

TOWN RECORDS AND REPORTS

of the

TOWN OFFICERS



TOWN OF ACUSHNET



2007

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

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

TOWN SERVICES

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

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MASSACHUSETTS



For the

Year Ending December 31, 2007

Kase Printing Inc.
13 Hampshire Drive
Unit 18
Hudson, NH 03051

In Memoriam

Katherine H. Church
School Nurse
Date of Death – January 10, 2007

Harry L. Swift
Police Officer
Date of Death – February 14, 2007

Arlette Lapalme
Poll Worker
Date of Death - February 22, 2007

Dorothy Renfree
Board of Registrars
Date of Death – April 19, 2007

Frank DeTerra, Jr.
Volunteer Firefighter
Date of Death – June 23, 2007

Paul J. Picard
Conservation Committee Chairman
Date of Death – July 13, 2007

William F. Duggan
Council on Aging
Poll Worker
Date of Death – July 16, 2007

Alfred Fernandes
Conservation Commission
Date of Death - July 22, 2007

Susan H. Ashley
Chairperson-Miss Acushnet Centennial Pageant
Date of Death - November 9, 2007

Walter E. Owen
Trustee of Acushnet Public Library
Date of Death - November 30, 2007

TOWN OFFICERS

2007

Town Clerk

John C. Howcroft

Term Expires 2008

Board of Selectmen

Robert F. Brown, Chairman

Term Expires 2008

Michael A. Cioper

Term Expires 2009

David E. Wojnar

Term Expires 2010

Board of Assessors

Marc Cenerizio

Term Expires 2008

Leslie Dakin

Term Expires 2009

Liberio Soares

Term Expires 2010

Board of Health

Robert Medeiros, Chairman

Term Expires 2008

David Davignon

Term Expires 2009

Thomas J. Fortin

Term Expires 2010

School Committee

Douglas Coray, Chairman

Term Expires 2010

Robert Lanzoni

Term Expires 2008

Jo-Ann C. Bertrand

Resigned June 25, 2007

Frank Kuthan

Appointed July 23, 2007

Term Expires 2008

Mary Louise Francis

Term Expires 2009

Manuel D. Goncalves

Term Expires 2010

Commissioner of Trust Funds

Marc E. LaPlante, Chairman

Term Expires 2009

Paul R. O'Neil

Term Expires 2008

William A. Krause, Jr.

Term Expires 2010

Trustees of Free Public Library

Robert Bartolome, Chairman

Term Expires 2010

Christina Gaudette

Term Expires 2008

Anne M. Verissimo

Term Expires 2008

James Knox

Term Expires 2009

Jeanne R. Poulin

Term Expires 2009

Kristen Leotti

Term Expires 2010

Cemetery Board

Paul H. Fortin, Chairman
Joanne Cioper
Charlene Fortin

Term Expires 2009
Term Expires 2008
Term Expires 2010

Park Commissioners

Marc J. Antone, Chairman
Thomas J. Decosta
Michael Desrosiers

Term Expires 2008
Term Expires 2009
Term Expires 2010

Housing Authority

Lawrence G. Marshall, Chairman
James S. Madruga, Jr.
Nancy Brightman
Lawrence P. Mulvey
Richard Threlfall-State Appointed

Term Expires 2010
Term Expires 200
Term Expires 2011
Term Expires 2012
Term Expires 2008

Planning Board

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

Term Expires 2012
Term Expires 2008
Term Expires 2009
Term Expires 2010
Term Expires 2011

Moderator

Robert E. Francis

Term Expires 2008

Tree Warden

Raymond F. Barlow

Term Expires 2008

Board of Public Works

Rene Racine, Chairman
John Carvalho
Charles Vieira
Jeffrey Schuster
Steven R. Boucher

Term Expires 2008
Term Expires 2008
Term Expires 2009
Term Expires 2009
Term Expires 2010

**Town Oaths Administrated by John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk
"2007"**

<u>Date Sworn In 2007</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election or Appointment</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
4/04/05	JoAnn Bertrand	School Committee	Resigned 6/25/07	4/07/08
5/02/05	Lorraine Dabrowski	Poll Worker	Resigned 1/25/07	5/01/07
5/02/05	Ronald Matton	Board of Appeals	Resigned 2/05/07	5/01/10
5/02/05	Deborah Medeiros	Poll Worker	Resigned 7/27/07	5/01/07
5/02/05	Juliana Perry	Clerk (Prec I)	Resigned 4/25/07	5/01/07
5/02/05	Rose Procyk	Poll Worker	Resigned 1/25/07	5/01/07
12/05/05	Bertha Rose	Warden Prec II	Resigned 1/19/07	5/01/07
5/08/06	Paul Trahan	Board of Appeals (Alt)	Resigned 2/06/07	5/01/08
5/08/06	Paul Trahan	Downtown Steering Committee	Resigned 2/06/07	5/01/07
5/08/06	Paul Trahan	Tax Shift Study Committee	Resigned 2/06/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	John Roza	By-Law Review Committee	Resigned 9/28/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	John Roza	Enforcement Agent for BOS	Resigned 9/28/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	John Roza	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Resigned 9/28/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	John Roza	Portable Sign Committee	Resigned 9/28/07	5/01/08
1/03/07	Kristen Leotti	Skate Park Re-Location Committee	Appt. 12/11/06	5/01/07
1/04/07	Kelly Medeiros	Open Space Committee	Appt. 12/11/06	5/01/07

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1/05/07	Raymond Barlow	Skate Park Re-Location Committee	Appt. 12/11/06	5/01/07
1/05/07	Christopher Richmond	Skate Park Re-Location Committee	Appt. 12/11/06	5/01/07
1/08/07	Richard Threlfall	Housing Authority	Appt. 12/29/06	01/29/08
1/11/07	Heidi Espinoza	Skate Park Re-Location Committee	Appt. 12/11/06	5/01/07
1/24/07	Raymond Barlow	Tree Warden (Vacancy)	Appt. 1/22/07	4/02/07
2/2/07	Gary L. Moniz	Police Officer	Appt. 2/02/07	---
3/28/07	Christine Amaral	Poll Worker	Appt. 3/26/07	5/01/09
3/28/07	Cynthia Lundrigan	Poll Worker	Appt. 3/26/07	5/01/09
3/28/07	Maria Moore	Poll Worker	Appt. 3/26/07	5/01/09
3/28/07	Barbara Pike	Poll Worker	Appt. 3/26/07	5/01/09
4/02/07	Douglas Coray	School Committee	Elected 4/02/07	4/05/10
4/3/07	Steven Boucher	Board of Public Works	Elected 4/02/07	4/05/10
4/03/07	Manuel Goncalves	School Committee	Elected 4/02/07	4/05/10
4/04/07	Raymond Barlow	Tree Warden	Elected 4/02/07	4/07/08
4/04/07	Michael Desrosiers	Park Commissioner	Elected 4/02/07	4/05/10
4/04/07	William Krause	Commissioner of Trust Funds	Elected 4/02/07	4/05/10
4/05/07	Cheryl Jackson	Inspector of Animals	Appt. 4/02/07	3/31/08
4/05/07	Albert Santos	Board of Appeals	Appt. 3/26/07	5/01/10

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4/05/07	Rebekah Tomlinson	Inspector of Animals	Appt. 3/31/07	3/31/08
4/05/07	David Wojnar	Board of Selectmen	Elected 4/02/07	4/05/10
4/09/07	James Pringle	Board of Appeals (Alt)	Appt. 3/26/07	5/01/08
4/10/07	Thomas Fortin	Board of Health	Elected 4/02/07	4/05/10
4/11/07	Marc Cenerizo	Board of Assessor	Elected 4/02/07	4/07/08
4/11/07	Marc Cenerizo	Planning Commissioner	Elected 4/02/07	4/02/12
4/11/07	Liberio Soares	Board of Assessor	Elected 4/02/07	4/05/10
5/02/07	Sarah Fitzgerald	Tilcon Capaldi Weigher	Appt. 4/23/07	5/01/08
5/15/07	Kelli Tomlinson	Constable	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
5/16/07	James Madruga	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
5/22/07	Eric Arruda	Insurance Advisory Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
5/23/07	Lisa Leonard	Skate Park Re-Location Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
5/23/07	Christopher Richmond	Insurance Advisory Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08

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5/24/07	Michael Alves	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
5/24/07	Michael Alves	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
5/25/07	Alan Coutinho	Downtown Steering Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
5/25/07	Alan Coutinho	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
5/29/07	Herve Vandal, Jr.	Constable	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
5/30/07	Patricia Picard	Conservation Commission	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
5/31/07	Maria Otocky	Insurance Advisory Committee	Appt. 5/21/07	5/01/08
6/01/07	Frank Adesso	Constable	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/01/07	Gerald Bergeron	EMA Director	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10

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6/01/07	Marc Cenerizio	Open Space Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/01/07	Marc Cenerizio	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/04/07	Ruth Gilmore	Council of Aging	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/04/07	Marc Laplante	Constable	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/04/07	Adrienne Rivet	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/04/07	Adrienne Rivet	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/05/07	Gloria Bernier	Inspector	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/05/07	Suzanne Picard	Insurance Advisory Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/05/07	David Wojnar	Downtown Steering Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/05/07	David Wojnar	SRTA Rep.	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	John Abaray, Jr.	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	David Botas	Constable	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Evelyn Bouley	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Robert Brown	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Lillian Contois	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Jenny Correira	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09

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6/07/07	Charlotte Coutinho	Downtown Steering Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	James Coutinho	Historical Commission	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Walter Dalton, Jr.	Cultural Council (Ex-Officio)	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	Jeanne Duggan	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	William Duggan	Council on Aging	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Betsy Ellis	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Robert Ferreira	Finance Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Robert Ferreira	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	David Flynn	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	Donna Forand	Beautification Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Geraldine Frates	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Kevin Gaspar	Finance Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Lorraine Gentili	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Dorothy Gomes	Council on Aging	5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Dorothy Gomes	Deputy Clerk	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Manual Goulart	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08

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6/07/07	Michael Greene	Cable TV Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Madeline Gwozdz	Historical Commission	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Ellen Hardy	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Paulette Hudson	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Ed Isaac	Golf Management & Operational Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	Alice Kut	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Dorothy Lackie	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Robert Lanzoni	Cable TV Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Raymond Leblanc	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Kristen Leotti	Skate Park Re-location Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	Donald Lopes	Cabel TV Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights & Measures	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	Edward Macomber	Cultural Council	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Lawrence Marshall	Cable TV Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Kelly Medeiros	Open Space Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Margaret Mota	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	J. George O'Brien	Council on Aging	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10

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6/07/07	Jeannette Pepin	Inspector	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Steven Pina	Deputy Building Inspector	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	Geraldine Reed	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Joyce Reynolds	Beautification Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Robert Rocha	Open Space Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Leo Rousseau	Downtown Steering Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	John Roza	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	John Roza	Enforcement Agent for the BOS	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	John Roza	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	John Roza	Portable Sign Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/07/07	Priscilla Santos	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Joyce Wylie- Scholz	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Susanne Sounik	Inspector	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	George Souza	Cable TV Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Pauline Teixeira	Historical Commission	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/07/07	Anita Tetreault	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/07/07	Joyce Tillet	Warden	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09

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6/07/07	Ralph Urban	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
6/18/07	George Bevilacqua	Veteran's Agent	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
6/18/07	Stephen Morrisseau	Shellfish Warden/Harbor Master	Appt. 6/04/07	5/01/09
6/20/07	Carol Chongarides	Soil Board Member	Appt. 6/20/07	5/01/08
6/21/07	Richard Gula	Board of Appeals	Appt. 6/04/07	5/01/12
6/21/07	Richard Gula	Conservation Commission	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
6/22/07	Eric McGlynn	Safety Committee	Appt. 6/04/07	5/01/08
6/25/07	Faye Philla	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
7/02/07	Laurie Avery	Tax Title Custodian	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
7/30/07	Frank Kuthan	School Committee (Vacancy)	Appt. 7/23/07	4/07/08
8/24/07	Linda Guilbeault	Council on Aging	Appt. 8/20/07	5/01/10
8/24/07	Alice Soares	Council on Aging	Appt. 8/20/07	5/01/10
8/27/07	Pauline Teixeira	Council on Aging	Appt. 8/20/07	5/01/10
9/11/07	Genevieve Linhares	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
9/17/07	Henry Young	Wind Study Committee	Appt. 9/10/07	5/01/08
9/18/07	Dianna Couto	Cultural Council	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/10
9/18/07	Dianna Couto	Poll Worker	Appt. 3/26/07	5/01/08
9/18/07	Rebekah Tomlinson	Animal Control Officer	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08

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10/11/07	Raymond Barlow	Moth Super/Inspector of Pest Control	Appt 5/14/07	5/01/10
10/11/07	Raymond Barlow	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
10/11/07	Marie Hardy	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
10/12/07	Kevin Gallagher	Forest Warden	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
10/12/07	Kevin Gallagher	Inspector of Garages	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
10/12/07	Kevin Gallagher	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
10/12/07	Kevin Gallagher	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
10/15/07	Merilee Woodworth	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
10/15/07	Henry Young	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08
10/15/07	Henry Young	Wind Study Committee	Appt. 9/10/07	5/01/08
10/15/07	Simonne Coutinho	Poll Worker	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/09
10/15/07	David Wojnar	Wind Study Committee	Appt. 9/10/07	5/01/08
10/19/07	John Roy	Wind Study Committee	Appt. 9/10/07	5/01/08
11/05/07	Kevin Dakin	Conservation Commission	Appt. 10/29/07	5/01/10
11/06/07	Victor Pereira	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 5/14/07	5/01/08

**RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON
APRIL 2, 2007**

Register of Voters as of Close of Registration on March 13, 2007

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Inter 3rd Party	Libertarian	Republican	Unenrolled	Working Families	Total
Precinct I	957	2		9	149	1152	1	2270
Precinct II	1038	2		12	216	1415		2683
Precinct III	957	1	1	16	186	1474		2635
Total	2952	5	1	37	551	4041	1	7588

CLERK'S REPORT -PRECINCT I

To the Town Clerk:

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

The following officers were present:

Warden: Joyce Tillett
 Deputy Warden: Susan Sounik
 Clerk: Juliana Perry
 Deputy Clerk: Dorothy Gomes
 Inspectors: Jeanne Duggan, Marie Hardy, Genevieve Linhares,
 Faye Philla
 Police Officers: John Almeida

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 580.

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

CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT II

To the Town Clerk:

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

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Simonne Coutinho
Deputy Warden:	---
Clerk:	Betsy Ellis
Deputy Clerk:	---
Inspectors:	Dorothy Daniels, Gloria Bernier, Lorraine Gentili, Jeannette Pepin, Anita Tetreault, Lillian Contois, Alice Kut, Jenny Correira
Police Officers:	Gary Rousseau, Gene Robinson

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 694.

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

CLERK'S REPORT – PRECINCT III

To the Town Clerk:

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

The following officers were present:

Warden:	Dianna Couto
Deputy Warden:	---
Clerk:	Dorothy Lackie
Deputy Clerk:	---
Inspectors:	Priscilla Santos, Margaret Mota, Cynthia Lundrigan, Christine Amaral, Barbara Pike, Lee Forand, Maria Moore.
Police Officers:	Gary Rousseau, Gene Robinson

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 511.

