodian)
- Peter Verga (Long-term Custodial Sub)
- Heather Castonguay (EL AP/Curr Coor)
- Karen Harvey (.45MS Foreign Language)
- Kihana Gubicza (K TA)
- Dawn Strople (Monitor)
- Deb Hardy (MS TA)
- Ann O'Donnell (MS TA)
- Barbara Kelly (EL Monitor)
- Bill Sclafani (RMHS TA)
- Christina Connelly (RMSH TA)
- Kihana Gubicza (EL TA)
- Elisabeth Moses (EL Longterm Sub)
- Elizabeth Moses (EL Long-term Substitute Teacher)

## The Rockport High School Class of 2014

	Barry Gene Amero	*	†	Alexandra Katherine Legendre	
*	†	*	*	†	Hannah Greene Lorden
*	†	*		Heather Arline MacArthur	
*	†			Chelsea Elizabeth MacDowell	
	Adam James Balzarini	*	*	†	Kimberly Zhu McEachern
	Toni Marie Baptiste	*			Alexandra Faye McKay
*	†	*			Patrick Barry McNiff
	Andrew Charles Campbell			Nicholas Jade Merritt	
*	†			Peter Ellis Murray, Jr.	
	Michael Fitzpatrick Carbone	*		Nicholas Sargeant Neves	
	William Edwin Chalmers			Uwodu Yola New Gallo	
*	*	†		Ryan Nicholas Novello	
	Anthony Joseph Ciaramitaro			Jacob Soini O'Maley	
*	*	†		Miranda Jane Oliver	
	Nicholas Gilman Clark			Alexandra Nicole Paradis	
*	*	†		Samantha Ruth Poole	
	Mika Welles Collins			Erik Boley Radzinski	
*	*	†		Anna Mei-lin Rittenburg	
	Ryan Mark Davis			Gabriella Nicole Rodriguez	
	Conor Aurelia Deedy	*		Sam David Roell	
*	*	†		Hannah Doris Rowe	
	Alexander Jacob Demarjian			Sarah Charlotte Rowen	
*	*	†		Alexander James Garcia Rummel	
	Madeleine Claire Downs			Kyle Tobin Schrafft	
*	*	†		Mariella Brooke Travis	
	Julia Carolyn Scott Endicott			Meghan MacDowell Tupper	
	Matthew Jacob Favalaro	*	†	Hanna Rose Vincent	
	Jonathan Matthew Ferrante	*	†	Sarah Frances Visnick	
	Devin Robert Fore			Sophie Camille Volpe	
*	*			Mollie Kay Watson	
	Josephine Janice Garfield			Jeremy William Wesley	
	Amanda Faye Greel	*		Aidan Churcher Wright	
	Patrick Robert Greel	*		Sofia Elizabeth Zopatti	
	Shannon Rose Grier				
	Joy James Hamilton				
*	†				
	Danielle Hope Harling				
	Connor Christian Hawkins				
*	*	†			
	Abigail Elizabeth Hood				
*	*	†			
	Anna Louise Casadei Johnson				
	Tyler Richard King				
*	†				
	Andrew Hans Kostka				
*	†				
	Rowan McCarthy Lampert				
*	*	†			
	Virginia Helen Lawrence				

\* \* Four Year High Honor Average      \* Four Year Honor Average      † National Honor Society Member  
 Gold cord signifies class officer – Gold tassel signifies National Honor Society member

Class Color:      Black

Class Motto:      “Clear eyes, full hearts, can’t lose.”

Graduation Marshal  
 Logan Trupiano-'15  
 Junior Class President

Class Advisors  
 Mr. Neil Dineen  
 Ms. Paula Schram

Graduation Master of Ceremony  
 George Ramsden

2013-2014 Faculty

Allia	Robert	Lesley College	MA	9	8	Maguire	Shawn	California State University	M.Ed.	15	6
Amuzzini	Chris	Bridgewater Univ.	M	3	2	Mattson	Amanda	Northeastern University	M.Ed.	17	15
Andreasen	Karen	UniV Michigan	M	9	2	McCarthy	Keith	Springfield College	B.S.	18	16
Barenboym	Sonja	Simmons College	M	9	2	McWilliams	Carolyn	Harvard University	M.Ed.	10	8
Brugger	Bonnie	Simmons College	M.S.W.	13	13	Merry-Berry	Rebecca	Salem State College	M.Ed.	30	24
Burke	Christine	Endicott College	M.Ed.	11	11	Mistretta	Elaine	Univ of MA Lowell	M.Ed.	8	1
Callan	Patricia	Salem State College	B.A.	7	7	Murphy	Maureen	Lesley College	M.Ed.	22	22
Canniff	Erin	U. Mass. @ Amherst	B.S.	21	10	Murray	Kascia	Salem State University	B.A.	2	2
Chace	AnnMarie	VA Poly Inst & St. Univ	MA	9	1	Nieinstedt	Mary Sue	Oakland University	M.Ed.	22	17
Clark	Mary	Lesley College	M.Ed.	3	3	O'Hanley	Robert	Cambridge College	M. Ed.	12	5
Clifton-Stoops	Anne	Boston University	M.Ed.	18	16	Olson	Mary Jane	Westfield State College	M.Ed.	29	22
Cocuzzi	Mary Ellen	Nazareth College	M.Ed.	18	6	Orlando	Jamie	American Int. College.	M.Ed.	3	3
Cohen	Nathan	Macalaster College	B.A.	12	12	Paddock	Simon	MASS College of Art	M.F.A.	28	27
Conrad	Philip	Endicott College	M.Ed.	27	3	Parisi	John	Salem State College	B.S.	14	13
Cooney	Martha	Salem State College	B.A.	22	15	Perkins	Jeffrey	Salem State College	M.Ed.	11	8
Corcoran	Sara	Fitchberg State College	M.Ed.	8	8	Pierce	Frances	Cambridge College	M.Ed.	29	20
Covelli	Anthony	University of Delaware	B.A.	2	2	Pike	Patricia	Univ. of North Dakota	B.S.	9	9
Cowe-Spigai	Tara	Endicott College	M.Ed.	16	3	Pratt	Jeanne	Univ. of MA Boston	B.S.	12	12
Crocker	Robin	University of Akron	MA,JD	7	7	Proposki	Amy	Wheelock College	M.S.	12	12
Dahlgren	Jennifer	Merrimack College	B.A.	23	20	Rafelis	Julie	Fitchberg State College	M.Ed.	19	18
Davis	Karen	UMASS	M.Ed.	31	28	Rash	Roseann	Northeastern University	M.Ed.	38	33
Dineen	Cornelius	Boston College	M.Ed.	32	21	Rice	Jessica	Lesley University	M.S.	11	11
Dineen	Patti	Cambridge College	M.Ed.	32	32	Richards	Jeffery	Fitchburg State College	M.Ed.	13	13
Duffy	Lilliam	Salem State College	M.A.	13	13	Riley	Joann	Salem State College	M.Ed.	22	22
Englis	Alyssa	Ithica College	M.Ed.	15	11	Rinaldi	Angelina	Univ of MA Lowell	M.Ed.	4	1
Fauci	Chris	Simmons College	M.Ed.	11	4	Rose	Amy	Salem State College	M.Ed.	4	4
Fauci	Kriisten	UVM/Simmons	M.Ed.	14	9	Ryan	Mary Beth	Springfield College	M.Ed.	30	30
Ferazzi	Denise	Salem State College	M.A.	10	10	Sabo	Eric	UMASS Dartmouth	M.Ed.	12	12

Ferrante	Marsha	Lesley College	M.Ed.	26	21	Scatterday	Anita	Frostburg State Univ.	M.Ed.	22	17
Frithsen	BethAnn	Bay Path College	M	3	3	Schmidt	Suzanne	East Stroudsburg Univ.	M	11	2
Gagnon	Dickinson	Northeastern Univ.	M.Ed.	17	16	Schram	Paula	Gordon College	M.A.	24	16
Geoffrey	Suzanne	Northeastern Univ	M.Ed.	22	20	Simendinger	Todd	Univ. of Phoenix	M	12	2
Goodhue	Jodi	Simmons College	M.Ed.	13	9	Simoos	Marlena	Endicott College	M.Ed.	9	2
Green	Holly	Salem State	M.Ed.	16	16	St. Laurent	Shealagh	Suffolk University	B.S.	4	4
Harvey	Jared	Simmons College	M.Ed.	9	1	Stein	Tami	Gordon College	M. Ed.	9	9
Hermann	Kerry	Simmons College	M.Ed.	16	9	Story	Yvonne	Salem State University	M	2	2
Hildreth	Joanne	Springfield College	M.Ed.	19	17	Sullivan	Cheryl	Lesley College	M.Ed.	24	24
Hilliard	Kathleen	Salem State College	B.A.	31	31	Swanberg	Whitney	Providence College	B.A.	4	4
Hollis	Lisa	Northeastern Univ	BS	3	3	Swanson	Barbara	Lesley University	M.Ed.	14	11
Hussey	Patricia	Salem State College	M.S.	23	19	Swanson	Gary	Salem State College	B.S.	17	15
Hyry	Jane	Fitchberg State Col	M.Ed.	31	20	Tebo	Eileen	Cambridge College	M.Ed.	18	1
Johnson	Jennifer	Salem State College	BS	2	2	Thompson	Margaret	Boston University	B.S.	2	2
Jones	Pamela	UMASS Dartmouth	B.A.	21	18	Tibert	Robyn	Fitchberg State College	M.Ed.	28	28
Joseph	Starry	Salem State University	M.S.	2	2	Tower	David	Univ. of CA/Columbia	M.S.	29	19
Keim	Stephanie	Gordon College	B.A.	3	3	Trumbour	Darlene	Fitchberg State College	M.Ed.	14	11
Kiely	Elizabeth	Lesley College	M.Ed.	33	33	Tucker	John	Univ of MA Lowell	M.Ed.	11	1
Kligerman	Gaye	Salem State College	M.Ed.	24	20	Twombly	Gillian	Middlebury College	M.Ed.	16	8
Kluge	Linda	Lesley University	M.A.	9	6	Twombly	Stacey	Cambridge College	M.Ed.	19	8
Kuhlmann	Mysha	Univ of MA Boston	M	10	1	Vaughan	Linda	Boston University	M.A.	15	5
LaCasse	Donna	Salem State College	M.Ed.	17	16	Wakeman	Heidi	Cambridge College	M. Ed.	10	5
Larsen	Scott	Walden University	M.Ed.	21	13	Waller	Willima	UMASS Amherst	Ph.D.	3	3
Lawnsby	Christopher	Colgate University	B.A.	2	2	Warren	Amanda	St. Joseph's College	B.A.	8	8
Luster	Ann Marie	UMASS Dartmouth	M.A.	19	19	Whitley	Phillip	Gordon College	B.A.	8	3
Mackay Smith	Rebecca	Binghamton Univ.	Ph.D.	8	8	Wilson	Robin	Illinois State Univ.	B.S.	32	27
MacLeod	Kim	Univ. of Vermont	M.Ed.	12	12	Young	David	Lesley University	M.Ed.	2	2
Maddox	Lisa	Lesley College	M.Ed.	22	21						

**ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN ACCOUNTANT  
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 2014**



Pursuant to the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 41, Section 61, I submit the reports of the accounts of the Town of Rockport for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2014. The statements contained in this report are the following: Combined Balance Sheet including Special Revenues, Combined Balance Sheet - Enterprise Funds, General Fund Revenue, General Fund Expenditures, Community Preservation Fund Expenditures, Water Fund Statement of Operations and Sewer Fund Statement of Operations.

FY14 audit has not been finalized therefore all statements presented are **UNAUDITED** at submittal date.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Sanders  
Acting Town Accountant

Town of Rockport  
Combined Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2014

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise Funds	Trust Funds	General Long Term Debt	General Fixed Assets	Combined
Cash	4,196,217	4,859,685	3,469,882	1,064,248	3,454,268			17,064,300
Petty Cash	1,555	180						1,735
<b>Receivables:</b>								
Real Estate & Property Taxes	420,573	8,516						429,089
Tax Liens	168,740							168,740
Tax Deferrals	95,706							95,706
Motor Vehicle Excise	67,124							67,124
Boat Excise	2,264							2,264
Ambulance	73,401							204,284
Harbor Moorings		130,883						17,520
Betterments	52,951	17,520		4,959				57,910
Tax Foreclosures	339,231							339,231
User Charges				318,709				318,709
Liens added to Taxes				16,388				16,388
Due from State		18,347					47,451,873	18,347
Capital Assets						10,755,000		47,451,873
Amounts to be provided for LTD								10,755,000
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>5,417,762</b>	<b>5,035,131</b>	<b>3,469,882</b>	<b>1,424,304</b>	<b>3,454,268</b>	<b>10,755,000</b>	<b>47,451,873</b>	<b>77,008,220</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>								
Wages Payable	95,624			23,737				119,361
Warrants Payable	362,016	156,712	463,702	75,512				1,057,942
Withholdings Payable	329,574							329,574
Allowance for Abatements	104,081							104,081
Deferred Revenue:								
Real Estate & Property Taxes	316,492							316,492
Tax Liens	168,740	8,516						177,256
Tax Deferrals	95,706							95,706
Excise	69,388							69,388
Departmental Receivables	73,401	148,403						221,804
Betterments	52,951			4,959				57,910
User Charges				318,709				318,709
Liens	339,231			16,388				16,388
Tax Foreclosures		18,347						18,347
Intergovernmental	7,118							339,231
Unclaimed Checks	8,202	93						18,347
Refunds Due		84						7,118
Other								8,295
Deferred Revenue Payments in Advance	7,060		3,730,472					7,060
Bond Anticipation Notes						10,755,000		3,730,472
Bonds Payable								10,755,000

Town of Rockport  
Combined Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2014

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise Funds	Trust Funds	General Long Term Debt	General Fixed Assets	Combined
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	2,029,584	332,155	4,194,174	439,305	-	10,755,000	-	17,750,218
<b>Fund Balance/Retained Earnings:</b>								
Reserved for Encumbrances	94,181			9,451				103,632
Reserved for Continued Appropriations	970,932			405,874				1,376,806
Reserved for Expenditures	742,618			374,200				1,116,818
Reserved for Petty Cash	843	180						1,023
Reserved for Overlay Deficits	(9,990)							(9,990)
Reserved for Debt Payments	529,179	4,702,796	(724,292)	29,316	3,454,268		47,451,873	558,495
Unreserved and Undesignated Invested in Capital Assets	1,060,415			166,158				8,659,345
								47,451,873
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	3,388,178	4,702,976	(724,292)	984,999	3,454,268	-	47,451,873	59,258,002
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 5,417,762	\$ 5,035,131	\$ 3,469,882	\$ 1,424,304	\$ 3,454,268	\$ 10,755,000	\$ 47,451,873	\$ 77,008,220

Town of Rockport  
Combining Balance Sheet  
Enterprise Funds  
June 30, 2014

	Water Enterprise	Sewer Enterprise	Total
Cash	\$ 366,769	\$ 717,479	\$ 1,084,248
<b>Receivables:</b>			-
Betterments		4,959	4,959
User Charges	140,717	177,992	318,709
Liens added to Taxes	6,528	9,860	16,388
			-
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 514,014</b>	<b>\$ 910,290</b>	<b>\$ 1,424,304</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Wages Payable	\$ 13,130	\$ 10,607	\$ 23,737
Warrants Payable	45,514	29,998	75,512
Deferred Eevenue:			
Betterments		4,959	4,959
User Charges	140,717	177,992	318,709
Liens	6,528	9,860	16,388
			-
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 205,889</b>	<b>\$ 233,416</b>	<b>\$ 439,305</b>
<b>Retained Earning:</b>			
Reserved for Encumbrances	5,091	4,360	9,451
Reserved for Continued Appropriations	175,230	230,644	405,874
Reserved for Expenditures	67,100	307,100	374,200
Reserved for Debt Payments		29,316	29,316
Unreserved and Undesignated	60,704	105,454	166,158
			-
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 308,125</b>	<b>\$ 676,874</b>	<b>\$ 984,999</b>
			\$ -
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<b>\$ 514,014</b>	<b>\$ 910,290</b>	<b>\$ 1,424,304</b>

FY14 GENERAL FUND REVENUE	2014 TOTAL BUDGET	2014 ACTUAL	VARIANCE over (under) budget
REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY	19,177,273	19,169,966	(7,307)
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE,	835,000	848,942	13,942
BOAT EXCISE	6,608	12,472	5,864
PENALTIES & INTEREST TAXES/EXCISE	130,000	99,543	(30,457)
PAYMENTS in LIEU of TAXES	19,350	13,034	(6,316)
HOTEL AND MOTEL TAX	435,000	415,290	(19,710)
EDEN ROAD BETTERMENT	-	41,742	41,742
MULTI DEPT USE OF COPIER	1,200	2,692	1,492
PIGEON COVE STORAGE LEASES	25,000	6,805	(18,195)
LONG BEACH LEASES	380,600	464,131	83,531
BRADLEY WHARF LEASES	4,250	4,283	33
BOS LAND LEASE RENT/CELL TOWER	240,000	261,608	21,608
COMM HOUSE RENTAL FEES	5,000	5,405	405
GRANITE PIER STALLS	14,000	9,153	(4,847)
LONG BEACH TRANSFER FEES	350	625	275
ADMIN CHGS - Police Detail 10%	7,500	9,722	2,222
SEWER BETTERMENT RELEASE		321	321
TAX COLLECTOR FEES/CHARGES	1,800	744	(1,056)
TAX TITLE FEES		111	111
TAX COLLECTOR, MUNICIPAL LIENS	12,500	12,765	265
MOTOR VEHICLE DELIQUENTS FEE	6,000	6,231	231
SALE OF STREET LISTING BOOKS	1,000	800	(200)
SALE OF MAPS/BYLAWS	50	1,006	956
DEPARTMENTAL - PLAN BD, RULES	5,300	2,916	(2,384)
DEPARTMENTAL - ZONING BOARD	11,000	9,900	(1,100)
POLICE (A16)	1,100	877	(223)
FIRE-OIL, GAS, ETC. INSPECTION	16,000	17,495	1,495
MISC. RECEIPTS- MEDICAL RECORDS		195	195
DPW (A16) ADMINISTRATION	1,200	-	(1,200)
BEACH STICKERS	13,500	15,755	2,255
RESIDENT PARKING STICKERS	137,000	123,459	(13,541)
STREET OPENING FEES	2,600	2,700	100

FY14 GENERAL FUND REVENUE	2014 TOTAL BUDGET	2014 ACTUAL	VARIANCE over (under) budget
FLAT FEE STICKERS	305,500	316,480	10,980
PAY AS YOU THROW STICKERS	26,000	31,993	5,993
PAY AS YOU THROW BAGS	25,000	23,232	(1,768)
TRANSFER STATION COUPONS	25,000	30,649	5,649
RECYCLE - SCRAP STEEL	4,000	3,486	(514)
RECYCLE - BOTTLE/CAN RETURNS	4,500	3,193	(1,307)
RECYCLED PAPER REVENUE	10,000	209	(9,791)
DEPT CEMETERY BURIAL/FUNERAL	15,750	28,143	12,393
BOARD OF HEALTH	1,400	4,218	2,818
CHGS GRANITE PIER A16 STORAGE	60,000	63,422	3,422
THACHER ISLAND USE FEES	900	7,484	6,584
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE	19,000	16,800	(2,200)
SELECTMEN - PERMITS & LICENSES	13,500	10,220	(3,280)
CABLE FRANCHISE FEES	42,000	21,318	(20,682)
TOWN CLERK - LICENSES & FEES	6,325	6,055	(270)
POLICE - FID, LIC TO CARRY A17	3,200	1,912	(1,288)
FIRE - PERMITS, BLASTING, ETC.	1,500	-	(1,500)
FOREST FIRE - PERMITS A17	500	590	90
BUILDING INSPECTOR - PERMITS	142,175	143,841	1,666
DOG LICENSES (A.17.)	8,300	5,915	(2,385)
BOARD OF HEALTH (A.17.)	27,500	21,638	(5,862)
BY-LAW/RULES & REGS VIOLATIONS	300	375	75
DOG FINES & PICKUPS (A.19.)	1,000	505	(495)
PARKING FINES (A.19.)	105,000	127,545	22,545
LIBRARY FINES (A.13/A.19)	4,500	4,797	297
COURT FINES (A.19.)	1,200	720	(480)
MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATIONS-COMM	4,700	5,645	945
MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS	-	506	506
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	22,500	17,005	(5,495)
MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT	90,000	47,982	(42,018)
MISC REFUNDS/DIVIDENDS	-	788	788
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE		8,351	8,351
EASEMENTS		3,850	3,850
TRANS FROM - CPA FUND	228,031	228,031	-

FY14 GENERAL FUND REVENUE	2014 TOTAL BUDGET	2014 ACTUAL	VARIANCE over (under) budget
TRANS FROM - WATER	437,053	437,053	-
TRANS FROM - SEWER	374,286	374,286	-
TRANS FROM - OTH SPEC REVENUE	362,504	362,504	-
TRANS FROM - EXPENDABLE TRUST	194,803	194,803	-
FEMA STORM REIMBURSEMENT	-	59,597	59,597
MISC STATE REVENUE		17,539	17,539
CSI B8 VETERANS BENEFITS CH 11	41,425	40,948	(477)
FISH & WILD, O&M REIMB SWR PUM		388	388
CSI A1 SCHOOL AID CHAPTER 70	1,324,168	1,324,168	-
CSI CHARTER SCHOOL TUITION REI	4,480	9,865	5,385
CSI B1 LOTTERY/UNRESTRICT GGA	378,858	378,858	-
CSI B9 EXEMPTS, VETS, BLIND, ELDERLY	27,843	24,901	(2,942)
CSI B11 STATE OWNED LAND	19,958	19,958	-
PREMIUM FROM SALE OF BONDS/BANS	-	15,201	15,201
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25,854,840</b>	<b>26,007,655</b>	<b>152,815</b>
	Per revenue report	26,007,655	152,815
	Diff	-	-

Budget should be per Recap	
Real and Personal - less allowance	19,177,273
Estimated Receipts (pg 3 recap)	3,284,158

	YTD BUDGET JUNE 2014 BUDGET (10)	YTD JUNE 2014 ACTUAL (0)	VARIANCE	FY14 ENCUMBRANCES /Carry Forward	Unexpended
STATE ASSESSMENTS					
RETIRED TEACHERS HEALTH INSURA	352998.00	352998.00	0.00		0.00
AIR POLLUTION DISTRICTS (B.4.)	3173.00	3,901.00	(728.00)		(728.00)
METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COU	2245.00	2,245.00	0.00		0.00
RMV NON-RENEWAL SURCHARGE (B.7	9480.00	8,132.00	1,348.00		1,348.00
REGIONAL TRANSPORT AUTHORITY	82953.00	82,953.00	0.00		0.00
SCHOOL CHOICE SENDING TUITION	164069.00	182,724.00	(18,655.00)		(18,655.00)
ESSEX AGGIE TUITION	50,213.00	50,213.00	0.00		0.00
	<u>665,131.00</u>	<u>683,166.00</u>	<u>(18,035.00)</u>		<u>(18,035.00)</u>
MODERATOR					
ELECTED, PART TIME	125.00	125.00	0.00		0.00
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	55.00	0.00	55.00		55.00
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	20.00	0.00	20.00		20.00
ALL EXPENSES	38.00	0.00	38.00		38.00
	<u>238.00</u>	<u>125.00</u>	<u>113.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>113.00</u>
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR					
ELECTED, PART TIME	1,683.00	1,683.00	0.00		0.00
ELECTED, PART TIME	5,508.00	5,508.00	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	110,980.00	110,980.00	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	42,651.00	42,651.00	0.00		0.00
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	60,000.00	60,000.00	0.00		0.00
PART TIME CLERKS BDS COMM	5,900.00	4,637.12	1,262.88		1,262.88
IN SERVICE TRAINING/DEVELOPMEN	1,243.00	592.00	651.00		651.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	26,250.00	26,069.00	181.00		181.00
TELEPHONE	2,420.00	1,682.80	737.20		737.20
PRINTING	440.00	296.00	144.00		144.00
ADVERTISING	2,450.00	1,804.55	645.45		645.45
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	7,030.00	7,003.41	26.59		26.59
SUBSCRIPTIONS	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	890.41	476.00	414.41	360.00	54.41
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	2,456.22	2,456.22	0.00		0.00
ANNUAL AUDIT	38,369.76	37,500.00	869.76		869.76
PRINTING	7,066.08	7,066.08	0.00		0.00
OPEN DOOR ATM 4 6 13	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00		0.00
HAWC ATM 4 6 13	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00		0.00
YOUTH CENTER OPERATIONS	41,410.00	41,400.00	10.00		10.00
ACTION ATM 4 9 12	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
ACTION ATM 4 6 13	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00		0.00
ACTION HOME SHLTR ATM 4 6 13	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00		0.00
AI 9/05 FTM ART RESTORE	2,065.00	0.00	2,065.00	2,065.00	0.00
ARTG-9/09FTM-WATERSHED PROTECT	65,000.00	0.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00
BAND	4,200.00	4,200.00	0.00		0.00
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	450.00	450.00	0.00		0.00
SENIORCARE ATM 4 6 13	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00		0.00
MASTER BLD PLAN A6/13 ATM	60,000.00	0.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	0.00
	<u>507,462.47</u>	<u>369,455.18</u>	<u>138,007.29</u>	<u>133,425.00</u>	<u>4,582.29</u>
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE					
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	8,750.00	8,750.00	0.00		0.00
ECONOMIC DEV COMM ALL EXPENSES	56,559.00	6,721.92	49,837.08	49,000.00	837.08
ALL EXPENSES	152.00	0.00	152.00		152.00
TOWN OWNED ART COMMITTEE	2,000.00	923.50	1,076.50		1,076.50
	<u>67,461.00</u>	<u>16,395.42</u>	<u>51,065.58</u>	<u>49,000.00</u>	<u>2,065.58</u>
FINANCE COMMITTEE					
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,525.00	0.00	1,525.00		1,525.00
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	605.00	0.00	605.00		605.00
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	253.00	176.00	77.00		77.00
PRINTING	1,183.36	0.00	1,183.36		1,183.36
RESERVE FUND APPROPRIATIOIN	43,698.48	0.00	43,698.48		43,698.48
	<u>47,264.84</u>	<u>176.00</u>	<u>47,088.84</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>47,088.84</u>

TOWN ACCOUNTANT					
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	80,760.00	77,161.66	3,598.34		3,598.34
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	50,905.00	50,905.00	0.00		0.00
PERMANENT PART TIME (-20)	6,473.16	3,870.00	2,603.16		2,603.16
IN SERVICE TRAINING/DEVELOPMEN	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	24,320.84	24,320.84	0.00		0.00
TELEPHONE	567.00	388.64	178.36		178.36
OFFICE SUPPLIES	2,235.00	1,619.76	615.24		615.24
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	758.00	159.71	598.29		598.29
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	250.00	80.00	170.00		170.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	7,500.00	7,150.00	350.00		350.00
	173,769.00	165,655.61	8,113.39	0.00	8,113.39
ASSESSORS					
ELECTED, PART TIME	3,231.00	3,231.00	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	54,363.00	54,363.00	0.00		0.00
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	35,098.61	35,098.61	0.00		0.00
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	145.00	143.55	1.45		1.45
IN SERVICE TRAINING/DEVELOPMEN	1,130.00	1,124.25	5.75		5.75
BOOK BINDING	50.00	0.00	50.00		50.00
REGISTRY OF DEEDS SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
TELEPHONE	505.00	388.29	116.71		116.71
ADVERTISING	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	2,000.00	1,900.37	99.63		99.63
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	1,483.00	1,466.11	16.89		16.89
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	245.00	245.00	0.00		0.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00		0.00
ONGOING PROP VALUE ATM 4 2 11	3,214.41	3,214.41	0.00		0.00
Assessors Interim Service Expe	-36,356.55	0.00	(36,356.55)		(36,356.55) check
ALL EXPENSES, FY10	42,633.90	42,559.99	73.91		73.91
PROPERTY REVALUATION, FY13	75,000.00	9,060.00	65,940.00	65,940.00	0.00
PROPERTY REVALUATION, FY14	100,000.00	0.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
	286,742.37	156,794.58	129,947.79	165,940.00	-35,992.21
TREASURER/COLLECTOR					
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	71,050.00	71,050.00	0.00		0.00
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	45,820.00	44,993.56	826.44		826.44
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	39,840.00	39,573.82	266.18		266.18
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	34,783.72	33,645.00	1,138.72		1,138.72
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	156.00	88.55	67.45		67.45
IN SERVICE TRAINING	230.00	230.00	0.00		0.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,880.00	400.00	2,480.00		2,480.00
LOCK BOX	5,678.55	5,678.55	0.00	2,480.00	(2,480.00)
TELEPHONE	664.30	664.30	0.00		0.00
ADVERTISING	359.01	359.01	0.00		0.00
BOX RENTALS	278.00	278.00	0.00		0.00
BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS - NOTES	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	6,051.13	6,051.13	0.00		0.00
SUBSCRIPTIONS	125.00	125.00	0.00		0.00
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	2,144.73	2,144.73	0.00		0.00
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	90.00	90.00	0.00		0.00
BOND	1,662.50	1,662.50	0.00		0.00
RENTALS & LEASES	1,809.95	1,361.79	448.16		448.16
POSTAGE	15,456.91	15,456.91	0.00		0.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	22,750.00	21,363.23	1,386.77		1,386.77
LEGAL FEES	17,438.23	17,438.23	0.00		0.00
ADVERTISING	2,285.24	2,285.24	0.00		0.00
DATA PROCESSING	1,080.00	1,080.00	0.00		0.00
FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES	4,843.65	4,843.65	0.00		0.00
PREMIUM FROM SALE OF BANS	0.00	15,201.46	(15,201.46)		(15,201.46)
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	0.00	9,715.29	(9,715.29)		(9,715.29)
	277,476.92	295,779.95	-18,303.03	2,480.00	-20,783.03
LEGAL					
LEGAL COSTS & EXPENSES	4,680.00	4,680.00	0.00		0.00
LEGAL FEES	170,632.00	169,300.49	1,331.51		1,331.51
LABOR COUNSEL	7,837.00	7,837.00	0.00		0.00
	183,149.00	181,817.49	1,331.51	0.00	1,331.51

PERSONNEL BOARD					0
PART TIME CLERKS, BDS & COMM	1,200.00	645.15	554.85		554.85
MERIT PAY POOL	34,107.29	34,107.29	0.00		0.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	180.00	0.00	180.00		180.00
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	200.00	0.00	200.00		200.00
	<u>35,687.29</u>	<u>34,752.44</u>	<u>934.85</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>934.85</u>
INFO SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY					
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	87,000.00	86,666.82	333.18		333.18
APPOINTED, PART TIME	0.00		(333.18)		(333.18)
INFO SVCS & NETWORK MGR	50,040.76	46,044.29	3,996.47		3,996.47
TECH SUPPORT SPECIALIST	39,500.00	34,794.81	4,705.19		4,705.19
USER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	45,000.00	40,576.80	4,423.20		4,423.20
IN-SVC TRAINING/DEVELOPMENT	5,430.00	5,430.00	0.00		0.00
MAINT., COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	10,085.70	10,085.70	0.00		0.00
SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	37,803.15	37,803.15	0.00		0.00
SOFTWARE ON LINE SVCS	67,107.80	67,107.20	0.60		0.60
NETWORK SUPPORT	47,016.19	46,732.44	283.75		283.75
NETWORKING EXPENSES	60,819.24	60,819.24	0.00		0.00
COMMUNICATION SERVICES	9,962.44	10,031.43	(68.99)		(68.99)
TELEPHONE	2,700.74	2,017.59	683.15		683.15
OFFICE SUPPLIES	733.98	733.98	0.00		0.00
OTHER CHARGES - OP EXPENSES	12,092.44	12,129.89	(37.45)		(37.45)
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	2,935.00	2,935.00	0.00		0.00
ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT	56,616.18	56,408.62	207.56		207.56
TECHNOLOGY FUNDS A6/13 ATM	25,492.36	24,553.26	939.10	939.10	0.00
MUNI WEBSITE A6/14 ATM	20,000.00	3,712.47	16,287.53	16,287.53	0.00
COMPUTERS,PRINTER,E-STGE A6/14	120,000.00	118,637.96	1,362.04	1,362.04	(0.00)
	<u>700,335.98</u>	<u>667,553.83</u>	<u>32,782.15</u>	<u>18,588.67</u>	<u>14,193.48</u>
TAX POSSESSED LAND					
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	9,870.00	9,226.10	643.90	640.00	3.90
REGISTRY OF DEEDS SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
LEGAL FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
ADVERTISING	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
	<u>9,870.00</u>	<u>9,226.10</u>	<u>643.90</u>	<u>640.00</u>	<u>3.90</u>
TOWN CLERK					
ELECTED, FULL TIME	60,000.00	60,000.00	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	42,630.00	42,630.00	0.00		0.00
TELEPHONE	423.52	407.31	16.21		16.21
BOX RENTALS	278.00	278.00	0.00		0.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	3,213.48	3,252.40	(38.92)		(38.92)
SUBSCRIPTIONS	25.00	25.00	0.00		0.00
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	2,424.00	2,334.80	89.20		89.20
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	75.00	75.00	0.00		0.00
INSURANCE PREMIUMS	175.00	175.00	0.00		0.00
MAINT., OFFICE EQUIPMENT	2,855.00	2,598.45	256.55		256.55
SCAN ARCHIVAL DOCS A6/13 ATM	11,897.20	10,948.72	948.48	948.48	0.00
	<u>123,996.20</u>	<u>122,724.68</u>	<u>1,271.52</u>	<u>948.48</u>	<u>323.04</u>
ELECTIONS & REGISTRATIONS					
TOWN CLERK	559.00	583.28	(24.28)		(24.28)
ELECTION OFFICER WAGES	1,015.00	0.00	1,015.00		1,015.00
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	1,105.00	1,104.69	0.31		0.31
TEMPORARY, PART TIME	4,741.20	4,741.20	0.00		0.00
LAND/BUILDINGS RENTAL	306.00	100.00	206.00		206.00
COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT RENTAL	3,328.00	1,825.00	1,503.00		1,503.00
PRINTING	3,415.00	3,122.29	292.71		292.71
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	590.00	529.71	60.29		60.29
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	1,080.00	1,069.19	10.81		10.81
	<u>16,139.20</u>	<u>13,075.36</u>	<u>3,063.84</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,063.84</u>
CONSERVATION COMMITTEE					
PART TIME CLERKS, BDS & COMM	7,560.00	3,510.30	4,049.70		4,049.70
PERMANENT PART TIME (>20)	45,503.00	45,503.00	0.00		0.00
TELEPHONE	300.00	210.75	89.25		89.25
ADVERTISING	16.00	0.00	16.00		16.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	350.00	348.93	1.07		1.07
OTHER CHARGES	120.00	120.00	0.00		0.00
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	440.00	440.00	0.00		0.00
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	554.00	554.00	0.00		0.00
TRANSFER TO TRUST FUNDS	550.00	550.00	0.00		0.00
	<u>55,393.00</u>	<u>51,236.98</u>	<u>4,156.02</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>4,156.02</u>