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

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 APRIL 2, 2007**

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>SELECTMEN</u>				
(Three Years)				
David E. Wojnar	381	430	318	1129
Garry L. Rawcliffe	198	256	189	643
Blanks:	4	8	6	18
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>ASSESSOR</u>				
(Three Years)				
Liberio Soares	414	460	362	1236
Blanks:	167	234	150	551
Write-In's:				
Heidi Houganian	1			1
Bud Pimental	1			1
Henry Preston			1	1
Total	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>ASSESSOR</u>				
(One Year)				
Marc Cenerizio	429	479	382	1290
Blanks:	152	215	128	495
Write-In's:				
David Tetreault	1			1

Victor Delgado	1			1
Robert Brown			1	1
Joseph Zekus			1	1
Rick Zekus			1	1
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>BOARD OF HEALTH</u> (Three Years)				
Thomas J. Fortin	434	496	385	1315
Blanks:	145	198	128	471
Write-In's:				
David Tetreault	1			1
Paul Fortin	1			1
Roland Levalley	1			1
Tom Fantozi	1			1
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>SCHOOL COMMITTEE</u> (Three Years)				
Douglas M. Coray	353	413	341	1107
Manuel Goncalves	323	340	274	937
Jonathan L. Pirkey	206	256	185	647
Blanks:	284	379	223	886
Write-In's:				
Valerie Amaral			3	3
TOTAL	<u>1166</u>	<u>1388</u>	<u>1026</u>	<u>3580</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>BOARD OF</u>				
<u>PUBLIC</u>				
<u>WORKS</u>				
(Three				
Years)				
Steven R.	363	421	317	1101
Boucher				
Blanks:	218	273	194	685
Write-In's:				
David	1			1
Tetreault				
David	1			1
Golorick				
Matt Goulet			1	1
Conrad			1	1
Richard				
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMITTEE</u>				
<u>OF TRUST</u>				
<u>FUNDS</u>				
(Three Years)				
William Krause	415	467	375	1257
Blanks:	167	226	167	530
Write-In's:				
Raymond LeBlanc	1			1
Simonne Coutinho		1	1	2
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>CEMETERY BOARD</u> (Three Years)				
Charlene A. Fortin	426	486	375	1287
Blanks:	156	208	137	501
Write-In's:				
David Tetreault	1			1
John Mello			1	1
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>TRUSTEE OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY</u> (Three Years) (Vote for Two)				
Robert Bartolome	376	404	319	1099
Kristen E. Leotti	341	391	302	1034
Blanks:	449	595	404	1445
Write-In's:				
Mark Spinale		1		1
Valerie Amaral			1	1
TOTAL	<u>1166</u>	<u>1388</u>	<u>1026</u>	<u>3580</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>HOUSING AUTHORITY</u> (Five Years)				
Lawrence P. Mulvey	435	482	375	1292
Blanks:	148	211	137	496
Write-In's:				
Ruth Ann Reul		1		1
Valerie Lacasse			1	1
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>PARK</u>				
<u>COMMISSIONER</u>				
(Three Years)				
Michael Desrosiers	421	473	370	1264
Blanks:	162	221	142	525
Write-In's:				
Mike Nunes			1	1
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>PLANNING</u>				
<u>COMMISSIONER</u>				
(Five Years)				
Marc Cenerizio	417	468	376	1261
Blanks:	166	226	133	525
Write-In's:				
Simonne Coutinho			1	1
Ernest Jarvis			1	1
Henry Young			1	1
James Madruga			1	1
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>TREE</u>				
<u>WARDEN</u>				
(One Year)				
Raymond	442	499	389	1330
Barlow				
Blanks:	138	194	123	455
Write-In's:				
David	1			1
Tetreault				

John Bohrinho	1			1
Bud Pimental	1			1
Melissa Gordon		1		1
John Mello			1	1
TOTAL	<u>583</u>	<u>694</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>1790</u>

Attest:

John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

Percentage of Votes Cast 25%

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
WARRANT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 21, 2007, AT 7:00 P.M.
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS
To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the twenty-first (21st) day of May, at 7:00 p.m. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Good PLACE: Ford Middle School
WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES: Approved by Mr. Robert Francis, Moderator
TIME STARTED: 7:00 P.M.
ATTENDANCE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING: 137
TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 149

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to implement wage increases, retroactive July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, for those employees covered by the following union contract: Police (Teamsters Union Local No. 59) and other Police Department Employees, term of contract July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Police Department #0102210

Line Item #511000 (Salaries – Chief)	\$2,426.00
Line Item #511100 (Salaries – Permanent)	\$74,607.00
Line Item #519200 (Clothing)	\$ 3,800.00

	\$ 80,833.00

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Robert F. Brown, Chairman, Board of Selectmen; I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$80,833.00 for the purpose of, and as set forth in, said article.

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

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing line item #0101914-517500 (Health Insurance), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$87,000.00)

(Submitted by Director of Finance)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman David Wojnar; I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$87,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing line item #0103325/592500 (School Improvement Interest) or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$43,586.00)

(Submitted by Town Treasurer/Collector)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman Michael Cioper; I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$42,586.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to line item #0104423-529000 (Snow Removal, Emergency) to fund expenses incurred in FY 2007, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$19,906.00)

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

1. Motion: Made by Chairman Robert F. Brown, Board of Selectmen; I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$19,906.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes with opposition.

At 7:15 p.m. Town Moderator, Mr. Robert Francis, asked for a motion to recess the Special Town Meeting in order to convene the Annual Town Meeting. Motion was made and seconded. Passed unanimously.

The Town Moderator asked for a motion to recess the Annual Town Meeting and reconvene the Special Town Meeting. Motion made and seconded. Passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #0105543 (Veterans) – Line Item #577000 (Veterans Benefits) to cover benefits for the months of April, May and June or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$9,000.00)

(Submitted by the Veteran's Agent)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman Mr. David Wojnar; I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$9,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Line Item #0101911/517700 (Bristol County Retirement) to Line Item #0101911/517800 (Medicare) or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$10,525.00)

(Submitted by the Town Treasurer/Collector)

1. Motion: Made Selectman Michael Cioper; I accept the article as read.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Line Item #0101911/517800 (Medicare) or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$11,000.00)

(Submitted by the Town Treasurer/Collector)

1. Motion: Made by Chairman Robert F. Brown; Board of Selectmen. I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$11,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of increasing Department #0102291 (Emergency Management Agency) – Line Item #5240000 (R&M Building & Grounds) to make repairs to the roof on the Emergency Management Building located on Thomas Street or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$2,500.00)

(Submitted by Emergency Management Agency)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman David Wojnar; I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$2,500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing or otherwise, the sum of One Hundred Thirty Four Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$134,616.00) to pay costs of replacing the roof, overhead and entrance

doors at the Town Barn located at 700 Middle Road, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Public Works)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Raymond Barlow, Superintendent of the Highway Division, Department of Public Works. I move that the Town transfer from stabilization the sum of \$106,000.00 for the purpose of replacing the roof only at the Town Barn.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously, more than the 2/3rd's necessary.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) for the purpose of financing the preparation of a comprehensive wastewater management plan/environmental impact report, for the unsewered portions of the Town, including without limitation, all costs therefore as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow all or a portion of the \$350,000.00 and issue bonds or notes therefore under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws and/or pursuant to any other enabling authority; all or a portion of such amount may be borrowed from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 28C; that such bonds or notes be general obligations of the Town, and in connection therewith, to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan; that the Board of Public Works be authorized to contract said work and services and be authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection; and that the Board of Public Works be authorized to apply for, accept and expend all funds available for the project; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Mr. Paul Sylvia, Superintendent of the Board of Public Work read and made the motion. I move that the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars(\$350,000.00) be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of the preparation of a comprehensive wastewater management plan/environmental impact report, for the unsewered portions of the Town, including without limitation, all costs therefore as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is hereby authorized to borrow all or a portion of the \$350,000.00 and issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws and/or pursuant to any other enabling authority; all or a portion of such amount may be borrowed from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 28 C; that such bonds or notes be general obligations of the Town, and in connection therewith, to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of

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

2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article fails. The vote totals are 62 (yes) and 77 (no).

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Surplus a sum of One-Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00), to Water Department line item #2704450-512000 (Salaries Part Time Clerk), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$1,700.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Paul Sylvia, Superintendent of Department of Public Works, I move that the Town transfer from Water Surplus the sum of One-Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00) for the purpose of said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Surplus a sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00), to Water Department line item #2704450-523000 (New Bedford Water Bills), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$55,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Paul Sylvia, Superintendent of the Department of Public Works, I move that the Town transfer from Water Surplus the sum of \$55,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Surplus a sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00), to purchase Capital Equipment (Radio read meters, and other related equipment), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$125,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Paul Sylvia, Superintendent of the Department of Public Works. I move that the Town transfer from Water Surplus the sum of \$125,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Surplus a sum of Forty-Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), to Sewer Department line item #6004440-529200 (Sewer Pumping New Bedford), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$40,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Steven Boucher, member of the Board of Public Works. I move that the Town transfer from Sewer Surplus the sum of \$40,000.00 for the purpose of said Article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of the Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to implement wage increases, retroactive July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007, for those employees covered by the following union contract: Department of Public Works Public Employees Local Union 1249, term of contract July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2008, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Department of Public Works

Highway Department #0104422

Line item #511100 (Salaries Permanent)	\$5,700.00
Line item # 513000 (Salaries Overtime)	\$ 220.00

SEMASS Department #0104431

Line Item #511100 (Salaries Permanent)	\$ 570.00
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Water Department #2704450

Line Item #511100 (Salaries Permanent)	\$1,695.00
Line Item # 513000 (Salaries Overtime)	\$ 85.00

Sewer Department # 6004440

Line Item #511100 (Salaries Permanent)	\$ 190.00
Line Item #513000 (Salaries Overtime)	\$ 10.00

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Raymond Barlow, Superintendent of the Highway Division, Department of Public Works; I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$6,490.00, from Water Surplus the sum of \$1,780.00, and from Sewer Surplus the sum of \$200.00 for the purpose of, and set forth, said article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing the sum of Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000.00) for the purpose of paying costs of constructing a school administration building, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the School Committee)

- 1 Motion: Made by Mrs. Joanne Bertrand, member of the Acushnet School Committee; I move that the sum of Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000.00) be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of constructing a school administration building, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(21)of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore.
2. The Finance Committee does not recommend the passage of this Article.
3. Motion to Table; 94 yes's and 34 no's more than the needed; 2/3rd's majority.

The Article is Tabled.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money to make building repairs to the Russell Memorial Library, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$45,000.00)

(Submitted by the Library Trustees)

1. Motion. Made by Mr. Robert J. Bartolome, member of the Library Board of Trustees, to table the Article as read.
2. The motion to table passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

1. Motion made by Mr. Roger Cabral, Chairman of the Finance Committee. I move to table such Article.
2. The motion to table passes unanimously.

Motion made to adjourn the Special Town Meeting, passes unanimously at 8:35 p.m.

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

Given under our hands this 23rd day of April, 2007.

Chairman

Robert F. Brown,

Member

David E. Wojnar,

Member

Michael A. Cioper,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy Attest:

This 3rd day of May, 2007

Rebekah Tomlinson
Constable of Acushnet

Attest:

John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 21, 2007 AT 7:15 P.M.
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS

To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday the twenty-first (21st) day of May at 7:15 p.m. in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles viz:

The Annual Town Meeting of May 21, 2007 is reconvened at 8:36 p.m. by the Town Moderator, Mr. Robert Francis.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to fix salaries and compensation of elected/appointed officers/employees and to see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds, or otherwise for the payment of said salaries and compensation, payment of debt and interest, for a reserve fund, and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the ensuing twelve (12) month period through June 30, 2008, or to take any other action relative thereto.

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Roger Cabral, Chairman, Finance Committee. I move that the Town fix salaries and compensation of elected/appointed officer/employees, and appropriate funds for the payment of said salaries and compensation, payment of debt and interest, a reserve fund, and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the ensuing twelve (12) month period through June 30, 2008, all as set forth in the budget presented by the Finance Committee, and, as funding therefore, to appropriate from Taxation the sum of \$20,907,559.00, transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$600,930.00, transfer from the Over Lay Surplus the sum of \$223,041.00, transfer from EMS Reserved Receipt account the sum of \$250,000.00, transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of -0-, appropriate Water Fees the sum of \$786,219.00, transfer from Water Surplus the sum of -0-, appropriate from Sewer Fees the sum of \$447,241.00, transfer from Sewer Surplus the sum of -0-, appropriate from Golf Fees the sum of \$1,553,418.00 and transfer from Golf Contingency the sum of -0-.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 2007 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or to take any other action relative thereto.

1. Motion: Made by Chairman Robert F. Brown, Board of Selectmen, I move that the Town Accept said article as read.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

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

1. Motion: Made by Selectmen David Wojnar; I move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

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

1. Motion: Made by Selectmen Michael Cioper; I move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

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

1. Motion: Made by Chairman Robert Brown, Board of Selectmen. I move that the Town table said article as there are currently no unpaid bills.
2. The motion to table Article 5 is passed unanimously.

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

1. Motion: Made by Selectman David Wojnar. I move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT

To see if the Town will vote to act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2008 Community Preservation Budget and to appropriate or reserve for later appropriation monies from the Community Preservation Fund Annual Revenues or available funds the amount of \$256,721.00 for the administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, the payment of debt service, the undertaking of Community Preservation projects and all other necessary and proper expenses for the year, or take any other action relative thereto.

PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2008 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION BUDGET

The Community Preservation Committee recommends that the following amounts be appropriated or reserved from Fiscal Year 2008 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues, unless otherwise specified, for Fiscal Year 2008 Community Preservation purposes with each item considered a separate appropriation:

PURPOSE:	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT:
Appropriations:	
Community Preservation Administrative Expenses	\$11,516.00
Reserves:	
Open Space	\$23,032.00
Historic Resources	\$23,032.00
Community Housing	\$23,032.00
Budgeted Reserves	\$176,109.00
Total FY 2008 Budget	\$256,721.00

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman Michael Cioper. I move that the Town vote to appropriate or reserve from Community Preservation Fund FY08 estimated annual revenues the sum of \$256,721.00 as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee and as set forth in the warrant for committee administrative expenses, debt service, community preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2008, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation.
2. The Finance Committee supports the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c. 32B, Section 18, requiring that all eligible retirees of the Town utilize the federal Medicare program for health insurance, by voting that the Town shall require all retirees, their spouses and dependents who are enrolled in Medicare Part A at no cost to a retiree, his/her spouse or dependents, or eligible for coverage thereunder at no cost to a retiree, his/her spouse or dependents, to enroll in a medicare health benefits supplement plan offered by the Town, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. Motion: Made by Chairman Robert Brown, Board of Selectmen. I move that the Town accept G.L.c.32B, sec.18, as set forth in the warrant.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by inserting a new bylaw, Truss Construction Identification of Commercial and Industrial Building Bylaw, as on file with the Town Clerk, which requires that commercial and industrial buildings utilizing truss-type construction be marked by an emblem informing persons conducting fire control and other emergency operations of the existence of truss construction, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman David Wojnar, I move that the Town accept said article as read.