MILLBROOK MEADOW COMMITTEE					
OFFICE SUPPLIES	274.00	274.00	0.00		0.00
	<u>274.00</u>	<u>274.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE					
ALL EXPENSES	5,304.00	3,304.00	2,000.00		2,000.00
	<u>5,304.00</u>	<u>3,304.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE					
OTHER CHARGES	640.00	594.98	45.02	45.02	0.00
	<u>640.00</u>	<u>594.98</u>	<u>45.02</u>	<u>45.02</u>	<u>0.00</u>
PLANNING BOARD					
PART TIME CLERKS, BDS & COMM	18,549.00	17,746.30	802.70		802.70
TELEPHONE	425.00	300.01	124.99		124.99
PRINTING	1,319.99	1,229.20	90.79		90.79
ADVERTISING	620.89	620.89	0.00		0.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	521.12	519.12	2.00		2.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	33,600.00	23,542.50	10,057.50		10,057.50
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	2,080.00	2,080.00	0.00		0.00
	<u>57,116.00</u>	<u>46,038.02</u>	<u>11,077.98</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>11,077.98</u>
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS					
PART TIME CLERKS, BDS & COMM	13,232.70	13,283.40	(50.70)		(50.70)
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	705.00	661.70	43.30		43.30
ADVERTISING	4,950.00	4,424.24	525.76		525.76
	<u>18,887.70</u>	<u>18,369.34</u>	<u>518.36</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>518.36</u>
POLICE					
HOLIDAY PAY	3,625.00	3,625.00	0.00		0.00
LT. HOLIDAY PAY	2,759.61	2,759.61	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	108,890.00	108,890.00	0.00		0.00
LIEUTENANT SALARY	91,136.01	91,136.01	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	228,999.23	225,086.71	3,912.52		3,912.52
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	609,505.81	590,631.10	18,874.71		18,874.71
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	41,610.94	41,135.52	475.42		475.42
PERMANENT, FULL TIME CUSTODIAL	45,295.00	44,822.56	472.44		472.44
CIVILIAN DISPATCHERS	47,930.00	41,903.00	6,027.00		6,027.00
OVERTIME	91,149.20	90,204.54	944.66		944.66
CIVILIAN HIRE	109.80	109.80	0.00		0.00
PERMANENT INTERMITTENT	59,200.00	56,550.00	2,650.00		2,650.00
COURT TIME	41,437.00	38,575.03	2,861.97		2,861.97
SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL	32,760.00	30,272.00	2,488.00		2,488.00
SERGEANT'S DIFFERENTIAL	11,024.00	9,004.00	2,020.00		2,020.00
IN-SERVICE TRAINING	41,478.00	39,909.77	1,568.23		1,568.23
ELECTRICITY	20,723.17	20,709.72	13.45		13.45
FUEL OIL	14,471.83	14,471.83	0.00		0.00
MAINTENANCE, VEHICLES	9,166.73	9,151.87	14.86		14.86
MEDICAL	2,152.29	2,152.29	0.00		0.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	7,744.60	7,864.24	(119.64)		(119.64)
TRAINING MATERIALS	17,003.38	17,003.38	0.00		0.00
LOCK UP	6,270.00	6,178.67	91.33		91.33
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	3,069.00	3,069.00	0.00		0.00
GASOLINE/DIESEL	28,195.00	24,369.12	3,825.88		3,825.88
MAINT., COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	21,246.49	21,246.49	0.00		0.00
OTHER EQUIPMENT MAINT.	12,449.00	11,618.96	830.04	625.76	204.28
RADIO MAINTENANCE	6,822.51	6,790.45	32.06		32.06
TELEPHONE	13,750.00	13,345.76	404.24		404.24
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	23,653.00	23,498.84	154.16		154.16
CRUISER REPLACEMENT A6/14 ATM	31,814.00	31,814.00	0.00		0.00
RADIOS & PAGERS ATM 4 2 11	9,868.56	3,888.00	5,980.56	5,980.56	0.00
PY UNPAID BILLS FTM 9/13	99.75	0.00	99.75	99.75	0.00
UNIFORMS-STM 4/14 VESTS	18,870.00	15,365.00	3,505.00	3,505.00	0.00
PARK METER UPGRADES A6/14 ATM	61,861.00	59,451.82	2,409.18	2,409.18	0.00
	<u>1,766,139.91</u>	<u>1,706,604.09</u>	<u>59,535.82</u>	<u>12,620.25</u>	<u>46,915.57</u>

TRAFFIC & PARKING					
APPOINTED, PART TIME	7,800.00	7,796.80	3.20		3.20
TEMPORARY, PART TIME	11,545.00	10,349.96	1,195.04		1,195.04
MAINTENANCE, METERS	10,030.00	5,603.03	4,426.97		4,426.97
UNIFORMS	575.00	542.01	32.99		32.99
LINE MARKING	1,615.00	1,399.60	215.40		215.40
ADVERTISING	705.00	447.80	257.20		257.20
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,198.00	988.51	209.49		209.49
SIGNS & POSTS	3,030.00	2,789.89	240.11		240.11
PARK & RIDE, CONTRACTED SERVIC	24,556.00	24,050.00	506.00		506.00
	61,054.00	53,967.60	7,086.40	0.00	7,086.40
LIFEGUARDS					
TEMPORARY, PART TIME	45,504.00	40,740.00	4,764.00		4,764.00
SUPPLIES	7,918.00	7,902.29	15.71		15.71
	53,422.00	48,642.29	4,779.71	0.00	4,779.71
FIRE DEPARTMENT					
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	122,556.15	121,719.81	836.34		836.34
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	22,601.86	22,601.86	0.00		0.00
APPT'D FIREGHTRS (H)	2,300.00	225.00	2,075.00		2,075.00
IN-SERVICE TRAINING	4,275.00	2,316.42	1,958.58	415.00	1,543.58
ELECTRICITY	10,790.00	9,454.67	1,335.33		1,335.33
FUEL OIL	24,490.00	24,350.76	139.24		139.24
MAINTENANCE, VEHICLES	14,789.00	14,670.83	118.17		118.17
FIRE ALARM MAINTENANCE	4,700.00	3,681.35	1,018.65		1,018.65
COMMUNICATION SERVICES	6,465.00	6,321.83	143.17		143.17
TELEPHONE	838.00	566.00	272.00		272.00
ENGINEER'S EXPENSE	3,960.00	3,709.42	250.58		250.58
FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT	10,170.00	9,296.33	873.67		873.67
GASOLINE/DIESEL	5,175.00	5,133.33	41.67		41.67
A6/11 ATM 25 PAGERS	159.20	0.00	159.20	159.20	0.00
PY UNPAID BILLS FTM 9/13	274.00	0.00	274.00	274.00	0.00
REPLACE HOSE A6/13 ATM	4,183.86	4,183.86	0.00		0.00
REPLACE HOSE A6/14 ATM	10,000.00	3,320.69	6,679.31	6,679.31	0.00
FIRE RESCUE BOAT A6/13 ATM	110.92	0.00	110.92	110.92	0.00
	247,837.99	231,552.16	16,285.83	7,638.43	8,647.40
FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT					
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	3,154.00	3,154.00	0.00		0.00
APPT'D, FOREST FIRE (STPND)	17,030.00	15,470.24	1,559.76		1,559.76
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	4,350.00	4,350.00	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	1,210.00	1,210.00	0.00		0.00
MAINTENANCE, VEHICLES	232.00	116.00	116.00		116.00
OTHER EQUIPMENT MAINT.	2,391.28	2,384.99	6.29		6.29
TELEPHONE	1,212.00	1,169.76	42.24		42.24
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
VEHICULAR SUPPLIES	373.50	338.25	35.25		35.25
PARTS & ACCESSORIES	385.71	385.71	0.00		0.00
MISCELLANEOUS OTHER	343.75	261.43	82.32		82.32
GASOLINE/DIESEL	515.00	445.43	69.57		69.57
FOREST FIRE VEH EQUIP A6/14ATM	12,800.00	0.00	12,800.00	12,800.00	0.00
	43,997.24	29,285.81	14,711.43	12,800.00	1,911.43
AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT					
APPOINTED, PART TIME	8,225.00	4,112.50	4,112.50		4,112.50
APPT'D, AMBULANCE (PER TRIP)	79,975.80	33,354.75	46,621.05		46,621.05
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	3,196.64	3,196.64	0.00		0.00
STAND BY	5,215.00	4,214.80	1,000.20		1,000.20
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	19,679.00	16,318.74	3,360.26		3,360.26
IN-SERVICE TRAINING	1,515.00	1,170.00	345.00		345.00
EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND LICENSES	4,465.00	1,750.00	2,715.00		2,715.00
MAINTENANCE, VEHICLES	5,135.00	4,788.09	346.91		346.91
MEDICAL	7,575.00	4,245.67	3,329.33	448.92	2,880.41
TELEPHONE	1,000.00	891.74	108.26		108.26
OTHER SUPPLIES	3,040.00	1,351.69	1,688.31		1,688.31
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	1,010.00	460.00	550.00		550.00
VEHICLE LICENSES	505.00	0.00	505.00		505.00
JUMPSUITS/SAFETY EQUIP/RADIOS	2,617.41	2,617.41	0.00		0.00
GASOLINE/DIESEL	2,869.00	2,822.30	46.70		46.70
OTHER EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	4,500.00	4,668.91	(168.91)		(168.91)
DATA PROCESSING	14,140.00	12,458.27	1,681.73		1,681.73
	164,662.85	98,421.51	66,241.34	448.92	65,792.42

INSPECTIONAL SERVICES					
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	67,880.00	67,880.00	0.00	0.00	
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	17,370.00	15,528.21	1,841.79	1,841.79	
PERMANENT PART TIME (>20)	25,606.26	24,664.29	941.97	941.97	
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	145.00	143.55	1.45	1.45	
TELEPHONE	275.00	192.49	82.51	82.51	
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	500.00	395.47	104.53	104.53	
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	275.00	285.00	(10.00)	(10.00)	
AUTO ALLOWANCE	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	5,565.00	5,240.00	325.00	325.00	
	<u>122,116.26</u>	<u>118,829.01</u>	<u>3,287.25</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,287.25</u>
ANIMAL INSPECTOR					
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	1,748.00	1,748.00	0.00	0.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	10.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	
OTHER CHARGES	20.00	0.00	20.00	20.00	
MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	200.00	71.50	128.50	128.50	
	<u>1,978.00</u>	<u>1,819.50</u>	<u>158.50</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>158.50</u>
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT					
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	3,605.00	3,605.00	0.00	0.00	
DEPUTY EMD STIPEND	773.00	773.00	0.00	0.00	
SUPPLIES	750.00	747.15	2.85	2.85	
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	<u>5,128.00</u>	<u>5,125.15</u>	<u>2.85</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2.85</u>
DOG OFFICER					
APPOINTED, PART TIME	8,158.00	7,091.28	1,066.72	1,066.72	
APPOINTED, PART TIME	3,765.00	2,918.09	846.91	846.91	
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	3,300.00	115.00	3,185.00	3,185.00	
MAINTENANCE, VEHICLES	800.00	750.94	49.06	49.06	
MEDICAL	125.00	0.00	125.00	125.00	
TELEPHONE	600.00	460.88	139.12	139.12	
ADVERTISING	500.00	272.88	227.12	227.12	
VETERINARY SERVICES	350.00	0.00	350.00	350.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	100.00	57.64	42.36	42.36	
GASOLINE/DIESEL	785.00	646.68	138.32	138.32	
CONSTABLE SUPPLIES	925.00	827.21	97.79	97.79	
	<u>19,408.00</u>	<u>13,140.60</u>	<u>6,267.40</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>6,267.40</u>
PARKING CLERK					
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	1,262.00	1,262.00	0.00	0.00	
APPOINTED, PART TIME	17,082.45	16,985.83	96.62	96.62	
MAINT., OFFICE EQUIPMENT	65.00	0.00	65.00	65.00	
TELEPHONE	618.00	392.37	225.63	225.63	
PRINTING	1,955.00	0.00	1,955.00	1,955.00	
OFFICE SUPPLIES	670.00	78.27	591.73	591.73	
BOND	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	
DATA PROCESSING	11,827.65	11,399.05	428.60	428.60	
	<u>33,530.10</u>	<u>30,117.52</u>	<u>3,412.58</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,412.58</u>

HARBORMASTER					
APPOINTED, PART TIME	43,230.00	42,590.23	639.77		639.77
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	3,830.00	3,775.00	55.00		55.00
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	1,328.00	1,308.00	20.00		20.00
TEMPORARY, PART TIME	11,972.00	11,958.00	14.00		14.00
COURT TIME	609.00	609.00	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, STIPENDS	1,594.00	1,439.13	154.87		154.87
EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND LICENSES	555.00	310.00	245.00		245.00
RADIO MAINTENANCE	555.00	146.23	408.77		408.77
MAINT., BOAT	4,889.00	4,664.12	224.88		224.88
MAINT., FLOATS	5,199.00	4,798.36	400.64	28.40	372.24
UNIFORMS	667.00	436.48	230.52		230.52
EMPLOYEE TRAINING SEMINAR	220.00	0.00	220.00		220.00
MEDICAL	333.00	180.00	153.00		153.00
TELEPHONE	3,444.00	3,408.40	35.60		35.60
PRINTING	555.00	494.99	60.01		60.01
ADVERTISING	220.00	50.00	170.00		170.00
PHOTOGRAPHY	278.00	0.00	278.00		278.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,900.00	1,267.17	632.83		632.83
PAINT	3,333.00	130.00	3,203.00		3,203.00
GASOLINE/DIESEL/HM Vehicles	2,640.00	2,578.55	61.45		61.45
SAFETY EQUIPMENT	2,233.00	1,292.12	940.88		940.88
EQUIPMENT IMPROVEMENT	2,433.00	2,394.07	38.93		38.93
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	444.00	38.24	405.76		405.76
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	220.00	210.00	10.00		10.00
RADIO REPLACEMENT	2,220.00	0.00	2,220.00		2,220.00
GASOLINE/DIESEL	3,966.00	2,589.22	1,376.78		1,376.78
CRANE SERVICE	2,355.00	2,346.57	8.43		8.43
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,244.60	1,650.75	593.85		593.85
WATER UTILITY CHARGES	854.40	695.79	158.61	158.61	0.00
FLOAT REPLACEMENT	20,400.00	14,468.80	5,931.20		5,931.20
A6/11 ATM PILING REPLACEMENT	4,442.34	0.00	4,442.34	4,442.34	0.00
REPLACE PILLINGS A6/13 ATM	8,247.03	0.00	8,247.03	8,247.03	0.00
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	1,556.71	1,556.71	0.00		0.00
	138,967.08	107,385.93	31,581.15	12,876.38	18,704.77
HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE					
OFFICE SUPPLIES	515.00	134.78	380.22		380.22
	515.00	134.78	380.22	0.00	380.22
SCHOOL ENCUMBRANCES					
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	138.56	138.56	0.00		0.00
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	12,301.72	10,463.87	1,837.85		1,837.85
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	7,002.89	7,002.89	0.00		0.00
PY UNPAID BILLS STM 4/14	535.53	175.00	360.53	360.53	0.00
	19,978.70	17,780.32	2,198.38	360.53	1,837.85
REGIONAL SCHOOL					
REGIONAL SCHOOL ASSESSMENT	173,678.32	173,678.00	0.32		0.32
	173,678.32	173,678.00	0.32	0.00	0.32

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HEAT SYS STUDY ATM 4 2 11	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
SCHOOL LUNCH SUBSIDY - SUPPLIE	3,746.12	3,746.12	0.00		0.00
SCHOOL LUNCH SUBSIDY - OTHER	2,673.63	7,802.86	(5,129.23)		(5,129.23)
SUPERINTENDENT	140,070.00	140,760.10	(690.10)		(690.10)
SUPERINTENDENT SECRETARY	54,924.00	57,933.98	(3,009.98)		(3,009.98)
SC SEC/STIPEND	2,750.00	0.00	2,750.00		2,750.00
FINANCIAL ASSISTANT	70,410.00	71,758.93	(1,348.93)		(1,348.93)
PAYROLL	37,764.00	39,656.59	(1,892.59)		(1,892.59)
PROGRAM COORDINATORS	14,098.00	11,907.97	2,190.03		2,190.03
PROGRAM COORDINATORS	18,471.00	18,472.48	(1.48)		(1.48)
PROGRAM COORDINATORS	18,470.00	18,472.48	(2.48)		(2.48)
LEGAL FEES	8,000.00	4,981.82	3,018.18		3,018.18
OFFICE EXPENSE	23,211.00	13,972.46	9,238.54	480.60	8,757.94
SUPERINTENDENT TRAVEL & DUES	10,524.00	9,645.42	878.58		878.58
SUPPLIES	11,000.00	10,528.40	471.60		471.60
REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00		1,000.00
SUPERINTENDENT LIFE INSURANCE	6,463.13	6,736.87	(273.74)		(273.74)
PRINCIPAL/SPED DIRECTOR	99,297.00	100,297.12	(1,000.12)		(1,000.12)
PRINCIPAL/SPED DIRECTOR	59,330.00	59,830.44	(500.44)		(500.44)
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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY	43,918.00	43,766.92	151.08		151.08
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY	38,911.00	38,920.32	(9.32)		(9.32)
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY	43,000.00	43,766.92	(766.92)		(766.92)
MEDICAID BILLING CLERK	3,000.00	3,718.81	(718.81)		(718.81)
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL	89,760.00	91,555.10	(1,795.10)		(1,795.10)
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL	91,555.00	89,760.06	1,794.94		1,794.94
TEACHERS	1,481,285.00	1,573,940.36	(92,655.36)		(92,655.36)
TEACHERS	846,288.00	1,091,403.76	(245,115.76)		(245,115.76)
TEACHERS	1,385,562.49	1,492,517.00	(106,954.51)		(106,954.51)
TEACHER CLERK	22,144.00	18,144.59	3,999.41		3,999.41
TEACHER CLERK	20,023.00	18,493.51	1,529.49		1,529.49
TEACHER CLERK	23,308.00	23,300.68	7.32		7.32
SCHOOL MONITOR	65,668.00	82,783.32	(17,115.32)		(17,115.32)
SCHOOL MONITOR	0.00	(594.11)	594.11		594.11
TEACHER ASST	20,000.00	23,531.76	(3,531.76)		(3,531.76)
SUBSTITUTES	20,000.00	47,765.17	(27,765.17)		(27,765.17)
SUBSTITUTES	18,000.00	8,097.25	9,902.75		9,902.75
SUBSTITUTES	18,000.00	25,323.76	(7,323.76)		(7,323.76)
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR	69,434.00	98,909.39	(29,475.39)		(29,475.39)
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR	78,105.00	137,004.14	(58,899.14)		(58,899.14)
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR SECRETARY	0.00	(214.49)	214.49		214.49
STIPENDS	15,000.00	15,195.56	(195.56)		(195.56)
STIPENDS	22,120.00	22,901.25	(781.25)		(781.25)
STIPENDS	43,562.00	40,886.61	2,675.39		2,675.39
CROSSING GUARDS	16,974.00	11,685.70	5,288.30		5,288.30
PRINCIPALS OFFICE EXPENSE	6,000.00	3,787.98	2,212.02		2,212.02
PRINCIPALS OFFICE EXPENSE	15,420.00	1,892.75	13,527.25		13,527.25
PRINCIPALS OFFICE EXPENSE	17,526.00	21,497.41	(3,971.41)		(3,971.41)
PRINCIPALS TRAVEL/MEMBERSHIP	2,118.00	370.78	1,747.22		1,747.22
PRINCIPALS TRAVEL/MEMBERSHIP	1,500.00	1,952.50	(452.50)		(452.50)
PRINCIPALS TRAVEL/MEMBERSHIP	3,536.50	3,661.50	(125.00)		(125.00)
SUPPLIES	25,000.00	18,298.61	6,701.39		6,701.39
SUPPLIES	15,302.00	11,440.07	3,861.93		3,861.93
SUPPLIES	17,412.00	11,145.75	6,266.25	99.06	6,167.19
TEACHER MEMBERSHIPS	250.00	3.30	246.70		246.70
TEACHER MEMBERSHIPS	1,311.00	500.00	811.00		811.00
TEACHER MEMBERSHIPS	1,369.00	240.00	1,129.00	50.00	1,079.00
TEXTBOOKS	21,956.40	21,956.40	0.00		0.00
TEXTBOOKS	7,141.00	5,426.98	1,714.02		1,714.02
TEXTBOOKS	14,202.34	13,002.34	1,200.00		1,200.00
SOFTWARE/ONLINE SERVICES	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00		0.00
SOFTWARE/ONLINE SERVICES	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00		1,000.00
SOFTWARE/ONLINE SERVICES	500.00	0.00	500.00		500.00
LIBRARY BOOKS AND SUPPLIES	3,876.00	1,393.90	2,482.10		2,482.10
LIBRARY BOOKS AND SUPPLIES	5,166.57	5,166.57	0.00		0.00
LIBRARY BOOKS AND SUPPLIES	4,590.00	3,866.82	723.18		723.18
A.V. SUPPLIES	918.00	99.95	818.05		818.05
GUIDANCE EXPENSES	775.00	54.00	721.00		721.00

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GUIDANCE EXPENSES	1,627.00	1,099.65	527.35		527.35
GUIDANCE TRAVEL	306.00	0.00	306.00		306.00
GUIDANCE TRAVEL	510.00	487.99	22.01		22.01
ASSEMBLIES	612.00	598.66	13.34		13.34
ASSEMBLIES	1,224.00	2,051.09	(827.09)		(827.09)
REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT	9,181.00	11,054.58	(1,873.58)		(1,873.58)
REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT	11,000.00	16,105.20	(5,105.20)		(5,105.20)
REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT	12,000.00	10,868.98	1,131.02		1,131.02
SPED SECRETARY	43,714.00	43,766.92	(52.92)		(52.92)
TEACHER ASSISTANT	251,575.00	252,303.01	(728.01)		(728.01)
TEACHER ASSISTANT	115,513.00	112,378.56	3,134.44		3,134.44
TEACHER ASSISTANT	89,651.00	166,386.54	(76,735.54)		(76,735.54)
TEACHER ASSISTANT	6,785.27	6,785.27	0.00		0.00
PRINCIPAL/SPED DIRECTOR	97,706.00	96,505.92	1,200.08		1,200.08
TEACHERS	387,711.00	299,025.28	88,685.72		88,685.72
TEACHERS	183,294.00	189,376.14	(6,082.14)		(6,082.14)
TEACHERS	130,132.00	107,848.66	22,283.34		22,283.34
TEACHERS	49,028.00	54,409.32	(5,381.32)		(5,381.32)
SPED SPECIALIST	65,669.00	134,943.90	(69,274.90)		(69,274.90)
SPED SPECIALIST	195,965.00	144,421.94	51,543.06		51,543.06
SPED SPECIALIST	186,371.00	139,330.10	47,040.90		47,040.90
SUBSTITUTES	8,200.00	16,347.31	(8,147.31)		(8,147.31)
PSYCH/ADJUST COUNSELOR	34,298.00	32,572.88	1,725.12		1,725.12
PSYCH/ADJUST COUNSELOR	25,095.00	30,949.88	(5,854.88)		(5,854.88)
PSYCH/ADJUST COUNSELOR	25,096.00	30,949.88	(5,853.88)		(5,853.88)
NURSES	48,279.00	29,290.92	18,988.08		18,988.08
SPED OFFICE EXPENSE	5,000.00	5,848.87	(848.87)		(848.87)
DIRECTOR TRAVEL	2,000.00	290.00	1,710.00		1,710.00
TUTORING SERVICES	8,000.00	15,398.96	(7,398.96)		(7,398.96)
SUPPLIES	5,000.00	5,323.34	(323.34)		(323.34)
MEDICAID FILING EXPENSES	3,000.00	3,563.84	(563.84)		(563.84)
OUTSIDE EVALUATIONS	80,000.00	181,666.46	(101,666.46)		(101,666.46)
TRANSPORTATION/VAN EXPENSE	259,576.00	220,042.40	39,533.60	24,082.50	15,451.10
REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT	1,000.00	1,036.00	(36.00)		(36.00)
MASS TUITION	118,476.00	140,862.20	(22,386.20)		(22,386.20)
PRIVATE SCHOOL TUITION	1,037,804.00	537,930.60	499,873.40		499,873.40
COLLABORATIVE FEES	248,332.00	210,836.35	37,495.65		37,495.65
COLLABORATIVE MEMBERSHIPS	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00		10,000.00
PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	23,675.00	44,895.60	(21,220.60)		(21,220.60)
PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	23,675.00	32,106.82	(8,431.82)		(8,431.82)
PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	23,675.00	40,410.06	(16,735.06)		(16,735.06)
PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	23,675.00	30,137.60	(6,462.60)		(6,462.60)
MENTORS	11,440.00	0.00	11,440.00		11,440.00
SUBSTITUTES	5,096.71	10,345.66	(5,248.95)		(5,248.95)
SUBSTITUTES	3,000.00	2,305.00	695.00		695.00
SUBSTITUTES	3,000.00	810.00	2,190.00		2,190.00
SUBSTITUTES	1,464.84	1,849.84	(385.00)		(385.00)
CONTRACTED SERVICES	13,000.00	13,002.00	(2.00)		(2.00)
SUPPLIES	600.00	0.00	600.00		600.00
CONFERENCES AND TRAVEL	20,000.00	15,973.75	4,026.25	189.99	3,836.26
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	41,539.00	41,539.90	(0.90)		(0.90)
COACHES	101,949.00	64,958.00	36,991.00		36,991.00
OFFICIALS	29,381.00	18,613.41	10,767.59	148.00	10,619.59
EQUIPMENT	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00		6,000.00
TRANSPORTATION & EXPENSES	16,000.00	5,417.00	10,583.00		10,583.00
CUSTODIAL LABOR	203,604.00	189,707.26	13,896.74		13,896.74
CUSTODIAL SUB	27,000.00	44,152.83	(17,152.83)		(17,152.83)
DIRECTOR OF BUILDING AND GROUN	63,733.00	63,808.04	(75.04)		(75.04)
MAINTENANCE LABOR	91,325.00	92,104.12	(779.12)		(779.12)
FUEL	1,600.00	1,269.60	330.40		330.40
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	27,600.00	33,638.64	(6,038.64)		(6,038.64)
HEAT	210,400.00	213,117.94	(2,717.94)		(2,717.94)
UTILITY SERVICES	197,189.00	179,016.03	18,172.97	8,675.00	9,497.97
MAINTENANCE OF BUILDING	37,298.00	29,838.23	7,459.77		7,459.77
BUILDING SECURITY	6,500.00	6,759.92	(259.92)		(259.92)
Repair of Equipment	14,600.00	10,938.11	3,661.89		3,661.89
COORDINATOR	7,678.00	7,526.94	151.06		151.06
DRIVERS	46,874.00	52,038.08	(5,164.08)		(5,164.08)

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT cont.

FUEL	5,000.00	3,284.08	1,715.92		1,715.92
NURSES	103,052.00	115,180.33	(12,128.33)		(12,128.33)
NURSE ASST	5,305.00	0.00	5,305.00		5,305.00
NURSE SUB	2,160.00	3,480.00	(1,320.00)		(1,320.00)
NURSE WORKSHOPS	2,000.00	1,521.20	478.80		478.80
SUPPLIES	4,000.00	4,192.00	(192.00)		(192.00)
EARLY RETIREMENT	40,000.00	23,700.00	16,300.00		16,300.00
PY UNPAID BILLS FTM 9/13	2,331.32	0.00	2,331.32	2,331.32	0.00
SCH STAIR TREADS A6/13 ATM	9,787.00	8,570.50	1,216.50	1,216.50	0.00
SCH CARPET REPL A6/13 ATM	10,708.00	10,412.00	296.00	296.00	0.00
SCHOOL CARPET REPL A6/14 ATM	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00		0.00
SCHOOL KITCHEN EQUIP A6/14 ATM	19,000.00	18,947.15	52.85	52.85	(0.00)
SCHOOL BATH UPGRADES A6/14 ATM	15,000.00	3,900.00	11,100.00	11,100.00	0.00
	10,571,864.32	10,509,980.67	61,883.65	63,721.82	-1,838.17

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

MEETING SUPPORT CLERK	2,075.00	1,832.12	242.88		242.88
COMMISSIONERS, STIPEND	4,461.43	4,461.43	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, FT DEPARTMENT HEAD	52,273.00	52,273.00	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED, FT ASST DEPT HEAD	47,401.54	47,401.54	0.00		0.00
APPOINTED FT FIELD COORDINATOR	37,636.00	37,636.00	0.00		0.00
GIS PROGRAM MANAGER	19,643.46	19,409.07	234.39		234.39
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	21,432.00	21,432.00	0.00		0.00
TEMPORARY, PART TIME, CLERICAL	12,368.00	11,994.38	373.62		373.62
	197,290.43	196,439.54	850.89	0.00	850.89

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

PERMANENT, FULL TIME	17,472.86	17,142.89	329.97		329.97
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	300.00	287.10	12.90		12.90
COMMUNITY HOUSE FACILITY MGR	1,000.00	574.71	425.29		425.29
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	231,559.00	230,560.33	998.67		998.67
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	54,697.00	54,689.12	7.88		7.88
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	162,611.00	162,271.64	339.36		339.36
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	103,833.00	103,272.75	560.25		560.25
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	53,144.00	52,041.03	1,102.97		1,102.97
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	34,496.00	34,073.08	422.92		422.92
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	33,961.00	33,629.74	331.26		331.26
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	111,367.00	111,261.70	105.30		105.30
	804,440.86	799,804.09	4,636.77	0.00	4,636.77

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

TEMPORARY, FULL TIME	36,404.00	35,820.40	583.60		583.60
	36,404.00	35,820.40	583.60	0.00	583.60

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

OVERTIME	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
OVERTIME - RUBBISH COLLECTION	5,282.00	5,633.11	(351.11)		(351.11)
OVERTIME - REST ROOMS	8,000.00	7,224.91	775.09		775.09
OVERTIME - PARK/BEACH	1,128.88	361.37	767.51		767.51
OVERTIME - CEMETERY	3,000.00	2,639.34	360.66		360.66
OVERTIME - HIGHWAY	1,871.12	1,871.12	0.00		0.00
OVERTIME - SOLID WASTE	11,500.00	10,654.35	845.65		845.65
OVERTIME, SNOW & ICE	93.76	0.00	93.76		93.76
OVERTIME - PLOWING	65,561.47	65,561.47	0.00		0.00
OVERTIME - SANDING	3,184.63	3,184.63	0.00		0.00
OVERTIME - SALTING	7,561.48	7,561.48	0.00		0.00
OVERTIME - REMOVAL	3,860.67	3,860.67	0.00		0.00
OVERTIME - EQUIPMENT MNTCE	177.99	177.99	0.00		0.00
	111,222.00	108,730.44	2,491.56	0.00	2,491.56

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ELECTRICITY	52,574.00	48,144.95	4,429.05	2,559.96	1,869.09
NATURAL GAS/PROPANE	6,453.00	6,194.01	258.99		258.99
FUEL OIL	43,051.00	41,410.40	1,640.60		1,640.60
ELECTRICITY	98,930.00	96,283.77	2,646.23		2,646.23
ELECTRICITY	5,089.00	4,039.64	1,049.36	102.58	946.78
NATURAL GAS/PROPANE	4,489.00	4,082.53	406.47		406.47
GASOLINE/DIESEL	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
GASOLINE/DIESEL	89,771.00	81,213.42	8,557.58		8,557.58
	300,357.00	281,368.72	18,988.28	2,662.54	16,325.74

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS				
EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND LICENSES	388.00	388.00	0.00	0.00
MAINT., OFFICE EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TELEPHONE	3,529.79	3,419.42	110.37	110.37
PRINTING	392.00	392.00	0.00	0.00
POSTAGE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ADVERTISING	1,808.64	1,808.64	0.00	0.00
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	8,730.58	8,643.53	87.05	87.05
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	4,590.00	4,420.42	169.58	169.58
COPIER SUPPLIES	2,210.31	2,133.12	77.19	77.19
COMPUTER SUPPLIES	1,186.42	1,186.42	0.00	0.00
TECHNICAL SUPPLIES	5,694.26	4,210.31	1,483.95	1,483.95
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	410.00	234.56	175.44	175.44
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BOND	154.00	100.00	54.00	54.00
EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND LICENSES	250.00	138.48	111.52	111.52
WATER UTILITY CHARGES	6,541.64	6,541.64	0.00	0.00
SEWER UTILITY CHARGES	8,656.09	8,656.09	0.00	0.00
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	9,834.18	9,749.84	84.34	84.34
TELEPHONE	2,611.00	2,209.59	401.41	110.37
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	32,668.00	32,307.36	360.64	360.64
BUILDING REP & MAINTENANCE SUP	1,850.00	1,634.86	215.14	215.14
HAND & POWER TOOLS	40.82	40.82	0.00	0.00
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	21,125.00	21,055.58	69.42	69.42
PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLIES	5,560.00	5,469.33	90.67	90.67
PIERS & WHARVES	496.27	265.21	231.06	231.06
SIGNS & POSTS	2,015.00	1,871.29	143.71	143.71
WATER UTILITY CHARGES	1,121.65	1,121.65	0.00	0.00
SEWER UTILITY CHARGES	1,181.41	1,181.41	0.00	0.00
MAINT, PARKS	4,631.16	4,631.16	0.00	0.00
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	2,834.98	2,834.98	0.00	0.00
TREE WORK	2,982.97	2,982.97	0.00	0.00
ADVERTISING	202.00	97.88	104.12	104.12
STICKERS	4,547.00	4,484.60	62.40	62.40
TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	5,498.49	5,498.49	0.00	0.00
NURSERY STOCK & MATERIALS	541.88	541.88	0.00	0.00
PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLIES	2,647.82	2,423.80	224.02	224.02
EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND LICENSES	255.00	255.00	0.00	0.00
CATCH BASINS	735.09	735.09	0.00	0.00
TELEPHONE	1,522.38	1,270.48	251.90	110.37
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	19,550.32	19,550.32	0.00	0.00
TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	4,453.00	4,433.51	19.49	19.49
PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLIES	6,217.01	4,733.06	1,483.95	1,483.95
GRAVEL	4,467.14	4,467.14	0.00	0.00
PATCH	20,094.06	20,094.06	0.00	0.00
SNOW REMOVAL CONTRACTS	16,385.79	16,385.79	0.00	0.00
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	5,054.06	5,054.06	0.00	0.00
PARTS & ACCESSORIES	5,622.75	5,622.75	0.00	0.00
PLOW PARTS	12,602.02	12,602.02	0.00	0.00
PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLIES	1,909.31	1,909.31	0.00	0.00
SALT	116,190.69	116,190.69	0.00	0.00
SAND	7,543.90	7,543.90	0.00	0.00
OTHER SUPPLIES	1,194.70	1,194.70	0.00	0.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	27,450.00	26,700.18	749.82	749.82
TELEPHONE	3,056.48	2,738.68	317.80	110.56
TRAILER TIPPING	229,364.64	229,270.43	94.21	94.21
RECYCLING	11,741.00	10,992.37	748.63	748.63
TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	596.52	596.52	0.00	0.00
PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLIES	3,274.00	2,710.93	563.07	563.07
MAINTENANCE, VEHICLES	31,344.16	30,610.14	734.02	108.00
TELEPHONE	658.84	658.84	0.00	0.00
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	6,070.80	5,885.03	185.77	185.77
TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TIRES & TUBES	6,005.00	5,721.40	283.60	283.60
MOTOR OIL & LUBES	5,835.20	5,835.20	0.00	0.00
PARTS & ACCESSORIES	29,862.00	29,085.88	776.12	74.06
PARTS & ACCESSORIES	7,305.00	7,021.88	283.12	283.12
WATER UTILITY CHARGES	126.02	126.02	0.00	0.00
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	675.74	324.38	351.36	351.36

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS cont.

TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	3,110.26	2,978.76	131.50		131.50
LOAM, FERTILIZER	584.00	287.96	296.04		296.04
PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLIES	3,323.98	2,860.25	463.73		463.73
CLOTHING EXPENSE	7,150.00	6,793.69	356.31		356.31
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	12,610.46	12,610.46	0.00		0.00
	760,872.68	748,526.21	12,346.47	3,591.63	8,754.84

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

A6/09 ATM CEM WATER LINE					0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

HIGHWAY DRAIN PIPES ATM 4 2 11	9,400.36	9,400.36	0.00		0.00
	9,400.36	9,400.36	0.00	0.00	0.00

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

A6/MQ 9/09 FTM PAINT TH & LH	10,287.78	0.00	10,287.78	10,287.78	0.00
A6/MQ 9/09 FTM STATION ROOF	18,752.34	14,060.00	4,692.34	4,692.34	0.00
	29,040.12	14,060.00	14,980.12	14,980.12	0.00

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

A6/11 ATM ELECTRICAL-FIRE STAT	45,000.00	0.00	45,000.00	45,000.00	0.00
A/B STM 4/2/11 LB SIDEWALKS	33,977.80	14,598.05	19,379.75	19,379.75	0.00
A/D 4-5-14 STM REPLACE & CONST	22,557.00	0.00	22,557.00	22,557.00	0.00
A6A&B/11 ATM ASSET MGT SOFTWARE	10,300.00	10,300.00	0.00		0.00
WASH BAY & OWS REP A6/13 ATM	7,900.00	0.00	7,900.00	7,900.00	0.00
FIRE STATION ADD REP A6/13 ATM	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
PC FIRE STATION REP A6/13 ATM	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00
FUEL MONITOR EQUIP A6/14 ATM	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
HBR WALL & PILING REP A6/14ATM	40,000.00	75.00	39,925.00	39,925.00	0.00
PICKUP TRUCK A6/14 ATM	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00		0.00
RIDING MOWER A6/14 ATM	11,000.00	11,000.00	0.00		0.00
RAILING REPLACE A6/14 ATM	10,000.00	4,410.00	5,590.00	5,590.00	0.00
BENCH REPLACE A6/14 ATM	20,000.00	9,345.00	10,655.00	10,655.00	0.00
TRASH BARREL REPLACE A6/14 ATM	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
OLD POLICE ROOF REP A6/14 ATM	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
TOWN HALL AC IMPROV A6/14 ATM	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
HWY DRAIN PIPE/ACC A6/14 ATM	10,000.00	7,432.66	2,567.34	2,567.34	0.00
MILLBROOK/MILL POND A6/14 ATM	60,000.00	60,000.00	0.00		0.00
SEDIMENT TRANSPORT 4 6 13 ATM	75,000.00	56,279.88	18,720.12	18,720.12	0.00
BEDROCK WELL ACCESS ART-T14ATM	110,000.00	0.00	110,000.00	110,000.00	0.00
BACK BEACH SWELL,STM4-5-14,O	87,000.00	0.00	87,000.00	87,000.00	0.00
DMG ROAD,PARK, BEACH FTM 9/13	56,025.00	4,800.00	51,225.00	51,225.00	0.00
	742,759.80	187,240.59	555,519.21	555,519.21	0.00

## BOARD OF HEALTH

APPOINTED, PART TIME	33,858.00	33,858.00	0.00		0.00
PERMANENT, PART TIME (<20)	15,525.00	7,704.40	7,820.60		7,820.60
TEMPORARY, PART TIME	1,275.00	1,470.06	(195.06)		(195.06)
CLINIC NURSE	1,045.00	0.00	1,045.00		1,045.00
AUTO ALLOWANCE	1,500.00	1,256.82	243.18		243.18
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	14,600.00	10,139.28	4,460.72		4,460.72
PEST CONTROL	620.00	0.00	620.00		620.00
EMPLOYEE TRAINING SEMINAR	600.00	30.00	570.00		570.00
TESTING	2,000.00	355.00	1,645.00		1,645.00
TELEPHONE	650.00	517.81	132.19		132.19
PRINTING	350.00	350.00	0.00		0.00
ADVERTISING	300.00	236.38	63.62		63.62
OFFICE SUPPLIES	900.00	777.29	122.71		122.71
MEDICAL SUPPLIES	4,980.00	4,980.00	0.00		0.00
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	200.00	60.00	140.00		140.00
APPOINTED, PART TIME	5,375.00	5,177.90	197.10		197.10
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	134.00	134.00	0.00		0.00
	83,912.00	67,046.94	16,865.06	0.00	16,865.06

COUNCIL ON AGING					
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	41,795.00	41,795.00	0.00		0.00
PERMANENT, PART TIME (<20)	2,721.60	2,721.60	0.00		0.00
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,568.00	2,568.00	0.00		0.00
TELEPHONE	931.40	931.40	0.00		0.00
BUS TRANSPORTATION	2,339.00	2,339.00	0.00		0.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	5,362.71	5,362.71	0.00		0.00
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	1,188.73	1,181.97	6.76		6.76
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	337.65	337.65	0.00		0.00
ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT	1,841.91	1,841.91	0.00		0.00
	59,086.00	59,079.24	6.76	0.00	6.76
VETERAN'S AGENT					
APPOINTED, PART TIME	3,165.00	3,165.00	0.00		0.00
TELEPHONE	320.00	339.74	(19.74)		(19.74)
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	200.00	0.00	200.00		200.00
VETERANS' BENEFITS	60,000.00	53,552.87	6,447.13		6,447.13
	63,685.00	57,057.61	6,627.39	0.00	6,627.39
PUBLIC LIBRARY					
APPOINTED, FULL TIME	70,575.00	65,396.48	5,178.52		5,178.52
PERMANENT, PART TIME (<20)	190,617.50	193,239.91	(2,622.41)		(2,622.41)
PERMANENT, PART TIME (<20)	50,909.29	49,480.47	1,428.82		1,428.82
PAGES	7,360.00	7,114.00	246.00		246.00
VACATION SUBSTITUTES	12,525.00	12,237.75	287.25		287.25
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	400.00	0.00	400.00		400.00
IN-SERVICE TRAINING	2,425.00	2,164.66	260.34		260.34
ELECTRICITY	5,985.26	5,001.47	983.79		983.79
FUEL OIL	10,792.76	10,792.76	0.00		0.00
TELEPHONE	705.00	581.09	123.91		123.91
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	1,187.18	1,187.18	0.00		0.00
CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	995.57	995.57	0.00		0.00
LIBRARY SUPPLIES	1,072.25	1,070.27	1.98		1.98
DUES & TRAVEL	253.00	229.00	24.00		24.00
ALL EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
MATERIALS-ADULT	83,692.00	83,326.57	365.43		365.43
MATERIALS-JUNIOR	13,072.00	13,437.43	(365.43)		(365.43)
MAINT., COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	12,650.00	12,650.00	0.00		0.00
MAINT., ELEVATOR	4,215.00	4,215.00	0.00		0.00
MAINT., HEATING RADIATOR	190.00	190.00	0.00		0.00
MAINT, SECURITY	100.00	0.00	100.00		100.00
COMPUTER NETWORK	26,798.00	26,798.00	0.00		0.00
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	953.00	953.00	0.00		0.00
LIBRARY COMPUTERS A6/14 ATM	16,000.00	13,689.89	2,310.11	2,310.11	0.00
	513,472.81	504,750.50	8,722.31	2,310.11	6,412.20
RECREATION					
DEPARTMENT HEAD	29,230.00	27,454.26	1,775.74		1,775.74
PERMANENT, PART TIME (<20)	12,960.00	11,324.00	1,636.00		1,636.00
TEMPORARY, PART TIME	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
IN SERVICE TRAINING/DEVELOPMEN	612.28	612.28	0.00		0.00
CUSTODIAL FEES	1,250.00	1,240.01	9.99		9.99
COMM SVCS WEBSITE & INTERNET	796.00	796.00	0.00		0.00
TELEPHONE	840.00	792.36	47.64		47.64
ADVERTISING	600.00	442.41	157.59		157.59
OFFICE SUPPLIES	350.00	345.28	4.72		4.72
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	180.00	119.77	60.23		60.23
	46,818.28	43,126.37	3,691.91	0.00	3,691.91
GRANITE PIER COMMITTEE					
TEMPORARY, PART TIME	12,755.00	11,292.59	1,462.41		1,462.41
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
TELEPHONE	180.00	194.42	(14.42)		(14.42)
POSTAGE	450.00	359.00	91.00		91.00
JEFF JOHN	700.00	675.00	25.00		25.00
OTHER CHARGES	7,659.00	5,437.68	2,221.32		2,221.32
PY UNPAID BILLS FTM 9/13	240.61	15.03	225.58	225.58	0.00
	21,984.61	17,973.72	4,010.89	225.58	3,785.31

THACHER ISLAND COMMITTEE					
TEMPORARY, PART TIME	7,400.00	6,728.76	671.24		671.24
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	2,155.46	2,200.46	(45.00)		(45.00)
GASOLINE/DIESEL	6,000.00	5,705.18	294.82		294.82
OTHER CHARGES	3,550.00	2,475.27	1,074.73		1,074.73
THACHER IS CISTERN A6/13 ATM	9,972.58	5,681.81	4,290.77	4,290.77	0.00
	<u>29,078.04</u>	<u>22,791.48</u>	<u>6,286.56</u>	<u>4,290.77</u>	<u>1,995.79</u>
STRAIGHTSMOUTH ISLAND					
OTHER CHARGES	1,000.00	231.85	768.15		768.15
STRAITSMOUTH RESTORE A6/13 ATM	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00		0.00
STRAITS IS LTISE REP A6/14 ATM	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00		0.00
	<u>21,000.00</u>	<u>20,231.85</u>	<u>768.15</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>768.15</u>
MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE					
PURCHASE OF SERVICES	960.53	1,241.82	(281.29)		(281.29)
OFFICE SUPPLIES, GENERAL	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
GRAVE MARKER & FLAGS	1,763.00	1,481.71	281.29		281.29
	<u>2,723.53</u>	<u>2,723.53</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
MATURE DEBT	894,000.00	894,000.00	0.00		0.00
	<u>894,000.00</u>	<u>894,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
MATURING DEBT INTEREST	248,592.00	248,592.00	0.00		0.00
	<u>248,592.00</u>	<u>248,592.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TEMP LOAN INTEREST	24,110.00	24,066.52	43.48		43.48
	<u>24,110.00</u>	<u>24,066.52</u>	<u>43.48</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>43.48</u>
PRINCIPAL ON NOTES	130,000.00	0.00	130,000.00		130,000.00
	<u>130,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>130,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>130,000.00</u>
E.C. RETIREMENT FUND	1,198,469.00	1,198,469.00	0.00		0.00
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	50,000.00	46,218.66	3,781.34		3,781.34
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	5,157.44	5,157.44	0.00		0.00
	<u>55,157.44</u>	<u>51,376.10</u>	<u>3,781.34</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,781.34</u>
HEALTH INSURANCE	3,590,826.38	3,590,826.39	(0.01)		(0.01)
LIFE INSURANCE	11,639.00	9,386.16	2,252.84		2,252.84
	<u>3,602,465.38</u>	<u>3,600,212.55</u>	<u>2,252.83</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2,252.83</u>
1.45% MEDICARE TAX	225,467.63	193,300.81	32,166.82		32,166.82
	<u>225,467.63</u>	<u>193,300.81</u>	<u>32,166.82</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>32,166.82</u>
SICK LEAVE/BUY BACK -ALL EMPLO	72,720.00	68,000.84	4,719.16		4,719.16
	<u>72,720.00</u>	<u>68,000.84</u>	<u>4,719.16</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>4,719.16</u>
INSURANCE					
WORKER'S COMPENSATION					0.00
PROPERTY INSURANCE.	391,289.01	391,289.01	0.00		0.00
WATERCRAFT					0.00
SPECIAL MULTI PERIL					0.00
COMMERCIAL AUTOMOBILE					0.00
SCHOOL BOARD OFFICIALS LIAB					0.00
GENERAL LIAB/UMBRELLA					0.00
PUBLIC OFFICIALS LIABILITY					0.00
POLICE/FIRE/AMBULANCE ACCIDENT					0.00
VEHICLE LICENSES					0.00
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES					0.00
	<u>391,289.01</u>	<u>391,289.01</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TRANSFER TO OTHER FUNDS	365,465.91	409,013.91	(43,548.00)		(43,548.00)
	<u>27,697,899.63</u>	<u>26,237,472.23</u>	<u>1,460,427.40</u>	<u>1,065,113.46</u>	<u>395,313.94</u>
check	27,697,899.63	26,237,472.23	1,460,427.40	1,065,113.46	395,313.94
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

FY14 CPA EXPENSES

	YTD BUDGET JUNE 2014 BUDGET	YTD JUNE 2014 ACTUAL	VARIANCE	FY14 ENCUMBRANCES	Unexpended	
14-178-3211-05986-13-00	CPA TRANSFER TO CON COMM TRUST	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	
14-178-3273-05786-00-00	AD3/09FTM WATERSHED PROTECTION	205,000.00	110,000.00	95,000.00	95,000.00	
14-178-3389-05786-00-00	PINGREE TENNIS CTS FTM 9/13	100,000.00	0.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	
14-178-3390-05786-00-00	WADDELL SKATEBOARD PK FTM 9/13	55,200.00	48,139.54	7,060.46	7,060.46	
14-179-0110-05786-00-00	CPA ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	29,550.00	1,750.00	27,800.00	27,800.00	
14-196-0110-05981-00-00	TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	118,031.00	118,031.00	0.00	0.00	
14-196-3209-05786-00-00	AF/1 FTM TOWN ART RESTORATION	1,427.75	1,008.75	419.00	419.00	
14-196-3209-05786-14-00	TOWN ART RESTORATION FTM 9/13	34,999.00	0.00	34,999.00	34,999.00	
14-196-3220-05786-00-00	AD7/10FTM OLD SLOOP BLDG	22,505.99	13,066.00	9,439.99	9,439.99	
14-196-3278-05786-00-00	AD2/09FTM OLD TAVERN	3,671.49	0.00	3,671.49	3,671.49	
14-196-3298-05786-00-00	HP LIBRARY ART G1 FTM 9/11	2,299.62	2,299.62	0.00	0.00	
14-196-3299-05786-00-00	HP SCOUT HALL ART G2 FTM 9/11	27,645.68	0.00	27,645.68	27,645.68	
14-196-3344-05786-00-00	AMERICAN LEGION BLD FTM 9/12	42,000.00	7,971.22	34,028.78	34,028.78	
14-196-3344-05786-14-00	AMERICAN LEGION BLD FTM 9/13	113,000.00	0.00	113,000.00	113,000.00	
14-196-3387-05786-00-00	MILLBROOK PARK/POND FTM 9/13	100,000.00	15,519.62	84,480.38	84,480.38	
14-196-3391-05786-00-00	STRAITSMOUTH IS LTHSE FTM 9/13	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	
14-196-3393-05786-00-00	TWIN LT FESNEL LENS FTM 9/13	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
14-196-3394-05786-00-00	HISTORIC DIST EXPAND FTM 9/13	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	
14-197-3210-05786-00-00	AF/11 FTM RENT/MTG ASSISTANCE	595.39	595.39	0.00	0.00	
14-197-3221-05786-12-00	GHA CAPE ANN HOME G6 FTM 9/11	4,155.95	3,781.80	374.15	374.15	
14-197-3221-05786-14-00	GHA CAPE ANN HOME G6 FTM 9/13	6,816.00	0.00	6,816.00	6,816.00	
14-197-3231-05786-00-00	ADS/10FTM HOUSING PARTNERSHIP	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	
14-197-3300-05786-00-00	SUPPORTIVE LIVING G3 FTM 9/11	275,000.00	275,000.00	0.00	0.00	
14-197-3345-05786-00-00	HCP-BROADWAY APTS FTM 9/12	250,000.00	250,000.00	0.00	0.00	
14-197-3346-05786-13-00	ACTION RENT/MTG ASSIST FTM9/12	61,220.00	61,220.00	0.00	0.00	
14-197-3346-05786-14-00	ACTION RENT/MTG ASSIST FTM9/13	100,000.00	26,770.61	73,229.39	73,229.39	
		1,728,117.87	1,045,153.55	914,661.86	0.00	682,964.32

**WATER FUND STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**  
**FY2014**

	YTD BUDGET JUNE 2014 BUDGET	YTD JUNE 2014 ACTUAL
<b>WATER FUND REVENUES</b>		
WATER LIENS ADD TO TAX, FY12	0.00	855.90
WATER LIENS ADD TO TAX, FY13	0.00	3,454.98
WATER LIENS ADD TO TAX, FY14	85,000.00	86,501.13
INTEREST, WATER BILLS	0.00	9,770.50
CHARGES/SVCS, WATER RATES (A5)	1,490,240.26	1,426,206.08
CHARGES - SERVICES, NEW WATER	4,940.00	16,200.00
CHARGES - SERVICES, WATER MISC	14,060.00	8,975.57
WATER MISC - NOT COMMITTED	24,000.00	26,778.56
WATER METER INSTALLATION	0.00	7,509.00
CONDO WATER METER RECEIPTS	0.00	100.00
TRANS FROM GENERAL FUND	1,169.95	1,169.95
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>1,619,410.21</b>	<b>1,587,521.67</b>
<b>WATER FUND EXPENSES</b>		
COMMISSIONERS, STIPEND	3,544.95	3,544.95
APPOINTED, FT DEPARTMENT HEAD	26,136.00	26,136.00
APPOINTED, FT ASST DEPT HEAD	15,801.08	15,801.08
APPOINTED FT FIELD COORDINATOR	12,545.00	12,545.00
GIS PROGRAM MANAGER	20,880.92	18,846.35
ADMIN - APPOINTED, FULL TIME	10,716.00	10,716.00
ADMIN - PERMANENT, FULL TIME	25,901.00	25,421.98
HW GEN - PERMANENT, FULL TIME	22,224.88	16,527.49
GARAGE - PERMANENT, FULL TIME	1,351.00	1,339.77
WATER - PERMANENT, FULL TIME	418,508.00	410,665.87
OVERTIME	-134.46	1,992.17
OVERTIME - PRODUCTION	9,285.51	7,130.58
OVERTIME - REPAIRS	9,000.00	7,152.06
OVERTIME - FLUSHING	166.95	166.95
ELECTRICITY	100,990.00	96,440.80
NATURAL GAS/PROPANE	2,208.00	0.00
FUEL OIL	55,692.00	41,592.61
EMPLOYEE TRAINING & LICENSES	2,701.00	2,627.25
MAINT., OFFICE EQUIPMENT	840.00	546.86
PUMPING STATIONS	10,339.08	10,339.08
MAINT, PLANT	49,425.82	49,425.82
MAINT, ALARMS	1,795.00	1,795.00
TESTING	11,063.60	11,063.60
TELEPHONE	6,645.00	6,341.28
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	23,936.44	23,927.14
SAFETY SUPPLIES	2,644.50	2,644.50
LAB SUPPLIES	3,174.56	3,174.56
PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLIES	11,007.34	8,039.44
GRAVEL	354.40	354.40
PATCH	7,120.00	7,120.00
TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	6,821.07	6,821.07
MAINS & SERVICES	10,704.24	10,704.24
CHEMICALS	51,386.32	51,386.32
HYDRANTS & VALVES	4,071.83	4,071.83
INTERGOVERNMENTAL - GLOUCESTER	1,837.09	1,837.09
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	67.71	67.71
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	710.00	710.00
CLOTHING EXPENSE	4,275.00	4,126.35
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	2,059.15	2,059.15
AC 4/10 STM CARLSON QUARRY	30,000.00	3,698.50
AF 4/10 STM WATER NEED ASSESS	50,000.00	40,705.68
WATER RESERVE FUND APPROPRIATN	50,000.00	0.00
A6A&B/11 ATM ASSET MGT SOFTWARE	12,000.00	5,387.96
WATER MAIN REPLACE A6A/13 ATM	40,277.86	10,867.95
DAF BOOSTER PUMPS A6A/13 ATM	25,000.00	0.00
WATER Meter REPLACE A6A/13 ATM	1,960.88	1,960.88
CLEARWELL CLEAN A6A/13 ATM	8,787.50	0.00
PICK UP TRK W PLOW A6A/14 ATM	9,000.00	8,910.60
WATER TANKS CAP REP MASTER	52,590.14	52,590.14
WTP AERATION UPGRADES	2,094.03	2,094.03
WTP SOUTH END STANDPIPE	25,000.00	16,184.65
WTP CARLSON QUARRY BUP PUMP	28,829.95	1,750.00
WTP CAPITAL IMPROVE MASTER	25,840.50	0.00
WTP EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT	8,000.00	0.00
PRINCIPAL - LTD	121,000.00	121,000.00
INTEREST - LTD	33,094.00	33,093.76
TEMP LOAN INTEREST	8,763.00	4,619.44
TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	437,053.00	437,053.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1,917,086.84</b>	<b>1,645,118.94</b>

**SEWER FUND STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**  
**FY2014**

	YTD BUDGET JUNE 2014 BUDGET	YTD JUNE 2014 ACTUAL
<b>SEWER FUND REVENUES</b>		
SEWER LIENS ADD TO TAX, FY12	0.00	537.80
SEWER LIENS ADD TO TAX, FY13	0.00	3,508.71
SEWER LIENS ADD TO TAX, FY14	116,000.00	109,529.21
INTEREST, SEWER BILLS	0.00	11,038.94
APPT BTMT MARMION WAY	0.00	362.32
COM INJT MARMION WAY	0.00	181.17
PAID IN ADVANCE MARMION WAY	0.00	1,474.50
APPT BTMT LONG BEACH	0.00	1,467.95
COM INT LONG BEACH	0.00	73.60
CHARGES/SVCS, SEWER RATES (A6)	1,567,586.17	1,520,781.75
CHARGES - SERVICES, NEW SEWER	6,000.00	6,000.00
TRANSFERS FROM GENERAL FUND	0.00	43,548.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>1,689,586.17</b>	<b>1,698,503.95</b>
<b>SEWER FUND EXPENSES</b>		
DPW COMMISSIONERS, STIPEND	2,375.00	2,375.00
DEPARTMENT HEAD	26,136.00	26,136.00
ASSISTANT DEPARTMENT HEAD	15,800.61	15,800.61
FIELD COORDINATOR	12,545.00	12,545.00
FOG COORD, STIPEND	3,045.00	3,045.00
GIS PROGRAM MANAGER	20,881.39	18,846.35
OFFICE MANAGER	10,716.00	10,716.00
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	25,901.00	25,421.98
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	21,938.15	16,135.81
PERMANENT, FULL TIME	1,351.00	1,361.51
WATER-SYSTEM GENERAL MAIN	397,533.00	389,068.93
OVERTIME	559.44	17.73
OVERTIME - PRODUCTION	12,811.56	12,530.25
OVERTIME - REPAIRS	3,800.00	3,278.73
ELECTRICITY	222,033.00	218,603.25
NATURAL GAS/PROPANE	1,664.00	295.44
FUEL OIL	8,663.00	6,982.12
EMPLOYEE TRAINING & LICENSES	2,661.00	2,335.25
PUMPING STATIONS	74,119.76	74,119.76
MAINT, PLANT	12,798.00	10,390.51
MAINT, ALARMS	8,424.24	7,597.86
SLUDGE	39,436.53	37,973.24
DATA PROCESSING	1,020.00	958.87
TESTING	5,382.00	3,657.48
TELEPHONE	9,165.00	8,640.57
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	22,819.19	22,332.10
SAFETY SUPPLIES	2,040.00	0.00
LAB SUPPLIES	3,060.00	1,285.12
PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLIES	25,312.19	20,478.50
GRAVEL	1,020.00	103.53
PATCH	2,040.00	1,002.38
TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	4,601.00	4,482.68
MAINS & SERVICES	7,008.47	7,008.47
CHEMICALS	29,003.00	28,437.99
INTERGOVERNMENTAL - GLOUCESTER	30,793.81	30,793.81
IN-STATE TRAVEL & MEETINGS	1,530.00	1,418.58
CLOTHING EXPENSE	4,275.00	4,122.02
ENCUMBERED EXPENSES	229.15	229.15
PY UNPAID BILLS FTM 9/13	4,997.81	4,997.81
AF/10 FTM VIDEO CAMERA	1,500.00	1,500.00
DEFFICIET REDUCTION	37,083.00	0.00
INFILTRATION/INFLOW SYSTEM EXP	49,591.20	0.00
AGA&B/11 ATM ASSET MGT SOFTWARE	12,000.00	5,388.14
SEWER CAP UTILIZE PL A6B/13ATM	25,000.00	25,000.00
WATER Meter REPLACE A6B/13 ATM	7,500.00	7,500.00
PIOCK UP TRUCK A6B/14	9,000.00	7,874.17
OIL FURN/TANK REPL WWTP A6B/14	75,000.00	0.00
SLUDGE PUMPS/MOTOR WWTP A6B/14	50,000.00	48,935.00
WET WELL CLN PUMP/WWTP A6/14	50,000.00	2,750.00
TANK REPL DOCK SQ/PC A6/14	50,000.00	0.00
PRINCIPAL - LTD	375,000.00	375,000.00
INTEREST - LTD	72,683.00	72,683.00
TEMP LOAN INTEREST	11,856.00	6,297.92
TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	374,286.00	374,268.00
TRANSFER TO OTHER FUNDS	4,224.70	4,224.70
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>2,284,213.20</b>	<b>1,966,946.32</b>

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TOWN OF ROCKPORT  
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January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

TO: The Citizens of Rockport, MASSACHUSETTS  
FROM: Carrie Arnaud  
Treasurer/Collector

The financial summary for Fiscal Year 2014, which ended June, 30, 2014, is presented below:

- Treasurer's Cash (Including Trust Funds) \$17,030,860.69
- Summary of Trust Fund Activity \$ 3,448,431.89
- Bond Principal Payments in FY14 \$ 1,390,000.00
- Bond Interest Payments in FY14 \$ 354,369.00
- Bond Principal and Interest due in FY15 \$ 1,673,003.00
- Report of Maturing Debt at 6-30-2014 \$10,755,000.00
- Accounts Receivable Balances at 6-30-2014 \$ 1,376,269.86

Details are presented in the pages following this summary.

This information is unaudited.

TOWN OF ROCKPORT  
Year Ending - JUNE 30, 2014

**QUARTERLY REPORT OF RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH**

A. Cash and checks in office \_\_\_\_\_ -

**B. Non-Interest Bearing Checking Accounts**

<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Rockport National Bank	Accounts Payable 1	76,824.27
Rockport National Bank	Payroll 2	2,250.04
Total		79,074.31

**C. Interest Bearing Checking Accounts**

<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Century	Lockbox	6,226,222.13
Rockport National Bank	Money Market 3	514,062.30
Rockport National Bank	Meter Account 5	587,263.51
Rockport National Bank	Elementary School 6	29,245.72
Rockport National Bank	Elem School Checking	0
Rockport National Bank	Middle School 7	86,022.73
Rockport National Bank	Middle School Checking	0
Rockport National Bank	High School 8	104,833.23
Rockport National Bank	High School Checking	0
Rockport National Bank	Cloud	2,502
Granite Savings Bank	Library Building 10	29,770.79
Granite Savings Bank	Revenue Sharing 11	22,286.22
Granite Savings Bank	Money Market 12	1,449,976.38
Granite Savings Bank	Nextel 13	32,735.60
Granite Savings Bank	W/H Account - State	18,564.97
Granite Savings Bank	W/H Account - Federal	47,913.44
Granite Savings Bank	Great West	659.01
Granite Savings Bank	ConComm	4,216.26
Granite Savings Bank	Meals Tax	163.48
Granite Savings Bank	ING COMMON REMITTER	1,780.00
Bank of America	Parking Clerk 14	417,309.67
Total		9,575,527.57

**D. Liquid Investments**

<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>Number of Accounts</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Boston Safe - Mellon	0	16 -
Century Bank	1	17 440,233.68
Citizens Investment A/C	1	32,607.16
Citizens Bank - CPTZ	1	29,085.38
Eastern Bank	1	19 3,350,256.79
Fleet Bank	0	20 0
MMDT - Federated Investors	1	25 75,643.91
State Street Bank	0	21 0
Total		3,927,826.92

**E. Term Investments**

Certificates of Deposits		
<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Century Bank	CofD #6	0
Citizens Bank	Trust Funds 22	0
Total		0.00

**F. Trust Funds**

<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>Number of Accounts</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Century Bank - Trust Funds	1	24 3,448,431.89
Total		3,448,431.89

TOTAL OF ALL CASH AND INVESTMENTS 17,030,860.69

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT**  
**SUMMARY OF TRUST FUND ACTIVITY**  
**FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014**

FUND	BALANCE 6/30/2013	TOTAL DEPOSITS	TOTAL WITHDRAWALS	INTEREST 6/30/2014	BALANCE 6/30/2014
<b>CEMETERIES:</b>					
Cemetery	312,013.60	9,100.00	3,240.00	271.96	318,145.56
Goldsmith Cemetery	7,323.09	0.00	0.00	6.45	7,329.54
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>337,246.34</b>	<b>9,100.00</b>	<b>3,240.00</b>	<b>278.41</b>	<b>325,475.10</b>
<b>CHARITY:</b>					
Adams Charity	11,341.41	0.00	0.00	10.01	11,351.42
Bishop Charity	44,098.37	0.00	0.00	38.86	44,137.23
Kimball Charity	9,207.81	0.00	581.72	7.86	8,633.95
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>68,414.35</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>581.72</b>	<b>56.73</b>	<b>64,122.60</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS:</b>					
Accrued Sick Leave & Vacation	110,907.51	0.00	0.00	97.80	111,005.31
Conservation	224,614.44	161,100.00	0.00	336.57	386,051.01
Charles Evans Christmas	3,502.09	0.00	0.00	3.09	3,505.18
Haskins Hospital	51,867.28	0.00	0.00	45.75	51,913.03
Haskins Hospital Auxiliary	12,727.26	0.00	0.00	11.22	12,738.48
Insurance	360,487.93	0.00	85,555.00	244.99	275,177.92
Liability Insurance	299,631.71	0.00	102,748.00	176.66	197,060.37
Warren Knight	68,356.38	0.00	0.00	60.27	68,416.65
Land Bank Trust Fund	47,734.57	0.00	0.00	42.12	47,776.69
Rockport Historical	36,166.01	0.00	0.00	31.91	36,197.92
Rockport Law Enforcement	1,321.10	0.00	0.00	1.15	1,322.25
Public Library	22,466.19	0.00	9,071.16	12.18	13,407.21
Stabilization	1,302,443.33	86,081.00	0.00	1,228.37	1,389,752.70
E. B. Tarr Memorial	25,361.55	0.00	276.41	22.14	25,107.28
Capital Reserve	0.00	175,200.00	0.00	149.32	175,349.32
OPEB	65,972.28	58,257.00	0.00	107.82	124,337.10
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>2,000,166.65</b>	<b>480,638.00</b>	<b>197,650.57</b>	<b>2,571.36</b>	<b>2,919,118.42</b>
<b>SCHOLARSHIPS:</b>					
Ben Beyea Memorial Scholarship	2,394.22	0.00	1,000.00	2.06	1,396.28
R & C Burbank	4,380.47	0.00	0.00	3.88	4,384.35
John R. Carty	26.74	0.00	0.00	0.02	26.76
Nina Darcy	1,007.54	0.00	0.00	0.90	1,008.44
Duquid	2,543.05	0.00	0.00	2.23	2,545.28
Ruth S. Fears	1,198.75	0.00	0.00	1.05	1,199.80
Ethel M. Hiltz Memorial	31,215.58	0.00	300.00	27.54	30,943.12
Mary L. Houlihan	41,288.99	0.00	500.00	36.39	40,825.38
A. E. MacDowell	8,538.42	0.00	0.00	7.52	8,545.94
Beck Niemi	3,311.66	0.00	300.00	2.91	3,014.57
Reno Nastasi	4,206.21	250.00	200.00	3.93	4,260.14
Windy Wallace	6,105.13	0.00	0.00	5.37	6,110.50
Amy Winkler	14.35	0.00	0.00	0.01	14.36
Jane L. Larsen	3,646.98	0.00	0.00	3.21	3,650.19
Francis & Bessie Tarr Memorial	2,023.21	0.00	300.00	1.79	1,725.00
Charles Balestraci	4,985.25	0.00	0.00	4.38	4,989.63
Linda Weiditz	1,212.15	640.00	1,800.00	1.22	53.37
Aileen B Shaw	25,000.62	0.00	0.00	22.04	25,022.66
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>142,523.09</b>	<b>10,576.95</b>	<b>4,400.00</b>	<b>126.45</b>	<b>139,715.77</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,548,350.43</b>	<b>500,314.95</b>	<b>205,872.29</b>	<b>3,032.95</b>	<b>3,448,431.89</b>

REPORT OF MATURING DEBT as of JUNE 30, 2014

PURPOSE	ORIGINAL ISSUE	BALANCE JULY 1, 2013	NEW ISSUE	REFUNDING	FISCAL 2014 PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS	BALANCE JUNE 30, 2014
9.685 Gen Ob Bonds	9,685,000.00	500,000.00			500,000.00	-
1.977M Multi Purpose	1,977,000.00	430,000.00			110,000.00	320,000.00
7.138M Gen Ob Bonds	7,138,000.00	5,415,000.00			460,000.00	4,955,000.00
6.155M Gen Ob Bonds	6,155,000.00	5,800,000.00			320,000.00	5,480,000.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>24,955,000.00</b>	<b>12,145,000.00</b>			<b>1,390,000.00</b>	<b>10,755,000.00</b>