TRUSS CONSTRUCTION IDENTIFICATION OF COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS

Section 1.0 Introduction:

1.1 This by-law provides that commercial and industrial buildings that utilize truss type construction shall be marked by an emblem that informs persons conducting fire control and other emergency operations of the existence of truss construction.

Section 2.0 Definitions

2.1 For the purpose of this by-law, commercial and industrial buildings and structures classified as such by the Acushnet Building Commissioner using the classification system found in 780 CMR (The Massachusetts State Building Code) or it's successors.

2.2 For the purpose of this by-law, truss construction shall mean a fabricated structure of wood or steel, made up of a series of members connected at their ends to form a series of triangles to span a distance

greater than would be possible with any of the individual members on their own. Truss type construction shall not include:

1. Individual wind or seismic bracing components which form triangles when diagonally connected to a main structure system.

Section 3.0 Enforcement

3.1 The head of the fire department or his or her designee shall be responsible for ensuring the proper placement of emblems on building or structures covered by this by-law. The Acushnet Building Commissioner shall only release certificates of occupancy to those new businesses found to be in compliance with the requirements of this by-law.

3.2 All commercial and industrial businesses in operation at the time this by-law is ratified shall be required to have an emblem or emblems placed in the locations by the Fire Chief with six months.

3.3 Any person who fails to permit the posting of a structure as set forth in this by-law, or who removes or willingly obstructs from view the fire official's designated posting, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense. Every day that a violation continues after its abatement has been ordered by the Town and sufficient time has elapsed to permit abatement shall constitute a new offense.

3.4 The emblems will be made available by the Acushnet Fire/Rescue Department at no cost to the building owner/manger.

Section 4.0 Emblems

4.1 The shape of the emblem shall be a circle of six inches in diameter. The emblem background shall be reflective white in color. The circle border and contents shall be reflective red in color, conforming to Pantone matching (PMS) # 187.

Section 5.0 Truss Designations:

5.1 The following letter shall be printed on the emblem identifying the existence of truss construction using the alphabetic designation for the structural components that are of truss construction, as follows:

- “F” shall mean floor framing, including girders and beams
- “R” shall mean roof framing
- “FR” shall mean floor and roof framing

Section 6.0 Emblem Locations:

6.1 Emblems identifying the existence of truss construction shall be permanently affixed in the locations directed and in a manner approved by the Fire Chief.

6.2 Table#1 will be used as an emblem location guide for fire officials. Every effort is to be made as to not interfere with advertising or graphic designs located on the doors, windows or face of the buildings covered by this by-law.

TABLE #1

TRUSS IDENTIFICATION SIGN LOCATIONS

Exterior building entrance doors, exterior exit discharge doors, and exterior roof access doors to a stairway:

Attached to all means of egress at the door or sidelight, or directly on the street side of the building.

Fire department hose connections;

Attached to the face of the building, not more than 12 inches (305) horizontally from the center line of the fire department hose connection, and not less than 42 inches (1067 mm) nor more than 60 inches (1524mm) above the adjoining walking surface.

1. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
2. The Article passes with opposition by a 2/3rds vote.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by inserting a new bylaw, Stormwater Management Bylaw, as on file with the Town Clerk, which among other things, establishes minimum requirements and procedures to control adverse effects of increased post-development stormwater runoff and nonpoint source pollution associated with new development and redevelopment, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Planning Commission)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman Michael Cioper; I move that the Town accept said article as read.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT BY-LAW TOWN OF ACUSHNET

Preamble:

It is hereby determined that:

Land development projects and other land use conversions, and their associated changes to land cover, permanently alter the hydrologic response of local watersheds and increase stormwater runoff rates and volumes, which in turn increase flooding, stream channel erosion, and sediment transport and deposition and decreases groundwater recharge

Land development projects and other land use conversions also contribute to increased nonpoint source pollution and degradation of receiving waters;

The impacts of post-development stormwater runoff quantity and quality can adversely affect public safety, public and private property, drinking water supplies, recreation, aquatic habitats, fish and other aquatic life, property values and other uses of lands and waters;

These adverse impacts can be controlled and minimized through the regulation of stormwater runoff quantity and quality from new development and redevelopment, by the use of both structural and nonstructural measures;

Localities in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts are required to comply with a number of both State and Federal laws, regulations and permits which require a locality to address the impacts of post-development stormwater runoff quality and nonpoint source pollution;

Therefore, the Town of Acushnet has established this bylaw to provide reasonable guidance for the regulation of post-development stormwater runoff and for the purpose of protecting local water resources from degradation.

1.0 PURPOSE

- A) The purpose of this Bylaw is to protect, maintain and enhance the public health, safety, environment and general welfare by establishing minimum requirements and procedures to control the adverse effects of increased post-development stormwater runoff and nonpoint source pollution associated with new development and redevelopment. Proper management of post-development stormwater runoff will minimize damage to public and private property and infrastructure, safeguard the public health, safety, environment and general welfare of the public, and protect water and aquatic resources. This Bylaw seeks to meet that purpose through the following objectives:
 - 1. Establish decision-making processes surrounding land development

- activities that protect the integrity of the watershed and preserve the health of water resources;
2. Require that new development and redevelopment maintain the pre-development hydrologic characteristics in their post-development state as nearly as practicable in order to reduce flooding, streambank erosion, nonpoint source pollution, and maintain the integrity of stream channels and aquatic habitats and provide protection from property damage
 3. Establish minimum post-development stormwater management standards and design criteria for the regulation and control of stormwater runoff quantity and quality; Establish minimum design criteria for the protection of properties and aquatic resources downstream from land development and land conversion activities from damages due to increases in volume, velocity, frequency, duration, and peak flow rate of storm water runoff; Establish minimum design criteria for measures to minimize nonpoint source pollution from stormwater runoff which would otherwise degrade water quality;
 4. Establish design and application criteria for the construction and use of structural stormwater control facilities that can be used to meet the minimum post-development stormwater management standards;
 5. Encourage the use of nonstructural stormwater management and stormwater better site design practices, such as reducing impervious cover and the preservation of greenspace and other natural areas. Coordinate site design plans, which include greenspace within the town's Open Space Protection Plan;
 6. Establish provisions for the long-term responsibility for and maintenance of structural stormwater control facilities/devices and nonstructural stormwater management practices to ensure that they continue to function as designed, are maintained, and pose no threat to public safety; and
 7. Establish administrative procedures for the submission, review, approval and disapproval of stormwater management plans, and for the inspection of approved active projects, and long-term follow up. Establish certain administrative procedures for the submission, review, approval, and disapproval of stormwater plans, and the inspection of approved projects.
- B) Nothing in this Bylaw is intended to replace the requirements of any other Bylaw that may be adopted by the Town of Acushnet. Any activity subject to the provisions of the above-cited Bylaws must comply with the specifications of each.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation and implementation of this Bylaw:

Alter - Refers to any activity, which will measurably change the ability of a ground surface area to absorb water or will change existing surface drainage patterns.

Board - Refers to the Town of Acushnet Stormwater Review Board or its

agents.

Certificate of Completion (COC) - Refers to a document issued by the Stormwater Review Board, which states that all conditions of a previously issued Stormwater Management Permit (SMP) have been met and that a project has been completed in compliance with the conditions set forth in a SMP.

Development – the modification of land to accommodate a new use or expansion of an existing use, usually involving construction.

General Stormwater Management Permit (GSMP). Refers to a permit issued for an application that meets a set of pre-determined standards outlined in the Rules and Regulations to be adopted by the Stormwater Review Board under Section 4 of this Bylaw. By meeting these pre-determined standards, the proposed project will be presumed to meet the requirements and intent of this Bylaw.

Land Disturbing Activity or Land Disturbance - Any action, including clearing, grubbing, and removal of trees and other vegetation, that causes a change in the position, location, or arrangement of soil, sand, rock, gravel or similar earth material.

Person - Shall include any individual, group of individuals, association, partnership, corporation, company, business organization, trust, estate, the Commonwealth or political subdivision thereof to the extent subject to Town Bylaws, administrative agency, public or quasi-public corporation or body, the Town of Acushnet, and any other legal entity, its legal representatives, agents, or assigns.

Redevelopment – development, rehabilitation, expansion, demolition or phased projects that disturb the ground surface or increase the impervious area on a previously developed site.

Stormwater Management Permit (SMP) - Refers to a permit issued by the Stormwater Review Board, after review of an application, plans, calculations, and other supporting documents, which is designed to protect the environment of the Town from the deleterious affects of uncontrolled and untreated stormwater runoff.

Town Officer - Refers to the person(s) designated by the Stormwater Review Board to review Stormwater Management Permit Applications and advise the Stormwater Review Board on Stormwater Permit Applications as outlined in this Bylaw.

3.0 AUTHORITY This Bylaw is adopted under authority granted by the Home Rule Amendment of the Massachusetts Constitution, the Home Rule statutes and pursuant to the regulations of the federal Clean Water

Act found at 40 CFR 122.34, and as authorized by the residents of the Town of Acushnet at Town Meeting, dated May 21, 2007.

- A) The town of Acushnet shall establish a Stormwater Review Board. The membership of said Board shall be made up of the duly established members of the Planning Board.

4.0 ADMINISTRATION

- A) The Stormwater Review Board shall administer, implement and enforce this Bylaw. Any powers granted to or duties imposed upon the Stormwater Review Board may be delegated in writing by the Stormwater Review Board to its employees or agents.
- B) Stormwater Regulations - The Stormwater Review Board may adopt, and periodically amend, rules and regulations relating to the procedures and administration of this Stormwater Management Bylaw. Said Regulations may include post-development stormwater management criteria.
- C) Regulations may be adopted by majority vote of Stormwater Review Board, after conducting a public hearing to receive comments on any proposed revisions. Such hearing dates shall be advertised in a newspaper of general local circulation, at least seven (7) days prior to the hearing date. After public notice and public hearing, the Stormwater Review Board may promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this Bylaw. Failure by the Stormwater Review Board to promulgate such rules and regulations or a legal declaration of their invalidity by a court shall not act to suspend or invalidate the effect of this Bylaw.
- D) Stormwater Management Manual - The Stormwater Review Board may utilize the policy, criteria and information including specifications and standards of latest edition of the Massachusetts Stormwater Management Policy, or approved local equivalent, for execution of the provisions of this Bylaw. This Policy includes a list of acceptable stormwater treatment practices, including the specific design criteria for each stormwater practice. The Policy may be updated and expanded periodically, based on improvements in engineering, science, monitoring, and local maintenance experience. Unless specifically altered in the Stormwater Regulations, stormwater management practices that are designed, constructed, and maintained in accordance with these design and sizing criteria will be presumed to be protective of Massachusetts water quality standards.

5.0 APPLICABILITY

This Bylaw shall apply to all Land-Disturbing Activity within the jurisdiction of the Town of Acushnet, as provided in this By-law.

A) Activities Requiring a Permit – No person shall perform any of the following land-disturbing activities without first obtaining a Stormwater Management Permit from the Stormwater Review Board:

1. Any Land Disturbing Activity resulting in a Land Disturbance of 5,000 square feet or more;

2. Development or Redevelopment involving multiple separate activities in discontinuous locations or on different schedules if the activities are part of a larger common plan of development that all together disturbs 5,000 square feet or more of land;
3. Paving or other change in surface material over an area of 5,000 square feet or more causing a significant reduction of permeability or increase in runoff;
4. Construction of a new drainage system or alteration of a new drainage system serving a drainage area of more than 5,000 square feet;
5. Any other activity altering the surface of an area exceeding 5,000 square feet that will, or may, result in increased stormwater runoff flowing from the property into a public way or the municipal storm drain system;
6. Construction or reconstruction of structures where more than 5,000 square feet of roof drainage is altered;
7. Construction or reconstruction of stone walls or any other retaining wall over 12 ft. in length;
8. An alteration, redevelopment, or conversion of land use to a hotspot such as auto salvage yards, auto fueling facilities, fleet storage yards, commercial parking lots with high intensity use, road salt storage areas, commercial nurseries and landscaping, metal rooftops, outdoor storage and loading areas of hazardous substances, or marinas, shall require a Stormwater Management Permit; or
9. Any other Land-Disturbing Activity not expressly exempt from this By-law in accordance with the Section 5(B).

B) Exemptions – The following Land-Disturbing Activities may be performed without a Stormwater Management Permit:

1. Any activity that will disturb an area less than 5000 square feet. This exception may not be applied for contiguous properties that may have been subdivided and/or are attributed to multiple separate owners.
2. Normal maintenance and improvement of land in agricultural use as defined by the Wetlands Protection Act regulation 310 CMR 10.04;
3. Maintenance of existing landscaping, gardens or lawn areas associated with a single family dwelling;
4. Repair or replacement of an existing roof of a single-family dwelling.
5. The construction of any fence that will not alter existing terrain or drainage patterns.
6. Construction of utilities (gas, water, electric, telephone, etc.) other than drainage, which will not alter terrain, ground cover, or drainage patterns.
7. Emergency repairs to any stormwater management facility or practice that poses a threat to public health or safety, or as deemed necessary by the Stormwater Review Board.
8. Construction or reconstruction of stone walls and all other retaining walls less than 12 ft. in length;
9. Any work or projects for which all necessary approvals and permits have been issued prior to the effective date of this Bylaw.

C) Administrative Review of Certain Exempt Projects – Any Land-disturbing activity which is exempt from the permitting requirements of this By-law, and which is performed in connection with a project for which a building permit is required shall be reviewed by the Stormwater Review Board to ensure that the design, testing, installation, and maintenance of erosion and sediment control operations and facilities shall adhere to the standards specified in this bylaw. Applicants for a building permit will submit to the building inspector the documents required in Section 9 of the Acushnet Zoning Bylaw to obtain a building permit. The building inspector will distribute the application to the Conservation Commission. Projects shall be reviewed by the conservation agent concurrently with the building permit process. During the review, the agent will provide guidance materials and conditions to bring the project into conformance with the objectives of this bylaw. If the Agent finds that the project fails to meet these conditions, project proponent may be required to submit a full land disturbance permit application, in accordance with this By-law and the Regulations enacted by the Stormwater Review Board.

D) Redevelopment Projects

1. Redevelopment projects, defined as any construction, alteration, or improvement exceeding land disturbance of 5,000 square feet, where the existing land use is commercial, industrial, institutional, or multi-family residential, is presumed to meet the specified stormwater management requirements described in the Rules and Regulations if the total impervious cover is reduced by 40% from existing conditions. Where site conditions prevent the reduction in impervious cover, stormwater management practices shall be implemented to provide stormwater controls for at least 40% of the site's impervious area. When a combination of impervious area reduction and stormwater management practice implementation is used for redevelopment projects, the combination of impervious area reduction and the area controlled by a stormwater management practice shall equal or exceed 40%.

E) General Permits

1. The Stormwater Review Board shall have the authority to develop a General Stormwater Management Permit (GSMP) for specific types of projects, such as Construction of a Deck, Patio, Retaining Wall, Existing Driveway Expansion, Shed, and Swimming Pool. Any such General Stormwater Management Permit Requirements shall be defined and included as part of any Stormwater Regulations promulgated as permitted under Section 4 of this Bylaw. Nothing in this section shall be construed so as to limit the authority of the Stormwater Review Board with respect to any particular Land-Disturbing Activity.