**BOND PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAID - FISCAL 2014**

PURPOSE	AUTHORITY	FISCAL DUE DATE	PAYING AGENT	FISCAL PAYMENTS		TOTAL
				PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	
9.865 GOB	Chap. 44, Sec. 7 (3)	15-Sep-13 15-Mar-14	US BANK	500,000.00	9,000.00	509,000.00
1.977 GOB		1-Sep-14 1-Mar-14	US BANK	110,000.00	8,600.00 6,400.00	125,000.00
7.138 GOB		1-Oct-13 1-Apr-14	US BANK	460,000.00	87,156.27 87,156.27	634,312.54
6.155M GOB	Chap. 44, Sec 7	15-Sep-13 15-Mar-14	US BANK	320,000.00	79,628.15 76,428.15	476,056.30
<b>TOTALS</b>				<b>1,390,000.00</b>	<b>354,368.84</b>	<b>1,744,368.84</b>

**BOND PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENTS DUE - FISCAL 2015**

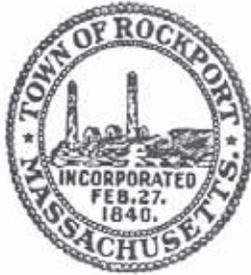
PURPOSE	AUTHORITY	FISCAL DUE DATE	PAYING AGENT	FISCAL PAYMENTS		TOTAL
				PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	
1.977 GOB		1-Sep-14	US BANK	110,000.00	6,400.00	120,600.00
		1-Mar-15			4,200.00	
7.138 GOB		1-Oct-14	US BANK	455,000.00	81,406.27	617,812.54
		1-Apr-15	US BANK		81,406.27	
6.155M GOB	Chap. 44, Sec 7	15-Sep-14	US BANK	620,000.00	76,428.15	766,656.30
		15-Mar-15	US BANK		70,228.15	
2.661M GOB	Chap. 44, Sec 7	1-Aug-14	US BANK	-	-	51,926.56
		1-Feb-15	US BANK		51,926.56	
<b>TOTALS</b>				<b>1,185,000.00</b>	<b>371,995.40</b>	<b>1,556,995.40</b>

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT  
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE FISCAL YEAR 2014**

ACCOUNT TITLE	BALANCE 6/30/2012	COMMITTED	COLLECTED	ABATED	REFUNDED	TO LIENS & TAX TITLE	ADJUSTMENTS	BALANCE 6/30/2013
2014 CPA Tax	0.00	449,268.93	435,214.18	6,397.78	758.41	-	-	8,415.38
2013 CPA TAX	9,625.24	-	7,619.17	283.19	586.55	2,208.68	-	100.75
2012 CPA TAX	1,090.97	-	455.13	207.98	129.26	557.12	-	0.00
2014 REAL ESTATE	10,716.21	449,268.93	443,288.48	6,885.95	1,474.22	2,765.80	0.00	8,516.13
2013 REAL ESTATE	445,356.59	-	369,920.51	224.62	38,619.14	108,248.36	-	5,582.24
2012 REAL ESTATE	50,186.51	-	23,181.32	923.59	923.59	26,081.04	-	924.15
2014 PERSONAL PROP	495,543.10	19,093,508.59	19,001,930.88	108,428.29	61,921.22	134,329.40	0.00	406,284.34
2013 PERSONAL PROP	0.00	186,583.12	174,359.52	12,165.41	5,610.05	-	-	5,668.24
2012 PERSONAL PROP	5,462.78	-	3,052.99	-	176.04	-	-	2,585.83
2011 PERSONAL PROP	1,735.64	-	80.91	-	270.64	-	-	1,925.37
2010 PERSONAL PROP	2,198.76	-	133.18	-	-	-	-	2,065.58
2009 PERSONAL PROP	2,111.06	-	67.01	-	-	-	-	2,044.05
2014 MOTOR VEHICLE	11,508.24	186,583.12	177,693.61	12,165.41	6,056.73	0.00	0.00	14,289.07
2013 MOTOR VEHICLE	0.00	795,622.15	725,209.74	31,336.56	5,823.19	-	-	44,899.04
2012 MOTOR VEHICLE	70,043.34	70,076.83	128,601.72	8,091.60	7,197.93	-	-	10,624.78
2011 MOTOR VEHICLE	10,492.87	-	6,639.88	172.81	222.64	-	-	3,902.82
2010 MOTOR VEHICLE	5,153.51	-	870.57	131.35	73.85	-	-	4,225.44
2009 MOTOR VEHICLE	4,097.17	-	624.72	-	-	-	-	3,472.45
2014 BOAT EXCISE	89,786.89	865,698.98	861,946.63	39,732.32	13,317.61	0.00	0.00	67,124.53
2013 BOAT EXCISE	0.00	13,233.00	11,928.88	598.36	-	-	-	705.76
2012 BOAT EXCISE	780.74	-	363.69	38.00	-	-	-	379.05
2011 BOAT EXCISE	448.12	-	93.00	-	-	-	-	355.12
2010 BOAT EXCISE	297.00	-	48.05	-	-	-	-	248.95
2009 BOAT EXCISE	613.00	-	38.00	-	-	-	-	575.00
TOTAL	2,138.86	13,233.00	12,471.62	636.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,263.88

TOWN OF ROCKPORT									
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE FISCAL YEAR 2014									
ACCOUNT TITLE	BALANCE 7/1/2012	COMMITTED	COLLECTED	ABATED	REFUNDED	TO LIENS & TAX TITLE	ADJUSTMENTS	BALANCE 6/30/2013	
WATER A/R	124,760.20	1,532,422.84	1,428,581.13	9,332.51	2,375.05	-	81,113.20	140,531.25	
SEWER A/R	163,345.67	1,654,363.12	1,521,741.71	14,518.14	959.96	-	104,417.26	177,991.64	
WATER MISC	521.56	8,850.00	8,985.77	-	30.00	-	210.00	205.79	
WATER LIENS	12,457.33	92,380.21	90,812.01	-	-	7,497.46	-	6,528.07	
SEWER LIENS	16,770.57	118,417.99	113,575.72	-	-	11,752.42	-	9,860.42	
DEFERRED TAXES	93,395.61	6,638.80	4,328.54	-	-	-	-	95,705.87	
TAX TITLE	238,682.20	196,774.07	54,036.59	119,398.86	-	8,933.53	84,347.01	168,740.28	
HARBOR MOORINGS	24,055.70	95,809.70	98,152.30	4,417.00	224.00	-	-	17,520.10	
PIGEON COVE USERS	13,910.40	-	7,205.40	109.80	-	-	-	6,595.20	
LAND LEASE RENTS	89,217.26	224,772.11	261,208.50	-	-	-	-	52,780.87	
LONG BEACH RENTS	11,174.00	458,907.00	464,130.51	-	-	-	-	5,950.49	
WHARF RENTS	891.70	4,442.93	4,283.03	-	-	-	-	1,051.60	
GRANITE PIER STALLS	14,975.70	-	9,152.40	-	-	-	-	5,823.30	
MEDICOMPTS - AMBULANCE	142,184.06	310,399.99	194,906.35	127,080.95	-	-	-	130,596.75	
LIEU OF TAXES	0.00	13,033.63	13,033.63	-	-	-	-	0.00	
MARIMON WAY BETTERMENT	6,796.21	-	1,474.50	-	-	-	362.32	4,959.39	
EDEN ROAD IMPROVEMENT	0	126,000.00	48760.29	31306.77	7017.95	-	-	52,950.89	
	953,138.17	4,843,212.39	4,324,368.38	306,164.03	10,606.96	28,183.41	270,449.79	877,791.91	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,562,831.47</b>	<b>25,451,505.01</b>	<b>24,821,699.60</b>	<b>474,015.36</b>	<b>93,376.74</b>	<b>165,278.61</b>	<b>270,449.79</b>	<b>1,376,269.86</b>	

**ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN CLERK  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31, 2014**



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Board of Selectmen  
Town Office Building  
Rockport, MA 01966

Dear Selectmen:

The acts and doings of the Town Clerk's office for the year 2014 from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> are as follows:

It has been another very busy year in the Clerk's office things are moving forward as we continue to work on indexing vital records and Town Meeting minutes. With accurate indexing we are able to retrieve information that once took hours within just seconds. Once this task is accomplished we hope to have not only vital records and minutes, but also old maps available in a digitized format. Next year we hope to involve the Boston Public Library through the Digital Commonwealth program to continue with this task at no cost to the Town.

Even though on October 15, 2013, the Board of Selectmen approved, pursuant to General Laws Chapter 53, section 34, that one or more electronic voting machines were approved as provided in section 32, we did not get appropriate funding to purchase the tabulators at the Annual Town Meeting. The motion to approve the purchase was defeated by citizens after a lengthy discussion regarding possible fraud and the quaintness of the old ballot boxes.

There were three elections in Rockport this year. I would like to thank all the poll workers; registrars, wardens, deputy wardens, clerks and counters for their dedication and hard work preserving the rights of all citizens in this important show of democracy. The Town Election was held on May 6<sup>th</sup> and had a voter turnout of 1,383 voting or 25% which is a little lower than normal for our Town Election. The Town re-elected Erin Battistelli and Paul Murphy to the Board of Selectmen, re-elected George H. Hobbs to the Board of Assessors, re-elected Henry T. Betts and elected Terence P. Duffy to the Planning Board, elected Hollis A. Frithsen, as a Trustee of Public Library, re-elected Martha R. Morgan and Colleen Coogan to the School Committee, Paula A. Murphy to the Rockport Housing Authority and re-elected Robert L. Visnick as Town Moderator. The State Primary was held on September 9<sup>th</sup> the day after our Special Town Meeting, which was held on September 8<sup>th</sup>. Town Meeting dissolved and 10:37PM and the polls opened the next morning at 7:00 AM. The turnout was very good for a primary with 1,742 voters or 31.73% turnout. The State Election was held on November 4<sup>th</sup> with a total number of 3,706 people voting or 66.81% voter turnout. Rockport's turnout was much higher than the average throughout the state of Massachusetts. With the higher turnout and fewer people working at the polls, because of regulations requiring poll workers to be listed as employees of the Town, hand counting required more time and we did not get the final results of the election until 1:30 AM the day after the election. Registered voter total at that time was 5,547 with Democrats at 1,422, Republicans at 564 and Unenrolled (commonly referred to as Independent) at 3,533, and 28 other political designations.

The Special Town Meeting held on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> began at 9:06 AM and dissolved at 10:27 AM. The Annual Town Meeting held on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> began at 10:29AM and dissolved at 3:00 PM. The Special Fall Town Meeting held on Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> began at 7:09 PM and dissolved Monday September 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:37 PM. The Town Meeting Minutes included in this Annual Town Report are in an encapsulated form. If you are interested in minutes that are in more detail they are available through the Town Clerk's Office.

The population according to the 2014 Annual Town Census was 7,110 which is an increase of 67 residents from last year's figure of 7,043. Fees collected from outside sources and submitted to the Town Treasurer for 2014 were \$12,532.25 which includes dog license fees.

To date, vital statistics are recorded as follows: Births – male 23, female 13, Deaths – male 47, female 66, Marriages – in town 29, elsewhere 15.



Patricia E. Brown  
Town Clerk

**TOWN of ROCKPORT**  
**WARRANT for**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
Saturday, April 5, 2014  
The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

To: One of the Constables of the Town of Rockport, Massachusetts in said County of Essex in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Rockport High School at 24 Jerden's Lane in said Rockport on Saturday, the fifth day of April, 2014 A.D., at 9:00 o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

- ARTICLE A. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds sums of money to be expended by various Town Departments to balance the FY14 budget; or act on anything relative thereto.
- ARTICLE B. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay unpaid bills and payroll of previous years; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Town Accountant*) (*requires 9/10 vote*)
- ARTICLE C. To see if the Town will vote to close the Cemetery Water Lines Replacement Capital Improvements account and appropriate by transfer the remaining unexpended funds to the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Town Accountant*)
- ARTICLE D. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken on Article 6 at the April 6, 2002 Annual Town Meeting, which appropriated \$30,000 by borrowing to the Pigeon Hill Standpipe Painting Capital account, Article 6A at the April 4, 2009 Annual Town Meeting, which appropriated \$250,000 by borrowing to the Pigeon Hill Standpipe Painting Capital account, and Article 6A at the April 6, 2013 Annual Town Meeting, which appropriated \$250,000 by borrowing to the Pigeon Hill Water Tank Additional Funds Capital account, all for the payment of the costs of painting the Pigeon Hill standpipe to, instead, pay for the costs of replacing the Pigeon Hill standpipe, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and appropriate such amount to a Tank Replacement Engineering & Construction capital account; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)
- ARTICLE E. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer the unexpended funds from Article F of the September 14, 2009 Fall Town Meeting Purchase of Video Camera Capital account to the Infiltration/Inflows Special Revenue account; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)
- ARTICLE F. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the unexpended money as were initially borrowed to finance capital projects that are now complete, and for which no further liability remains, of \$5,740.91 from the Odor Control Headworks capital account and the unexpended balance of \$1,474.97 from the Grit Removal capital account, both balances combined to total \$7,215.88

from Article 6B of the April 3, 2010 Annual Town Meeting, to the Dock Square Pump Station Odor Control Capital account established from Article 6B of the April 6, 2013 Annual Town Meeting to pay costs of the Dock Square Pump Station Odor Control project, as permitted by Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works)*

- ARTICLE G. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article J of the September 11, 2006 Fall Town Meeting which appropriated funds for DPW Site Engineer/Architect to also include DPW facility design and construction; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works)*
- ARTICLE H. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant utility and access easements to National Grid and/or other utility providers for the placement and maintenance of power poles for the Bedrock Well power lines on portions of the Town-owned property located at 0 Main Street, 0 Pleasant Street, and 1-4 DPW Way and shown on Assessors Map 19 as Lots 49 and 91, and Map 13 as Lot 1; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works)*
- ARTICLE I. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$150,000 to a capital account to pay for the construction of the Bedrock Well Power Project, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works) (requires 2/3 vote)*
- ARTICLE J. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$780,000 to a capital account to pay for the costs of storm damage repairs to the Pigeon Cove Seawall, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works) (requires 2/3 vote)*
- ARTICLE K. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$1,660,000 to pay the costs of mitigation work on the Pigeon Cove Seawall including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works) (requires 2/3 vote)*
- ARTICLE L. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$150,000 to pay the costs of storm damage repairs to the Granite Pier Revetment, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works) (requires 2/3 vote)*
- ARTICLE M. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds the sum of \$112,500.25 to cover the FEMA deficit from the Granite Pier Revetment project; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Town Accountant)*
- ARTICLE N. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds the sum of \$8,338.71 to cover the FEMA deficit from the Granite Pier Tip project; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Town Accountant)*
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And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the same at each of the Post Offices, and in other public places in each village of the Town, fourteen days at least before the day of the holding of said SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

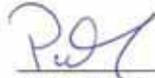
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk three days, at least, before Saturday, April 5, 2014.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2014, A.D.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN OF ROCKPORT



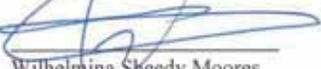
Erin M. Battistelli, Chairwoman



Paul F. Murphy, Vice Chairman


Sarah J. Wilkinson



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John T. McCarthy  
Constable of the Town of Rockport

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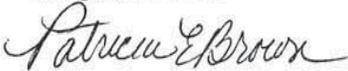
Essex, ss.

Rockport, MA  
March 13, 2014

I, *Philip D Wesley, III*, Constable of the *Town of Rockport*, have on this date *March 13, 2014*, posted the *Special Town Meeting Warrant* for the *Special Town Meeting* to be held *Saturday, April 5, 2014*, at the *Rockport High School*, in the two *Post Offices*, the *Town Bulletin Board* and *Seventeen (17)* other *Public Places* throughout the Town including three (3) in *Precinct One*, three (3) in *Precinct Two* and three (3) in *Precinct Three*.

  
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*Constable of the Town of Rockport*

RECEIVED: March 13, 2014 1:21PM  
Town Clerk's Office  
Rockport, MA 01966



Patricia E. Brown  
Town Clerk

TOWN OF ROCKPORT  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2014  
ROCKPORT HIGH SCHOOL

The Special Town Meeting for the Town of Rockport, April 5, 2014 was called to order at 9:06AM. Grace Collins, RMS, lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Kiva Trumbour, RMS, superbly sang the National Anthem. Applause ensued.

MODERATOR: I'd like us to take a moment of silence this has been a really tough week in both world and local events. I'd like us to take a moment to think about the firefighters we lost this week and we have an honor brigade now coming forward; think about the soldiers we lost at Fort Hood and I'll ask for your prayers and thoughts for the Rockport gentleman who is lost at this time.

Reverend Susan Moran from the Unitarian Universalist Society of Rockport gave the invocation:

Blessed are all the extroverts who make sure that all the points are covered and blessed are the introverts who give those talkers an audience and who in the privacy of their own homes may yet come up with the best solutions. Blessed are the early risers for accomplishing so much before noon and blessed are the night owls so that the moon and the stars not play to an empty house.

Bless the fiscal conservatives, who understand that spending for preschools and after school programs save millions in prison and drug addiction treatment centers. Spirit of life and love and all we hold sacred enfold us in your graciousness. Keep our sense of humor. Keep us respectful even in the midst of disagreement. Keep us serene even in the midst of anxiety. Keep us mindful of our connectedness even in the midst of our differences. O Love, word among us and through us and dwell within us. May this meeting be filled with mutual regard, for growing knowledge and wisdom and understanding. We ask these things in all humility and gratitude. Blessed be and Amen.

Ruth Maassen, Poet Lauriat for the Town of Rockport:

Neighbor to Neighbor

Finally, we're sweeping winter sand off  
our sidewalks. Soon, we'll be sweeping  
summer sand off our kitchen floors.

We'll get our boats back in the water.  
We'll go barefoot across the sandy  
boards of the bridge to Long Beach.  
Kids with nets will be catching crabs.  
Little ones will run to the water's edge  
and back to their mothers with glee.  
Houseguests will alight and stay and stay.  
Beach towels will hang from the porch rails.  
Shouts and cheers will go up from Evans Field.

So many threads bind us together, those  
who serve up coffee at six in the morning,  
who plow the snowy streets all through the night,  
who boil the lobsters, who sell the fudge,  
who pick up the wind-torn twigs and branches,  
who wipe the counters, who fix oil burners,  
who bake the nisu, who battle Japanese knotweed,  
who brush white paint on their picket fences,  
who give out change for the parking meters,  
who when the call comes in give it everything they've got.

That's how neighbors are.  
That's how we are, in our  
quiet streets waiting for  
the faintest tinge of green  
to burst again into leaves.

PATRICIA BROWN: We remember those who passed on in the year 2013:

Adelaide Lyons  
 Babette Brackett  
 David R. Harris  
 Edward Alan Boulter  
 Francis A. Bruni  
 John E. Lane  
 John M. Krenn  
 Keva M. O'Neil  
 Irene B. Anderson  
 Paul F. Sargent  
 Pauline E. Woodbury  
 Raymond G. Smith  
 Susan J. Thurson  
 Pauline Tressilian

We are grateful for the years of faithful service they have given to the Town of Rockport.

The Chair entertained a motion to omit the reading of the articles in the warrant for the Special Town meeting.

It was moved, second and carried by voice vote.

Town Clerk Patricia Brown read the Officer's Return.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article A:

ARTICLE A: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds sums of money to be expended by various Town Departments to balance the FY14 budget; or act on anything relative thereto.

\$ 96,935.00	Snow & Ice Exp	01-406-0046-05292	Group Health Insurance	01-914-0096-05172
\$ 506.00	Publ Transport	01-212-0170-05279	Group Health Insurance	01-914-0096-05172
\$ 3,000.00	Rights of Way	01-173-0110-05786	Group Health Insurance	01-914-0096-05172
\$ 3,000.00	Animal Ctrl Svcs	01-292-0110-05200	Group Health Insurance	01-914-0096-05172
\$ 18,870.00	Bullet Proof Vests	<i>New Account Number</i>	Civilian Dispatcher Wgs	01-210-0067-05119
\$ 44,000.00	Millpond Dam Temp Principal	01-753-0143-05920	Group Health Insurance	01-914-0096-05172
\$ 12,000.00	Acctng Services	01-135-0110-05200	<i>To Be Determined</i> Accnt Supt Spec Wages	01-135-0061-05116
\$ 1,400.00	Property Ins	01-940-0146-05742	T/C Postage Expenses	01-147-0173-05310
\$ 5,472.81	Police Off Wages	01-210-0025-05112	Group Health Insurance	01-914-0096-05172
\$ 22,000.00			Accnt Supt Spec Wages	01-135-0061-05116
\$ 1,000.00	Police Chief Sal	01-210-0020-05112	T/C Oper Asst Wages	01-147-0041-05115
\$ 605.00			T/C Rental/Lease Exp	01-147-0113-05270
\$ 614.94	PD Office Mgr Sal	01-210-0040-05115	Group Health Insurance	01-914-0096-05172
\$ 2.00	Ambulance Dir	01-231-0020-05113	T/C Postage Expenses	01-147-0173-05310
\$ 55.80	Ambulance EMTs	01-231-0026-05122	T/C Postage Expenses	01-147-0173-05310
\$ 1,910.45	Parking Clerk	01-293-0020-05113	Group Health Insurance	01-914-0096-05172
\$ 25.00	Pkg Hearing Off	01-293-0019-05194	T/C Postage Expenses	01-147-0173-05310
\$ 41,168.00	Snow & Ice OT	01-404-0081-05130	Group Health Insurance	01-914-0096-05172

It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article B.

ARTICLE B: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay unpaid bills and payroll of previous years; or act on anything relative thereto. (Town Account) (requires 9/10 vote)

It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote of more than 9/10s.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article C.

ARTICLE C: To see if the Town will vote to close the Cemetery Water Lines Replacement Capital Improvements Account and appropriate by transfer the remaining unexpended funds to the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund; or act on anything relative thereto. (Town Accountant)

It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article D.

ARTICLE D: To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken on Article 6 at the April 6, 2002 Annual Town Meeting, which appropriated \$30,000 by borrowing to the Pigeon Hill Standpipe Painting Capital account, Article 6A at the April 4, 2009 Annual Town Meeting, which appropriated \$250,000 by borrowing to the Pigeon Hill Standpipe Painting Capital account, and Article 6A at the April 6, 2013 Annual Town Meeting, which appropriated \$250,000 by borrowing to the Pigeon Hill Water Tank Additional Funds Capital account, all for the payment of the costs of painting the Pigeon Hill standpipe to, instead, pay for the costs of replacing the Pigeon Hill standpipe, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and appropriate such amount to a Tank Replacement Engineering & Construction capital account; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article E.

ARTICLE E: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer the unexpended funds from Article F of the September 14, 2009 Fall Town Meeting Purchase of Video Camera Capital account to the Infiltration/Inflows Special Revenue account; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article F.

ARTICLE F: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the unexpended money as were initially borrowed to finance capital projects that are now complete, and for which no further liability remains, of \$5,740.91 from the Odor Control Headworks capital account and the unexpended balance of \$1,474.97 from the Grit Removal capital account, both balances combined to total \$7,215.88 from Article 6B of the April 3, 2010 Annual Town Meeting, to the Dock Square Pump Station Odor Control Capital account established from Article 6B of the April 6, 2013 Annual Town Meeting to pay costs of the Dock Square Pump Station Odor Control project, as permitted by Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article G.

ARTICLE G: To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article J of the September 11, 2006 Fall Town Meeting which appropriated funds for DPW Site Engineer/Architect to also include DPW facility design and construction; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article H.

ARTICLE H: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant utility and access easements to National Grid and/or other utility providers for the placement and maintenance of power poles for the Bedrock Well power lines on portions of the Town-owned property located at 0 Main Street, 0 Pleasant Street, and 1-4 DPW Way and shown on Assessors Map 19 as Lots 49 and 91, and Map 13 as Lot 1; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote of more than two-thirds.

The Moderator recognized Senator Bruce Tarr in the audience and thanked him for all his contributions to our town.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article I.

ARTICLE I: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$150,000 to a capital account to pay for the construction of the Bedrock Well Power Project, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote of more than two-thirds.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article J.

ARTICLE J: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$780,000 to a capital account to pay for the costs of storm damage repairs to the Pigeon Cove Seawall, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote of more than two-thirds.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article K.

ARTICLE K: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$1,660,000 to pay the costs of mitigation work on the Pigeon Cove Seawall including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote of more than two-thirds.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article L

ARTICLE L: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$150,000 to pay the costs of storm damage repairs to the Granite Pier Revetment, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote of more than two-thirds.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article M

ARTICLE M: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds the sum of \$112,500.25 to cover the FEMA deficit from the Granite Pier Revetment project; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Town Accountant*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Chair entertained a motion under Article N.

ARTICLE N: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds the sum of \$8,338.71 to cover the FEMA deficit from the Granite Pier Tip project; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Town Accountant*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Town Clerk presided over Articles O and P.

ARTICLE O: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$87,000 to pay the costs of storm damage repairs and mitigation to the Back Beach Seawall, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.

The Clerk entertained a motion under Article P.

ARTICLE P: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant an access and sewer easement to George Ramsden in, on and under Town-owned property shown on Assessors Map 13 as Lot 1 and approximately shown on an easement plan entitled "176 Main Street, Plan of Proposed Sewer and Access Easement" dated February 14, 2014, which plan is on file with the Town Clerk; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)

It was moved, seconded and carried unanimously by hand vote.

The Chair entertained a motion to dissolve the Special Town Meeting.

It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.

The Special Town Meeting dissolved at 10:27AM.

**TOWN of ROCKPORT**  
**WARRANT for**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
Saturday, April 5, 2014  
The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Essex, ss. To: One of the Constables of the Town of Rockport, Massachusetts in said County of Essex in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Rockport High School at 24 Jerden's Lane in said Rockport on Saturday, the fifth day of April, 2014 A.D., at 9:30 o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To choose an agent for the various trust funds of the Town and to choose all other necessary Town Officers in such a manner as the Town may direct; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to rescind any one or more of the authorizations previously given to borrow funds for municipal purposes, excluding always, any and all authorizations that have been executed by a borrowing; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Town Treasurer*)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills of previous years; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Town Accountant*) (*requires 4/5 vote*)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend or revise certain compensation schedules as set forth by the Rockport Personnel Board and on file in the Town Clerk's Office, which are incorporated herein by reference, namely:

- A. Compensation Schedules A through E and I for salaried employees; and
- B. Compensation Schedule F for elected officials.

; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Personnel Board*)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, sums of money for any or all Town expenses and purposes, including, without limiting the foregoing, debt and interest, out-of-state travel, wages and salaries, operation of the Town's departments and offices, and provide for a reserve fund, all for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, inclusive; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Finance Committee*)

5A. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, sums of money for any and all Town expenses and purposes including, without limiting the foregoing, debt and interest, out-of-state travel, wages and salaries, operation of the Town's Water Enterprise and provide for a reserve fund, all for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, inclusive; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Finance Committee*)

5B. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, sums of money for any and all Town expenses and purposes including, without limiting the foregoing, debt and interest, out-of-state travel, wages and salaries, operation of the Town's Sewer Enterprise and provide for a reserve fund, all for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, inclusive; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Finance Committee*)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for Capital Outlay Items, such sums of money as set forth in the schedule prepared by the Finance Committee, or any other sum or sums, a copy of which schedule is on file in the Town Clerk's Office, and which is incorporated herein by reference, and determine whether such sums will be raised by fees, taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Finance Committee*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

6A. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for Capital Outlay Items for the Water Enterprise, sums of money as set forth in the schedule prepared by the Finance Committee, or any other sum or sums, a copy of which schedule is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and which is incorporated herein by reference, and determine whether such sums will be raised by fees, taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Finance Committee*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

6B. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for Capital Outlay Items for the Sewer Enterprise, sums of money as set forth in the schedule prepared by the Finance Committee, or any other sum or sums, a copy of which schedule is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and which is incorporated herein by reference, and determine whether such sums will be raised by fees, taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Finance Committee*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

ARTICLES:      *Lottery System*

- ARTICLE A.      To see if the Town will vote to expend a sum of money allocated to the Town under the provisions of Section 34(2)(a) of M.G.L. c.90, so-called “Chapter 90 monies”; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)
- ARTICLE B.      To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000 or any other sum, for Action, Inc.; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)
- ARTICLE C.      To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000 or any other sum, for Healing Abuse Working for Change (HAWC); or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)
- ARTICLE D.      To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000 or any other sum, for SeniorCare, Inc.; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)
- ARTICLE E.      To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000 or any other sum, for The Open Door; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)
- ARTICLE F.      To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$75,000 to pay for state mandated real and personal property revaluations; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Assessors*)
- ARTICLE G.      To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from Free Cash a sum of money to the General Stabilization fund to pay for future expenditures; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)
- ARTICLE H.      To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from Free Cash a sum of money to the Capital Reserve Stabilization fund to pay for future capital expenditures; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)
- ARTICLE I.      To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from Free Cash a sum money to the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund created under Article N of the April 3, 2010 Annual Town Meeting to cover future benefit obligations to retired employees; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)
- ARTICLE J.      To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$120,000 to the Capital Technology account to pay for computers, networks, communications, and other technology tools and devices; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Information Systems and Technologies*)

ARTICLE K. To see if the Town will vote in accordance with the provisions of Section 5B of G.L. c.40 to create a special purpose stabilization fund for use by the School Committee for special education-related expenses, and for such purposes, to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from available funds sums of money into said special purpose stabilization fund; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Board of Selectmen) (requires 2/3 vote)*

ARTICLE L. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate additional sums of money for any or all Rockport Public School expenses and purposes, including, without limiting the foregoing, debt and interest, out-of-state travel, wages and salaries, operation of the Schools' departments and offices, and provide for a reserve fund, all for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, provided, however, that all additional appropriations authorized under this article be contingent upon voters' approval of a so-called Proposition 2½ override exclusion, as provided in G.L. Chapter 59, Section 21C; or act on anything relative thereto. *(School Committee)*

ARTICLE M. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation exempting the position of Police Chief from the Civil Service Law, as set forth below; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general objectives of the petition.

AN ACT EXEMPTING THE POSITION OF POLICE CHIEF OF THE TOWN OF ROCKPORT FROM THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the position of police chief of the Town of Rockport, shall be exempt from chapter 31 of the General Laws.

SECTION 2. Section 1 shall not impair the civil service status of any persons serving in the position of police chief in the town of Rockport on the effective date of this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Board of Selectmen) (majority vote)*

ARTICLE N. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, the fee to or any lesser interest, including, without limitation, a lease with a term of thirty (30) years, in the below described parcel of land located on Straitsmouth Island and shown on Assessors Map 29 as Lots 1 and 2, off the coast of Rockport, Essex

County, Massachusetts and/or the improvements thereon, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into said thirty (30) year lease agreement for a nominal fee for occupation of the two historic structures on Straitsmouth Island known as the Keeper's House and the Oil House and the land thereunder and other property rights appurtenant thereto as to provide access to said structures, and to execute such other documents and take such other action as it deems to be in the best interest of the Town for the purpose of preserving, maintaining, and accessing said historic and the separate lighthouse parcel on said island owned by the Town of Rockport; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Thacher & Straitsmouth Islands Committee)*

ARTICLE O. To see if the Town will vote to amend its vote taken under Article F, fifth, of the September 9, 2013 Fall Town Meeting, appropriating Community Preservation Act funds in the amount of \$25,000 as a grant to the Thacher Island Association for the restoration and preservation of the Straitsmouth Island Lighthouse, to further provide that such funds may be used for the restoration, rehabilitation and preservation of the other two historic structures on Straitsmouth Island, known as the Straitsmouth Island Keeper's House and the Oil House, including all costs incidental and related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Community Preservation Committee)*

ARTICLE P. To see if the Town will vote to transfer care, custody and control of the parcels listed below from the tax custodian for the purpose of sale at public auction to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes for the purpose of conveyance, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or otherwise dispose of said properties on such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate and to execute such documents and take such other action as may be needed to effectuate the purposes of this vote; said properties being identified as follows:

Address of 33 Atlantic Avenue as shown on Assessors Map 22, Lot 140

Address of 59 High Street as shown on Assessors Map 18, Lot 26

Address of 8 Marmion Way as shown on Assessors Map 26, Lot 109

; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Board of Selectmen)*

ARTICLE Q. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section VIII of the Zoning By-Laws, "Coastal Flood Plain", by deleting the first paragraph of Section VIII Coastal Flood Plain District, Section B.1 and inserting in place thereof with the following:

"The Coastal Flood Plain District is herein established as an overlay district. The District includes all special flood hazard areas within the Town of Rockport designated as Zone AE, AO, or VE on the Essex County Flood Insurance Rate Map ("FIRM" or "Map") issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program. The map panels of the Essex County FIRM that are

wholly or partially within the Town of Rockport are panel numbers 25009C0309G, 25009C0317G, 25009C0319G, 25009C0328G, 25009C0336G, 25009C0337G, 25009C0338G, 25009C0339G, 25009C0476G and 25009C0500G dated July 16, 2014. The exact boundaries of the District are defined by the 100-year base flood elevations shown on the FIRM and further defined by the Essex County Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report dated July 16, 2014. The FIRM and Flood Insurance Study report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the Town Clerk, Planning Board, Building Inspector and Conservation Commission.”

; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Planning Board*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

ARTICLE R. To see if the Town will vote to retain ‘SWAPSHOP’ and ‘BOOKBARN’ facilities items for personal use for Rockport residents, and re-open the ‘METAL PILE’ to residents seeking items for personal use; or act on anything relative thereto. (*By Petition*)

ARTICLE S. To see if the Town will hear, receive and act upon the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Town Water Supply appointed pursuant to the vote of the 1980 Annual Town Meeting under Warrant Article 6 and extended by votes of successive Annual Town Meetings through and including the 2013 Annual Town Meeting under Warrant Article W, and extend the term of the Committee; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Moderator*)

ARTICLE T. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of its officers, boards, departments, committees and commissions, as printed in the 2013 Annual Town Report or as otherwise submitted to Town Meeting; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Moderator*)

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the same at each of the Post Offices, and in other public places in each village of the Town, seven days at least before the day of the holding of said ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

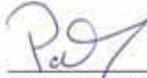
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, three days at least before Saturday, April 5, 2014.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2014, A.D.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN OF ROCKPORT



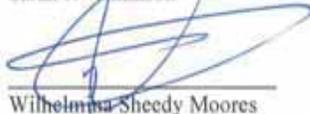
Erin M. Battistelli, Chairwoman



Paul F. Murphy, Vice Chairman



Sarah J. Wilkinson



Wilhelmina Sheedy Moores



Eliza N. Lucas

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ATTEST:



John T. McCarthy  
Constable of the Town of Rockport

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Essex, ss.