6.0 PROCEDURES

Permit Procedures and Requirements shall be defined and included as part of any rules and regulations promulgated as permitted under Section 4 of this Bylaw.

7.0 ENFORCEMENT

The Stormwater Review Board, or an authorized agent of the Stormwater Review Board shall enforce this Bylaw, regulations, orders, violation notices, and enforcement orders, and may pursue all civil and criminal remedies for such violations. Enforcement shall be further defined and included as part of any rules and regulations promulgated as permitted under Section 4 of this Bylaw.

8.0 SEVERABILITY

The invalidity of any section, provision, paragraph, sentence, or clause of this Bylaw shall not invalidate any section, provision, paragraph, sentence, or clause thereof, nor shall it invalidate any permit or determination that previously has been issued.

9.0 FEES

The fees for any permit, approval or review by the Stormwater Review Board shall be determined by said Board.

10.0 VARIANCES

A variance may be granted if, in the opinion of the Stormwater Review Board, the request will not adversely affect public safety, public and private property, drinking water supplies, recreation, aquatic habitats, fish and other aquatic life, property values and other uses of lands and waters. All variance applications shall be in writing and shall describe how the interests protected by this By-law will be alternatively addressed by the applicant. No variance request will granted unless the applicant shows that: (1) enforcement of this Regulation would be manifestly unjust; and (2) the applicant has established that a level of protection for public health and the environment at least equivalent to that provided under this By-law can be achieved without strict application of the By-law or Regulation.

Any variance granted by the Stormwater Review Board shall be in writing. A copy of any such variance shall, while it is in effect, be available to the public at all reasonable hours in the office of the clerk of the city or town, or in the office of the conservation commission. Copies of all variances shall be provided to the Director upon request.

Any variance may be subject to such qualification, revocation, suspension, or expiration as the Stormwater Review Board expresses in its grant. A variance may otherwise be revoked, modified, or suspended, in whole or in part, only after the holder thereof has been notified in writing and has been given an opportunity to be heard.

2. The Finance Committee recommends passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-laws by inserting a new by-law, Handicapped Parking, as on file with the Town Clerk, which among other things, establishes minimum numbers of handicapped parking spaces, requires handicapped parking spaces be identified with specific signage, prohibits unauthorized parking in such spaces, and imposes a penalty for violations of said bylaw, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Police Chief)

1. Motion: Made by Chairman Robert Brown, Board of Selectmen; I move that the Town accept said article as read.

Article IV, Section 14

HANDICAPPED PARKING

- A. Any person or body that has lawful control of a public or private way or of improved or enclosed property used as off-street parking areas for businesses, shopping malls, theaters, auditoriums, sporting or recreational facilities, cultural centers, residential dwellings, or for any other place where the public has a right of access as invites or licensees, to reserve parking or handicapped person whose vehicle bears the distinguishing license plate authorized by said section two of said chapter ninety or for any vehicle transporting a handicapped person and displaying the special identification plate authorized by section two of chapter ninety or for any vehicle bearing the official identification of a handicapped person issued by any other state, or any Canadian Province, according to the following formula:

If the number of parking spaces in any such area is more than fifteen but not more than twenty-five, one parking space; more than twenty-five but not more than forty, five per cent of such spaces but not less than two; more than forty but not more than one hundred, four per cent of such spaces but not less than three; more than one hundred but not more than two hundred, three per cent of such spaces but not less than four; more than two hundred but not more than five hundred, two per cent of such spaces but not less than six; more than five hundred but not more than one thousand, one and one-half per cent of such spaces but not less than ten; more than one thousand but not more than two thousand but less than five thousand, three-fourths of one per cent of such spaces but not less than twenty; and more than five thousand, one-half of one per cent of such spaces but not less than thirty.

- B. Parking spaces designated as reserved under the provisions of paragraph (a) shall be identified by the use of above grade signs with white lettering

against a blue background and shall bear the words “Handicapped Parking: Special Plate Required. Unauthorized Vehicles May be Removed at Owner’s Expense”; shall be as near as possible to a building entrance or walkway; shall be adjacent to curb ramps or other unobstructed methods permitting sidewalk access to a person with a disability; and shall be twelve feet wide or two eight-foot wide areas with four feet of cross hatch between them. The cross hatch area abutting a handicapped parking space shall, for the purposes of this section, be considered a handicapped parking space.

- C. The leaving of unauthorized vehicles within parking spaces, including the cross hatch areas, designated for use by disabled veterans or handicapped persons as authorized by paragraphs A and B or in such manner as to obstruct a curb ramp designate for use by handicapped persons as a means of access to a street or public way shall be prohibited.
- D. The penalty for a violation of this by-law shall be \$100.00 and the vehicle may be removed according to the provisions of Section 120D of Chapter 266 of the General Laws.
 - 2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
 - 3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund under the provisions of G.L. C. 44, s53E 1/2 for the use of the Russell Memorial Library. Such funds will be used for the purpose of library operations including the purchase, repair and maintenance of library property and equipment, the replacement of lost and damaged library materials and for meeting the expenses of library programming. The following receipts generated shall be credited to the fund: Receipts from payment of fines and fees charged for lost, damaged or overdue library materials.

The Board of Library Trustees is authorized to expend from the account for its stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in G.L. c. 44 s53E 1/2 an amount of money not to exceed \$4,000.00. Expenditures shall not be made, or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance of the fund at any given time, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Library Trustees)

- 1. Motion: Made by Mr. Robert J. Bartolome, Chairman of the Library Board of Trustees, I move to table this Article.
- 2. The Article is tabled unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Roger Cabral, Chairman of the Finance Committee, I move to table this Article.
2. The Article is tabled unanimously

Motion, entertained by the Town Moderator since there is no other business, to adjourn. Motion made to adjourn. The motion to adjourn is passed unanimously. Time 9:38 p.m.

And you are to serve this warrant by posting the attested copies thereof seven (7) days at the least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 23rd day of April, 2007.

Robert F. Brown, Chairman

David E. Wojnar

Michael A. Cioper
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy, Attest:

This 11th day of May, 2007

Rebekah Tomlinson
Constable of Acushnet

Attest:

John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

1. Motion: Made by Selectman David Wojnar. I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of said Article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the golf course enterprise contingency fund an amount for the purpose of golf cart extensions and repairs or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Golf Management Committee)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman Michael Cioper. I move that the Town transfer from the golf course contingency fund the sum of \$165,000.00 for the purpose of said Article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of making repairs to the Town Hall Elevator or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Selectmen's Office)

1. Motion: Motion made by Mr. Robert Brown, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen; Mr. Moderator, since we are optimistic the repairs will be covered by insurance, I move we table said Article.
2. The motion to table this Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the purpose of purchasing a new line printer that is shared by all town financial departments or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$15,000.00)

(Submitted by the Director of Finance)

1. Motion: Motion made by Selectman David Wojnar to table said Article.
2. The motion to table this Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the \$910,000.00 unissued balance of the \$2,668,000.00 authorized to be borrowed under Article 5 of the Warrant at the Special Town Meeting held on April 26, 2004 to replace water mains at Middle Road and Main Street, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Treasurer/Collector)

1. Motion: Motion made by Selectman Michael Cioper. I move that the Town accept said Article as read.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.

3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the \$1,198,344.00 unissued balance of the \$1,500,000.00 authorized to be borrowed under Article 15 of the Warrant at the Special Town Meeting held on September 19, 2005 to supplement funds approved under Article 2 of the Town Meeting held on April 28, 2003 for the purpose of financing the construction of sewers in the unsewered portions of the Town designated as Area 1A, 1B and 1C, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Treasurer/Collector)

1. Motion: Motion made by Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Mr. Robert F. Brown. I move that the Town accept the article as read.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the \$425,000.00 unissued balance of the \$1,912,000.00 authorized to be borrowed under Article 35 of the Warrant at the Special Town Meeting held on April 24, 2006, for Water System Improvements.

(Submitted by Town Treasurer/Collector)

1. Motion: Motion made by Selectman David Wojnar. I move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept as a gift the parcel of land referred to as the "Ball Plant I parking lot" abutting River Street and Jean Street to be under the Board of Selectmen's authority for general municipal purposes as identified as Lot 1 on Plan 40808A dated December 11, 1980 and filed in the Bristol County (S.D.) Registry District of the Land Court or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman Michael Cioper. I move that the Town table said Article.
2. The motion to table passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of the relocation and repairs of the Acushnet Skate Park or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Robert F. Brown, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. I move that the Town at this time table said Article.
2. The motion to table this Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing handguns for the police department, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Police Department)

1. Motion: Made by Selectman David Wojnar. I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$20,000.00 for the purpose of said Article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000), or any other amount, for the purpose of replacing and wiring the overhead doors and replacing the entrance doors at the Town Barn located at 700 Middle Road, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

1. Motion: Motion made by Mr. Raymond Barlow, Highway Superintendent. I move that the Town transfer from the remaining balance of the funds appropriated under Article 9 of the May 21, 2007 Special Town Meeting (to replace the roof at the Town Barn) the sum of \$35, 000.00 for the purpose of said Article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from water surplus a sum of One Hundred Thousand dollars (\$100,000) to purchase capital equipment (radio read system, meters and other related equipment), or to take any other action relative thereto.(\$100,000)

(Submitted by the Department of Public Works)

1. Motion: Motion made by Selectman David Wojnar. I move that the Town transfer from Water Surplus the sum of \$100,000.00 for the purpose of said Article.
2. The Finance Committee does not make a recommendation on this Article.
3. A motion is made to table this Article. It passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to implement wage increases retroactive to July 1, 2007 for those employees covered by the following union contract: Emergency Medical Service (Teamsters Union Local No. 59) covering the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010 or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

1. Motion: Motion made by Selectman Michael Cioper. I move that the Town at this time table said Article.
2. The motion to table is passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money for the purpose of modifying the detention ponds at the schools, or take any other action relative thereto. (\$145,000)

(Submitted by the School Committee)

1. Motion: Made by Douglas Coray, Chairman of the Acushnet School Committee. I move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of said Article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$300,000 from the Community Preservation Fund for the preservation and/or renovation and restoration of the Town Green pursuant to the community preservation program or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$300,000)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

1. Motion: Motion made by Chairman, Board of Selectmen, Robert F. Brown. I move that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund the undesignated fund balance sum of \$211,088.00 and from the budgeted reserve sum of \$88,912.00 for the purpose of said Article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The amended Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund the sum of \$30,000 for the restoration of the historic facade of the Russell Memorial Library pursuant to the Community Preservation Program or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$30,000)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

1. Motion: Motion made by Selectman David Wojnar. I move that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) for the purpose of said Article.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will transfer and appropriate the sum of \$145,000 from the Community Preservation Fund for the preservation and or renovation and restoration of the Athletic Field at Pope Park pursuant to the community preservation program or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$145,000)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

1. Motion: Made by Mr. Michael Desrosiers, Park Commissioner. To see if the Town will transfer and appropriate the sum of \$145,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund for the preservation and or renovation and restoration of Pope Park pursuant to the Community Preservation Program. (\$87,197.00 Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve and \$57,803.00 Open Space Reserve -- Total \$145,000.00).
2. Motion: Made by Mr. Michael Desrosiers, Park Commissioner. To see if the Town will transfer and appropriate the sum of \$145,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund for the preservation of Pope Park pursuant to the Community Preservation Program (\$87,197.00 Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve and \$57,803.00 Open Space Reserve, Total \$145,000.00)
3. The Finance Committee states that the Article may not be an approved use of CPA funds, and therefore, does not support this Article. The Chairman of the Finance Committee then requested an opinion from Town Counsel, Darren Kline, from Kopelmann and Paige, who expressed a concern that certain proposed expenditures were not within the scope of preserving the property.
4. The Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to add the term “truck” after the word “car” and the term “truck” after the word automobile in the first sentence of Article IV, Section 12, of the General By-Laws. This addition will include the term trucks along with cars in limiting the number of non-registered vehicles allowed on a person’s property and those which are abandoned or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

1. Motion: Motion made by the Town Clerk, John C. Howcroft. I move that the Town vote to accept said Article as read.
2. The Finance Committee recommends the passage of this Article.
3. The Article passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

1. Motion: Motion made by Mr. Roger Cabral, Chairman of the Finance Committee to table the Article.
2. The motion to table passes unanimously.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. It passes unanimously, **8:30 p.m.**

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

Given under our hands this **24th** day of **September**, 2007.

Robert F. Brown, Chairman

David E. Wojnar, Member

Michael A. Cioper, Member

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy Attest:

This **27th** day of **September**, 2007

Rebekah Tomlinson
Constable of Acushnet

Attest:

John C. Howcroft, Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

In April of 2007, David E. Wojnar was elected to his fourth term as a member of the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Robert F. Brown was elected as Chairman.

Golf Course

This past year has been the courses best financially to date. Having the Town take over all operations has proven to give us the flexibility to adjust to a difficult market. This year's profits have been reinvested in a major cart path project that should be completed shortly after we reopen this spring.

Downtown Revitalization

Town meeting has approved the use of the Community Preservation Fund to complete the Parting Ways Green historic renovation. As one of the final projects targeted by the Downtown Revitalization Committee, the Green renovation should improve safety in the Town Hall area and enhance the appearance and functionality of the Green.

Affordable Housing

The Board in an effort to increase the affordable housing stock in Town has been working with a developer and neighborhood committee to see if a local initiative plan (C40B) will benefit the Town. The Selectmen consistently hear from our residents that affordable housing is needed in Acushnet and the State agrees because we are below the required 10% figure.

Skate Park

The Skate Park Committee has been working diligently to find a new location for the skate park. The owner's of the Nye's Lane property chose not to renew the Town's lease and the committee hopes to have a recommendation for a new location next spring.

Energy

The Board of Selectmen established an alternative energy committee to explore long-term cost saving options for the Town. The committee will be looking at wind, solar and retro-fitting Town buildings in an effort to relieve the budget strain that energy costs are putting on the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Brown, Chairman
David E. Wojnar
Michael A. Cioper
Board of Selectmen

Alan G. Coutinho
Town Administrator

Lisa Leonard
Administrative Assistant

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Robert F. Brown	2008
Michael A. Cioper	2009
David E. Wojnar	2010

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Alan G. Coutinho

TOWN ACCOUNTANT/DIRECTOR OF FINANCES

Cathy L. Doane

TOWN TREASURER/COLLECTOR

Laurie J. Avery

ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER/COLLECTOR

Kristie A. Costa

TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN

Laurie Avery

TOWN COUNSEL

Kopelman & Paige

TOWN INSURANCE BROKER

Viveiros-Feitelberg Insurance

POLICE CHIEF

Michael G. Alves

FIRE CHIEF

Kevin A. Gallagher

ACUSHNET EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

Adrienne Y. Rivet

ADA COORDINATOR

Alan G. Coutinho

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER/INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Rebekah A. Tomlinson

ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Cheryl Jackson

ACUSHNET WOODS PROJECT COMMITTEE

Marc Cenerizio
Alan G. Coutinho
Leslie Dakin, Jr.
George J. Gracia
June E. Lemrise
Cathy Murray
John Pacheco

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Charlotte Coutinho	Jennifer Dahlberg
Donna Forand	Lorraine Hunter
Connie Preston	Joyce Reynolds

BOARD OF APPEALS

Richard Gula	2012
Lawrence Marshall	2011
Albert Santos	2010
Carol Westgate	2009
Richard J. Lally	2008
Paul B. Hipolito (Alternate)	2008
James Pringle (Alternate)	2008

BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS

Raymond F. LeBlanc	2011
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INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

James A. Marot

DEPUTY BUILDING INSPECTOR

Steven M. Pina

GAS INSPECTOR

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

PLUMBING DEPARTMENT

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

WIRE INSPECTOR

Frank Knox

DEPUTY WIRE INSPECTORS

Victor Pereira
Thomas DeCosta

BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE

James A. Marot	2010
Robert Brown	2010
Raymond LeBlanc	2010
Marc Laplante	2009
Leo Rousseau	2009
Carol Westgate	2008
John Howcroft	2008

CABLE T.V. ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Michael F. Greene	2008
Robert Lanzoni	2008
Donald Lopes	2008
Lawrence Marshall	2008
George Souza	2008

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Marc Antone (Park Commissioners)	2010
Evelyn L. Bouley	2010
Ellen Hardy (Citizen Member)	2010
Carol Chongarlides (Conservation Commission)	2009
Robert Geier (Historical Commission)	2009
Lawrence Mulvey	2009
Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)	2008
Thomas DeCosta (Citizen Member)	2008
Geraldine D. Frates (Citizen Member)	2008

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Kevin Dakin	2010
Richard Gula	2010
Patricia Picard	2010
Marc C. Brodeur	2009
Carol Chongarlides	2009
Ted Cioper	2008
Robert Rocha, Jr.	2008

CONSERVATION AGENT

Merilee Woodworth

CONSTABLES

Frank J. Adesso	2010
David Lee Botas	2010
Marc E. Laplante	2010
Kelli A. Tomlinson	2010
Herve W. Vandal, Jr.	2010
Paul Soucy	2009
Rebekah Tomlinson	2009

COUNCIL ON AGING

Dorothy Gomes	2010
Alfred Gonsalves	2010
Linda Guilbeault	2010
Alice Soares	2010
Pauline Teixeira	2010
Milton Reynolds	2008

COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR

William Contois

CULTURAL COUNCIL MEMBER

Dianna Couto	2010
Lisa Leonard	2010
Edward Macomber	2010
Jeanne M. Siwik	2010
Pauline Teixeira	2010
Jeannette Francis	2009
Leanne Pereira	2009
Walter S. Dalton, Jr.	2008
Patricia Mulvey	2008

DOWNTOWN STEERING COMMITTEE

Alan G. Coutinho	2008
Charlotte Coutinho	2008
Geraldine Frates	2008
Leo Rousseau	2008
David E. Wojnar	2008

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (DIRECTOR)

Gerard Bergeron

EMPOWERMENT REPRESENTATIVES

David E. Wojnar
Alan G. Coutinho

ENFORCEMENT AGENT FOR THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

James A. Marot

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Robert Ferreira	2010
Kevin Gaspar	2010
Russell Goyette	2010
Michael Boucher	2009
Roger Cabral	2009
Gail A. Rodrigues	2009
Elizabeth Gatenby	2008
Mary Lou Marques	2008
Paul Pelletier	2008

FOREST WARDEN, INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Kevin A. Gallagher

GOLF MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE

John Abaray, Jr. (Member at Large)	2008
Mark Desrosiers (Park Commissioner)	2008
Robert Ferreira (Finance Committee Rep.)	2008
David Flynn (Member at Large)	2008
Manuel Goulart (Business Community Rep.)	2008
Edward Issac (Member-at-Large)	2008
James Madruga, Jr. (Member at Large)	2008

GROWTH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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

HERRING WARDEN

Ted Govoni

ASSISTANT HERRING WARDEN

Joseph G. Costa

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

James Coutinho (alternate member)	2010
Madeline Gwozdz	2010
Pauline Teixeira	2010
Lori Bates	2009
Joyce Reynolds	2009
Stephen Gilmore	2009
Robert Geier	2008

HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

Henry Young	2008
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INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Kevin A. Gallagher

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT/INSPECTOR OF PEST CONTROL

Raymond Barlow

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

Leo Coons
Linda Enos
Michael Miller-

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Marc Cenerizio	2009
Kelly Medeiros	2009
Robert Rocha	2009
Merilee Woodworth	2009

PARKING CLERK

Alan G. Coutinho

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

None

PHASE II STORMWATER COMMITTEE

Raymond Barlow (Highway Superintendent)
Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)
Alan Coutinho (Town Administrator)
James Marot (Building Inspector)
Ralph Urban (Board of Health Agent)
Merilee Woodworth (Conservation Commission Agent)

POLL WORKERS FOR PRECINCT I

Louise Benoit	2009
Gloria Bernier	2009
Diane Braley	2009
Jeanne Duggan	2009
Dorothy Gomes	2009
Marie Hardy	2009
Genevieve Linhares	2009
Faye Philla	2009
Kathy Plante	2009
Susanne Sounik	2009
Anita Tetreault	2009
Joyce Tillet	2009

POLL WORKERS FOR PRECINCT II

Lillian Contois	2009
Jenny Correira	2009
Simonne Coutinho	2009
Lorraine Dabrowski	2009
Dorothy Daniels	2009
Lorraine Gentili	2009
Alice Kut	2009
Jeannette Pepin	2009
Joyce Wylie-Scholz	2009

POLL WORKERS FOR PRECINCT III

Christine Amaral	2009
Dianna Couto	2009
Betsy Ellis	2009
Lee Forand	2009
Geraldine Frates	2009
Paulette Hudson	2009
Dorothy Lackie	2009
Maria Moore	2009
Margaret Mota	2009
Barbara Pike	2009
Priscilla Santos	2009

PORTABLE SIGN COMMITTEE

Richard A. Ellis	Robert Hall
Peter Koczera	Paul Melo
James A. Marot	

PPWG - HARBOR TRUSTEE COUNCIL MEMBER

Stephen Morrisseau

PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATOR

Robert F. Brown

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Kristin Bourgault	2008
Irene DeCotis	2008
Michael J. Sylvia	2009

RIGHT TO KNOW COORDINATOR

None

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Michael Alves (Police Chief)	2008
Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)	2008
Eric McGlynn	2008
Gerri Reed	2008
Adrienne Rivet (E.M.S. Director)	2008

SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Theodore Machado

SHELLFISH WARDEN/HARBOR MASTER

Stephen Morrisseau

DEPUTY SHELLFISH WARDEN

Robert Medeiros

SKATE PARK RELOCATION COMMITTEE

Raymond F. Barlow	2008
Heidi Espinola	2008
Lisa Leonard	2008
Kristen Leotti	2008
Christopher Richmond	2008

SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD

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

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER OF NEW BEDFORD WATER WORKS

Paul Sylvia

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER ACUSHNET METHODIST CHURCH

None

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

Henry Young

S.R.T.A. ADVISORY COMMISSION MEMBERS

David E. Wojnar

STREET NAME COMMITTEE

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

TAX SHIFT STUDY COMMITTEE

Roger Cabral	2008
Marc Cenerizio	2008
Nicolangela Filippone	2008
Richard Threlfall	2008

TILCON CAPALDI CLOSURE PLAN COMMITTEE

Raymond LeBlanc
David E. Wojnar

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

George F. Bevilacqua

(TILCON CAPALDI) WEIGHER

Kerrie Almeida	2008
Ron Burke	2008
Antone DeMello	2008
Joseph DeNardo	2008
Sarah FitzGerald	2008
Rick Leaver	2008
Mike Oliveira	2008
Felix Perez	2008
Johathan Souza	2008
Filomenia Yuille	2008



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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

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

The Board of Assessors had two open seats to fill in 2007. The election in April resulted in welcoming a new member to the Board and reseating an incumbent. Liberio Soares won the three-year term after running unopposed, and Marc Cenerizio won the one-year term to complete the transitional vacancy experienced through the resignation of Joseph Botelho in 2006. George Perry, Jr. decided not to run for re-election because he relocated to another community. Mr. Perry served as a member of the Board for several years, and we would like to thank him for his years of dedicated service. He will be missed. The current Board of Assessors has remained the same for the remainder of calendar of 2007. The full time Assessor, Kelly Koska, acquired her M.A.A. designation. She is now an accredited Massachusetts Assessor.

Fiscal 2008 (assessments based on January 1, 2007) is an interim adjustment year for the Town. Full fair cash values for this tax cycle were determined through the analysis of calendar 2006 sales. After this process was completed, values remained parallel to those committed in Fiscal 2007. The Department of Revenue, Bureau of Local Assessments, requires interim adjustments be made in non-recertification years to ensure proper analysis of market trends and uniformity in assessment levels. Analysis and building permit review were completed with the assistance of Patriot Properties and the Assessing office personnel. The first half actual tax bills were mailed November 28, 2007.

The Assessors' office generated \$250,688 in new growth. This amount has decreased from previous years but is reflective of the decline in new construction and building improvements. This added revenue assists with budget cuts from the state to alleviate the burden of raising this revenue through taxation.

The tax rate for 2008 reflects a 20% shift. This translates in to the real properties classified as commercial or industrial and personal property paying a 20% higher rate than those that are residential. By statute, this decision is rendered by the Board of Selectmen with a recommendation from the Board of Assessors.

The Phase II Sewer project reached its completion in 2007. The Board of Public Works certified the list to the Board of Assessors in June 2007. The initial 30-day interest free bill period for those property owners being assessed a sewer improvement began August 6, 2007 and finished September 5, 2007. During this time period, property owners had the opportunity to pay off the betterment, pay towards the principal of the betterment, and/or select the number of years (5, 10, 15 or 20 years) to pay off the betterment with an imposition of 4.45% on the liability. For those property owners who had a remaining balance after September 5, 2007 but had not responded with the number of years in which to apportion the bill, a vote of the Board of Assessors set the apportionment schedule to 20 years. This authority is granted to the Board of Assessors as set forth by statute. (M.G.L. Chapter 80 Section 13) We continue to strive in this office to serve those property owners impacted by this project with courtesy and diligence.

The Board of Health continues to have funds available through a grant provided by the Water Pollution Abatement Trust to assist residents to pay for sewer tie in costs and septic improvements. Approximately 56 properties took advantage of this loan program in calendar 2007. This money will be available to property owners until June 2008. Some of the property owners have already seen the first apportioned installment with their Fiscal 2008 tax bill. The staff in the Assessors' office is available to address any questions regarding the apportionment process or pay off inquiries associated with this loan.

The Board of Assessors wishes everyone continued good health and best wishes for the 2008.

TAX SUMMARY	<u>FY 2007</u>	<u>FY 2008</u>
Total Amount to be raised	\$ 25,624,194.86	\$ 26,875,499.36
Total estimated receipts from other revenue sources	\$ 14,111,256.52	\$ 15,078,928.00
TAX LEVY	\$ 11,512,938.34	\$ 11,796,571.36

VALUE BY CLASS	<u>FY 2007</u>	<u>FY 2008</u>
Single Family (101)	\$ 1,003,251,100.00	\$ 1,018,870,800.00
Condominiums (102)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2 & 3 Family (104 & 105)	\$ 50,731,540.00	\$ 50,179,940.00
Multi Family (111-125)	\$ 6,404,000.00	\$ 6,408,500.00
Vacant land (130-132,106)	\$ 29,696,100.00	\$ 31,224,400.00
Others (103,109, Res mixed use)	\$ 61,802,197.00	\$ 60,675,757.00
Commercial (3**)	\$ 32,378,147.00	\$ 32,340,587.00
Chapter 61, 61A, 61B	\$ 2,142,808.00	\$ 2,146,272.00
Industrial (4**)	\$ 33,821,500.00	\$ 33,839,100.00
Personal Property	\$ 18,348,932.00	\$ 20,508,288.00

TAX RATE FY 2008

Residential = \$ 9.25 Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property = \$ 11.24
(120% shift)

AVERAGE ASSESSED VALUE SINGLE FAMILY HOME \$ 320,100.00

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Cenerizio, Chairman
Leslie Dakin, Jr., Member
Liberio Soares, Member
ACUSHNET BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Report of
THE TOWN CLERK

Births, Marriages and Deaths
Vital Statistics 2007

BIRTHS:

In Acushnet	0
In other Municipalities	74
<i>Total</i>	74
Resident	74
Non-Resident	0
<i>Total</i>	74
Male	39
Female	35
<i>Total</i>	74

MARRIAGES:

In Acushnet	11
In other Municipalities	38
<i>Total</i>	49
Resident Bride and Groom	28
Resident Groom	1
Resident Bride	3
Non-Resident Bride and Groom	17
<i>Total</i>	49

DEATHS:

In Acushnet	21
In other Municipalities	59
<i>Total</i>	80
Resident Deaths - Female	34
Resident Deaths - Male	46
Non-Resident Deaths - Female	0
Non-Resident Deaths - Male	0
<i>Total</i>	80

Attest:

John C. Howcroft
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash

July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007

Balances per Reconciled Bank Statements

Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	Money Market	28,018.99
Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	Vendor Account	1,255.57
Citizens Bank & Trust	General Account	276,447.78
Citizens Bank & Trust	Money Market	4,022,811.13
Citizens Bank & Trust	Collector's Account	129,787.58
Citizens Bank & Trust	Golf Course	539,228.49
Citizens Bank & Trust	Payroll	76.15
Eastern Bank	Money Market	7,011.71
Webster Bank	School Lunch	48,176.16
Webster Bank	Money Market	253,441.65
Webster Bank	CPA	581,700.37
Uni Bank	Money Market	36,283.07
Uni-Bank	Unipay	17,149.46
State Street	Money Market	86,787.57
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		6,028,175.68

Deposits in Transit and Cash on Hand	<hr/>	2,150.00
		6,030,325.68

Bartholomew – Various Town Trusts	582,633.29
Citizens Bank & Trust – Various Town Trusts	2,850,470.55
Citizens Bank & Trust – Planning Board	55,940.60
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Total of All Cash and Investments for the Town \$9,519,370.12

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

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie J. Avery
Treasurer/Collector

RECEIPTS
FISCAL YEAR 2007
GENERAL FUND

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

1997	\$	-
1998		-
1999		-
2000		-
2001		-
2002		-
2003		-
2004		221.00
2005		505.00
2006		857.00
2007		193,278.00
Total Personal Property Taxes	\$	<u>194,861.00</u>

REAL ESTATE TAXES

Prior Years	\$	-
2004		-
2005		-
2006		90,176.00
2007		10,958,915.00
Total Real Estate Taxes	\$	<u>11,049,091.00</u>

TAX LIENS REDEEMED

Prior Years	\$	61,128.00
Total Tax Liens Redeemed	\$	<u>61,128.00</u>

TAX LIENS FORECLOSED

Prior Years	\$	-
Total Tax Liens Foreclosed	\$	<u>-</u>

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Prior Years	\$	31.00
1997		-
1998		-
1999		-
2000		-
2001		208.00
2002		754.00
2003		1,038.00
2004		2,253.00
2005		11,365.00
2006		202,420.00
2007		841,451.00
Total Motor Vehicle Excise	\$	<u>1,059,520.00</u>