Rockport, MA  
March 13, 2014

I, *Philip D. Wesley, III*, Constable of the *Town of Rockport*, have on this date *March 13, 2014*, posted the *Annual Town Meeting Warrant* for the *Annual Town Meeting* to be held *Saturday, April 5, 2014*, at the *Rockport High School*, in the two *Post Offices*, the *Town Bulletin Board* and *Seventeen (17)* other *Public Places* throughout the Town including three (3) in *Precinct One*, three (3) in *Precinct Two* and three (3) in *Precinct Three*.

  
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Constable of the Town of Rockport

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Patricia A. Brown  
Town Clerk

TOWN OF ROCKPORT  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
SATURDAY – APRIL 5, 2014  
ROCKPORT HIGH SCHOOL

The Annual Town Meeting started at 10:29AM. It was moved, seconded and carried to omit the reading of the warrant.

TOWN CLERK, PAT BROWN read the Officer's Return.

MODERATOR: We're going to take the next Article out of order because of the emergency nature of today's events and that is Article M is going to go first and then we will go into our numbered Articles.

ARTICLE M: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation exempting the position of Police Chief from the Civil Service Law, as set forth below; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general objectives of the petition.

AN ACT EXEMPTING THE POSITION OF POLICE CHIEF OF THE TOWN  
OF ROCKPORT FROM THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the position of police chief of the Town of Rockport, shall be exempt from chapter 31 of the General Laws.

SECTION 2. Section 1 shall not impair the civil service status of any persons serving in the position of police chief in the town of Rockport on the effective date of this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*) (*majority vote*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEMBER SARAH WILKINSON: I move that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation exempting the position of Police Chief from the Civil Service Law as set forth in article M in the warrant, and on page 62 of the April 5, 2014 town meeting Voter's Booklet provided that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general objectives of the petition.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by a standing vote of 108 to 55.**

ARTICLE 1: To choose an agent for the various trust funds of the Town and to choose all other necessary Town Officers in such a manner as the Town may direct; or act on anything relative thereto.

LINDA SANDERS FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN CHAIR ERIN BATTISTELLI: I move that the town designate the Treasurer to be the agent for the various trust funds of the town.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to rescind any one or more of the authorizations previously given to borrow funds for municipal purposes, excluding always, any and all authorizations that have been executed by a borrowing; or act on anything relative thereto.

**There was no motion under Article 2.**

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills of previous years; or act on anything relative thereto. (*requires 4/5 vote*)

**There was no motion under Article 3.**

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to amend or revise certain compensation schedules as set forth by the Rockport Personnel Board and on file in the Town Clerk's Office, which are incorporated herein by reference, namely:

- A. Compensation Schedules A through E and I for salaried employees; and
- B. Compensation Schedule F for elected officials.

; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Personnel Board*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR PERSONNEL BOARD CHAIRMAN DAVID KEARNS: I move that the Town amend Compensation Schedules A through E and the Compensation Schedule I for salaried employees, as set forth in the proposals recommended by the Rockport Personnel Board and on file in the Town Clerk's Office, which are incorporated herein by reference.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

LINDA SANDERS FOR PERSONNEL BOARD CHAIRMAN DAVID KEARNS: I move that the Town amend Compensation Schedule F for Elected Officials, as set forth in the proposals recommended by the Rockport Personnel Board and on file in the Town Clerk's Office, which are incorporated herein by reference.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, sums of money for any or all Town expenses and purposes, including, without limiting the foregoing, debt and interest, out-of-state travel, wages and salaries, operation of the Town's departments and offices, and provide for a reserve fund, all for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, inclusive; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Finance Committee*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN WALLY HESS: I move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$26,016,841 for all items under the FY15 FinCom Recommendation column in the Table of Estimates under Article 5, as printed in the Town Meeting Voters Booklet on pages 44 through 50, all for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, inclusive, and as funding therefor, raise \$24,530,720 and transfer the following sums from the designated accounts for the purposes specified, namely,

- \$ 16 from Cemetery Perpetual Care to 402 DPW Cemetery
- \$104,475 from Ambulance Reserve to 231 Ambulance
- \$ 53,879 from Parking Meter Fund to 212 Traffic and Parking
- \$ 46,127 from Parking Meter Fund to 293 Parking Clerk
- \$150,000 from Waterways Improvement Fund to 295 Harbormasters
- \$168,666 from Free Cash to 131 Reserve Fund
- \$116,156 from CPA Fund to 700 Debt and Interest
- \$455,531 from Water Enterprise Fund to Shared Costs
- \$391,271 from Sewer Enterprise Fund to Shared Costs.

With two exceptions at the bottom of page 50 in that the sum of \$178,596 Department 305 North Shore Vocational Tech assessment be replaced by the amount of \$306,280 and the Public Education Total and the Grand Total reflect the same adjustment amounts which totals become: \$13,631,925 and \$26,016,841 respectively.

**Moved and seconded.**

MODERATOR: Ladies and gentlemen this is kind of an important part of our town meeting, dealing with the budget. There are two places you should be looking – one page 43 and going forward 44 of the booklet and we’re going to handle this the way we normally do. I’ll go through each section, Moderator is 114, Selectmen is 124 etc. and I’ll go through that in a little bit after we hear from the Chairman of the Finance Committee, we’ll do that the same way we always do it. If you want to have further discussion on any particular section we’re going to do the holds as we always do. The numbers are going to look a little bit differently this year than they have in previous years and that is explained at page 10 of your Voters Booklet and in a moment the Chairman of the Finance Committee will go through some of these changes with you and make introductory remarks so that you understand the budget items and you see some of the changes this year and it will make a little bit more sense to you. Chairman Hess.

WALLY HESS CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Before we go through the detail of all the budget numbers, the Finance Committee thought it would be a good idea to outline the major elements of the Town’s finances, both spending and revenues. Hopefully most of you have had an opportunity to read through the Report of the Finance Committee that begins on Page 10 of your Voter Booklet. In addition to a brief financial overview, this report describes the key financial decisions for today. It then discusses some of the highlights of Article 5, operating budget before laying out the key elements of operating expenses and revenues. We believe the decisions you make today should be made in the context of these elements.

The total proposed spending, in the aggregate is \$32.6 million, and is comprised of the following parts:

\$25.9 million for the Town and Schools Operations, which is Article 5, I’m going to use numbers, the numbers that you see in the book before the amendment that was just suggested because of the North Shore Voc Tech change so \$25.9 million is the Article 5 numbers that’s the bulk of the budget today and that’s for town and school operations.

\$1.4 million is for Capital Items, which is Article 6,

\$3.5 million of spending is through the Enterprise Funds and those funds are funded solely by Water & Sewer rates there’s no tax cost to the Enterprise Funds,

And in addition there’s \$1.8 million of School spending that’s funded by sources outside of the Town, for instance school choice would be one of the major ones.

The \$32.6 million includes \$275,000 which the School Committee, the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen are recommending where we increased the annual funding to the schools, we did this so as to avoid an override this year.

Our waterfront as you heard earlier is one of our major assets, but it also can be a large and unpredictable expense. Compared to other towns our size it requires a larger share of both our operating and capital budgets.

Our annual debt service expense will increase by close to \$600,000 in the next couple years, just to pay for capital projects approved in the past few years and those being requested by the Town at this Town meeting. This, along with other increasing needs, will make the Town’s budget very tight in the next couple of years.

Similar to most towns in the Commonwealth, Rockport has significant unfunded liabilities for pensions and for health care, health insurance for employees our auditors estimate that the aggregate of these unfunded liabilities is about \$45 million. In addition there are many important upcoming capital needs that could exceed over the next few years \$20 million. So we have our work cut out in the future.

Now we don't have time today to talk through all of the elements of the Finance Committee report. However, we thought it would be instructive to go through one part of it. We chose to discuss the Schools portion of the report in a little more detail, since it represents more than half of the Town's budget. Although the School Committee is solely responsible for the school budget, we have described in the report its major elements along with the financial support it receives from the Town and from non-town sources. I will run through the highlights of these numbers now. So please turn to page 16 of your booklet, we're going to walk through some of the numbers on page 16. The way this is set up is we have three columns of numbers. The first one is the actual numbers for FY13 which ended last June. The numbers in the middle column are the year that we are currently in and the numbers that you see here are the numbers that were appropriated last year at this town meeting and then the FY15 column is what's in this year's budget. So let's look through these for a couple of minutes. The top third of the page, roughly is all of the fully loaded expenses of the school system. The middle third of the page looks at all the sources of revenue that the schools get and then the very bottom of the page is some adjustments that I will refer to toward the end.

<b>Rockport Public Education</b>			
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>FY13</b>	<b>FY14</b>	<b>FY15</b>
Labor	\$ 9,356,755	\$ 9,650,211	\$ 9,955,131
Operating Expense	\$ 853,294	\$ 870,580	\$ 817,826
SPED Outside Services	\$ 1,384,687	\$ 1,875,188	\$ 1,713,916
Needed to Operate - Direct Expenses	\$ 11,594,736	\$ 12,395,979	\$ 12,486,873
Other School Expenses Paid by Town:			
Debt Service (700)	\$ 274,075	\$ 168,575	\$ 215,884
Pensions & Benefits (900)	\$ 2,304,519	\$ 2,379,633	\$ 2,382,201
North Shore/Essex Voc. Tech.	\$ 143,838	\$ 162,217	\$ 178,596
Retired Teacher Health Insurance	\$ 284,947	\$ 352,998	\$ 425,820
Total Other Expenses	\$ 3,007,379	\$ 3,063,423	\$ 3,202,501
<b>Total School Expense</b>	<b>\$14,602,115</b>	<b>\$15,459,402</b>	<b>\$15,689,374</b>
<b>Revenue</b>			
Town Contributions:			
Base Funding - ATM Appropriation	\$ 9,780,672	\$ 10,232,038	\$ 10,727,560
One-Time SPED Expense Contribution		\$ 253,000	
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Retired Teacher Health Insurance	\$ 284,947	\$ 352,998	\$ 425,820
North Shore/Essex Voc. Tech.	\$ 143,838	\$ 162,217	\$ 178,596
Total Town Contributions	\$ 12,788,051	\$ 13,548,461	\$ 13,930,061
Independent Revenue:			
School Choice	\$ 924,927	\$ 1,155,000	\$ 1,150,768
Circuit Breaker	\$ 207,805	\$ 240,991	\$ 320,000
Grants	\$ 418,445	\$ 300,000	\$ 275,000
Fees	\$ 103,349	\$ 120,000	\$ 75,000
Total Independent Revenue	\$ 1,654,526	\$ 1,815,991	\$ 1,820,768
<b>Total School Revenue</b>	<b>\$14,442,577</b>	<b>\$15,364,452</b>	<b>\$15,750,829</b>
Note: The Town receives Chapter 70 from the State, and Medicaid payments from the Federal Government. It pays School Choice Sending.			
Total Town Contributions (from above)	\$ 12,788,051	\$ 13,548,461	\$ 13,930,061
Less Chapter 70 Reimbursement	\$ (1,304,118)	\$ (1,324,168)	\$ (1,377,981)
Less Medicaid Assistance - SPED	\$ (88,522)	\$ (60,000)	\$ (88,000)
School Choice Sending	\$ 102,676	\$ 164,069	\$ 154,605
Funded from Tax Levy	\$ 11,498,087	\$ 12,328,362	\$ 12,618,685

Let's start at the top. Obviously the overwhelming largest expense is labor and that's salaries for everybody in the school system whether they be teachers, administrators or whomever works for the school system. The next thing is all the other operating expenses of running the school building and the associated expenses that are non-labor expenses. The third line is SPED outside services, that's special education. Let me spend just a minute on special education because it's an important part of the School Committee's budget. The overwhelming majority of the students who require special education actually receive that in the school building during school hours. The school department has special education professionals that work with those students for some of their school day and those students also by and large attend most of classes with the rest of the students. The line here that says Outside Services refers to the minority of the students who need to be dealt with outside of the school system where the Rockport school system just does not have the resources to deal with some of these very intense situations and you can see that line is very volatile – it went from \$1.384 million two years ago up by about \$500,000 to this current year and then we think it's going to go back down, or the School Committee thinks it's going to go back down by about \$150,000 or so in the coming year. Very volatile number I want to come back to that in a moment. Anyway, the sum of those three lines is the "needed to operate" budget. That's the budget that the School Committee deals with they have sole control over that between them and the school administration. So that is what you see in their bottom line budget the \$12.486 million.

Now there's another \$3.2 million worth of expenses incurred by the schools that are not in their operating budget but are paid by the town and you can see the overwhelming bulk of that \$3.2 million is pensions and benefits for active employees and also the retired teacher health insurance, makes up virtually all of that additional amount of money that is spent. The town pays those expenses directly outside of the school budget, in addition to the school budget. So the aggregate amount of money that is spent by the schools is \$15,689,000.

Now let's look and see where that money comes from. The first line down under Revenue is the town meeting appropriation. That's the number \$10.727 million that we'll be voting on today. That's the number that has been requested and has been recommended by the Finance Committee. Then when you look at the next four lines of numbers those are merely recitations of the numbers that are paid directly by the town so that they're the same as the other school expenses paid by the town up above. So the total town contribution is \$13.930 million.

Now in addition to that the school, as I mentioned, they have what we call independent revenue, which is revenue that comes into the school system that is not provided by the town. There's a \$1.8 million of that. About two-thirds of that money comes from school choice. As you're probably aware the school department has about 200 students that are non-Rockport residents that have opted to come in to the Rockport school system and the school system receives something, a little bit more than about \$5,000 for each of those students.

One other line that is worthy of note is called Circuit Breaker and not self-explanatory. Circuit Breaker is an amount of money that comes from the state to partially offset some of the expenses of the SPED outside services. It's meant to dampen down some of the wild swings SPED outside services which the School Committee does not really have control over. Anyway, that's another set of independent revenue.

So you can see the total school revenue of \$15.750 million is roughly equal to the total school expense so things are reasonably in balance this year. I want to make a note at the very bottom of the page because the town actually doesn't experience the whole \$13.930 million of contributions it has some adjustments to that the largest one is a Chapter 70 grant that comes from the state. We expect that to be \$1.377 million this year, that's what's in the governor's budget so that will come in to help offset some of these expenses. We also receive some money from Medicare for certain SPED students that require medical services and then the town pays directly when Rockport students opt out of the Rockport school system. You can see not very

many do but that's another adjustment so the very bottom line of what the school system costs the town is \$12.618 (million) and change.

I want to make just one more comment before we start with the numbers. I want to talk about SPED one more half minute. We're going to be recommending this year to set up a new thing called a SPED stabilization fund. It was part of our discussions with the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen earlier this year to help eliminate the need for the override. One of the requirements or one of the concerns of the schools was that as you can see that SPED outside services number bounces up and down a lot. So we're going to recommend establishing this SPED stabilization fund that will help dampen some of those swings. You'll hear more about that later when we get to Article K.

The moderator read off the department numbers. The departments held were 122, 124, 131, 147, 161, 400, 510, and 914.

ARTICLE 5: TABLE OF ESTIMATES					
Dept #	Department/Description	FY13	FY14 Appropriated	FY15 FinCom Recommendation	Comments
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>					
114	MODERATOR				
	Stipend	122	125	128	
	Operating Expense	113	113	114	
		235	238	242	
	Pension & Benefits	2	2	2	
		<b>237</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>244</b>	
122	SELECTMEN				
	Five Selectmen Stipends	7,191	7,191	7,191	
	Town Administrator	108,807	110,980	114,860	
	Assistant Town Administrator	55,000	60,000	61,200	
	Office Manager	42,021	42,651	43,504	
	Meeting Support Clerk	5,814	5,900	6,018	
	Operating Expense	30,216	30,895	33,054	FinCom printing expense
	Audit Services	36,000	53,000	36,000	One time audit in FY14
	Youth Center Operations	41,000	41,410	48,000	
		326,049	352,027	351,827	
	Pension & Benefits	91,501	122,828	140,629	
		<b>417,550</b>	<b>474,855</b>	<b>492,456</b>	
124	SELECTMEN COMMITTEES				
	Economic Development Committee Expenses	56,559	56,559	31,559	Reduce FY15 by \$25K
	Historical & Historic District Commission Expenses	152	152	500	
	Town Art Committee	2,000	2,000	2,000	
	Millbrook Meadow Committee	274	274	275	
	Rights of Way Committee	2,304	2,304	3,304	
	Beautification Committee	640	640	1,000	
		<b>61,929</b>	<b>61,929</b>	<b>38,638</b>	
131	FINANCE COMMITTEE				
	Operating Expense	5,885	5,883	1,100	FinCom printing transferred to BoS
	Reserve Fund, less transfers granted	277,654	303,500	303,500	
		<b>283,539</b>	<b>309,383</b>	<b>304,600</b>	
135	TOWN ACCOUNTANT				
	Town Accountant	72,884	80,760	70,000	Beginning range for new hire
	Town Accountant Staff	89,914	93,699	95,573	
	Operating Expense	29,199	23,010	22,495	
		191,996	197,469	188,068	
	Pension & Benefits	63,074	70,986	68,071	
		<b>255,071</b>	<b>268,455</b>	<b>256,139</b>	
141	ASSESSORS				
	Assessors Stipends	3,183	3,231	3,296	
	Assistant Assessor	53,560	54,363	55,450	
	Assessor Clerk	33,204	33,297	33,960	
	Operating Expense	5,383	5,412	4,910	
	Outside services	12,110	12,110	1,660	Expenses transferred to IS&T
		107,440	108,413	99,276	
	Pension & Benefits	82,876	89,240	87,029	
		<b>190,316</b>	<b>197,653</b>	<b>186,305</b>	
147	TREASURER/COLLECTOR				
	Town Treasurer	69,587	71,050	72,471	
	Assistant Treasurer/Collector	45,142	45,820	46,736	
	Other Salaries/Wages	74,354	75,780	77,292	
	Operating Expense	38,472	42,340	41,349	
	Outside Services	29,470	29,530	29,598	
	Tax Title Fees	16,052	16,045	16,060	
		273,077	280,565	283,506	
	Pension & Benefits	80,710	94,508	96,131	
		<b>353,788</b>	<b>375,073</b>	<b>379,637</b>	
151	LEGAL - Fees & Expenses	<b>113,022</b>	<b>114,149</b>	<b>116,433</b>	

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Dept #	Department/Description	FY13	FY14 Appropriated	FY15 FinCom Recommendation	Comments
152	PERSONNEL BOARD				
	Clerical, Part Time	1,200	1,200	1,224	
	Merit Pay Pool	24,883	35,000	35,000	Reduced to level fund with FY14
	Operating Expense	180	380	380	
		26,263	36,580	36,604	
	Pension & Benefits	378	525	525	
		<b>26,641</b>	<b>37,105</b>	<b>37,129</b>	
154	INFORMATION SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY				
	Director Salary	80,580	87,000	88,740	
	IS&T Salaries & Wages	102,500	149,460	142,871	
	Shared Administrative Support Wages	-	-	4,862	Shared with Bd of Health
	Telephone	800	3,200	52,417	Phone transferred from depts
	Copiers & other hardware	4,000	12,000	40,068	Copiers transferred from depts
	Classroom Hardware	56,100	56,100	56,661	
	Networking Services	103,346	85,900	45,000	
	Software Licenses & On-line services	93,030	100,830	125,823	
	Other Operating Expense	31,285	39,775	40,173	
		471,641	534,265	596,615	
	Debt Service	127,908	22,263	150,565	
	Pension & Benefits	60,141	69,183	120,237	
		<b>659,690</b>	<b>625,711</b>	<b>867,417</b>	
158	TAX POSSESSED LAND	9,500	8,870	8,959	
161	TOWN CLERK				
	Town Clerk	53,892	60,000	61,200	65,000
	Assistant Clerk	40,660	42,630	43,483	
	Operating Expense	11,638	9,469	7,834	Phone/copier exp to IS&T
		106,190	112,099	112,517	
	Pension & Benefits	41,194	44,996	45,862	
		<b>147,384</b>	<b>157,094</b>	<b>158,379</b>	162,179
164	ELECTIONS				
	Stipends & Election Officer Wages	2,640	2,679	20,660	Election officers to payroll
	Operating Expense	31,123	27,494	8,797	
		33,763	30,173	29,457	
	Pension & Benefits	38	39	300	
		<b>33,801</b>	<b>30,212</b>	<b>29,757</b>	
171	CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
	Conservation Agent	44,831	45,503	46,413	
	Clerical, Part Time	7,450	7,560	7,711	
	Operating Expense	2,310	2,330	2,103	
		54,591	55,393	56,227	
	Pension & Benefits	9,112	10,347	11,568	
		<b>63,703</b>	<b>65,740</b>	<b>67,795</b>	
175	PLANNING BOARD				
	Clerical, Part Time	16,935	18,549	18,920	
	Planning Consultant	33,600	33,600	27,000	New Consultant
	Operating Expense	2,862	2,887	2,959	
		53,397	55,036	48,879	
	Pension & Benefits	246	269	274	
		<b>53,643</b>	<b>55,305</b>	<b>49,153</b>	
176	ZONING BOARD				
	Clerical, Part Time	10,223	13,025	13,085	
	Operating Expense	707	705	705	
	Legal Notices - Zoning	4,949	4,950	4,950	
		15,879	18,680	18,740	
	Pension & Benefits	148	189	190	
		<b>16,027</b>	<b>18,869</b>	<b>18,930</b>	

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Dept #	Department/Description	FY13	FY14 Appropriated	FY15 FinCom Recommendation	Comments
	<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT SUMMARY</b>				
	Salaries, Wages & Stipends	1,046,576	1,147,454	1,171,848	
	Operating Expense	1,081,936	1,127,817	1,118,740	
	ATM Authorization	2,128,512	2,275,271	2,290,589	
	Debt Service (Incl in 700)	127,908	22,263	150,565	
	Pensions & Benefits (Incl in 900)	429,421	503,110	570,817	
	<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>2,685,841</b>	<b>2,800,643</b>	<b>3,011,971</b>	
	<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>				
210	<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>				
	Police Chief	108,891	110,890	116,300	
	Police Lieutenant Salary, incl shift diff	77,402	92,508	96,041	
	Police Sergeants	221,274	240,006	248,637	
	Police Officers, incl OT, Court Time and Shift Diff	818,711	814,433	839,939	Base pay level funded pending new contract; 25,000 in OT savings
	Civilian Dispatchers	4,533	100,533	96,000	
	Other Staff Salaries & Wages	84,123	86,291	87,732	
	Personnel Expenses-Uniforms, Training, Travel	28,861	28,859	29,453	
	Vehicle Expense-Fuel, Maintenance	41,195	41,195	41,477	
	Facilities Expense	42,420	42,595	42,770	
	Equipment Maintenance-Radio, Computer	39,520	39,518	37,034	Copier exp transferred to IS&T
	Telephone	14,750	14,750	9,417	Phone exp transferred to IS&T
	Other Operating Expense	10,100	10,100	10,100	
		1,491,780	1,621,678	1,654,908	
	Debt Service	211,273	207,580	203,000	
	Pension & Benefits	398,530	434,919	448,077	
		<b>2,101,583</b>	<b>2,264,177</b>	<b>2,305,977</b>	
212	<b>TRAFFIC &amp; PARKING</b>				
	Sergeant Stipend	6,433	7,800	7,956	
	Parking Meter Attendants	11,545	11,545	11,775	
	Personnel Expenses per Contract-Transportation	16,626	24,625	24,866	
	Operating Expense	8,981	16,578	8,996	
		43,586	60,548	53,593	
	Pension & Benefits	261	281	286	
		<b>43,846</b>	<b>60,829</b>	<b>53,879</b>	
215	<b>LIFEGUARDS</b>				
	Lifeguards (Seasonal)	21,204	45,504	46,414	
	Operating Expense	7,918	7,918	7,918	
		29,122	53,422	54,332	
	Pension & Benefits	307	660	673	
		<b>29,430</b>	<b>54,082</b>	<b>55,005</b>	
220	<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>				
	Fire Inspector/Chief	18,917	18,917	21,720	
	Firefighter Stipends (AOC)	116,521	116,525	118,855	
	PT, Seasonal & Special Labor	5,744	5,814	5,930	
	Personnel Expense-Training	13,504	17,004	17,303	
	Vehicle Expense-Fuel, Maintenance, Equipment	21,068	22,065	22,285	
	Facilities Expense-Heating, Electrical	33,580	33,580	45,648	
	Other Operating Expense	6,504	6,503	5,721	Phone exp transferred to IS&T
		215,839	220,408	237,462	
	Debt Service	128,660	131,700	131,184	
	Pension & Benefits	19,108	20,272	19,316	
		<b>363,607</b>	<b>372,380</b>	<b>387,962</b>	
225	<b>FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>				
	Forest Fire Warden Stipend	3,062	3,154	3,217	
	Deputy Stipends	4,333	4,350	4,437	
	Firefighter Stipends	16,769	17,030	17,371	
	Labor, Part Time	1,212	1,210	1,234	
	Operating Expense	3,115	3,109	404	Internet exp transferred to IS&T
		28,491	28,853	26,663	
	Pension & Benefits	368	373	381	
		<b>28,859</b>	<b>29,226</b>	<b>27,044</b>	

ARTICLE 5: TABLE OF ESTIMATES					
Dept #	Department/Description	FY13	FY14 Appropriated	FY15 FinCom Recommendation	Comments
231	AMBULANCE				
	Department Head	8,223	8,223	8,387	
	Direct Labor (Stipend)	78,220	79,920	81,518	
	PT Labor & EMT per call Wages	28,027	28,024	28,585	
	Personnel Expense-Training, Dues	9,090	9,090	9,181	
	Vehicle Expense-Maintenance, Fuel	6,409	7,409	7,483	
	Outside Services-Billing, Medical	21,715	21,715	21,932	
	Other Operating Expense	11,156	10,155	9,246	Phone/internet exp to IS&T
		162,840	164,536	166,332	
	Pension & Benefits	1,669	1,684	1,718	
		<b>164,509</b>	<b>166,221</b>	<b>168,050</b>	
241	INSPECTION SERVICES				
	Building Inspector Salary	65,445	67,880	69,238	
	Part-time Labor	42,964	43,121	43,380	
	Operating Expense	6,584	6,950	6,745	Phone exp transferred to IS&T
		114,992	117,951	119,363	
	Pension & Benefits	51,048	56,923	57,257	
		<b>166,040</b>	<b>174,874</b>	<b>176,620</b>	
249	ANIMAL INSPECTOR				
	Animal Inspector Stipend (APT)	1,672	1,748	1,783	
	Operating Expense	230	230	130	
		1,902	1,978	1,913	
	Pension & Benefits	24	25	26	
		<b>1,926</b>	<b>2,003</b>	<b>1,939</b>	
291	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT				
	Director's / Deputy's Stipends	4,250	4,378	4,465	
	Operating Expense	750	750	-	
		5,000	5,128	4,465	
	Pension & Benefits	62	63	65	
		<b>5,062</b>	<b>5,191</b>	<b>4,530</b>	
292	DOG CONTROL				
	Dog Officer Salary (APT)	8,883	8,158	8,321	
	Assistant Animal Control Officer	3,602	3,765	3,840	
	Operating Expense	4,486	4,485	3,980	Phone exp transferred to IS&T
		16,971	16,408	16,141	
	Pension & Benefits	181	173	176	
		<b>17,152</b>	<b>16,581</b>	<b>16,317</b>	
293	PARKING CLERK				
	Hearing Officer Stipend	1,225	1,237	1,288	
	Parking Clerk	15,022	15,172	17,424	
	Operating Expense	3,331	3,358	2,773	Phone exp transferred to IS&T
	Admin&Collection Services	24,130	24,130	24,371	
		43,708	43,897	45,856	
	Pension & Benefits	236	238	271	
		<b>43,943</b>	<b>44,135</b>	<b>46,127</b>	
295	HARBORMASTERS/SHELLFISH				
	Harbormasters	42,594	43,230	44,095	
	Assistant Harbormasters	3,665	3,830	3,907	
	Asst Shellfish Officer & Warden	3,371	3,531	3,602	
	Seasonal, Part-Time	17,191	11,972	12,211	
	Equipment Maintenance-Radios	6,767	7,441	7,515	
	Boat Maintenance	9,230	10,153	10,256	
	Float, Ramp Repair/Replacement	27,977	28,954	29,244	
	Office & Other Operating Expense	11,477	15,610	15,380	
		122,272	124,721	126,210	
	Debt Service	-	-	3,785	
	Pension & Benefits	30,592	32,428	31,855	
		<b>152,864</b>	<b>157,149</b>	<b>161,850</b>	

ARTICLE 5: TABLE OF ESTIMATES					
Dept #	Department/Description	FY13	FY14 Appropriated	FY15 FinCom Recommendation	Comments
297	HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE	515	515	515	
	<b>PUBLIC SAFETY SUMMARY</b>				
	Salaries, Wages & Stipends	1,845,029	2,000,700	2,055,602	
	Operating Expense	431,989	459,343	452,143	
	ATM Authorization	2,277,018	2,460,043	2,507,745	
	Debt Service (Incl in 700)	339,933	339,280	337,969	
	Pensions & Benefits (Incl in 900)	502,385	548,040	560,102	
	<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>3,119,335</b>	<b>3,347,363</b>	<b>3,405,816</b>	
400	DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS				
	ADMINISTRATION				
	Salaries, Wages & Stipends	196,345	240,090	244,692	
	Office Expenses	35,949	34,691	21,869	Phone/copier transferred to IS&T
	Pension & Benefits	232,294	274,782	266,561	
		63,175	71,258	78,568	
		<b>295,470</b>	<b>346,040</b>	<b>345,129</b>	
	PUBLIC PROPERTY (incl parks & seasonal)				
	Wages, Regular & OT	306,733	330,460	336,713	
	Operating Expense	276,517	290,008	195,067	
	Pension & Benefits	583,250	620,468	531,780	
		140,041	149,280	151,393	
		<b>723,292</b>	<b>769,748</b>	<b>683,173</b>	
	HIGHWAY, GENERAL (incl gar, water, wastewater, OT)				
	Wages, Regular	243,827	254,821	259,918	
	Wages, OT	36,928	13,482	14,342	
	Highway Expense	222,205	226,495	228,761	
	Garage Expense	74,531	73,357	73,479	
	Pension & Benefits	577,490	568,155	576,500	
		103,265	110,348	113,285	
		<b>680,756</b>	<b>678,504</b>	<b>689,785</b>	
	HIGHWAY, SNOW & ICE				
	Wages, Regular	35,803	37,191	37,934	
	Wages, OT	38,692	39,272	40,058	
	Operating Expense	39,986	40,388	40,388	
	Pension & Benefits	114,481	116,851	118,380	
		11,193	14,505	15,114	
		<b>125,675</b>	<b>131,356</b>	<b>133,494</b>	
	TRANSFER STATION				
	Wages, Regular & OT	100,139	110,733	112,773	
	Operating Expense, mostly haulage	282,954	285,322	286,664	
	Pension & Benefits	383,093	396,055	399,437	
		32,926	35,121	36,060	
		<b>416,019</b>	<b>431,176</b>	<b>435,497</b>	
	CEMETERY				
	Wages, Regular & OT	106,479	113,367	115,574	
	Operating Expense	8,928	9,320	9,415	
	Pension & Benefits	115,407	122,687	124,989	
		52,831	56,339	57,039	
		<b>168,238</b>	<b>179,026</b>	<b>182,028</b>	
	<b>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SUMMARY</b>				
	Salaries, Wages & Stipends	1,064,947	1,139,416	1,162,004	
	Operating Expense	941,070	959,582	855,643	
	ATM Authorization	2,006,017	2,098,998	2,017,647	
	Debt Service (Incl in 700)	716,173	494,444	572,127	
	Pensions & Benefits (Incl in 900)	403,432	436,851	451,459	
	<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS</b>	<b>3,125,622</b>	<b>3,030,293</b>	<b>3,041,233</b>	

ARTICLE 5: TABLE OF ESTIMATES					
Dept #	Department/Description	FY13	FY14 Appropriated	FY15 FinCom Recommendation	Comments
<b>500</b>	<b>HEALTH AND WELFARE</b>				
510	BOARD OF HEALTH				
	Board Members Stipends			546	
	Sanitary Inspector	33,358	33,860	34,535	
	PT Admin Asst	15,292	15,525	15,836	
	Seasonal Labor - Beach Testing	1,254	1,275	1,298	
	PT Public Health Nurse	5,790	6,420	5,591	
	Operating Expense	25,350	26,700	22,050	Phone exp transferred to IS&T
		81,044	83,780	79,856	
	Pension & Benefits	21,757	23,620	24,025	
		<b>102,802</b>	<b>107,400</b>	<b>103,881</b>	
541	COUNCIL ON AGING				
	Director	41,176	41,175	41,998	
	Clerical Part Time	-	2,400	2,448	
	Operating Expense	15,176	14,641	13,487	Phone exp transferred to IS&T
		56,352	58,216	57,933	
	Pension & Benefits	26,967	28,526	28,381	
		<b>83,319</b>	<b>86,742</b>	<b>86,314</b>	
543	VETERANS SERVICES				
	Veterans Agent Stipend	3,117	3,165	3,228	
	Operating Expense	520	520	520	
	Veterans Allowances	60,000	60,000	60,000	
		63,637	63,685	63,748	
	Pension & Benefits	45	46	47	
		<b>63,682</b>	<b>63,731</b>	<b>63,795</b>	
	<b>HEALTH AND WELFARE SUMMARY</b>				
	Salaries, Wages & Stipends	99,987	103,820	105,480	
	Operating Expense	101,046	101,861	96,057	
	ATM Authorization	201,033	205,681	201,537	
	Pensions & Benefits (Incl in 900)	48,770	52,191	52,454	
	<b>TOTAL HEALTH AND WELFARE</b>	<b>249,803</b>	<b>257,872</b>	<b>253,991</b>	
<b>600</b>	<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>				
610	LIBRARY				
	Department Head	69,532	70,575	71,987	
	Other Direct Labor	252,663	264,237	265,343	
	Operating Expense	4,217	4,213	4,253	
	Energy	28,230	28,230	28,512	
	Library Materials (19%)	94,000	96,764	98,055	
	Contractual	43,200	43,953	46,096	
		491,843	507,972	514,246	
	Debt Service	-	-	1,860	
	Pension & Benefits	138,342	147,432	148,286	
		<b>630,185</b>	<b>655,404</b>	<b>664,392</b>	
630	RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE				
	Recreation Director (incl seasonal labor)	26,997	27,000	27,540	
	Clerical Part-time	12,960	12,960	13,219	
	Operating Expense	6,699	4,370	10,060	
		46,656	44,330	50,819	
	Pension & Benefits	391	392	399	
		<b>47,048</b>	<b>44,722</b>	<b>51,218</b>	
635	GRANITE PIER				
	Seasonal Labor	12,569	12,755	12,755	
	Operating Expense	8,989	8,989	8,989	
		21,558	21,744	21,744	
	Pension & Benefits	182	185	185	
		<b>21,740</b>	<b>21,929</b>	<b>21,929</b>	

ARTICLE 5: TABLE OF ESTIMATES					
Dept #	Department/Description	FY13	FY14 Appropriated	FY15 FinCom Recommendation	Comments
638	THACHER & STRAIGHTSMOUTH ISLAND				
	Direct Labor	5,150	5,150	9,200	
	Fuel	6,000	6,000	6,000	
	Other Operating Expense	4,550	4,550	4,550	
		15,700	15,700	19,750	
	Pension & Benefits	75	75	133	
		15,775	15,775	19,883	
692	MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE	2,609	2,608	2,608	
	CULTURE and RECREATION SUMMARY				
	Labor	379,872	392,677	400,044	
	Operating Expense	198,494	199,677	209,123	
	ATM Authorization	578,366	592,354	609,167	
	Debt Service	-	-	1,860	
	Pensions & Benefits (Incl in 900)	138,991	148,083	149,004	
	TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATIONAL	717,357	740,437	760,031	
700	DEBT AND INTEREST				
	Maturing Debt Principal	1,234,000	894,000	889,000	
	Maturing Debt Interest	242,093	248,593	274,272	
	Temporary Debt Principal	-	-	188,696	5-Year Computer Plan
	Temporary Debt Interest	1,728	24,110	11,803	
	TOTAL DEBT AND INTEREST	1,477,821	1,166,703	1,363,771	
900	OTHER				
911	RETIREMENT FUND, ESSEX REGIONAL	1,067,646	1,198,469	1,376,414	
912	NON-CONTRIBUTORY PENSION	9,572	-	-	
913	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	25,000	50,000	50,500	
914	GROUP INSURANCE				
	Health	3,773,640	3,839,678	3,812,910	
	Life	11,639	11,639	12,803	
		3,785,279	3,851,317	3,825,712	
916	FICA/MEDICARE	187,875	225,001	232,033	
917	SICK LEAVE / BUY-BACK	57,538	87,720	89,474	Reduced to guideline
940	INSURANCE EXPENSE	370,255	382,765	418,411	
943	FUND TRANSFER TO STABILIZATION FUND	86,081	-	-	
	TOTAL OTHER	5,589,245	5,795,272	5,992,545	
	ARTICLE 5 TOWN DEPARTMENT SUMMARY				
	Salaries, Wages & Stipends	4,436,411	4,784,066	4,894,979	
	Pension & Benefits (Incl in 900)	2,828,390	3,032,874	3,191,933	
	Operating Expenses	3,210,871	3,231,045	3,150,117	
	Debt Service (Incl in 700)	1,203,746	998,128	1,147,887	
	TOTAL ARTICLE 5 BEFORE SCHOOLS	11,679,418	12,046,113	12,384,916	
	PUBLIC EDUCATION - TOWN CONTRIBUTION				
300	Base Funding from Town - ATM APPROPRIATION	9,780,672	10,232,038	10,727,560	
	One time SPED Contribution	-	253,000	-	
	Pensions & Benefits (Incl in 900)	2,304,519	2,379,633	2,382,201	
	Debt Service (Incl in 700)	274,075	168,575	215,884	
305	North Shore Vocational Tech-ATM APPROPRIATION	143,838	162,217	178,596	
	TOTAL PUBLIC EDUCATION	12,503,104	13,195,463	13,504,241	
	GRAND TOTAL ARTICLE 5	24,182,522	25,241,576	25,889,157	

Adjusted NS Voc 306,280 Total Public Education 13,631,925 GRAND TOTAL 26,016,841

The Chair entertained a motion to vote on all non-hold items.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote to approve all non-held items.**

Now, let's talk about the hold items. 122 anyone want to discuss 122?

MODERATOR: O.K. the motion by Toby Arsenian is to reduce section 122 selectmen budgeted items by, if you would give us that amount again,

TOBY ARSENIAN: The amount which came from the selectmen's office is \$51,576 and clearly the only solution is to strip the selectmen of the stipends.

**It was moved, seconded and failed by hand vote.**

MODERATOR: So now we move on to section 124 selectmen committees.

TOBY ARSENIAN: 95 Granite Street – Under selectmen committees you have Economic Development Committee expenses at \$31,559. I move to decrease that by \$25,000 which would leave \$6,559.

**It was moved, seconded and failed by hand vote.**

We move on to 131 Finance Committee.

TOBY ARSENIAN: I move a vote of thanks for the Finance Committee, the Capital Improvement Planning Committee, the Town Administrator and the Board of Selectmen for all of their long hard work in preparing the budget. (Applause)

We move on to 147 Treasurer/Collector. No discussion.

We move on 161 Town Clerk. Is there a motion?

PAT BROWN: 3 Jerden's Lane – I move that the town amend the amount set forth and recommended by the Finance Committee column, item 161 Town Clerk for warrant Article 5 as follows: Town Clerk from \$61,200 to \$65,000 for a total Town Clerk budget of \$116,317.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

Now we move on to section 400 on page 48. Department of Public Works, administration. Is there a motion? Alrighty then. We move on to section 510 Board of Health. Is there a motion?

TOBY ARSENIAN I move we eliminate the line item \$546. for board members stipends and adjust the total accordingly.

**It was moved, seconded and failed by hand vote.**

We now go ahead to Item 914 group insurance. Is there a motion there? No motion.

O.K. we voted on all of the hold items so now we have to have a motion which is on page 43 but we need to give the Finance Committee some time I guess to...

LINDA SANDERS: Mr. Moderator, I move to approve the held numbers.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

LINDA SANDERS: O.K. Mr. Moderator I move that the town appropriate the sum of \$26,020,641. under the FY15 or as adjusted under the FY15 Fin Com recommendation in the Table of Estimates under Article 5 as printed in the town meeting voter's booklet on page 44 thru 50 all for the fiscal year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 inclusive and as funding therefore raise \$24,534,520 and transfer the following sums from the designated accounts as printed in the voter booklet.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

We move on to Article 5A.

ARTICLE 5A: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, sums of money for any and all Town expenses and purposes including, without limiting the foregoing, debt and interest, out-of-state travel, wages and salaries, operation of the Town's Water Enterprise and provide for a reserve fund, all for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, inclusive; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Finance Committee*)

LINDA SANDERS: Mr. Moderator – Finance Committee Chairman Wally Hess moves that the Town appropriate from Water enterprise fund revenues the sum of \$1,649,200 for all items under FY15 FinCom Recommendation column on the Table of Estimates under Article 5A, Water Enterprise for the operation of the Town's Water Enterprise on page 51 of the Town Meeting Voters Booklet, and provide for a reserve fund if necessary, all for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, inclusive.

ARTICLE 5A: TABLE OF ESTIMATES				
	FY13	FY14 Appropriated	FY15 FinCom Recommendation	Comments
<b>WATER ENTERPRISE</b>				
Administration	66,457	67,454	68,803	
Direct Labor	456,563	467,985	477,345	
Overtime	18,047	18,318	17,664	
Fuel, Light and Power	161,278	171,890	173,609	
Operating Expense	171,471	194,486	190,722	IS&T
Clothing Expense	3,400	3,434	3,468	
Reserve Fund	50,000	50,000	50,000	
Debt Service	158,402	162,857	231,529	
Shared Employees Wages, P&B	152,525	152,525	152,525	
Direct Pensions & Benefits	225,743	240,790	250,335	
Bldg/Liability Insurance	33,200	33,200	33,200	
Transfer to Sewer	1,501			
<b>ARTICLE 5A SUMMARY</b>				
Labor	541,068	553,757	563,812	
Energy	161,278	171,890	173,609	
Operating Expense	224,871	247,920	244,190	
Debt Service	158,402	162,857	231,529	
Reimbursement for Services Authorized in the General Fund	412,969	426,515	436,060	
<b>TOTAL ARTICLE 5A</b>	<b>1,498,587</b>	<b>1,562,939</b>	<b>1,649,200</b>	

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

We move on to 5B on page 52.

ARTICLE 5B: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, sums of money for any and all Town expenses and purposes including, without limiting the foregoing, debt and interest, out-of-state travel, wages and salaries, operation of the Town's Sewer Enterprise and provide for a reserve fund, all for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, inclusive; or act on anything relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

LINDA SANDERS: Mr. Moderator – Finance Committee Chairman Wally Hess moves that the town appropriate from sewer enterprise fund revenues the sum of \$1,801,596 for all items under the FY15 FinCom Recommendation column on the Table of Estimates under Article 5B, Sewer Enterprise for the operation of the town's Sewer Enterprise on page 52 of the Town Meeting Voters Booklet, and provide for a reserve fund if necessary, all for the fiscal year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

ARTICLE 5B: TABLE OF ESTIMATES				
	FY13	FY14 Appropriated	FY15 FinCom Recommendation	Comments
<b>SEWER ENTERPRISE</b>				
Administration	72,457	70,499	71,909	
Direct Labor	435,511	446,723	455,659	
Overtime	16,918	17,171	16,495	
Fuel, Light and Power	230,060	232,360	234,684	
Operating Expense	239,799	241,507	245,878	Phone exp transferred to IS&T; Increased Gloucester chgs for extended lease
Reserve Fund	271,510	50,000	50,000	
Retained Earnings Deficit Reduction	37,083	37,083	37,083	
Debt Service	469,689	459,539	298,617	
Shared Employees	114,576	114,576	114,576	
Pensions & Benefits	210,375	224,673	251,995	
Bldg/Liability Insurance	27,700	27,700	27,700	
<b>ARTICLE 5B SUMMARY</b>				
Labor	524,886	534,394	544,063	
Energy	230,060	232,360	234,684	
Operating Expense	548,392	528,590	532,961	
Debt Service	469,689	459,539	298,617	
Reimbursement for Services Authorized in the General Fund	349,651	363,949	391,271	
<b>TOTAL ARTICLE 5B</b>	<b>2,122,678</b>	<b>1,918,832</b>	<b>1,801,596</b>	

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

We move on to Article 6.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for Capital Outlay Items, such sums of money as set forth in the schedule prepared by the Finance Committee, or any other sum or sums, a copy of which schedule is on file in the Town Clerk's Office, and which is incorporated herein by reference, and determine whether such sums will be raised by fees, taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing; or act on anything relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

**ARTICLE 6**

**FY2015 CAPITAL OUTLAY**

Section A – General Fund	Description	Requested	Number 1	Number 2	Number 1	
			Paid From	Paid From	Paid From	
			Free Cash	Borrowing	Other Funding	
General Government	Voting Machines	\$ 28,000	\$ 28,000			
	Long Beach Survey	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000			
Information Systems & Technologies	School Network Upgrades	\$ 153,000		\$ 60,020	\$ 92,980	WAN Netwk Fnd
	School Intercom & Clocks	\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000		
Police	Cruiser Replacement	\$ 40,660			\$ 40,660	Pkg Mtr Fund
	Parking Meter Upgrades	\$ 49,000			\$ 49,000	Pkg Mtr Fund
					\$ 89,660	
Schools	School Pickup Truck	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000			
	Carpet Replacement	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000			
	Kitchen Equipment	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000			
	Bathroom Upgrades	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000			
Public Works	General Road Improvements	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000			
	Hwy Drain Pipes & Equip	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000			
	Fuel Monitoring Equipment	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000			
	GPS – GF Portion (33 1/3 %)	\$ 5,400	\$ 5,400			
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$596,060</b>	<b>\$ 253,400</b>	<b>\$ 160,020</b>	<b>\$ 89,660</b>	<b>\$ 92,980</b>
		<b>\$408,040</b>	<b>\$ 225,400</b>			

LINDA SANDERS FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER BILL WAGNER: I move that the Town appropriate \$580,040 for the items printed in the FY2015 Capital Outlay list on page 54 of the Town Meeting Voters Booklet under Article 6, Section A – General Fund as items under number 1 and to meet this appropriation, \$253,400 shall be transferred from Free Cash, \$89,660 shall be transferred from Parking Meter Reserve, \$92,980 shall be transferred from the Wide Area Network account and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out these projects and purchases.

Moved and seconded

LINDA SANDERS: Mr. Moderator, we have found a miscalculation in the original motion. May I repeat the motion or (Moderator: You may, please)

FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER BILL WAGNER: I move that the Town appropriate \$436,040 for the items printed in the FY2015 Capital Outlay list on page 54 of the Town Meeting Voters Booklet under Article 6, Section A – General Fund as items under number 1 and to meet this appropriation, \$253,400 shall be transferred from Free Cash, \$89,660 shall be transferred from Parking Meter Reserve, \$92,980 shall be transferred from the Wide Area Network account and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out these projects.

BILL WAGNER: Member of the Finance Committee – The discrepancy came about just in the wording of the motion, the table shows a total of \$596,060 and subtracting out the \$160,020 gives you the \$436,040 so the total Capital is \$596,060 comprised of \$436,040 and \$160,020. I think there were some modifications made in our deliberations that resulted in this higher figure at an earlier point.

TOBY ARSENIAN: I move we delete the line item voting machines at a cost of \$28,000.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

TOBY ARSENIAN: I move we delete the line item Parking Meter Upgrades at a charge of \$49,000 and adjust the total accordingly.

**The amendment was moved, seconded and failed by hand vote.**

LINDA SANDERS: The new number in the motion is \$408,000 that's with the voting machines out and the free cash is \$225,400 from free cash.

It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.

LINDA SANDERS: Mr. Moderator, Ms. Town Clerk we didn't vote on the borrowing of this article yet. The second part of this motion.

LINDA SANDERS: Finance Committee member Bill Wagner moves that the town appropriate \$160,020 for the items printed in the FY2015 Capital Outlay list on page 54 of the Town Meeting Voter's Booklet under Article 6 Section A General Fund as items under Number 2 and to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow the sum of \$160,020 pursuant to GL Chapter 44 section 7 or 8 or any other enabling authority and issue bonds and notes therefore and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out these purchases.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by a hand vote of more than two-thirds.**

Now we go onto Article 6A.

**ARTICLE 6A**

Section B – Water Enterprise Fund

**FY2015 CAPITAL OUTLAY**

Paid From Paid From From

Transfers:

Description	Requested	Free Cash	Borrowing	Amount
25 Pigeon Hill Water Tank Additional Funds	\$150,000		\$150,000	
Water Meter Replacements	\$ 11,700	\$ 11,700		
Water Main Replacement	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000		
Rapid Sand Filter & Sed Basin Rehab	\$ 10,000			\$ 10,000 Water Ops
Flat Ledge Quarry Pumping Improvements	\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000	
GPS – Water Portion (33 1/3 %)	\$ 5,400	\$ 5,400		
<b>TOTAL WATER ENTERPRISE</b>	<b>\$277,100</b>	<b>\$ 67,100</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>	<b>\$ 10,000</b>

ARTICLE 6A: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for Capital Outlay Items for the Water Enterprise, sums of money as set forth in the schedule prepared by the Finance Committee, or any other sum or sums, a copy of which schedule is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and which is incorporated herein by reference, and determine whether such sums will be raised by fees, taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing; or act on anything relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

LINDA SANDERS FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER BILL WAGNER: I move that the Town appropriate \$11,700 for Water Meter Replacements, \$50,000 for Water Main Replacement, \$10,000 for Rapid Sand Filter & Sediment Basin Rehab, and \$5,400 for the Water Enterprise Fund portion of the DPW GPS for the following items in the column marked "Requested" under Article 6A, Section B – Water Enterprise Fund, on page 55 in the Town Meeting Voters Booklet, and to meet this appropriation \$67,100 shall be transferred from Water Surplus and \$10,000 shall be funded from the Water Enterprise Fund Operations, and that the Board of Selectmen and the DPW Commissioners are authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out these projects and purchases.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

There was a second motion under 6A.

LINDA SANDERS FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER BILL WAGNER: I move that the Town appropriate \$150,000 for Pigeon Hill Water Tank Additional Funds and \$50,000 for Flat Ledge Quarry Pumping Improvements as listed under 6A, Section B, Water Enterprise Fund, on page 55 in the Town Meeting Voters Booklet and to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$200,000 for such purposes under G.L. Ch. 44, §§7 or 8 or any other enabling authority and issue bonds and notes therefore, with the intent that, while such bonds and notes shall be general obligations of the Town, the payment of the debt service on such borrowing be made from the Water Enterprise fund; and that the Board of Selectmen and the DPW Commissioners are authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out this project.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by a hand vote of more than two-thirds.**

**ARTICLE 6B FY2015 CAPITAL OUTLAY**

Section C – Sewer Enterprise Fund			Paid From	Paid From
	Description	Requested	Free Cash	Borrowing
26	Fine Bubble System Repairs	\$100,000	\$100,000	
	Grit Pumps & Detritor Mechanism	\$380,000	\$190,000	\$190,000
	Water Meter Replacements	\$ 11,700	\$ 11,700	
	GPS – Sewer Portion (33 1/3 %)	\$ 5,400	\$ 5,400	
	<b>TOTAL SEWER ENTERPRISE</b>	<b>\$ 497,100</b>	<b>\$ 307,100</b>	<b>\$ 190,000</b>

ARTICLE 6B: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for Capital Outlay Items for the Sewer Enterprise, sums of money as set forth in the schedule prepared by the Finance Committee, or any other sum or sums, a copy of which schedule is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and which is incorporated herein by reference, and determine whether such sums will be raised by fees, taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing; or act on anything relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

LINDA SANDERS FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE BILL WAGNER: I move that the Town appropriate \$307,100 for the items under Article 6B as printed on page 56 of the Town Meeting Voters Booklet and to meet this appropriation, \$307,100 shall be transferred from Sewer Surplus, and that the Board of Selectmen and the DPW Commissioners are authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out this project.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

LINDA SANDERS FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE BILL WAGNER: I move that the Town appropriate \$190,000 for the Grit Pumps & Detritor Mechanism as listed marked "Requested" under Article 6B, Sewer Enterprise Fund, on page 56 in the Town Meeting Voters Booklet and to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$190,000 for such purposes under G.L. Ch. 44, §§7 or 8 or any other enabling authority and issue bonds and notes therefor, with the intent that, while such bonds and notes shall be general obligations of the Town, the payment of the debt service on such borrowing be made from the Sewer Enterprise fund; and that the Board of Selectmen and the DPW Commissioners are authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out this project.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote of more than two-thirds.**

The remaining Articles were drawn by lottery.

ARTICLE N: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, the fee to or any lesser interest, including, without limitation, a lease with a term of thirty (30) years, in the below described parcel of land located on Straitsmouth Island and shown on Assessors Map 29 as Lots 1 and 2, off the coast of Rockport, Essex County, Massachusetts and/or the improvements thereon, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into said thirty (30) year lease agreement for a nominal fee for occupation of the two historic structures on Straitsmouth Island known as the Keeper's House and the Oil House and the land thereunder and other property rights appurtenant thereto as to provide access to said structures, and to execute such other documents and take such other action as it deems to be in the best interest of the Town for the purpose of preserving, maintaining, and accessing said historic and the separate lighthouse parcel on said island owned by the Town of Rockport; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Thacher & Straitsmouth Islands Committee*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR THACHER AND STRAITSMOUTH ISLAND COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN SYDNEY WEDMORE: I move that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease from the Massachusetts Audubon Society a parcel of land or any portion thereof and the improvements thereon located on Straitsmouth Island and shown on Assessors Map 29 as Lot 2 for a 30 year lease and for such a fees, including a nominal fee, as the Board of Selectmen deems to be appropriate, and to execute such other documents and take such other action as it deems to be in the best interest of the Town for the purpose of Article N as printed in the warrant and found on page 63 in the Town Meeting Voter's Booklet.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

ARTICLE O: To see if the Town will vote to amend its vote taken under Article F, fifth, of the September 9, 2013 Fall Town Meeting, appropriating Community Preservation Act funds in the amount of \$25,000 as a grant to the Thacher Island Association for the restoration and preservation of the Straitsmouth Island Lighthouse, to further provide that such funds may be used for the restoration, rehabilitation and preservation of the other two historic structures on Straitsmouth Island, known as the Straitsmouth Island Keeper's House and the Oil House, including all costs incidental and related thereto; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Community Preservation Committee*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE CHAIR RUTH GEORGE: I move that the Town amend its vote taken under Article F, fifth, of the September 9, 2013 Fall Town Meeting, appropriating Community Preservation Act funds in the amount of \$25,000 as a grant to the Thacher Island Association for the restoration and preservation of the Straitsmouth Island Lighthouse, to further provide that such funds may be used for the restoration, rehabilitation and preservation of the other two historic structures on Straitsmouth Island, known as the Straitsmouth Island Keeper's House and the Oil House, including all incidental costs related thereto.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

ARTICLE F: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$75,000 to pay for state mandated real and personal property revaluations; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Assessors*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR ASSISTANT ASSESSOR DIANE LASHUA: I move that the Town appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$75,000 to a Property Valuations Fund for the purposes of Article F as printed in the warrant.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

ARTICLE A: To see if the Town will vote to expend a sum of money allocated to the Town under the provisions of Section 34(2)(a) of M.G.L. c.90, so-called "Chapter 90 monies"; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR DPW COMMISSIONER BRUCE REED: I move that the Town expend the sum of \$192,749 or such other sum as is made available to the Town under the provisions of §34(2)(a) of G.L. Ch. 90.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

ARTICLE B: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate and transfer from available funds \$3,000 or any other sum, for Action, Inc.; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR ROGER LESCH: I move that the Town appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen to fund a grant to Action, Inc., 180 Main Street, Gloucester, MA.

Moved and seconded.

TOBY ARSENIAN: I moved we add \$1,000 to the appropriation for Action Inc. and designate that \$1,000 for the operation of the Homeless Shelter.

**The amendment was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

**The amended motion totaling \$4,000 for Action was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

ARTICLE C: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate and transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000 or any other sum, for Healing Abuse Working for Change (HAWC); or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HAWK: I move that the Town appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen to fund a grant to HAWC, 27 Congress Street, Salem, Massachusetts.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

ARTICLE D: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate and transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000 or any other sum, for SeniorCare, Inc.; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEMBER ELIZA LUCAS: I move that the Town appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen to fund a grant to SeniorCare, Inc., 5 Blackburn Center, Gloucester, Mass.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

ARTICLE E To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate and transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000 or any other sum, for The Open Door or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEMBER MINA SHEEDY: I move that the Town appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen to fund a grant to The Open Door., 28 Emerson Avenue, Gloucester, MA.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

ARTICLE R: To see if the Town will vote to retain 'SWAPSHOP' and 'BOOKBARN' facilities items for personal use for Rockport residents, and re-open the 'METAL PILE' to residents seeking items for personal use; or act on anything relative thereto. (*By Petition*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR SIGNER OF CITIZENS PETITION TED TARR: I move that the Town retain the "Swap Shop" and "Book Barn" facilities' items for personal use for Rockport residents and re-open the "Metal Pile" to residents seeking items for personal use.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

ARTICLE Q. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section VIII of the Zoning By-Laws, "Coastal Flood Plain", by deleting the first paragraph of Section VIII Coastal Flood Plain District, Section B.1 and inserting in place thereof with the following:

"The Coastal Flood Plain District is herein established as an overlay district. The District includes all special flood hazard areas within the Town of Rockport designated as Zone AE, AO, or VE on the Essex County Flood Insurance Rate Map ("FIRM" or "Map") issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program. The map panels of the Essex County FIRM that are wholly or partially within the Town of Rockport are panel numbers 25009C0309G,

25009C0317G, 25009C0319G, 25009C0328G, 25009C0336G, 25009C0337G, 25009C0338G, 25009C0339G, 25009C0476G and 25009C0500G dated July 16, 2014. The exact boundaries of the District are defined by the 100-year base flood elevations shown on the FIRM and further defined by the Essex County Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report dated July 16, 2014. The FIRM and Flood Insurance Study report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the Town Clerk, Planning Board, Building Inspector and Conservation Commission.”

; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Planning Board*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN HANK BETTS: I move that the Town amend Section VIII of the Zoning By-Laws, “Coastal Flood Plain” as described in Article Q and printed in the warrant and found on page 66 of the Town Meeting Voter’s Booklet.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by a hand vote of more than two-thirds.**

ARTICLE K: To see if the Town will vote in accordance with the provisions of Section 5B of G.L. c.40 to create a special purpose stabilization fund for use by the School Committee for special education-related expenses, and for such purposes, to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from available funds sums of money into said special purpose stabilization fund; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN CHAIR ERIN BATTISTELLI: I move that the Town create a special purpose stabilization fund for use by the School Committee for special education-related expenses and for such purposes to appropriate and transfer from the following accounts those amounts as listed below and totaling \$200,000:

Miscellaneous Contributions	\$ 172.67
High School Conference Build Fund	\$ 7,133.51
Elementary Maps	\$ 2,781.97
School Health Index	\$ 304.52
Middle School Music Fund	\$ 751.77
Shlopak Technical Fund	\$ 460.00
Tower Fund Unexpended Balance	\$ 26,271.95
2004 Technology Fund	\$ 190.02
2009 Foundation Reserve	\$ 9,000.00
Free Cash	\$152,933.59

**It was moved, seconded and carried by a hand vote of more than two-thirds.**

ARTICLE L: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate additional sums of money for any or all Rockport Public School expenses and purposes, including, without limiting the foregoing, debt and interest, out-of-state travel, wages and salaries, operation of the Schools’ departments and offices, and provide for a reserve fund, all for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, provided, however, that all additional appropriations authorized under this article be contingent upon voters’ approval of a so-called Proposition 2½ override exclusion, as provided in G.L. Chapter 59, Section 21C; or act on anything relative thereto. (*School Committee*)

**There was no motion for Article L.**

ARTICLE J: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$120,000 to the Capital Technology account to pay for computers, networks, communications, and other technology tools and devices; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Information Systems and Technologies*)

**There was no motion for Article J.**

ARTICLE S: To see if the Town will hear, receive and act upon the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Town Water Supply appointed pursuant to the vote of the 1980 Annual Town Meeting under Warrant Article 6 and extended by votes of successive Annual Town Meetings through and including the 2013 Annual Town Meeting under Warrant Article W, and extend the term of the Committee; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Moderator*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEMBER SARAH WILKINSON: I move that the Town hear, receive and act upon the report of the Ad Hoc Water Committee on Town Water Supply appointed pursuant to vote of the 1980 Annual Town Meeting under Warrant Article 6 and extended by votes of successive Annual Town Meetings through and including the 2013 Annual Town Meeting under Warrant Article W, and extend the term of the Committee.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

ARTICLE T: To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of its officers, boards, departments, committees and commissions, as printed in the 2013 Annual Town Report or as otherwise submitted to Town Meeting; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Moderator*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEMBER PAUL MURPHY: I move that the Town accepts the reports of its officers, boards, departments, committees and commissions, as printed in the 2013 Annual Town Report or as otherwise submitted to Town Meeting.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

ARTICLE P: To see if the Town will vote to transfer care, custody and control of the parcels listed below from the tax custodian for the purpose of sale at public auction to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes for the purpose of conveyance, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or otherwise dispose of said properties on such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate and to execute such documents and take such other action as may be needed to effectuate the purposes of this vote; said properties being identified as follows:

Address of 33 Atlantic Avenue as shown on Assessors Map 22, Lot 140

Address of 59 High Street as shown on Assessors Map 18, Lot 26

Address of 8 Marmion Way as shown on Assessors Map 26, Lot 109

; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*)

MODERATOR: We're going to divide that so that each one of these addresses is addressed separately when we vote them but we can talk about them all at once.

LINDA SANDERS FOR BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEMBER MINA SHEEDY: I move that the Town transfer care, custody and control of the three parcels as listed in Article P of the warrant and found on page 66 of the Voters Booklet, from the tax custodian for the purpose of sale at a public action to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes and for the purpose of conveyance and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to convey said parcels, as set forth in Article P as printed in the warrant.

**Moved and seconded.**

MODERATOR: O.K. we're going to move the question on the first two, on 33 Atlantic and then 8 Marmion Way.

So the question is – see if the town will vote to transfer care, custody and control of the parcel, namely 33 Atlantic Avenue from the tax custodian for the purpose of sale at public auction to the Board of Selectmen for the general municipal purposes of conveyance and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or otherwise dispose of that property on terms and conditions as the board deems appropriate and to execute such documents and take other action as may be needed to effectuate the purposes of this vote.

**Thirty-three Atlantic Avenue passed by a hand vote of more than two-thirds.**

**Eight Marmion Way passed by a hand vote of more than two-thirds.**

Any further discussion on 59 High Street?

TOBY ARSENIAN: I move to delete the words “and for conveyance”; delete the words “for the purpose of conveyance”

**The amendment was moved, seconded and failed by hand vote.**

Now we will have a motion as to whether to authorize the town to transfer care, custody and control of that parcel from the tax custodian for the purpose of sale at public auction to the Board of Selectmen for the general municipal purposes of conveyance and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or otherwise dispose of that property on terms and conditions as the board deems appropriate and to execute such documents and take other action as may be needed to effectuate the purposes of this vote; said property being identified as 59 High Street.

**Fifty-nine High Street passed by a hand vote of more than two-thirds.**

ARTICLE H: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from Free Cash a sum of money to the Capital Reserve Stabilization fund to pay for future capital expenditures; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*) (*requires 2/3 vote*)

**There was no motion for Article H.**

ARTICLE I: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from Free Cash a sum money to the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund created under Article N of the April 3, 2010 Annual Town Meeting to cover future benefit obligations to retired employees; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Board of Selectmen)*

LINDA SANDERS FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER DAVID COYNE: I move that the Town appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$107,618 or some other sum to the Other Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund for the purposes of Article I as printed in the warrant.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

The Chair will entertain a motion to dissolve this Annual Town Meeting but first I will thank all of you who have gone through all of this wonderful meeting today, democracy in action and a special thanks to our microphone persons for doing a wonderful job.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote to dissolve the meeting.**

The Annual Town meeting dissolved at 3PM.

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT**  
**WARRANT FOR**  
**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2014**

**ESSEX, SS.** To **John T. McCarthy** or any **CONSTABLE** of the **TOWN OF ROCKPORT, MASSACHUSETTS.**

**GREETINGS:** In the name of the **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS** you are hereby required to **NOTIFY** and **WARN** the **INHABITANTS** of said **TOWN** who are qualified to **VOTE** in **ELECTIONS** to meet in their respective **POLLING PLACES** on **TUESDAY**, the **SIXTH DAY OF MAY, 2014, 7:00 O'CLOCK A.M.** to **8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.** for the following purposes:

**POLLING PLACES:** **PRECINCT ONE**, Pigeon Cove Circle, Breakwater Avenue, North Village.  
**PRECINCT TWO**, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 24 Broadway, South Village.  
**PRECINCT THREE**, High School Auditorium Lobby, 24 Jerden's Lane, South Village.

To bring in their **Votes** to the **Election officers** by **Ballot** for the **ELECTION** of the following **OFFICERS:**

Two Selectmen for three years, One Assessor of Taxes for three years, Two Planning Board members for three years, One Library Trustee for three years, Two School Committee members for three years, One Housing Authority Member for five years, One Town Moderator for three years.

All the above **Officers** will be voted upon **One Ballot**.

The **POLLS** will open at **7:00 O'CLOCK A.M.** and close at **8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.**

And you are directed to serve this **WARRANT** by posting attested copies of the same at each of the **POST OFFICES**, the **TOWN BULLETIN BOARD** and in other **PUBLIC PLACES** in each **VILLAGE** of the **TOWN**, **SEVEN DAYS** at least before the **DAY** of the holding of said **ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this **WARRANT** with your doings thereon, **THREE DAYS** at least before **TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2014**.

Given under our **HANDS** and the **SEAL** of the **TOWN OF ROCKPORT** this **EIGHTH DAY** of **APRIL, 2014, A.D.**



**TOWN OF ROCKPORT**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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**A true copy, ATTEST:**   
**Constable of the Town of Rockport**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Essex, ss.

Rockport, Ma.  
April 10, 2014

I, Philip D. Wesley III, *Constable* of the *Town of Rockport*, have on this date, *April 10, 2014* posted a copy of the *Warrant* for the *Local Election* to be held on *Tuesday*, the *Sixth Day* of *May, 2014*, in the two *Post Offices*, the *Town Bulletin Board*, and in *Seventeen (17)* other *Public Places* throughout the *Town* including three [3] in *Precinct One*, three [3] in *Precinct Two*, and three [3] in *Precinct Three*.

  
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*Constable of the Town of Rockport*

RECEIVED: *April 10, 2014 2:14 PM*  
Town Clerk's Office  
Rockport, MA 01966

*Linda A. Emerson*

Linda A. Emerson  
Assistant Town Clerk

TOWN OF ROCKPORT

LOCAL ELECTION

MAY 6, 2014

	PREC. 1	PREC. 2	PREC. 3	TOTAL
<b>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b>				
VOTE 2				
ERIN M. BATTISTELLI	<u>212</u>	<u>235</u>	<u>350</u>	<u>797</u>
PAUL F. MURPHY	<u>286</u>	<u>309</u>	<u>421</u>	<u>1016</u>
JONATHAN E. RING	<u>184</u>	<u>198</u>	<u>193</u>	<u>575</u>
WRITE-INS	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>14</u>
				<u>0</u>
				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>107</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>364</u>
TOTAL	<u>794</u>	<u>874</u>	<u>1098</u>	<u>2766</u>
<b>ASSESSOR OF TAXES</b>				
VOTE 1				
GEORGE H HOBBS	<u>311</u>	<u>348</u>	<u>462</u>	<u>1121</u>
WRITE-INS			<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
				<u>0</u>
				<u>0</u>
				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>86</u>	<u>89</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>261</u>
TOTAL	<u>397</u>	<u>437</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>1383</u>
<b>PLANNING BOARD</b>				
VOTE 2				
HENRY T. BETTS	<u>254</u>	<u>284</u>	<u>389</u>	<u>927</u>
TERENCE P. DUFFY	<u>286</u>	<u>319</u>	<u>396</u>	<u>1001</u>
WRITE-INS		<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
				<u>0</u>
				<u>0</u>
				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>254</u>	<u>269</u>	<u>312</u>	<u>835</u>
TOTAL	<u>794</u>	<u>874</u>	<u>1098</u>	<u>2766</u>
<b>TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>				
VOTE 1				
HOLLIS A FRITHTSEN	<u>310</u>	<u>356</u>	<u>465</u>	<u>1131</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
				<u>0</u>
				<u>0</u>
				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>87</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>252</u>
TOTAL	<u>397</u>	<u>437</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>1383</u>

	<i>PREC. 1</i>	<i>PREC. 2</i>	<i>PREC. 3</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
<b>SCHOOL COMMITTEE</b>				
<b>VOTE 2</b>				
MARTHA R. MORGAN	<u>283</u>	<u>304</u>	<u>415</u>	<u>1002</u>
COLLEEN COOGAN	<u>245</u>	<u>297</u>	<u>387</u>	<u>929</u>
WRITE-INS	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>0</u>
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BLANKS	<u>266</u>	<u>273</u>	<u>296</u>	<u>835</u>
TOTAL	<u>794</u>	<u>874</u>	<u>1098</u>	<u>2766</u>
<b>ROCKPORT HOUSING AUTHORITY</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
PAULA A. MURPHY	<u>293</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>452</u>	<u>1078</u>
WRITE-INS	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>104</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>97</u>	<u>305</u>
TOTAL	<u>397</u>	<u>437</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>1383</u>
<b>TOWN MODERATOR</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
ROBERT L. VISNICK	<u>300</u>	<u>347</u>	<u>466</u>	<u>1113</u>
WRITE-INS	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>
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BLANKS	<u>95</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>264</u>
TOTAL	<u>397</u>	<u>437</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>1383</u>

	<u>Reg. Voters</u>	<u># Voted</u>		<u>TIME IN:</u>	<u>          </u>
PRECINCT ONE	<u>1367</u>	<u>397</u>	<u>29.04%</u>	<u>10:07PM</u>	<u>          </u>
PRECINCT TWO	<u>1853</u>	<u>437</u>	<u>23.58%</u>	<u>9:40PM</u>	<u>          </u>
PRECINCT THREE	<u>2220</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>24.73%</u>	<u>10:22PM</u>	<u>          </u>
TOTAL	<u>5440</u>	<u>1383</u>	<u>25.42%</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT**  
**WARRANT FOR**  
**FALL TOWN MEETING**  
Monday, September 8, 2014  
The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Essex, ss.