FARM EXCISE		-
Total Farm Excise	\$	-
PENALTIES AND INTEREST		
Personal Property Tax	\$	359.00
Real Estate Tax		23,826.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		24,268.00
Tax Liens Redeemed		11,590.00
Total Penalties and Interest	\$	60,043.00
RUBBISH		
Rubbish Revenue	\$	15,235.00
Liens		-
Total Rubbish	\$	15,235.00
FEES		
Police Detail	\$	11,679.00
Cable		1,734.00
Lien Certificates		7,550.00
Town Clerk Passport Fee		-
Non - Renewal Motor Vehicles		8,145.00
Constable Fees		110.00
Total Fees	\$	29,218.00
OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE		
Assessors	\$	901.00
Selectmen		-
Treasurer		-
Collector		-
Town Clerk		9,020.00
Conservation		-
Planning Board		2,395.00
Appeal Board		5,725.00
Police		897.00
Fire		4,407.00
Building		40.00
Weights & Measures		779.00
Board of Health		30,598.00
Library		597.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		22,172.00
Total Other Departmental Revenue	\$	77,531.00
LICENSES		
Business	\$	1,425.00
Drain Layers		3,750.00
Liquor		15,900.00
Victualers		575.00

Amusement	3,674.00
Motor Vehicles	1,575.00
Constable License	250.00
Dog	10,041.00
Total Licenses	\$ 37,190.00

PERMITS

Oil Burner	\$ 480.00
Building	22,788.00
Electrical	9,762.00
Gas	4,012.00
Board of Health	13,275.00
Plumbing	8,183.00
Soil Removal	450.00
Gun	4,038.00
Total Permits	\$ 62,988.00

FINES AND FORFEITURES

Dog	\$ 920.00
Library	2,653.00
Parking	486.00
Total Fines and Forfeitures	\$ 4,059.00

SALES OF INVENTORY

Cemetery Lots	\$ 1,600.00
Total Sales of Inventory	\$ 1,600.00

STATE SHARED REVENUE

Abatements to the Blind	\$ 963.00
Abatements to the Elderly	34,148.00
Abatements to Veterans	26,773.00
Abatements to Surviving Spouse	350.00
Veterans' Benefits	9,983.00
Highway Funds	-
Additional Assistance	23,875.00
Lottery Funds	1,837,561.00
Court Fines	385.00
Registry Fines	11,055.00
Other State	58.00
School Chapter 70	6,138,021.00
School Transportation	-
Charter School Reimb	-
Charter School Capital Overpay	-
Police Career Incentive	29,901.00
Total State Shared Revenue	\$ 8,113,073.00

REIMBURSEMENT	
Medicare D Reimbursement	\$ 24,742.00
Municipal Medicaid Reimbursement	198,020.00
Total Reimbursements	<u>\$ 222,762.00</u>
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	
Total Earnings on Investments	<u>\$ 89,454.00</u>
INTERFUND TRANSFERS	
From Enterprise Fund	\$ -
From Special Revenue	300,000.00
From Trust & Agency	106,000.00
Total Interfund Transfers	<u>\$ 406,000.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$ 21,483,753.00</u>
<u>SCHOOL LUNCH FUND</u>	<u>\$ 308,912.00</u>
<u>HIGHWAY CHAPTER 90</u>	<u>\$ 615,499.00</u>

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Animal Gift Fund	\$ 1,325.00
P.E.G. Access	43,841.00
Police Grant	-
Police SCAT Grant	1,574.00
Law Enforcement Trust	322.00
Local Preparedness Grant	11,865.00
Highway Safety Grant	3,474.00
SETB Training Grant	5,000.00
COA Strong Woman Grant	4,576.00
Police Reimbursable	1,020.00
Bureau Of Justice	-
LIG/MEG	15,247.00
Library Gift Fund	-
Library Fund Grant	282.00
Partingways Beautification	50.00
Title V	5,107.00
Arts Lottery Council	4,243.00
Council On Aging Grant	12,272.00
Council On Aging Gift Fund	1,565.00
Notice Of Intent - Conservation	6,238.00
E.M.S.	287,625.00

Board of Health	-
Insurance Reimbursement	2,363.00
Outside Ads	879.00
Skate Park Gift Fund	-
Park Gift Fund	2,000.00
FEMA Grant	-
Anti-Terrorism	-
Homeland Security	2,277.00
Bristol County Homeland Security	-
Fire S.A.F.E Grant	-
Fire Safety Equipment Grant	5,300.00
SEMASS - Mass Tech Park	-
Fire Department Gift Fund	5,070.00
Long Plain Museum Repair Grant	-
Sewer Tie-In Restricted Grants	10,000.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	177,893.00
Baseline Documentation	2,330.00
Stormwater Assessment	2,912.00
Cops In Shops Grant	-
Community Policing Grant	18,024.00
GIS / GPS Mapping System	21,711.00
Ambulance Task Force Grant	1,000.00
MEMA Grant	-
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE	\$ 657,385.00

SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Title I	\$ 77,671.00
Title II 94 - 142	232,139.00
Early Childhood	6,787.00
Drug Free School	3,781.00
Ford Middle School Fund	22,445.00
School Building Rental	5,011.00
Elementary School Fund	19,678.00
Teacher Quality in Education	31,079.00
Enhanced Education	729.00
Title V	800.00
Mentoring Grant	3,000.00
Early Intervention Lit.	24,293.00
SPED Program Improvement Grant	6,743.00
SPED Circuit Breaker	181,288.00
Full Day Kindergarten	80,515.00
Kindergarten Enhancement Grant	44,700.00
BC/BS Healthy Choices Grant	3,000.00
Non Smoking Grant	2,000.00
TOTAL SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE	\$ 745,659.00

<u>COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND</u>	<u>\$ 246,869.00</u>
<u>WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND</u>	<u>\$ 744,067.00</u>
<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND</u>	<u>\$ 10,844,110.00</u>
<u>SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND</u>	<u>\$ 400,144.00</u>
<u>GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND</u>	<u>\$ 1,555,624.00</u>

TRUST FUND

Contributions	\$ 9,900.00
Transfers	41,599.00
Interest & Earnings on Investments	93,009.00
TOTAL TRUST FUND	<u>\$ 144,508.00</u>

GRAND TOTAL **\$ 37,746,530.00**

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR 2007**

	FY 2007 APPROP.	FY 2007 EXPEND.
RESERVE FUND 1110		
F.B. Reserve Fund	\$ 28,677.00	\$ -
Total Reserve Fund	28,677.00	0.00
TOWN MEETING 1113		
Town Meeting / Election	10,000.00	7,739.00
Total Town Meeting	10,000.00	7,739.00
MODERATOR 1114		
Salary	640.00	640.00
Supplies	30.00	0.00
In-State Travel	40.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	40.00	0.00
Total Moderator	750.00	640.00
SELECTMEN 1122		
Stipends - Selectmen	14,843.00	14,843.00
Salaries - Town Administrator	88,850.00	88,850.00
Salaries - Clerical	68,365.00	59,039.00
Salaries - Special Project Manager	8,755.00	8,721.00
Salaries - Temporary	2,500.00	2,500.00
Longevity	1,200.00	1,000.00
R. & M. Vehicles	900.00	881.00
Special Article School Facility Com.	0.00	0.00
Special Article - DEP Site Assessment	30,000.00	14,387.00
Engineering Fees	500.00	150.00
Consulting / Grant Writer	0.00	0.00
Telephone	2,738.00	2,565.00
Communications - Advertising	4,870.00	4,308.00
Training & Testing	500.00	90.00
Office Supply	1,500.00	593.00
Town Report / Warrant	4,000.00	3,798.00
Meeting Expenses	150.00	99.00
Travel	1,000.00	831.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	1,600.00	1,548.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Long Plain Furnace	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Communication Equipment	9,771.00	7,630.00
Total Selectmen	242,042.00	211,833.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
FINANCE COMMITTEE 1131		
Salaries - Clerical	2,122.00	1,274.00
Office Supplies	250.00	76.00
Travel	150.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	300.00	190.00
Total Finance Committee	<u>2,822.00</u>	<u>1,540.00</u>
FINANCE DIRECTOR 1133		
Salaries - Director of Finance	<u>10,592.00</u>	<u>10,592.00</u>
Total Finance Director	<u>10,592.00</u>	<u>10,592.00</u>
TOWN ACCOUNTANT 1135		
Salaries - Town Accountant	66,350.00	66,350.00
Salaries - Accounting Clerk	31,668.00	31,668.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	7,577.00	7,532.00
Longevity	1,300.00	1,300.00
Salaries - Temporary	2,993.00	2,993.00
Overtime	0.00	0.00
Auditing	18,500.00	18,500.00
Telephone	1,290.00	1,179.00
Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,494.00
Travel	1,150.00	1,099.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	400.00	155.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Special Article - GASB 45 Implementation	15,000.00	0.00
Special Article - GASB 34	14,651.00	0.00
Total Town Accountant	<u>162,379.00</u>	<u>132,270.00</u>
ASSESSORS 1141		
Stipends - Assessors	11,789.00	11,317.00
Salaries - Assistant Assessor	43,300.00	42,550.00
Salaries - Clerical	28,174.00	28,173.00
Salaries - Overtime	727.00	697.00
Salaries - Temporary	0.00	0.00
Longevity	300.00	300.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	175.00	164.00
Triennial Certification	22,600.00	22,600.00
Management Consulting	10,957.00	10,945.00
Telephone	1,200.00	738.00
Printing & Binding	300.00	245.00
Communications - Advertising	400.00	154.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Training	1,048.00	815.00
Cama License Fee	4,750.00	4,750.00
Plot Plans	1,500.00	0.00
Reg. Deeds/Probate	200.00	76.00
Office Supplies	1,152.00	1,151.00
Software Expense	6,000.00	2,090.00
Travel	1,000.00	707.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	250.00	220.00
Total Assessors	<u>135,822.00</u>	<u>127,692.00</u>

TOWN TREASURER 1145

Salaries - Town Treasurer	29,957.00	29,957.00
Salaries - Assistant Treasurer	18,025.00	18,025.00
Salaries - Clerical	31,141.00	31,140.00
Salaries - Temporary	500.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	2,145.00	2,143.00
Longevity	950.00	950.00
Repairs / Maintenance	0.00	0.00
Legal - Land Court	15,990.00	7,976.00
Loan Expense	7,640.00	6,955.00
Telephone	1,400.00	964.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	273.00
Reg. Deeds / Probate	1,250.00	1,250.00
Office Supplies	2,200.00	2,200.00
Postage	19,000.00	19,000.00
Travel	1,700.00	1,578.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	250.00	250.00
Bonding	1,200.00	1,100.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Town Treasurer	<u>134,348.00</u>	<u>123,761.00</u>

TOWN COLLECTOR 1146

Salaries - Town Collector	29,987.00	29,987.00
Salaries - Assistant Collector	18,025.00	18,025.00
Salaries - Clerical	29,357.00	29,288.00
Salaries - Temporary	500.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	250.00	0.00
Longevity	750.00	750.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	450.00	0.00
Tax Bills	3,000.00	2,633.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Telephone	1,000.00	847.00
Communication - Advertising	2,000.00	1,532.00
Registry Recordings	2,000.00	1,751.00
Office Supplies	1,025.00	1,025.00
Travel/Meals	1,500.00	1,448.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	140.00	140.00
Bonding	300.00	200.00
Additional Equipment	175.00	0.00
Total Town Collector	<u>90,459.00</u>	<u>87,626.00</u>

TOWN COUNSEL 1151

Legal - Land Court	<u>70,000.00</u>	<u>67,706.00</u>
Total Town Counsel	70,000.00	67,706.00

DATA PROCESSING 1155

Salaries - Systems Administrator	4,058.00	4,058.00
Internet Services	8,000.00	5,590.00
R. & M. Copier	7,321.00	4,958.00
R & M Other	6,815.00	1,136.00
Maintenance Agreement	61,068.00	61,068.00
Photocopier Supply	2,300.00	1,480.00
Software Expense	700.00	0.00
Other Supplies	3,000.00	1,828.00
Training	1,000.00	145.00
Additional Equipment	<u>7,312.00</u>	<u>3,770.00</u>
Total Data Processing	101,574.00	84,033.00

TOWN CLERK 1161

Salaries - Town Clerk	25,956.00	25,956.00
Salaries - Clerical	51,096.00	50,950.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,249.00	948.00
Salaries - Overtime	2,461.00	2,460.00
Longevity	700.00	700.00
Repairs / Maintenance	500.00	195.00
Ballots	1,000.00	880.00
Vital Statistics	400.00	188.00
Telephone	1,000.00	842.00
Communications - Advertising	400.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,800.00	1,617.00
Update Law Books	1,400.00	1,400.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Postage	1,600.00	1,396.00
Software Expense	1,000.00	990.00
Travel	800.00	708.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	200.00	200.00
Bonding	100.00	100.00
Additional Equipment	1,060.00	0.00
Dog Licenses	1,000.00	579.00
Special Article - Vital Records	6,699.00	0.00
Special Article - CD ROMS	929.00	0.00
Special Article - Dog License Program	0.00	0.00
Total Town Clerk	<u>101,350.00</u>	<u>90,109.00</u>

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS 1163

Salaries - Temporary	10,000.00	9,979.00
Voting Program Movers	5,000.00	3,283.00
Street Voting / Census	1,900.00	1,393.00
Office Supplies	400.00	389.00
Travel	500.00	431.00
Postage	600.00	0.00
Total Registrar Of Voters	<u>18,400.00</u>	<u>15,475.00</u>

CONSERVATION 1171

Salaries - Agent	31,297.00	31,297.00
Salaries - Clerical	16,053.00	15,046.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	657.00
Longevity	0.00	0.00
Telephone	536.00	457.00
Communications - Advertising	50.00	45.00
Training & Testing	924.00	908.00
Office Supplies	500.00	500.00
Photo Supplies	0.00	0.00
Travel	114.00	114.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	295.00	277.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Conservation	<u>50,769.00</u>	<u>49,301.00</u>

SOIL BOARD 1172

Salaries - Clerical	1,000.00	1,000.00
Office Supplies	50.00	48.00
Total Soil Board	<u>1,050.00</u>	<u>1,048.00</u>