To: One of the Constables of the Town of Rockport,  
Massachusetts in said County of Essex in the  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Rockport High School at 24 Jerden's Lane in said Rockport on Monday, the eighth day of September, 2014 A.D., at 7:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE A. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate and transfer, a sum of money to pay unpaid bills of previous fiscal years; or act on anything relative thereto. *(9/10 vote)*

ARTICLE B. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate and transfer, a sum or sums of money to add to the appropriations made under Articles 5, 5A, 5B, 6, 6A and/or 6B of the April 5, 2014 Annual Town Meeting or to reduce appropriations made thereunder; or act on anything relative thereto. *(majority vote)*

ARTICLE C. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer the sum of \$200,000 from the Inflow and Infiltration Reserve account to an Inflow and Infiltration Capital account; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works) (majority vote)*

ARTICLE D. To see if the Town will hear and receive the annual report and recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee pursuant to Section 5 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws and Chapter 2, Section 5(d)(ii) of the Code of By-laws; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Community Preservation Committee) (majority vote)*

ARTICLE E. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Section 6 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, to set aside in the Community Preservation Fund sums of money from Community Preservation Fund FY2015 estimated annual revenues for later spending for the respective purposes indicated:

*First*, a sum of money to be deposited in the Community Housing Reserve Account;

*Second*, a sum of money to be deposited in the Open Space/Recreation Reserve Account;

*Third*, a sum of money to be deposited in the Historic Preservation Reserve Account;

or act on anything relative thereto. (*Community Preservation Committee majority votes*)

ARTICLE F.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Fund the following amounts for the respective purposes indicated:

*First*, \$33,394 to be expended under the oversight of the Rockport Public School Committee, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the School Tennis Courts;

*Second*, \$7,000 to be expended under the direction of the Director of Public Works and the DPW Commissioners in conjunction with the Old Garden Beach Association, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the replacement, restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the Old Garden Beach Protective Fence;

*Third*, \$115,000 to be placed in the Conservation Trust Fund, to be administered by the Rockport Conservation Commission to be used for purposes consistent with the Community Preservation Act;

*Fourth*, \$75,000 as a grant to Action Inc., a nonprofit corporation duly organized under the laws of Massachusetts, for its Rental/Mortgage Assistance Program for the creation of community housing for Rockport residents, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen;

*Fifth*, \$113,500 as a grant to the Rockport Baptist Church, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen in conjunction with the Historical Commission, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the historic restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the Baptist Church building;

*Sixth*, \$220,000 as a grant to the Rockport Unitarian Universalist Church, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen in conjunction with the Historical Commission, working with the Community Preservation

Committee, for the historic restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the Unitarian Universalist Church building steeple;

*Seventh*, \$5,500 to be expended under the direction of the Director of Rockport Public Works and the DPW Commissioners in conjunction with the Harbor Advisory Committee, Harbormasters, and Granite Pier Committee, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for planning, extension, restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of Granite Pier including a feasibility study concerning the possible extension of said pier to Gull Island, as originally studied and recommended in 1965 to the Town by the Army Corps of Engineers;

*Eighth*, \$20,000 to be expended under the direction of the Director of Rockport Public Works and the DPW Commissioners in conjunction with the Rockport Garden Club, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of Front Beach and the protection of the bluff overlooking the ocean;

*Ninth*, \$137,130 as a grant to the Rockport Art Association, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the historic restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the Rockport Art Association Buildings and to provide handicap accessibility to them;

*Tenth*, \$35,560 for administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, including but not limited to appraisals, land surveys, copying, postage, legal notices and other costs;

or act on anything relative thereto. (*Community Preservation Committee*) (*majority votes*)

ARTICLE G. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Collector to increase the fee charged for each written demand issued from \$5.00 to \$15.00 to be added and collected as part of the Tax as authorized by G.L. Chapter 60, Section 15; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Treasurer/Collector*) (*majority vote*)

ARTICLE H. To see if the Town will vote in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E½ to establish a revolving fund to which receipts received in connection with use of the Community House shall be deposited and may be expended by the Director of Public Works for Community House building maintenance purposes, said sum not to exceed a certain amount in FY2015; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*) (*majority vote*)

ARTICLE I. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the fiscal years 2014

and 2015 cost items contained in the collective bargaining agreements between the Town of Rockport and the Rockport MassCOP, Local 154 (Patrol Officers Unit); with the agreement covering the term of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Board of Selectmen) (majority vote)*

ARTICLE J.

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the property described below from the board or officer with custody of the property for tax title purposes to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes and for the purpose of conveyance, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant, on behalf of the Town, a permanent non-exclusive access easement on the Town property shown on Assessors Map 9 as Lot 108, which property abuts Pigeon Hill Street and Oakland Avenue, for the benefit of the parcel of land shown on Assessors Map 9 as Lot 109 which has an address of 18 Pigeon Hill Street and as shown on a plan by LeBlanc Survey Associates, Inc. entitled "Plot Plan, 18 Pigeon Hill Street, Rockport, MA, dated May 15, 2014 and is on file with the Town Clerk; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Board of Selectmen) (2/3 vote)*

ARTICLE K.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant, on behalf of the Town, a permanent non-exclusive access and utility easement on the Town property shown on Assessors Map 28 as Lots 71 and 81, known as the South End Water Tower Road, to Leslie Whelan of 52 Thatcher Road to allow her access to her property on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works) (majority vote)*

ARTICLE L.

To see if the Town will direct the Selectmen to petition the General Court for enactment of legislation authorizing the submission of the voters of Rockport at an annual town election or at a state election, of the following question:

"Are you in favor of discontinuing the fluoride supplementation of the Rockport Water Supply?"

Said act should further provide that if a majority of those voting indicate they are in favor of discontinuing of such supplementation, the Selectmen and the DPW Commissioners are authorized and directed to take any and all necessary measures by those designated by them to carry into effect the discontinuance of the fluoride supplementation of the town's water supply.

; or act on anything relative thereto. *(By Petition) (majority vote)*

ARTICLE M.

To see if the Town will hear and receive a report of the Board of Selectmen; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Board of Selectmen) (majority vote)*

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the same at each of the Post Offices, the Town Bulletin Board and in other public places in each village of the Town, fourteen days at least before the day of the holding of said FALL TOWN MEETING.

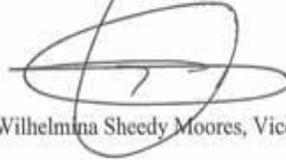
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, three days at least before Monday, September 8, 2014.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 2014, A.D.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
TOWN OF ROCKPORT



Sarah Wilkinson, Chairperson



Wilhelmina Sheedy Moores, Vice Chair

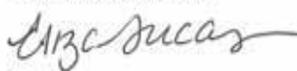
Paul Murphy, Member



Erin Battistelli, Member

A true copy, Attest:   
Constable for the Town of Rockport

Eliza Lucas, Member



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Essex, ss.

Rockport, MA  
August 13, 2014

I, *Daniel Mahoney*, Constable of the *Town of Rockport*, have on this date *August 13, 2014*, posted the *Special Fall Town Meeting Warrant* for the *Special Fall Town Meeting* to be held *Monday, September 8, 2014*, at the *Rockport High School*, in the two *Post Offices*, the *Town Bulletin Board* and *Seventeen (17)* other *Public Places* throughout the Town including three (3) in *Precinct One*, three (3) in *Precinct Two* and three (3) in *Precinct Three*.



*Constable of the Town of Rockport*

RECEIVED: August 13, 2014 2:04PM  
Town Clerk's Office  
Rockport, MA 01966



Patricia A. Brown  
Town Clerk

**FALL TOWN MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2014  
ROCKPORT HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

The Special Fall Town Meeting started at 7:09PM. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Reverend Matthew Wigton of the First Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

The Town Moderator made introductions of the people on the stage as well as the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee and gave instructions about the procedure of the meeting.

**A motion was made, seconded and carried by voice vote to omit the reading of the Articles in the warrant.**

The town clerk read the Officer's Return of the warrant.

MODERATOR: I have determined that the following articles are related: A and B talk about prior year stuff; D and F relates to the Community Preservation Act and J and K relates to amendments and remember we have a lottery system although with a 4/5 vote the town can call a particular article out of order. So we are going to start this evening with Article C, followed by Article A, followed by Article B.

The Chair will entertain a motion under Article C.

ARTICLE C (1). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer the sum of \$200,000 from the Inflow and Infiltration Reserve account to an Inflow and Infiltration Capital account; or act on anything relative thereto. *(Department of Public Works) (majority vote)*

LINDA SANDERS FOR PAUL SENA, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DPW COMMISSIONERS: I move that the Town transfer the sum of \$200,000 from the Inflow and Infiltration Reserve account to an Inflow and Infiltration Capital Account.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

The Chair will entertain a motion under Article A which requires a 9/10s vote.

ARTICLE A (2). To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate and transfer, a sum of money to pay unpaid bills of previous fiscal years; or act on anything relative thereto. *(9/10 vote)*

LINDA SANDERS FOR WALLY HESS: I move that the town appropriate and transfer the sum of \$650.00 from the selectmen's training and development account to pay and unpaid bill from the previous fiscal year to the Massachusetts certified public purchasing officials program.

**It was moved, seconded and carried unanimously by voice vote.**

The Chair will entertain a motion under Article B.

ARTICLE B (3): To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate and transfer, a sum or sums of money to add to the appropriations made under Articles 5, 5A, 5B, 6, 6A and/or 6B of the April 5, 2014 Annual Town Meeting or to reduce appropriations made thereunder; or act on anything relative thereto. *(majority vote)*

LINDA SANDERS FOR BILL WAGNER, FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER: I move that the Town amend the votes taken under Articles 5, 5A, 5B, 6, 6A and 6B of the April 5, 2014 Annual Town Meeting by transferring the sums set forth in the Fall Town Meeting Voters Booklet for Article B Motion on pages 17 and 18 in the amounts and for the purposes specified therein with the addition the sum of \$20,000.00 to be transferred from the Town Accountant Salary account to the Accounting Purchasing of Services account.

Amount	To	From
\$ 679.00	Animal Control Officer Salaries	Pension
\$ 966.00	Parking Meter Sergeant Stipend	Parking Meter Attendant Wages
\$ 22,400.00	DPW GIS Manager Salary	Water Temporary Debt Principal
\$ 12,651.00	DPW GIS Manager Salary	Sewer Temporary Debt Principal
\$ 9,749.00	DPW GIS Manager Salary	Sewer Maturing Debt Principal
\$ 1,883.00	Forest Fire Expenses	Pension
\$ 957.00	Forest Fire Telephone	IS&T Telephone Expense

\$ 6,576.00	DPW Office Equipment	Pension
\$ 2,928.00	DPW Telephone Expense	Pension
\$ 14,163.00	Insurance Expenses	Pension
\$ 25,235.81	Insurance Expenses	Municipal Property Insurance Fund
\$ 22,000.00	Legal Fees	Sick Leave Buyback
<b>Amount</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>From</b>
\$ 8,000.00	Legal Fees	Parking Ticket Services
\$ 18,000.00	VoTec Assessment	Library Director Salary
\$ 4,525.00	VoTec Assessment	Parking Ticket Services
\$ 247.00	Police Telephone Expense	EMT Wages
\$ 14,417.00	IS&T Copiers	IS&T Telephone Expense
\$ 2,910.00	IS&T SW Contracts – Maps Online	EMT Wages
\$ 1,475.00	Recreation Program Costs	Parking Ticket Services
\$ 2,400.00	Assessors Purchase of Services	EMT Wages
\$ 461.00	Dog Control Telephone Expense	Library Telephone Expense
\$ 653.00	Harbormaster Telephone Expense	Harbormaster Floats Expense
\$ 391.00	Council on Aging Telephone Expense	EMT Wages
\$ 1,547.00	Water Ent Other Purchased Services	Water Ent Telephone Expense
\$ 61,772.00	Maturing Debt Principal	Temporary Debt Principal
\$ 4,616.00	Maturing Debt Principal	Maturing Debt Interest
\$ 6,000.00	Temporary Debt Interest	Maturing Debt Interest
<b>\$20,000.00</b>	Accounting Purchasing of Services Acct.	Town Acct. Salary

Mr. Moderator, Bill Wagner also moves to amend the motion under Article B by enabling an additional appropriation by transfer of \$150,000 from the unexpended amount of money that was initially borrowed to finance the Millbrook Meadow Dam project authorized by Article 11J at the September 11, 2006 Fall Town Meeting, that is now complete, and for which no further liability remains, to pay the costs of a 2014 Caterpillar Front Loader which has a useful life of at least 20 years, as permitted by Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws.

**The amendment was moved, seconded and carried by a voice vote of more than two-thirds.**

**The motion was moved, seconded and carried by a voice vote of more than two-thirds.**

PAUL MURPHY, BOARD OF SELECTMEN: Good evening. Late last week the selectmen received a letter of retirement from someone who has served this town with distinction and honor for 36 years with the Rockport Police Department. Chief Tom McCarthy has officially announced his is retiring after 17 years as a police chief. I knew the letter would be coming at some point but I have to say when I saw it in writing, it startled me. I thought to myself what are we going to do now. We have been so lucky to have him in this critical leadership position in our town.

I have had the pleasure of working with so many talented people in my career in education and in public service. No one is more admired in my opinion for the job that he does than chief McCarthy. He leads by example and is one of the most ethical people I know. He has earned great respect from his colleagues in this town and across the Commonwealth.

Tom began his career as an intermittent police officer in 1977 with the expectation that he would be appointed a full-time police officer. That came quickly. After a number of years he was appointed to the leadership position attaining the rank of sergeant. It was at that point in Tom's career that his leadership skills were evident for all to see.

In 1997, he was appointed acting police chief and then shortly after he received the permanent position and has been there for 17 years. He was critical in changing the perception of the department in town. He also played a pivotal role shepherding the state-of-the-art police department on upper Main Street. I suspect that had Tom not been chief the department may still be located on Broadway.

Tom grew up in Rockport and graduated with the class of 1970. I have to imagine being a police officer in your small town where you grew up has to be difficult at times. Once again, Tom has handled that and recognizes its part of the job. I know many law-enforcement people throughout the commonwealth and anytime you mention Tom McCarthy's name people often tell me how lucky we are to have Tom at the head of the police department. Tom will remain with us until November 4. The selectmen do have a plan moving forward but that's for another night's discussion. How would you like to be the person having to replace Tom McCarthy as chief. I suspect it is similar to having to follow Bruce Tarr at the podium – not an easy task.

Tom we wish you all the best in the years to come, I hope you have a wonderful retirement filled with accomplishments and relaxation. You certainly have deserved it.

On behalf of the Board of Selectmen and the Town of Rockport – thank you for thirty-six terrific years. You have left behind a legacy for many to emulate. Congratulations, Tom.

**Standing ovation for Chief McCarthy**

MODERATOR: We are next going to hear Article G, followed by H.

ARTICLE G (4): To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Collector to increase the fee charged for each written demand issued from \$5.00 to \$15.00 to be added and collected as part of the tax as authorized by G.L. Chapter 60, Section 15; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Treasurer/Collector*) (*majority vote*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR WALLY HESS, CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: I move that the Town authorize the Town Collector to increase the fee charged for each written demand issued from five dollars to fifteen dollars to be added and collected as part of the tax as authorized by General Laws Chapter 60, Section 15.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

The Chair will entertain a motion under Article H.

ARTICLE H(5): To see if the Town will vote in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E½ to establish a revolving fund to which receipts received in connection with use of the Community House shall be deposited and may be expended by the Director of Public Works for Community House building maintenance purposes, said sum not to exceed a certain amount in FY2015; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*) (*majority vote*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR DPW COMMISSIONER BRUCE REED: I move that the Town in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E½ establish a revolving fund to which receipts received in connection with use of the Community House shall be deposited and may be expended by the Director of Public Works for Community House building maintenance purposes, said sum not to exceed \$7,500 in FY2015.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

The Chair entertained a motion under Article I.

ARTICLE I(6): To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the fiscal years 2014 and 2015 cost items contained in the collective bargaining agreements between the Town of Rockport and the Rockport MassCOP, Local 154 (Patrol Officers Unit); with the agreement covering the term of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*) (*majority vote*)

**There was no motion under Article I.**

The Chair will entertain a motion under Article L.

ARTICLE L(7): To see if the Town will direct the Selectmen to petition the General Court for enactment of legislation authorizing the submission of the voters of Rockport at an annual town election or at a state election, of the following question:

“Are you in favor of discontinuing the fluoride supplementation of the Rockport Water Supply?”

Said act should further provide that if a majority of those voting indicate they are in favor of discontinuing of such supplementation, the Selectmen and the DPW Commissioners are authorized and directed to take any and all necessary measures by those designated by them to carry into effect the discontinuance of the fluoride supplementation of the town’s water supply.  
; or act on anything relative thereto. (*By Petition*) (*majority vote*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR PETITIONER JOANNE WILE: I move that the Town direct the Selectmen to petition the General Court for enactment of legislation authorizing the submission of the voters of Rockport at an annual town election or at a state election, of the following question:

“Are you in favor of discontinuing the fluoride supplementation of the Rockport Water Supply?”

Said act should further provide that if a majority of those voting indicate they are in favor of discontinuing of such supplementation, the Selectmen and the DPW Commissioners are authorized and directed to take any and all necessary measures by those designated by them to carry into effect the discontinuance of the fluoride supplementation of the town’s water supply.

Moved and seconded.

After great debate - **A motion was made to move the question. It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote of more than two-thirds.**

Now we're going to vote the question. So the motion under Article L – moving that the Town direct the Selectmen to petition the General Court for enactment of legislation authorizing the submission of the voters of Rockport at an annual town election or at a state election, of the following question:

“Are you in favor of discontinuing the fluoride supplementation of the Rockport Water Supply?”

**It was moved, seconded and voted by hand. The vote was too close to call.**

Tellers were sworn in to count a standing vote.

MODERATOR: It's directing the selectmen to petition the General Court for enactment of legislation authorizing the submission of the voters of Rockport at an annual town election or at a state election, of the following question:

“Are you in favor of discontinuing the fluoride supplementation of the Rockport Water Supply?”

Said act should further provide that if a majority of those voting indicate they are in favor of discontinuing of such supplementation, the Selectmen and the DPW Commissioners are authorized and directed to take any and all necessary measures by those designated by them to carry into effect the discontinuance of the fluoride supplementation of the town's water supply.

**The standing vote passed 116 to 97.**

The Chair will entertain a motion under Article J.

ARTICLE J(8): To see if the Town will vote to transfer the property described below from the board or officer with custody of the property for tax title purposes to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes and for the purpose of conveyance, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant, on behalf of the Town, a permanent non-exclusive access easement on the Town property shown on Assessors Map 9 as Lot 108, which property abuts Pigeon Hill Street and Oakland Avenue, for the benefit of the parcel of land shown on Assessors Map 9 as Lot 109 which has an address of 18 Pigeon Hill Street and as shown on a plan by LeBlanc Survey Associates, Inc. entitled “Plot Plan, 18 Pigeon Hill Street, Rockport, MA, dated May 15, 2014 and is on file with the Town Clerk; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*) (2/3 vote)

LINDA SANDERS FOR SELECTMAN PAUL MURPHY: I move that the Town transfer the property described in Article J of the Warrant and found on page 27, 28, and 29 of the *Voters Booklet* from the board or officer with custody of the property for tax title purposes to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes and for the purpose of conveyance, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant, on behalf of the Town, a permanent non-exclusive access easement on the Town property shown on a sketch entitled “Easement Plan, 18 Pigeon Hill Street, Rockport, MA” prepared by LeBlanc Survey Associations and dated July 18, 2014 and on Assessors Map 9 as Lot 108, which property abuts Pigeon Hill Street and Oakland Avenue, for the purpose of maintaining an existing garage and for access, said easement to benefit of the parcel of land shown on Assessors Map 9 as Lot 109 which has an address of 18 Pigeon Hill Street and as shown on a plan by LeBlanc Survey Associates, Inc. entitled “Plot Plan, 18 Pigeon Hill Street, Rockport, MA”, dated May 15, 2014, and is on file with the Town Clerk.

Moved and seconded

LINDA SANDERS FOR SELECTMEN PAUL MURPHY: I move to amend Article J by inserting the words “to convey said property or portions thereof on such terms and conditions as the Board deems appropriate, including, without limitation,” after the word “Selectmen” and before the words “to grant”.

**The amendment was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**



CAMERON SMITH: 10 Rowe Point – I think I have Point of Order I want to ask your opinion on that. We seem to have a great exodus of one issue group here and I believe that there is a provision in our bylaws that allows a revote in this case. Am I correct - a in reconsideration?

MODERATOR: And I believe, give me a moment. A motion to reconsider a matter previously acted upon shall require an affirmative vote of two-thirds of those present and voting. Any person intending to move for reconsideration – is that what you're doing? – is that yes or no? – (yes) shall give notice of such intent to the moderator promptly and no event except by unanimous consent more than 30 minutes after the vote reconsideration of which is sought. And you've met that criteria so I shall then as soon as practical inform the town meeting as to when the motion for reconsideration will be presented. All motions shall be presented before any new warrant article is taken up for action at the beginning of the next succeeding session of town meeting. So which way did you vote on this, Mr. Smith? Okay, let me confer for a moment with town counsel and I will get right back to you.

Our town counsel is consulting his various treatises on the matter and in the meantime we'll continue to discuss the pithy issues of the easement on Pigeon Hill Street.

MODERATOR: Just to let you know that I did hear from Attorney Klein and that motion appears to be in order. The reconsideration vote will be after we finish the discussion and the voting on J and K. So that is when that will take place.

**The motion for Article J as amended was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

The Chair will entertain a motion under Article K.

ARTICLE K (9): To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant, on behalf of the Town, a permanent non-exclusive access and utility easement on the Town property shown on Assessors Map 28 as Lots 71 and 81, known as the South End Water Tower Road, to Leslie Whelan of 52 Thatcher Road to allow her access to her property on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Department of Public Works*) (*majority vote*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR DPW COMMISSIONER JIM GARDNER: I move that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant, on behalf of the Town, a permanent non-exclusive access and utility easement on the Town property shown on Assessors Map 28 as Lots 71 and 81, known as the South End Water Tower Road, and found on pages 30, 31, and 32 of the Voters Booklet, to Leslie Whelan of 52 Thatcher Road to allow her access to her property on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by hand vote.**

DARREN KLEIN: Through the Moderator, Darren Klein from Kopelman & Paige. I'm speaking on the reconsideration procedure. I know that there have been a number of questions already. This town has a very specific bylaw on reconsideration. Many things are not incredibly clearly written but I think I can summarize it in a few clear steps. First of all, unlike General Robert's Rules of Order anybody can make a motion for reconsideration, he or she does not need to be among the people who voted for the article that's being reconsidered General Robert's Rules of Order states that it's customary that it be a person from the prevailing side; your bylaw does not *not* contain that requirement so any person can make a motion to reconsider. The motion he or she would need to give notice to the Moderator within thirty minutes of the initial article being decided. It has been deemed that the notice was given within that thirty minutes. The Moderator then must, once he has ruled that notice in order, the Moderator is to give notice to town meeting as soon as practicable of when that motion will be considered, when the motion reconsidered will be heard. Through your bylaw it says that it has to be before the first article of the next session of town meeting, which we do not think is going to apply tonight because we should get through all business so if it's going to be heard on the night that notice is given it's supposed to be after all other articles are heard so what I think is going to happen as soon as I'm done speaking is the Moderator is going to officially notify town meeting that the motion to reconsider will be heard after the final article, as soon as the final article is disposed of tonight.

One last thing, to be reconsidered will require a two-thirds vote. So to even be reconsidered it's going to require a two-thirds vote.

ARTICLE M (10): To see if the Town will hear and receive a report of the Board of Selectmen; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Board of Selectmen*) (*majority vote*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SARAH WILKINSON: I move that the town hear and receive a report of the Board of Selectmen.

Moved and seconded

SARAH WILKINSON: This is a report, this is Article M.

We are submitting this report to you to provide clarification and an update regarding the disposition of the three tax possessed properties discussed at the April 5, 2014 Annual Town Meeting (Article P). In addition, we want to notify you of a problem that was discovered recently regarding the town's plowing of some private roads.

First tax possessed properties: At the Annual Town Meeting last April, town meeting voted to transfer care, custody and control of the parcels listed below from the tax custodian for the purpose of sale at public auction to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes for the purpose of conveyance, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or otherwise dispose of said properties on such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate and to execute such documents and take such other action as may be needed to effectuate the purposes of this vote; said properties being identified as follows:

33 Atlantic Avenue as shown on assessor's map 22, lot 140  
59 High Street as shown on assessor's map 18, lot 26  
8 Marmion Way as shown on assessor's map 26, lot 109

There was much discussion around the method of disposing of the three properties by public auction because the exact process was unclear to all of us at the time. As we made progress in preparing the properties for sale, we've learned exactly what method we are required to follow and wish to share that with the town meeting voters for clarification.

There are two methods of disposing of tax title property: 1) the tax custodian, who is the Town Administrator in Rockport, can sell tax title property to the highest bidder at a public auction, and 2) the property can be transferred from the tax custodian to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes and for the purpose of conveyance, and authorize the sale. At our annual town meeting in April this is what we did. Once this transfer happens, the property becomes part of the towns' overall public property and must be disposed of in the same manner as all municipal property by complying with the procedures set forth in the Uniform Procurement Process known as Chapter 30B.

The process for selling properties governed by Chapter 30B is actually a more flexible process than a public auction. This RFP process (Request for Proposal) permits the town to evaluate proposers based on price and other comparative criteria received from proposers in sealed bids. The selectmen can advertise to a wider audience and specify certain conditions that can't be done at a public auction. In some circumstances potential buyers may have complicated financing issues or want more time to inspect the property and assess its potential than the typical auction process allows. Unlike the auction process whose primary purpose is to sell tax title property at the highest price, the RFP process permits the selectmen to

evaluate proposals based on a broader range of considerations, which may be particularly important if selectmen want to exercise some control over the future development of the property. With this process, as with the public auction, any member of the public is welcome to submit a bid. I'll say again because it's really important, any member of the public is welcome to submit a bid.

In summary, the three properties will not be sold at a public auction because they are no longer in the tax custodian's hands. They will be sold according to MGL Chapter 30B in which we will issue a Request for Proposals and accept sealed bids from any and all who may be interested in purchasing them. In addition, at our last selectmen's meeting the board discussed the possibility of selling or renting 59 High Street as affordable housing. Although it was just a discussion item and no vote was taken, from our discussion it appears as though we will not move forward with this prospect. The house currently on the property is in an extreme state of disrepair so the town would either need to build or rebuild and then sell the house, or sell it as is with or without the house with strict affordable housing restrictions. Both of these scenarios might hold up the process, which we do not want to do, and might add cost to the town.

If this property presented an opportunity to add to our affordable housing stock, that would not add significant effort and potential cost to the town, it would be a viable option, but we do not believe this to be the case. We also do not want to be in the position of building or rebuilding and being a landlord. At our next selectmen's meeting we will be discussing removing the building before the sale to see if this is a viable option.

Now moving on – plowing private roads. This is shorter I promise. In the process of working with the Board of DPW Commissioners and the DPW Director to clarify the criteria that would make private ways eligible for snow plowing, it was discovered that the compliance with the statute (MGL Chapter 40, Sections 6C and 6D) was misunderstood 41 years ago, how about that, when it was voted at the March 5, 1973 Annual Town Meeting. I won't tell Selectmen Murphy how old I was then. State law allows towns to appropriate money for the purpose of plowing private roads that are open to the public use and designated by the Board of Selectmen, however, it requires acceptance of the local option statute which is Chapter 40, Section 6C, however not at a town meeting. The inadvertent error occurred back in 1973 when it was believed that the acceptance of the law could happen at town meeting, however, this statute must be accepted by a ballot vote at an annual election upon receipt of a petition of two hundred registered voters or 20 percent of the total number of registered voters. Because this didn't happen, we are now faced with solving a problem with no ideal solutions. Some of the questions we have been asking are: do we continue plowing the private ways without public permission because of the hardship it could cause for the residents? Can plowing all of the currently plowed private roads be stopped immediately or would it be better to phase it out? Should any of the currently plowed private roads become public? Do two hundred voters wish to bring the required petition forward to place the question on the next annual local election in May? That's a kind of nudge, nudge we actually need two hundred of you to do that.

After a great deal of discussion, we believe it would cause the least disruption if we continue to plow the private ways that we have been plowing for the coming snow season only. This would give warning to all of the affected people and also explain that a petition to ask voters the question will be necessary to plow any private ways after this upcoming snow season. We will hold public meetings and keep residents informed as we make progress with this topic.

We appreciate all of your continued support and collaboration in dealing with the important business of the town. We, the Board of Selectmen, welcome all residents to our meetings every other Tuesday night in conference room A of town hall. We always welcome comments, questions and concerns. Please know that your input helps us greatly in making the decisions we believe are best for the town as a whole. Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, Sarah Wilkinson. Thank you.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote to accept the report.**

The Chair will entertain a motion under Article D.

ARTICLE D (11): To see if the Town will hear and receive the annual report and recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee pursuant to Section 5 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws and Chapter 2, Section 5(d)(ii) of the Code of By-laws; or act on anything relative thereto. (*Community Preservation Committee*) (*majority vote*)

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE CHAIR OF THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: I move the town hear and receive the report of the Community Preservation Committee.

RUTH GEORGE: Good evening. My name is Ruth George, I'm the chairperson of the Community Preservation Commission and I live at 86 Granite Street. The Community Preservation Act allows cities and town in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to adopt a property surcharge with revenues from this

surcharge and state matching funds to be devoted to open space and recreational use, historic preservation and community housing. Since 2002 the Town of Rockport voted in the Community Preservation Act at 3 percent, the maximum, and reaffirmed it again in 2008. Money to support CPA in Rockport comes from two sources: a surcharge of 3 percent on local property taxes and funds collected from a \$20.00 fee on real estate transactions and state matching funds. The level of matching funds we receive depends on the percentage of communities in Massachusetts that have adopted the CPC Act. We have been very fortunate that the citizens of Rockport adopted it at the 3 percent max.

CPA funds collected can only be invested in certain community preservation projects. All projects requests since that act was passed came to us and then to you from individuals, groups and town committees. We have needed and continue to need your input. We write to all town committees and commissions annually and also solicit applications through the newspaper explaining the law and how these funds may be used. We hold an advertised public hearing to go over the application process with interested parties. Our workshop will be this October for the next year's project applications. Those with a request file an application, make a presentation and answer our questions. We often ask them to return after making changes or clarifying issues. We then take another few months to review projects with those applicants and vote on final recommendations for the fall town meeting and the voters.

Ten percent of the funds received in any fiscal year must be allocated for each of the three areas. The remaining 70 percent of each year's funds can be spent in any of the areas as determined by Rockport. CPC funds cannot be used for general maintenance. In addition 5 percent of the annual CPC revenues can be spent on administrative and operating expenses for the CPC. Consistent with the terms of CPA and with the adoption of the bylaw in 2002 a CPC committee was formed to study and recommend how Rockport's CPA revenues should be spent. The committee is appointed by the Town Moderator and mandates that certain town committees serve as representatives to the committee. The committee currently includes: MaryAnn Lash, representing the Conservation Commission, Stephen DeMarco, representing the Historic Commission, Edward Hand, representing the Planning Board, Paul Sena, representing the Department of Public Works Board of Commissioners, Bethany Brosnan, representing the Rockport Housing Authority and four at-large members: Philip Crotty, Julie McMahon, our current Treasurer Mel Michaels and myself, Ruth George, Chairperson.

In 2014 and again for this coming year 2015, the Governor included in the fiscal year's budget, the transfer of \$25 million from the budget surplus to statewide CPA trust fund. With our match at 3 percent this is great news for the Town of Rockport. Our estimated FY 2015 tax revenue, based on actual FY 2014 is \$442,140.00 and our estimated FY2015 state match would be \$319,100.00 and an estimated interest at \$4,000.00. Since its beginning in 2002, the town has spent over \$5 million in projects funded thru your local Community Preservation Committee. Tonight we bring you nine new projects that we feel deserve your support for the Town of Rockport. Respectfully submitted, Ruth George, Chair, Rockport Community Preservation Commission.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote to accept the report of the CPC.**

We will move ahead to Article E.

ARTICLE E (12):To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Section 6 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, to set aside in the Community Preservation Fund sums of money from Community Preservation Fund FY2015 estimated annual revenues for later spending for the respective purposes indicated:

*First*, a sum of money to be deposited in the Community Housing Reserve Account;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$76,525 be transferred from FY15 Estimated Annual Revenues of the Community Preservation Fund to the Community Preservation Fund Community Housing Reserve Account.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

*Second*, a sum of money to be deposited in the Open Space/Recreation Reserve Account;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$76,525 be transferred from FY15 Estimated Annual Revenues of the Community Preservation Fund to the Community Preservation Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve Account.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

Now we're onto the third motion.

*Third*, a sum of money to be deposited in the Historic Preservation Reserve Account;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$76,525 be transferred from FY15 Estimated Annual Revenues of the Community Preservation Fund to the Community Preservation Fund Historic Preservation Reserve Account.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

We move on to Article F.

ARTICLE F (13): To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Fund the following amounts for the respective purposes indicated:

*First*, \$33,394 to be expended under the oversight of the Rockport Public School Committee, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the School Tennis Courts;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: : Yes, Mr. Moderator the first motion is I move that \$33,394 be appropriated and transferred from the Community Preservation Open Space and Recreation Reserve account and expended under the oversight of the Rockport School Committee, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the restoration, rehabilitation, and preservation of the School Tennis Courts.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

*Second*, \$7,000 to be expended under the direction of the Director of Public Works and the DPW Commissioners in conjunction with the Old Garden Beach Association, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the replacement, restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the Old Garden Beach Protective Fence;

LINDA SANDERS FOR CHAIRPERSON GEORGE: I move that \$7,000 be appropriated and transferred from the Community Preservation Open Space and Recreation Reserve account and expended under the direction of the Director of Public Works and the DPW Commissioners in conjunction with the Old Garden Beach Association, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the replacement, restoration, rehabilitation, and preservation of the Old Garden Beach Protective Fence.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

*Third*, \$115,000 to be placed in the Conservation Trust Fund, to be administered by the Rockport Conservation Commission to be used for purposes consistent with the Community Preservation Act;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$115,000 be appropriated and transferred from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance account to the Conservation Trust Fund, to be administered by the Rockport Conservation Commission to be used for purposes consistent with the Community Preservation Act.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

*Fourth*, \$75,000 as a grant to Action Inc., a nonprofit corporation duly organized under the laws of Massachusetts, for its Rental/Mortgage Assistance Program for the creation of community housing for Rockport residents, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$75,000 be appropriated from the Community Preservation Community Housing Reserve account as a grant to Action Inc. for its Rental/Mortgage Assistance Program for the creation of community housing for Rockport residents, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

*Fifth*, \$113,500 as a grant to the Rockport Baptist Church, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen in conjunction with the Historical Commission, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the historic restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the Baptist Church building;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$113,500 be appropriated and transferred from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance account as a grant to the Rockport Baptist Church, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen in conjunction with the Historical Commission,

working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the historic restoration, rehabilitation, and preservation of the Baptist Church building.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

We move on to motion six.

*Sixth*, \$220,000 as a grant to the Rockport Unitarian Universalist Church, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen in conjunction with the Historical Commission, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the historic restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the Unitarian Universalist Church building steeple;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$220,000 be appropriated and transferred from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance account as a grant to the Rockport Unitarian Universalist Church, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen in conjunction with the Historical Commission, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the historic restoration, rehabilitation, and preservation of the Unitarian Universalist Church building steeple.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

The motion carries.

We move on to seventh:

*Seventh*, \$5,500 to be expended under the direction of the Director of Rockport Public Works and the DPW Commissioners in conjunction with the Harbor Advisory Committee, Harbormasters, and Granite Pier Committee, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for planning, extension, restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of Granite Pier including a feasibility study concerning the possible extension of said pier to Gull Island, as originally studied and recommended in 1965 to the Town by the Army Corps of Engineers;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$5,500 be appropriated and transferred from the Community Preservation Open Space and Recreation Reserve account and expended under the direction of the Director of Public Works and the DPW Commissioners in conjunction with the Harbor Advisory Committee, Harbormasters, and Granite Pier Committee, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for planning, extension, restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of Granite Pier including a feasibility study concerning the possible extension of said pier to Gull Island, as originally studied and recommended in 1965 to the town by the Army Corps of Engineers.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

We move on to eighth.

*Eighth*, \$20,000 to be expended under the direction of the Director of Rockport Public Works and the DPW Commissioners in conjunction with the Rockport Garden Club, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of Front Beach and the protection of the bluff overlooking the ocean;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$20,000 be appropriated and transferred from the Community Preservation Open Space and Recreation Reserve account and expended under the direction of the Director of Public Works and the DPW Commissioners in conjunction with the Beautification Committee, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the restoration, rehabilitation, and preservation of Front Beach and the protection of the bluff overlooking the ocean.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

We move on to 9<sup>th</sup>.

*Ninth*, \$137,130 as a grant to the Rockport Art Association, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the historic restoration, rehabilitation, and/or preservation of the Rockport Art Association Buildings and to provide handicap accessibility to them;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$137,130 be appropriated and transferred from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance account as a grant to the Rockport Art Association, under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, working with the Community Preservation Committee, for the historic restoration, rehabilitation, and preservation of the Rockport Art Association buildings and to provide handicap accessibility to them.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

We are at the 10<sup>th</sup> and final motion.

*Tenth*, \$35,560 for administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, including but not limited to appraisals, land surveys, copying, postage, legal notices and other costs;

LINDA SANDERS FOR RUTH GEORGE: I move that \$35,560 be appropriated and transferred from the FY15 Estimated Annual Revenues of the Community Preservation Fund to be expended for administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, including but not limited to appraisals, land surveys, copying, postage, legal notices and other costs.

**It was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

MODERATOR: Now we're back to Article L. Our town counsel has been studying precedent back to the magna carta and he will now advise the meeting.

DARREN KLEIN: The last procedural issue is on the original motion that carried. There was a motion to call the question, which did pass. The motion to call the question still is in place. So that means that the motion to reconsider is not debatable. So if there's a motion and if there's a second it will immediately go to a vote. If it does not receive a two-thirds vote than the reconsideration fails, if it does receive a two-thirds vote then it will go to the main motion again. Long and short of it is there is not debate because the motion to call the question, which passed, is still in effect.

MODERATOR: Please make your motion.

(Cannot hear motion, it was made without a microphone)

MODERATOR: All those in favor of reconsidering. Did I hear a second? Yes it was seconded and there's no debate, no discussion. All those in favor of reconsideration Article L please raise your placard. Okay thank you. All those opposed the same sign.

**The motion fails.**

**A motion to dissolve the meeting was moved, seconded and carried by voice vote.**

The Special Fall Town Meeting dissolved at 10:37PM.

TOWN OF ROCKPORT

WARRANT FOR

STATE PRIMARY

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2014

ESSEX, SS. To JOHN T. MCCARTHY or any CONSTABLE of the TOWN OF ROCKPORT, MASSACHUSETTS.

GREETINGS: In the name of the COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS you are hereby required to NOTIFY and WARN the INHABITANTS of said TOWN who are qualified to VOTE in ELECTIONS to meet in their respective POLLING PLACES on TUESDAY, the NINTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014, 7:00 O'CLOCK A.M. to 8:0'CLOCK P.M. for the following purposes:

POLLING PLACES: PRECINCT ONE, Pigeon Cove Circle, Breakwater Avenue, North Village. PRECINCT TWO, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 24 Broadway, South Village. PRECINCT THREE, High School Auditorium, 26 Jerden's Lane, South Village.

To bring in their VOTES to the PRIMARY OFFICERS of the STATE PRIMARY by BALLOT for the NOMINATION of CANDIDATES for POLITICAL PARTIES for the following OFFICES:

Table listing various offices and their corresponding districts, such as SENATOR IN CONGRESS, GOVERNOR, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, ATTORNEY GENERAL, SECRETARY OF STATE, etc.

The POLLS will open at 7:00 O'CLOCK A.M. and close at 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

And you are directed to serve this WARRANT by posting attested copies of the same at each of the POST OFFICES, the TOWN BULLETIN BOARD and in other PUBLIC PLACES in each VILLAGE of the TOWN, SEVEN DAYS at least before the DAY of the holding of said STATE PRIMARY.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this WARRANT with your doings thereon, THREE DAYS at least before TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2014.

Given under our HANDS and the SEAL of the TOWN OF ROCKPORT this NINETEENTH DAY OF AUGUST, 2014, A.D.



TOWN OF ROCKPORT BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Handwritten signatures of Sarah J. Wilkinson and Erin Battell over lines.

A true copy, ATTEST [Signature] Constable of the Town of Rockport

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Essex, ss.

Rockport, Ma.  
August 20, 2014

I, *Philip D. Wesley III*, Constable of the *Town of Rockport*, have on this date, *August 20, 2014* posted a copy of the *Warrant* for the *State Primary* to be held on *Tuesday*, the *Ninth Day* of *September, 2014*, in the two *Post Offices*, the *Town Bulletin Board*, and in *Seventeen (17)* other *Public Places* throughout the *Town* including three [3] in *Precinct One*, three [3] in *Precinct Two*, and three [3] in *Precinct Three*.

  
Constable of the Town of Rockport

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Rockport, MA 01966



Patricia E. Brown  
Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT  
DEMOCRATIC STATE PRIMARY  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2014**

	<i><b>PREC. 1</b></i>	<i><b>PREC. 2</b></i>	<i><b>PREC. 3</b></i>	<i><b>TOTAL</b></i>
<b>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>EDWARD J. MARKEY</b>	<u>249</u>	<u>295</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>904</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>				<u>0</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>92</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>328</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>
<b>GOVERNOR</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>DONALD M. BERWICK</b>	<u>56</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>186</u>
<b>MARTHA COAKLEY</b>	<u>183</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>640</u>
<b>STEVEN GROSSMAN</b>	<u>96</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>151</u>	<u>385</u>
<b>WRITE INS</b>				<u>0</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>21</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>
<b>LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>LELAND CHEUNG</b>	<u>106</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>134</u>	<u>344</u>
<b>STEPHEN J. KERRIGAN</b>	<u>98</u>	<u>163</u>	<u>178</u>	<u>439</u>
<b>MICHAEL E. LAKE</b>	<u>40</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>169</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>				<u>0</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>97</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>108</u>	<u>280</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>
<b>ATTORNEY GENERAL</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>MAURA HEALEY</b>	<u>211</u>	<u>269</u>	<u>341</u>	<u>821</u>
<b>WARREN E. TOLMAN</b>	<u>105</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>338</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>				<u>0</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>25</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>73</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>
<b>SECRETARY OF STATE</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN</b>	<u>261</u>	<u>313</u>	<u>392</u>	<u>966</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>				<u>0</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>80</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>266</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>
<b>TREASURER</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>THOMAS P. CONROY</b>	<u>69</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>210</u>
<b>BARRY R. FINEGOLD</b>	<u>94</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>350</u>
<b>DEBORAH B. GOLDBERG</b>	<u>136</u>	<u>158</u>	<u>218</u>	<u>512</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>				<u>0</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>42</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>160</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>
<b>AUDITOR</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>SUZANNE M. BUMP</b>	<u>250</u>	<u>294</u>	<u>364</u>	<u>908</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>				<u>0</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>91</u>	<u>101</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>324</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT  
REPUBLICAN STATE PRIMARY  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2014**

**PREC. 1    PREC. 2    PREC. 3    TOTAL**

**SENATOR IN CONGRESS  
VOTE 1**

<b>BRIAN J. HERR</b>	<u>82</u>	<u>127</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>337</u>
WRITE-INS		<u>1</u>		<u>1</u>
BLANKS	<u>47</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>172</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

**GOVERNOR  
VOTE 1**

<b>CHARLES D. BAKER</b>	<u>103</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>417</u>
<b>MARK R. FISHER</b>	<u>19</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>56</u>
WRITE INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>7</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>37</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

**LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  
VOTE 1**

<b>KAREN E. POLITO</b>	<u>93</u>	<u>133</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>376</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>36</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>134</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

**ATTORNEY GENERAL  
VOTE 1**

<b>JOHN B. MILLER</b>	<u>90</u>	<u>133</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>368</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>39</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>142</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

**SECRETARY OF STATE  
VOTE 1**

<b>DAVID D'ARCANGELO</b>	<u>87</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>356</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>42</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>154</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

**TREASURER  
VOTE 1**

<b>MICHAEL JAMES HEFFERNAN</b>	<u>88</u>	<u>133</u>	<u>142</u>	<u>363</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>41</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>147</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

**AUDITOR  
VOTE 1**

<b>PATRICIA S. SAINT AUBIN</b>	<u>85</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>356</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>44</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>154</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

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REP IN CONGRESS  
VOTE 1

RICHARD R. TISEI	<u>103</u>	<u>146</u>	<u>156</u>	<u>405</u>
WRITE-INS		<u>1</u>		<u>1</u>
BLANKS	<u>26</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>104</u>
TOTAL	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

COUNCILLOR  
VOTE 1

MAURA L. RYAN-CIARDIELLO	<u>78</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>333</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>51</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>177</u>
TOTAL	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT  
VOTE 1

BRUCE E. TARR	<u>117</u>	<u>166</u>	<u>164</u>	<u>447</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>12</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>63</u>
TOTAL	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

REP. IN GENERAL COURT  
VOTE 1

MICHAEL B. BOUCHER	<u>103</u>	<u>158</u>	<u>146</u>	<u>407</u>
ROBERT V. WHYNOTT	<u>21</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>90</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>13</u>
TOTAL	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
VOTE 1

WRITE-INS	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>
BLANKS	<u>128</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>184</u>	<u>502</u>
TOTAL	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

REGISTER OF PROBATE  
VOTE 1

MICHAEL E. MORALES	<u>88</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>378</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>41</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>132</u>
TOTAL	<u>129</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>510</u>

	Reg	Voted		TIME IN:	
PRECINCT ONE	<u>1370</u>	<u>470</u>	<u>34.31%</u>		<u>10:23 PM</u>
PRECINCT TWO	<u>1873</u>	<u>586</u>	<u>31.29%</u>		<u>10:30PM</u>
PRECINCT THREE	<u>2247</u>	<u>686</u>	<u>30.53%</u>		<u>10:52PM</u>
TOTAL	<u>5490</u>	<u>1742</u>	<u>31.73%</u>		

*PREC. 1    PREC. 2    PREC. 3    TOTAL*

**REP IN CONGRESS  
VOTE 1**

JOHN F. TIERNEY	<u>150</u>	<u>169</u>	<u>197</u>	<u>516</u>
MARISA A. DEFRANCO	<u>16</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>73</u>
JOHN PATRICK DEVINE	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>12</u>
JOHN J. GUTTA	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>
SETH W. MOULTON	<u>167</u>	<u>186</u>	<u>255</u>	<u>608</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>17</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>

**COUNCILLOR  
VOTE 1**

EILEEN R. DUFF	<u>236</u>	<u>281</u>	<u>354</u>	<u>871</u>
WRITE-INS		<u>1</u>		<u>1</u>
BLANKS	<u>105</u>	<u>113</u>	<u>142</u>	<u>360</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>

**SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT  
VOTE 1**

WRITE-INS		<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>12</u>
BLANKS	<u>341</u>	<u>387</u>	<u>492</u>	<u>1220</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>

**REP. IN GENERAL COURT  
VOTE 1**

ANN-MARGARET FERRANTE	<u>263</u>	<u>311</u>	<u>397</u>	<u>971</u>
WRITE-INS			<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
BLANKS	<u>78</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>98</u>	<u>260</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
VOTE 1**

JONATHAN W. BLODGETT	<u>250</u>	<u>299</u>	<u>367</u>	<u>916</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>91</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>316</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>

**REGISTER OF PROBATE  
VOTE 1**

PAMELA CASEY O'BRIEN	<u>243</u>	<u>289</u>	<u>358</u>	<u>890</u>
WRITE-INS				<u>0</u>
BLANKS	<u>98</u>	<u>106</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>342</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>341</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>1232</u>

	<u>Reg</u>	<u>Voted</u>		<u>TIME IN:</u>	
PRECINCT ONE	<u>1370</u>	<u>470</u>	<u>34.31%</u>		<u>10:23PM</u>
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>5490</u>	<u>1742</u>	<u>31.73%</u>		

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT**

**WARRANT FOR**

**STATE ELECTION**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014**

**ESSEX, SS.** To **JOHN T. MCCARTHY** or any **CONSTABLE** of the **TOWN OF ROCKPORT, MASSACHUSETTS.**

**GREETINGS:** In the name of the **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS** you are hereby required to **NOTIFY** and **WARN** the **INHABITANTS** of said **TOWN** who are qualified to **VOTE** in **ELECTIONS** to meet in their respective **POLLING PLACES** on **TUESDAY**, the **FOURTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2014, 7:00 O'CLOCK A.M. to 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.** for the following purposes:

**POLLING PLACES:** **PRECINCT ONE**, Pigeon Cove Circle, Breakwater Avenue, North Village.  
**PRECINCT TWO**, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 24 Broadway, South Village.  
**PRECINCT THREE**, High School Auditorium Lobby, 26 Jerden's Lane, South Village.

To bring in their **VOTES** to the **STATE ELECTION OFFICERS** by **BALLOT** for the **ELECTION** for the following **OFFICES** and **QUESTIONS**:

<b>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</b> .....	<b>FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH</b>
<b>GOVERNOR/LT. GOVERNOR</b> .....	<b>FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH</b>
<b>ATTORNEY GENERAL</b> .....	<b>FORTHIS COMMONWEALTH</b>
<b>SECRETARY OF STATE</b> .....	<b>FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH</b>
<b>TREASURER</b> .....	<b>FORTHIS COMMONWEALTH</b>
<b>AUDITOR</b> .....	<b>FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH</b>
<b>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</b> .....	<b>SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</b>
<b>COUNCILLOR</b> .....	<b>FIFTH COUNCILLOR DISTRICT</b>
<b>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</b> .....	<b>FIRST ESSEX &amp; MIDDLESEX SENATORIAL DISTRICT</b>
<b>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</b> .....	<b>FIFTH ESSEX DISTRICT</b>
<b>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</b> .....	<b>EASTERN DISTRICT</b>
<b>REGISTRY OF PROBATE</b> .....	<b>ESSEX COUNTY</b>

**QUESTIONS**

**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 6, 2014?

**SUMMARY**

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

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

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

**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 6, 2014?

**SUMMARY**

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

The proposed law would require the state Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) to adjust the container deposit amount every five years to reflect (to the nearest whole cent) changes in the consumer price index, but the value

The proposed law would increase the minimum handling fee that beverage distributors must pay dealers for each properly returned empty beverage container, which was 2½ cents as of September 2013, to 3½ cents. It would also increase the minimum handling fee that bottlers must pay distributors and dealers for each properly returned empty reusable beverage container, which was 1 cent as of September 2013, to 3½ cents. The Secretary of EEA would review the fee amounts every five years and make appropriate adjustments to reflect changes in the consumer price index as well as changes in the costs incurred by redemption centers. The proposed law defines a redemption center as any business whose primary purpose is the redemption of beverage containers and that is not ancillary to any other business.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

##### **SUMMARY**

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

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

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

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

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

#### **QUESTION 4: 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 6, 2014?

##### **SUMMARY**

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

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

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

The proposed law would cover both private and public employers, except that employees of a particular city or town would be covered only if, as required by the state constitution, the proposed law were made applicable by local or state

legislative vote or by appropriation of sufficient funds to pay for the benefit. Earned paid sick time would be compensated at the same hourly rate paid to the employee when the sick time is used.

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

Employers could require certification of the need for sick time if an employee used sick time for more than 24 consecutively scheduled work hours. Employers could not delay the taking of or payment for earned sick time because they have not received the certification. Employees would have to make a good faith effort to notify the employer in advance if the need for earned sick time is foreseeable.

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

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

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

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

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

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

The **POLLS** will open at **7:00 O'CLOCK A.M.** and close at **8:00 O'CLOCK P.M.**

And you are directed to serve this **WARRANT** by posting attested copies of the same at each of the **POST OFFICES**, the **TOWN BULLETIN BOARD** and in other **PUBLIC PLACES** in each **VILLAGE** of the **TOWN**, **SEVEN DAYS** at least before the **DAY** of the holding of said **STATE ELECTION**.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this **WARRANT** with your doings thereon, **THREE DAYS** at least before **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014**.

Given under our **HANDS** and the **SEAL** of the **TOWN OF ROCKPORT** this **TWENTY-FOURTH DAY** of **OCTOBER, 2014, A.D.**



**TOWN OF ROCKPORT**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*[Handwritten signature]*  
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*Eric Battaglia*  
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*Arze Suen*  
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A true copy, **ATTEST:** *[Handwritten signature]*  
**Constable of the Town of Rockport**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Essex, ss.

Rockport, Ma.  
October 28, 2014

I, *Timothy C. Frithsen*, Constable of the *Town of Rockport*, have on this date, *October 24, 2014* posted a copy of the *Warrant* for the *State Election* to be held on *Tuesday*, the *Fourth Day* of *November, 2014*, in the two *Post Offices*, the *Town Bulletin Board*, and in *Seventeen (17)* other *Public Places* throughout the *Town* including three [3] in *Precinct One*, three [3] in *Precinct Two*, and three [3] in *Precinct Three*.

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Constable of the Town of Rockport

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Town Clerk's Office  
Rockport, MA 01966



Patricia E. Brown  
Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT  
STATE ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 4, 2014**

	<b>PREC. 1</b>	<b>PREC. 2</b>	<b>PREC. 3</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>EDWARD J. MARKEY</b>	<u>625</u>	<u>774</u>	<u>907</u>	<u>2306</u>
<b>BRIAN J. HERR</b>	<u>296</u>	<u>399</u>	<u>546</u>	<u>1241</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>40</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>158</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>
<b>GOVERNOR &amp; LT GOVERNOR</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>BAKER AND POLITO</b>	<u>409</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>686</u>	<u>1644</u>
<b>COAKLEY AND KERRIGAN</b>	<u>491</u>	<u>611</u>	<u>743</u>	<u>1845</u>
<b>FALCHUK AND JENNINGS</b>	<u>31</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>127</u>
<b>LIVELY AND SAUNDERS</b>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>21</u>
<b>MCCORMACK AND POST</b>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>24</u>
<b>WRITE INS</b>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>46</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>
<b>ATTORNEY GENERAL</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>MAURA HEALEY</b>	<u>626</u>	<u>787</u>	<u>939</u>	<u>2352</u>
<b>JOHN B. MILLER</b>	<u>292</u>	<u>392</u>	<u>520</u>	<u>1204</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>	<u>43</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>150</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>
<b>SECRETARY OF STATE</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN</b>	<u>661</u>	<u>835</u>	<u>1016</u>	<u>2512</u>
<b>DAVID D'ARCANGELO</b>	<u>216</u>	<u>291</u>	<u>396</u>	<u>903</u>
<b>DANIEL L. FACTOR</b>	<u>38</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>135</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>	<u>46</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>157</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>
<b>TREASURER</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>DEBORAH B. GOLDBERG</b>	<u>553</u>	<u>690</u>	<u>821</u>	<u>2064</u>
<b>MICHAEL JAMES HEFFERNAN</b>	<u>311</u>	<u>424</u>	<u>566</u>	<u>1301</u>
<b>IAN T. JACKSON</b>	<u>40</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>135</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>	<u>57</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>207</u>
<b>BLANKS</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>
<b>AUDITOR</b>				
<b>VOTE 1</b>				
<b>SUZANNE M. BUMP</b>	<u>547</u>	<u>697</u>	<u>822</u>	<u>2066</u>
<b>PATRICIA S. SAINT AUBIN</b>	<u>285</u>	<u>389</u>	<u>533</u>	<u>1207</u>
<b>MK MERELICE</b>	<u>38</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>138</u>
<b>WRITE-INS</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

	<u>PREC. 1</u>	<u>PREC. 2</u>	<u>PREC. 3</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
BLANKS	<u>91</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>117</u>	<u>296</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*REP. IN CONGRESS*

VOTE 1

SETH W. MOULTON	<u>623</u>	<u>789</u>	<u>962</u>	<u>2374</u>
RICHARD R. TISEI	<u>283</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>489</u>	<u>1152</u>
CHRISTOPHER J. STOCKWELL	<u>33</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>118</u>
WRITE-INS	<u>2</u>			<u>2</u>
BLANKS	<u>20</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>61</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*COUNCILLOR*

VOTE 1

EILEEN R. DUFF	<u>616</u>	<u>790</u>	<u>897</u>	<u>2303</u>
MAURA L. RYAN-CIADIELLO	<u>249</u>	<u>343</u>	<u>481</u>	<u>1073</u>
WRITE-INS			<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
BLANKS	<u>96</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>330</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*SEN. IN GENERAL COURT*

VOTE 1

BRUCE E. TARR	<u>768</u>	<u>1010</u>	<u>1231</u>	<u>3009</u>
WRITE-INS	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>		<u>7</u>
BLANKS	<u>192</u>	<u>213</u>	<u>286</u>	<u>691</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*REP. IN GENERAL COURT*

VOTE 1

ANN-MARGARET FERRANTE	<u>581</u>	<u>674</u>	<u>862</u>	<u>2117</u>
MICHAEL B. BOUCHER	<u>360</u>	<u>531</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>1506</u>
WRITE-INS	<u>5</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>
BLANKS	<u>15</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>78</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*DISTRICT ATTORNEY*

VOTE 1

JONATHAN W. BLODGETT	<u>740</u>	<u>955</u>	<u>1124</u>	<u>2819</u>
WRITE-INS		<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>8</u>
BLANKS	<u>221</u>	<u>269</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>880</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*REGISTER OF PROBATE*

VOTE 1

PAMELA CASEY O'BRIEN	<u>593</u>	<u>765</u>	<u>838</u>	<u>2196</u>
MICHAEL E. MORALES	<u>288</u>	<u>378</u>	<u>531</u>	<u>1197</u>
WRITE-INS			<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
BLANKS	<u>80</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>146</u>	<u>312</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*PREC. 1    PREC. 2    PREC. 3    TOTAL*

*QUESTION 1*

GAS TAX

YES	<u>418</u>	<u>582</u>	<u>753</u>	<u>1753</u>
NO	<u>504</u>	<u>605</u>	<u>718</u>	<u>1827</u>
BLANKS	<u>39</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>127</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*QUESTION 2*

BOTTLE BILL

YES	<u>336</u>	<u>338</u>	<u>518</u>	<u>1192</u>
NO	<u>603</u>	<u>863</u>	<u>974</u>	<u>2440</u>
BLANKS	<u>22</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>75</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*QUESTION 3*

PROHIBIT WAGERING

YES	<u>480</u>	<u>540</u>	<u>730</u>	<u>1750</u>
NO	<u>455</u>	<u>657</u>	<u>745</u>	<u>1857</u>
BLANKS	<u>26</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>100</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

*QUESTION 4*

SICK TIME

YES	<u>525</u>	<u>667</u>	<u>787</u>	<u>1979</u>
NO	<u>326</u>	<u>446</u>	<u>579</u>	<u>1351</u>
BLANKS	<u>110</u>	<u>116</u>	<u>151</u>	<u>377</u>
TOTAL	<u>961</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>3707</u>

	Reg	Voted		TIME IN:
PRECINCT ONE	<u>1389</u>	<u>961</u>	<u>69.19%</u>	<u>11:48PM</u>
PRECINCT TWO	<u>1889</u>	<u>1229</u>	<u>65.06%</u>	<u>12:21AM</u>
PRECINCT THREE	<u>2269</u>	<u>1517</u>	<u>66.86%</u>	<u>12:43AM</u>
TOTAL	<u>5547</u>	<u>3707</u>	<u>66.83%</u>	

## 2014 OATHS OF OFFICE

NAME		COMMITTEE	DATE OF OATH
Allen	Charles	Keeper of Thacher Island	5/23/14
Attwood	Stephen	Economic Development Committee	7/16/14
Andrews	Julie	Rockport Cultural Council	7/31/14
Anderson	Faye	Council on Aging	10/21/14
Allen	Charles	Conservation Commission	11/7/14
Aparo	Armand	Ad Hoc Police Chief Screening Com.	12/08/14
Bosselman	Linda	Keeper of Thacher Island	4/30/14
Budrow	William	Animal/Dog Control Officer	5/2/14
Buckles	Casey	Keeper of Thacher Island	5/5/14
Betts	Henry	Planning Board	5/8/14
Battistelli	Erin	Board of Selectmen	5/13/14
Beacham	Peter	Economic Development Committee	7/14/14
Barletta	Nicola	MBTA Station Planning Advisory Com.	7/28/14
Cegelis	Matt	Open Space & Recreation Committee	1/10/14
Christenson	Shirley	Cultural Council	1/13/14
Cohen	Sharon	Keeper of Thacher Island	4/30/14
Coogan	Colleen	School Committee	5/7/14
Cusick	Donna	Keeper of Thacher Island	5/7/14
Cox	James	Economic Development Committee	6/19/14
Cegelis	Matt	Open Space & Recreation Committee	6/19/14
Cunningham	Stephanie	Open Space & Recreation Committee	6/20/14
Cutter	Seth	Thacher & Straitsmouth Island Com.	6/26/14
Conway	Shirley	Council on Aging	8/22/14
Duffy	Terence	Planning Board	5/7/14
Doyle	James	Board of Fire Engineers	6/17/14
Dagle	Kendra	Memorial Day Parade Committee	6/19/14
Devaney	Mary	Rights of Way Committee	6/23/14
DeWeese-Boyd	Margie	Keeper of Thacher Island	6/27/14
Delaney	David	Thacher & Straitsmouth Island Com.	7/11/14
Delaney	Carol	Thacher & Straitsmouth Island Com.	7/17/14
Daily	Elizabeth	Finance Committee	11/24/14
Eldridge	Thomas	Thacher & Straitsmouth Island Com.	6/24/14
Endicott	Tamsen	Finance Committee	11/25/14
Fritch	Stephen	Harbor Advisory Committee	2/28/14
Frithsen	Holly	Trustee of Public Library	5/13/14
Fossa	Joyce	Assoc. member of Board of Appeals	6/24/14
Fulton	Darlene	Keeper of Thacher Island	7/15/14
Fulton	John	Keeper of Thacher Island	7/15/14
Finta	Martha	Beautification Committee	8/15/14
Frithsen	Frederick	Zoning Board of Appeals-Assoc. Member	9/8/14
Galpin	Suzan	Economic Development Committee	6/23/14
Glick	Camille	Keeper of Thacher Island	6/27/14
Glick	Dewey	Keeper of Thacher Island	6/27/14
Giannoccaro	Betsy	Beautification Committee	7/2/14
Gray	Bonnie	Town Art Committee	7/8/14
Hapshe	Kaye	Rockport Housing Authority	2/13/14
Hobbs	George	Assessor of Taxes	5/7/14

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Haynes	Jeannette	Keeper of Thacher Island	5/30/14
Haynes	Larry	Keeper of Thacher Island	5/30/14
Hoffman	Rollyn	Economic Development Committee	6/18/14
Hillier	Fred	Harbor Advisory Committee	7/9/14
Hatcher	BJ	Keeper of Thacher Island	7/31/14
Hatcher	Kathy	Keeper of Thacher Island	7/31/14
Jorgensson	Dana	Harbor Advisory Committee	2/27/14
Johnson	Diane	Keeper of Thacher Island	5/9/14
Johnson	Gary	Keeper of Thacher Island	5/15/14
Joseph	Bob	Keeper of Thacher Island	6/27/14
Kearns	David	Personnel Board	7/30/14
Lucas	Andrea	Assistant Dog Officer	6/9/14
Lesch	Roger	Council on Aging	6/23/14
Lesch	Roger	Special Officer for Elder Affairs	6/23/14
Lesch	Roger	Rockport Rep. to Action Inc.	6/23/14
Lash	Mary Ann	Conservation Commission	7/14/14
Levesque	Frank	Granite Pier Committee	8/21/14
Ludovicz	Adam	Police Officer	10/16/14
McCarthy	Gilbert	Rights of Way Committee	4/7/14
Mahoney	Daniel	Animal/Dog Control Officer	5/6/14
Mahoney	Daniel	Emergency Management Deputy Director	5/12/14
Murphy	Paul	Board of Selectmen	5/13/14
Murphy	Paula	Rockport Housing Authority	5/13/14
Morgan	Martha	School Committee	5/19/14
Michaud	Kathy	Keeper of Thacher Island	6/10/14
Mahoney	Daniel	Emergency Management	6/16/14
Marr	Lee	Thacher & Straitsmouth Island Committee	6/20/14
Morrow	Phil	Rights of Way Committee	6/23/14
Morris	Richard	Thacher & Straitsmouth Island Committee	6/26/14
Mason	Shannon	Millbrook Meadow Committee	7/2/14
Mueller	William	Rights of Way Committee	7/11/14
Montello	Edmund	Harbor Advisory Committee	7/22/14
MacMillan	Alan	Conservation Commission	7/29/14
Michaels	Mel	Community Preservation Committee	9/17/14
McMullin	Bryan	Town Art Committee	12/8/14
Nichols, Jr.	Charles	Granite Pier Committee	6/18/14
Neal	Lawrence	Conservation Commission	7/11/14
Neal	Lawrence	Open Space & Recreation Committee	7/11/14
Otway	Tom	Keeper of Thacher Island	5/23/14
Pillarella	Rosemary	Town Art Committee	6/17/14
Porter	John	Board of Fire Engineers	6/26/14
Razdan	Lana	Economic Development	6/18/14
Rask	Eric	Granite Pier Committee	6/18/14
Rees	John	Member of Board of Appeals	7/1/14
Rees	John	Zoning Administrator	7/1/14
Ring	Jonathan	Board of Registrars	11/20/14
Reed	Bruce	Police Chief Screening Committee	12/8/14
Solomon	Jill	Rights of Way	1/6/14

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Scatterday	Theresa	Economic Development Committee	1/13/14
Schmink	Mark	Emergency Management	6/16/14
Scatterday	Theresa	Economic Development Committee	6/18/14
Sparks	Barbara	Millbrook Meadow Committee	6/19/14
Sudbay, Jr.	Donald	Council on Aging	6/24/14
Sandfield	Russell	Board of Health	6/24/14
Stepenuck	Lawrence	Harbor Advisory Committee	6/30/14
Saville	Randy	Building Study Committee	7/2/14
Smith	Wayne	Keeper of Thacher Island	7/18/14
Smith	Anita	Keeper of Thacher Island	7/18/14
Sena-Burger	Karen	Town Art Committee	8/29/14
Sonia	Robert	Town Government & Bylaw Committee	10/24/14
Sheehan	Steve	Police Chief Screening Committee	12/15/14
Tarr III	Frederick	Millbrook Meadow Committee	6/19/14
Tarr III	Frederick	Open Space & Recreation Committee	6/19/14
Tarr III	Frederick	Thacher & Straitsmouth Islands Com.	6/19/14
Trumbour	Darlene	Memorial Day Parade Committee	6/24/14
Thompson	John	Granite Pier Committee	6/26/14
Trumbour	Darlene	Rockport Cultural Council	7/29/14
Thompson	Alan	Police Chief Screening Committee	12/8/14
Vieira	Mitchell	Cape Ann Transportation Authority	2/28/14
Vieira	Mitchell	Cape Ann Regional Cable Contract Renewal Negotiating Committee	3/19/14
Visnick	Robert	Town Moderator	5/13/14
VanDermark	Peter	Open Space & Recreation Committee	7/15/14
Wagner	William	Finance Committee	5/5/14
Wedmore	Sydney	Keeper of Thacher Island	6/3/14
Wedmore	Suellen	Keeper of Thacher Island	6/3/14
Wiberg	Lars	Assoc. member of Board of Appeals	6/30/14
Wedmore	Sydney	Thacher & Straitsmouth Islands Com.	7/8/14
Zeman	Gail	Thacher & Straitsmouth Island Com.	6/25/14
Zeman	Gail	Memorial Day Parade Committee	7/15/14



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