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
PLANNING BOARD 1175		
Salaries - Agent	5,150.00	5,150.00
Salaries - Clerical	9,500.00	9,479.00
Master Planner	30,000.00	30,000.00
Telephone	500.00	0.00
Training & Testing	250.00	0.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	0.00
Other Purchase - Serv. Recording.	200.00	166.00
Registrat. Deeds/Update Maps	25.00	25.00
Office Supplies	2,700.00	2,700.00
Master Plan Supplies	2,000.00	2,000.00
Travel	200.00	193.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	100.00	80.00
Special Article - Zoning Bylaw Edits	4,770.00	33.00
Total Planning Board	<u>56,395.00</u>	<u>49,826.00</u>
BOARD OF APPEALS 1176		
Salaries - Clerical	2,165.00	2,061.00
Communications - Advertising	1,942.00	1,364.00
Office Supplies	218.00	218.00
Total Board of Appeals	<u>4,325.00</u>	<u>3,643.00</u>
TOWN HALL COMPLEX 1192		
Salaries - Custodian	34,685.00	34,507.00
Salaries - Part-time Custodian	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Temporary	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	4,456.00	4,437.00
Longevity	500.00	500.00
Energy	35,041.00	32,972.00
Grass Cutting/Maintenance	3,000.00	2,080.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	10,096.00	10,086.00
Supplies	5,489.00	2,573.00
Special Article - A.D.A. Requirement	9,848.00	267.00
Special Article - Town Hall Parking	4,797.00	0.00
Special Article - Long Plain Restoration	24,571.00	20,678.00
Special Article - Police Department Carpets	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Town Hall Roof	2,000.00	0.00
Total Town Hall Complex	<u>134,483.00</u>	<u>108,100.00</u>
BY - LAWS 1197		
Office Supplies	1,000.00	520.00
Total By-Laws	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>520.00</u>

	FY 2007 APPROP.	FY 2007 EXPEND.
POLICE DEPARTMENT 2210		
Salaries - Police Chief	84,311.00	84,311.00
Salaries - Permanent	1,277,107.00	1,277,107.00
Longevity	7,500.00	7,500.00
Clothing Allowance	17,300.00	14,958.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	0.00	0.00
Vehicle Maintenance	13,445.00	13,422.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	9,011.00	8,942.00
Software Maintenance	7,950.00	7,950.00
Telephone	4,950.00	4,950.00
Training & Testing	1,800.00	1,800.00
Office Supplies	2,250.00	2,249.00
Meals	1,500.00	1,480.00
Other Supplies - Hardware /Lockup	21,953.00	21,953.00
Travel	200.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	1,890.00	1,890.00
Equipment	21,755.00	21,755.00
Special Article - Police Cruisers	6,356.00	6,356.00
Total Police Department	<u>1,479,278.00</u>	<u>1,476,623.00</u>
FIRE DEPARTMENT 2220		
Salaries - Fire Chief	71,782.00	71,782.00
Salaries - Permanent	166,368.00	166,204.00
Salaries - Callmen	49,524.00	49,524.00
Overtime	46,077.00	46,077.00
Longevity	1,800.00	1,800.00
Clothing Allowance	2,247.00	2,242.00
Energy	8,215.00	8,215.00
Water	125.00	74.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	750.00	746.00
Fire Alarm Inspections	2,000.00	1,950.00
R. & M. Equipment	7,957.00	7,896.00
R & M. Vehicle	7,500.00	7,171.00
Software	600.00	600.00
Radio Repairs	775.00	775.00
Hepatitis B Shots	667.00	0.00
Telephone	2,788.00	2,735.00
Training/CPR/1st Aid	6,636.00	6,636.00
Office Supplies	900.00	900.00
Other Supplies	300.00	269.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	1,265.00	1,265.00
Additional Equipment	2,300.00	2,300.00
Special Article - Repair Stations 1&2	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Fire Alarm System	728.00	430.00
Special Article - Fire Code Compliance	0.00	0.00
Total Fire Department	<u>381,304.00</u>	<u>379,591.00</u>

	FY 2007 APPROP.	FY 2007 EXPEND.
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 2232		
Salaries - Director	46,790.00	46,790.00
Salaries - Permanent	270,426.00	270,426.00
Salaries - EMTs	3,074.00	1,381.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	12,124.00	12,052.00
Salaries - Overtime	10,000.00	9,177.00
Longevity	1,000.00	1,000.00
Clothing Allowance	4,000.00	2,447.00
Energy	14,751.00	11,714.00
R. & M. Buildings & Grounds	1,500.00	984.00
R. & M. Equipment	4,000.00	4,000.00
Physicals	600.00	205.00
Telephone	2,060.00	1,963.00
Training & Testing	2,000.00	1,879.00
Collection Expense	3,665.00	1,137.00
Office Supplies	2,014.00	1,890.00
Supplies	800.00	713.00
Vehicle Supplies & Maintenance	7,859.00	3,339.00
Medical & Surgical Supplies	13,779.00	13,396.00
Oxygen	2,500.00	1,794.00
Travel	50.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	13,500.00	11,853.00
Additional Equipment/Furniture	600.00	500.00
Special Article - EMS Building Repairs	4,408.00	4,235.00
Special Article - Ambupro Software	50,000.00	36,822.00
Special Article - New Ambulance	125,000.00	123,701.00
Total Emergency Medical Services	596,500.00	563,398.00

From Taxation: \$263,398.00

From E.M.S. Res. Rec. Account: \$300,000.00

BUILDING DEPARTMENT 2241

Salaries - Building Inspector	49,173.00	49,173.00
Salaries - Clerical	29,470.00	29,357.00
Salaries - Wire Inspector	10,585.00	10,585.00
Salaries - Deputy Wire Inspector	1,150.00	418.00
Salaries - Deputy Building Inspector	1,000.00	714.00
Salaries - Gas/Plumbing Inspector	8,485.00	8,485.00
Salaries - Deputy Gas/Plumbing Inspector	700.00	486.00
Salaries - Temporary	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	0.00	0.00
Longevity	900.00	900.00
Training & Testing	500.00	115.00
R. & M. Equipment	300.00	241.00
Telephone	800.00	767.00
Office Supplies	1,022.00	986.00
Vehicle Supplies	700.00	526.00

	FY 2007 APPROP.	FY 2007 EXPEND.
Travel	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	300.00	215.00
Additional Equipment	78.00	48.00
Total Building Department	105,163.00	103,016.00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES 2244

Salaries -Permanent Position	925.00	925.00
Telephone	15.00	0.00
Office Supplies	200.00	0.00
Travel	180.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	120.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	300.00	0.00
Total Sealer Of Weights & Measures	1,740.00	925.00

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY 2291

Energy	2,950.00	2,507.00
Repairs/Equipment Maintenance	1,200.00	1,186.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	3,500.00	995.00
Telephone	618.00	436.00
Internet Services	650.00	611.00
Maintenance & Supplies	332.00	332.00
Disaster Fund	50.00	50.00
Travel	100.00	78.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	50.00	0.00
Additional Equipment/Gear	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Emergency Management Agency	10,450.00	7,195.00

ANIMAL CONTROL 2292

Salaries - Director	33,475.00	33,475.00
Longevity	300.00	300.00
Clothing Allowance	200.00	200.00
R. & M. Equipment	1,000.00	983.00
Telephone	684.00	684.00
Board Services	2,000.00	342.00
Training & Testing	500.00	304.00
Office Supplies	100.00	100.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	50.00	50.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Animal Control	38,309.00	36,438.00

FORESTRY 2294

Salaries - Tree Warden	725.00	0.00
Tree Removal	1,750.00	1,410.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Tree Planting	1,250.00	0.00
Other Supplies	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>
Total Forestry	3,825.00	1,510.00

OLD COLONY REGIONAL SCHOOL 3320

Regional School Tuition	<u>1,430,943.00</u>	<u>1,430,943.00</u>
Total Old Colony Regional School	1,430,943.00	1,430,943.00

ACUSHNET SCHOOL DEPARTMENT 3325, 021

Expenses	11,938,424.00	11,837,789.00
Special Article - School Vehicle	32,000.00	32,000.00
School Renov Bond Principal	100,000.00	100,000.00
School Renov Bond Interest	81,400.00	81,400.00
School Improvement Interest	<u>328,332.00</u>	<u>328,212.00</u>
Total Acushnet School Department	12,480,156.00	12,379,401.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 4422

Salaries - Superintendent	25,750.00	25,750.00
Salaries - Permanent	206,909.00	202,581.00
Salaries - Highway Superintendent	48,781.00	48,781.00
Salaries - Clerical	9,822.00	9,786.00
Salaries - Part-Time Clerk	5,433.00	5,433.00
Salaries - Temporary	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	4,220.00	2,512.00
Longevity	2,000.00	2,000.00
Clothing Allowance	4,100.00	3,906.00
Energy	11,000.00	10,632.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	4,000.00	3,975.00
R. & M. Equipment	36,827.00	36,827.00
Rentals & Leases	7,000.00	6,242.00
Engineering Fees	2,999.00	2,940.00
Telephone	2,404.00	1,017.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	526.00
Police Detail	3,000.00	1,983.00
Training & Testing	1,200.00	720.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00
Gasoline	73,359.00	73,359.00
Personal Safety Supplies	1,500.00	1,500.00
Road Materials	78,173.00	76,808.00
Travel	500.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses	500.00	270.00
Additional Equipment	3,000.00	3,000.00
Special Article - Town Barn Doors	14,000.00	14,000.00
Special Article - Town Roof Repairs	106,000.00	279.00
Special Article - Equipment Improvements	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Dump Truck	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Highway Department	654,477.00	535,827.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
SNOW REMOVAL 4423		
O.P.R.S. - Snow Removal - Emergency	44,906.00	44,906.00
Total Snow Removal	<u>44,906.00</u>	<u>44,906.00</u>
STREET LIGHTS 4424		
Energy	60,000.00	56,680.00
Total Street Lights	<u>60,000.00</u>	<u>56,680.00</u>
SEMASS 4431		
Salaries - Permanent Position	15,050.00	14,750.00
Curbside Pick - Up	93,811.00	91,000.00
Incinerator - SEMASS	158,726.00	111,928.00
Heavy Pick	37,190.00	33,375.00
Rubbish Removal	313,000.00	313,000.00
Total SEMASS	<u>617,777.00</u>	<u>564,053.00</u>
CEMETERY 4491		
Salaries - Temporary	5,700.00	5,700.00
R. & M. Equipment	650.00	650.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	350.00	309.00
Office Supplies	0.00	0.00
Building Repairs/ Maint./Supplies	325.00	325.00
Total Cemetery	<u>7,025.00</u>	<u>6,984.00</u>
HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICES 5510		
Stipends - Board	9,212.00	9,212.00
Salaries - Sanitarian	52,685.00	52,685.00
Salaries - Clerical	30,347.00	30,078.00
Salaries - Temporary	32,470.00	32,290.00
Salaries - Overtime	0.00	0.00
Longevity	750.00	725.00
Contracted Inspection Services	0.00	0.00
Clothing Allowance	100.00	32.00
R. & M. Vehicles	100.00	56.00
Physician	1,163.00	775.00
Prof. Pub. Health Agency	15,167.00	15,167.00
Telephone	1,250.00	902.00
Communications - Advertising	1,475.00	1,396.00
Training & Testing	350.00	175.00
Office Supplies	1,577.00	1,485.00
Postage	500.00	484.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Photocopier Supplies	975.00	975.00
Software Expense	0.00	0.00
Medical & Surgical Supplies	137.00	20.00
Water Testing	100.00	0.00
Travel	50.00	9.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	150.00	150.00
Additional Equipment	400.00	309.00
Special Article - Vehicle	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Health Inspection Services	148,958.00	146,925.00

COUNCIL ON AGING 5541

Salaries - Director	25,170.00	25,170.00
Salaries - Temporary	10,249.00	9,761.00
Salaries - Janitorial	5,305.00	5,303.00
Energy	9,750.00	9,478.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	2,000.00	1,904.00
R. & M. Vehicles	2,400.00	2,364.00
Telephone	1,500.00	1,329.00
Alarm Services	800.00	642.00
Internet Services	720.00	720.00
Office Supplies	500.00	473.00
Postage	200.00	200.00
Building Supplies	800.00	796.00
Nutrition	5,300.00	5,290.00
Travel	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Council on Aging	64,694.00	63,430.00

VETERANS 5543

Salaries - Permanent	6,541.00	6,541.00
Telephone	630.00	403.00
Training & Testing	600.00	295.00
Training/Public Awareness	100.00	43.00
Office Supplies	600.00	444.00
Veterans Benefits	<u>29,750.00</u>	<u>26,824.00</u>
Total Veterans	38,221.00	34,550.00

LIBRARY 6610

Salaries - Director	48,816.00	42,205.00
Salaries - Asst. Director - Part Time	33,195.00	28,801.00
Salaries - Education	500.00	500.00
Salaries - Tech.	48,019.00	45,345.00
Salaries - Custodian	9,915.00	9,897.00
Longevity	691.00	691.00
Energy	5,575.00	5,500.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
R. & M. Building & Grounds	2,150.00	2,138.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	500.00	454.00
Tech Support	920.00	920.00
Telephone	1,575.00	1,191.00
Communications Advertising	200.00	25.00
Education	600.00	520.00
SEALS Expense	11,642.00	11,642.00
Office Supplies	2,392.00	2,222.00
Children Ed Supplies	350.00	350.00
Other Supplies	19,699.00	19,697.00
Travel	525.00	515.00
Additional Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00
Special Article - Library Roof Repair	60,000.00	57,574.00
Total Library	<u>248,264.00</u>	<u>231,187.00</u>

RECREATION 6630

Energy	3,950.00	3,201.00
Service & Maintenance	2,200.00	2,200.00
Telephone	500.00	377.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Summer Youth	11,139.00	10,977.00
Office Supplies	50.00	0.00
Hardware	1,300.00	1,176.00
Other Supplies	300.00	300.00
Total Recreation	<u>19,439.00</u>	<u>18,231.00</u>

PARK DEPARTMENT 6650

Salaries - Permanent	14,400.00	13,060.00
Salaries - Permanent Laborer	12,600.00	10,470.00
R. & M. - Equipment	825.00	825.00
Serv. - Trash Removal	0.00	0.00
Restroom Supplies	0.00	0.00
Park Materials	6,200.00	5,627.00
Stone Dust	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Park Restrooms	45,000.00	9,471.00
Total Park Department	<u>79,025.00</u>	<u>39,453.00</u>

HISTORICAL COMMISSION 6691

Energy	5,650.00	5,154.00
R. & M. Building. & Grounds	2,080.00	2,080.00
Telephone / Alarm	780.00	772.00
Communications - Advertising	50.00	50.00
Special Article - Historic Inventory	78.00	0.00
Office Supplies	30.00	30.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Postage	20.00	0.00
Travel	90.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	75.00	0.00
Total Historical Commission	<u>8,853.00</u>	<u>8,086.00</u>
 CELEBRATIONS 6692		
Road Race	1,500.00	1,500.00
Memorial Day/July 4	1,900.00	1,838.00
Total Celebrations	<u>3,400.00</u>	<u>3,338.00</u>
 MISCELLANEOUS 2699		
Beautification	1,000.00	760.00
Acushnet Cultural Council	2,500.00	2,500.00
Shellfish Warden/Harbor Master	200.00	0.00
Herring Inspector	200.00	0.00
Safety Committee	200.00	0.00
Housing Partnership	200.00	0.00
Buzzards Bay Act. Committee	650.00	633.00
Total Miscellaneous	<u>4,950.00</u>	<u>3,893.00</u>
 RETIREMENT OF DEBT 7710		
Long Term Debt - Fire Engine/Sewer Ph 2	164,646.00	164,646.00
Long Term Debt - Partingways Renovations	20,000.00	20,000.00
Total Retirement of Debt	<u>184,646.00</u>	<u>184,646.00</u>
 INTEREST 7751		
Long Term Debt Interest	143,695.00	143,695.00
Short Term Debt Interest	5,000.00	0.00
Total Interest	<u>148,695.00</u>	<u>143,695.00</u>
 COUNTY ASSESSMENTS 8830		
County Tax	91,083.00	91,083.00
Total County Tax	<u>91,083.00</u>	<u>91,083.00</u>
 STATE ASSESSMENTS 8850		
Special Ed.	1,431.00	0.00
School Choice Tuition	9,596.00	0.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	8,740.00	8,740.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Mosquito Assessment	28,383.00	28,383.00
Air Pollution Assessment	2,393.00	2,393.00
RTA Assessment	24,956.00	24,956.00
SRPEDD	<u>1,642.00</u>	<u>1,641.00</u>
Total State Assessments	77,141.00	66,113.00

PENSIONS 1911

Bristol County Retirement	619,998.00	619,458.00
Social Security	8,000.00	1,884.00
Medicare	<u>121,775.00</u>	<u>121,775.00</u>
Total Pensions	749,773.00	743,117.00

WORKERS COMPENSATION 1912

Fringe Benefits/Charges	<u>70,904.00</u>	<u>67,191.00</u>
Total Workers Compensation	70,904.00	67,191.00

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION 1913

Fringe Benefits/Charges	<u>17,000.00</u>	<u>11,266.00</u>
Total Unemployment Compensation	17,000.00	11,266.00

HEALTH INSURANCE 1914

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Insurance	1,168,535.00	1,142,171.00
CRA/Flexible Benefits Plan	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>1,740.00</u>
Total Health Insurance	1,170,535.00	1,143,911.00

LIABILITY INSURANCE 1945

Ins. Pr. Dis. - Fire - Police Accident H.	19,000.00	18,932.00
Property Liability/M.V.	<u>130,000.00</u>	<u>124,138.00</u>
Total Liability Insurance	149,000.00	143,070.00

TRANSFERS 9999

Transfers To Capital Project	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Special Revenue	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Enterprise Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Trust & Agency	<u>41,599.00</u>	<u>41,599.00</u>
Total Transfers	41,599.00	41,599.00

Subtotal General Fund	<u>22,585,270.00</u>	<u>21,945,728.00</u>
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SEWER DEPARTMENT 6004440

Salaries - Director	12,875.00	12,875.00
Salaries - Permanent Labor	6,590.00	6,426.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Salaries - Clerical	9,821.00	9,785.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	5,432.00	5,432.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	2,653.00	2,637.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,010.00	252.00
Longevity	150.00	150.00
Fringe Benefits - Health/Vacation	3,500.00	3,500.00
Clothing Allowance	500.00	222.00
Energy	9,000.00	5,450.00
Service & Maint. Equipment	2,000.00	412.00
R. & M. Vehicles	500.00	500.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	1,000.00	481.00
Software Maintenance	1,000.00	700.00
Maintenance of System	5,000.00	0.00
Sewer Pumping - New Bedford	274,809.00	264,553.00
Telephone	1,500.00	941.00
Legal Expense	3,246.00	1,108.00
Engineering Fees	1,000.00	0.00
Training & Testing	250.00	90.00
Gasoline	1,000.00	577.00
Office Supplies	598.00	549.00
Sewer Bills	1,000.00	974.00
Postage	978.00	334.00
Travel	100.00	0.00
Upgrading System	500.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	1,000.00	0.00
Sub-Total	<u>347,012.00</u>	<u>317,948.00</u>
 RETIREMENT OF DEBT 6007440		
Long Term Debt - Sewer	0.00	0.00
Long Term Debt - Interest	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
 TRANSFERS 6009999		
Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Transfers to Special Revenue	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Sewer Department From Sewer Users' Fees	<u>347,012.00</u>	<u>317,948.00</u>

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
WATER DEPARTMENT 2704450		
Salaries - Director	38,625.00	38,625.00
Salaries - Permanent Labor	59,295.00	59,295.00
Salaries - Superintendent	2,500.00	2,500.00
Salaries - Clerical - Part Time	9,821.00	9,818.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	7,957.00	7,909.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	7,132.00	6,379.00
Salaries - Overtime	9,524.00	5,394.00
Longevity	150.00	150.00
Fringe Benefits - Health/Vacation	12,700.00	11,230.00
Clothing Allowance	1,400.00	1,178.00
Energy	2,500.00	2,500.00
New Bedford Water Bills	504,411.00	497,881.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	2,000.00	1,240.00
Vehicle Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00
Software Maintenance	500.00	500.00
Maintenance Of System	6,000.00	2,475.00
Repair/Trench Repairs	3,500.00	2,567.00
Rentals & Leases	1,000.00	128.00
Legal Expenses	3,967.00	995.00
Court Judgments	0.00	0.00
Engineering Fees	4,000.00	994.00
Telephone	1,500.00	609.00
CCR Reports	2,500.00	1,608.00
Communications -Advertising	1,000.00	0.00
Training & Testing	2,800.00	1,100.00
Other Purch. Serv. - Police Detail	2,500.00	1,862.00
Gasoline	5,000.00	4,586.00
Office Supplies	1,519.00	1,131.00
Water Bills	1,190.00	1,190.00
Postage	2,500.00	2,178.00
Water Testing	6,000.00	3,725.00
P.W. Suppl. - Equipment - Supplies	10,000.00	7,373.00
Travel	500.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses	500.00	471.00
Upgrading System	1,000.00	0.00
Special Article - Radio Read Meters	125,000.00	0.00
Additional Equipment - New Meters	11,064.00	1,542.00
Sub-Total	<u>853,555.00</u>	<u>681,133.00</u>
RETIREMENT OF DEBT 2707450		
Water Debt - Interest	78,394.00	78,393.00
Water Debt - Principal	19,227.00	19,227.00
Sub-Total	<u>97,621.00</u>	<u>97,620.00</u>

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
TRANSFERS 2709999		
Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Transfers to Special Revenue	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total	0.00	0.00
 Total Water Department From Water Users' Fees	 <u>951,176.00</u>	 <u>778,753.00</u>

GOLF COURSE 6606650

Salaries - Director	52,178.00	52,178.00
Salaries - Superintendent	76,000.00	76,000.00
Salaries - Head Professional	30,115.00	30,115.00
Salaries - Clubhouse Employees	83,192.00	63,088.00
Salaries - Assistant Superintendent	40,000.00	40,000.00
Salaries - Maintenance Employees	145,000.00	122,870.00
Salaries - Assistant Collector	3,950.00	3,950.00
Fringe Benefits	7,000.00	3,760.00
Fringe Benefits - Maintenance Employees	38,000.00	4,729.00
Energy	14,000.00	9,295.00
Energy - Maintenance	7,600.00	7,553.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	4,000.00	3,946.00
R. & M. Equipment	8,000.00	7,962.00
R. & M. Equipment - Maintenance	7,000.00	6,991.00
Rentals & Leases	74,000.00	72,619.00
Rentals & Leases -Maintenance	13,000.00	8,346.00
Legal Expenses	1,000.00	0.00
Telephone	6,000.00	3,698.00
Telephone - Maintenance	2,400.00	2,013.00
R. & M. Irrigation - Maintenance	4,000.00	3,996.00
Communications - Advertising	30,000.00	29,464.00
Training & Safety - Maintenance	1,500.00	1,355.00
Uniforms	1,500.00	1,494.00
Uniforms - Maintenance	2,000.00	1,876.00
Gasoline	27,000.00	23,445.00
Supplies - Golf Shop	46,000.00	38,489.00
Seed/Topdress/Orn. - Maintenance	9,000.00	9,000.00
Fertilizer - Maintenance	33,000.00	32,695.00
Pesticides - Maintenance	52,000.00	51,979.00
Food Supplies	84,000.00	74,583.00
Other Supplies	10,500.00	9,590.00
Supplies - Maintenance	10,500.00	10,469.00

	<u>FY 2007 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Travel	2,000.00	791.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses	2,000.00	2,000.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses - Maint.	1,000.00	815.00
Insurance	10,000.00	7,304.00
Additional Equipment	572.00	363.00
Capital Projects	<u>50,000.00</u>	<u>10,866.00</u>
Sub-Total	989,007.00	829,687.00
 DEBT SERVICE 6607650		
Long Term Debt - Golf Principal	310,000.00	310,000.00
Long Term Debt - Interest	<u>250,912.00</u>	<u>250,911.00</u>
Sub-Total	560,912.00	560,911.00
 TRANSFERS 6609999		
Transfers to General Fund	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Sub-Total	0.00	0.00
 Total Golf Course Enterprise Fund		
	<u>1,549,919.00</u>	<u>1,390,598.00</u>
 TOTAL	 <u>\$ 25,433,377.00</u>	 <u>\$ 24,433,027.00</u>

OTHER EXPENDITURES

CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS

	<u>FY 2007 EXPEND.</u>
Computer Project	1,620.00
School Renovations	53,800.00
School Playground	199.00
EMS Building	1,404.00
Sewer Infiltration Project	16,573.00
Partingways Building Project	1,049.00
Sewer - Phase II	1,597,460.00
Park Renovation Project	106,276.00
A.D.A. Compliance - Town Hall	0.00
Capital Equipment - Fire Truck	74,320.00
Water Main Replacement - Phase II	941,225.00
Water Main Replacement - Phase I	0.00
Water Improvements - Phase III	<u>1,728,054.00</u>
Total Capital Project Funds	4,521,980.00

CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS

Chip Sealing	129,505.00
Various Streets Paving	183,999.00
Crompton/Surround Sts	224,867.00
Crack Sealing	54,353.00
Main St Project	247,643.00
Lake Street	<u>116,018.00</u>
Total Chapter 90 Highway Funds	<u>956,385.00</u>

SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

School Lunch	297,095.00
Full Day Kindergarten	64,334.00
Other Grants & Funding	<u>623,188.00</u>
Total School Special Revenue Funds	<u>984,617.00</u>

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Animal Gift Fund	1,715.00
Community Preservation Fund	131,087.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access	0.00
Peg Access	23,002.00
Bureau Of Justice	0.00
Police D.A.R.E.	0.00
Community Policing	25,198.00
Cops Grant	0.00
Law Enforcement Trust	0.00
Fire S.A.F.E. Grant	2,229.00
Firefighter Equipment Grant	664.00
Council On Aging Grant	12,272.00
C.O.A. Building	0.00
Council on Aging Gift Fund	1,070.00
Library Gift Fund	0.00
LIG/MEG	9,649.00
Arts Lottery	3,375.00
Title V - Water Pollution	756.00
Title V - Reserved Receipts	8,341.00
Notice Of Intent	1,499.00
E.M.S. Fund	300,000.00
Insurance Reimbursements	4,913.00
Outside Ads	879.00
Anti-Terrorism Grant	598.00
FEMA Grant	0.00
LLEBG	0.00
Local Preparedness Grant	5,548.00
Bristol County Homeland Security Grant	5,539.00
Assistance to Firefighters	0.00
Long Plain Museum Repair Grant	2,506.00

	FY 2007 EXPEND.
COA -Strong Women Grant	1,570.00
SCAT Team Grant	2,075.00
Field Equipment	6,790.00
Fire Department Gift Fund	5,076.00
Ambulance Task Force Grant	1,586.00
Gov Highway Safety Bureau Grant	3,474.00
SETB Training Grant -911	5,000.00
SRPEDD- Homeland Sec Grant	2,277.00
Federal Assistance to Firefighters	168.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	<u>186,861.00</u>
Total Special Revenue Funds	755,717.00
 TRUSTS	
Various	<u>13,977.00</u>
Total Trust Funds	13,977.00
 STABILIZATION FUNDS	
Transfers to General Fund	<u>106,000.00</u>
Total Stabilization Funds	106,000.00
 GRAND TOTAL	 <u><u>\$ 31,771,703.00</u></u>

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
GENERAL FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$	2,819,064.00
Receivables:		
Personal Property		8,214.00
Real Estate		216,951.00
Tax Liens		115,831.00
Taxes In Litigation		308.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		206,879.00
Tax Foreclosures		216,931.00
		216,931.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	<u><u>3,584,178.00</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	548,989.00
Other Liabilities		100,565.00
Accrued Salaries-Teachers		266,026.00
Allowance For Abatements & Exemptions 2001-2007		253,266.00
Tailings		585.00
Due To Firearms Record Fund		-
Police Academy Withholding		10,575.00
Fire Dept. Comp. Time		21,462.00
Deferred Revenue:		
Real Estate And Personal Property		(28,102.00)
Tax Liens		115,831.00
Tax Foreclosure		216,931.00
Tax Litigation		308.00
Rubbish		-
Rubbish Liens		-
Motor Vehicle		206,879.00
Farm Excise		-
		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	<u><u>1,713,315.00</u></u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances-Prior Year	\$	376,404.00
Undesignated Fund Balance		670,177.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures		823,971.00
Fund Balance Reserved for School Debt Reduction		<u>311.00</u>

TOTAL FUND EQUITY \$ 1,870,863.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$ 3,584,178.00

Attest:

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Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash & Short Term Investments	\$ 584,644.00
CPA - Surcharge Receivable - 2007	1,787.00
CPA - Surcharge Receivable - 2006	-
Tax Liens Receivable	<u>612.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 587,043.00</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Deferred Revenue - Tax Liens	\$ 612.00
Deferred Revenue - CPA Surcharge	<u>1,787.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$ 2,399.00</u></u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrance - Prior Year	\$ 194,489.00
Fund Balance Reserved For Open Space	63,689.00
Fund Balance Reserved For Historic Preservation	51,689.00
Fund Balance Reserved For Community Housing	63,689.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>211,088.00</u>

TOTAL FUND EQUITY **\$ 584,644.00**

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY **\$ 587,043.00**

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Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$	979,303.00
Cash on Hand		500.00
Receivables:		
E.M.S.		167,393.00
Apport Title V Betterment		33,719.00
Title V Receipts Added To Tax		554.00
Committed Interest Added to Tax		387.00
Apport Sewer Loan Not Yet Due		177,893.00
Title V Betterment Not Yet Due		-
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$	<u>1,359,749.00</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	8,564.00
Deferred Revenue E.M.S.		167,393.00
Deferred Uncollected Title V Betterment		554.00
Deferred Title V Not Yet Due		33,719.00
Deferred Uncollected Committed Interest		387.00
Deferred Sewer Loan Not Yet Due		177,893.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	<u>388,510.00</u>
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FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved For Encumbrances	\$	-
Fund Balance Reserved For Expenditures		250,000.00
Community Development Grant		53.00
Building Maintenance Fund		2,854.00
Cable Ed & Gov. Access		29,912.00
D.A.R.E. Grant		231.00
Police SCAT Grant		(502.00)
Peg Access		88,534.00
Police Reimbursable		-
Law Enforcement Trust		9,412.00

Fire S.A.F.E.	62.00
Library Lig/Meg	42,484.00
Strong Woman Grant	3,006.00
Library Info Grant	282.00
Library Gift Fund	305,771.00
Library Building Grant	406.00
Board Of Health	64.00
Title V	-
Arts Lottery Council	5,301.00
Partingways Beautification	312.00
Notice Of Intent	15,943.00
E.M.S. Fund	120,324.00
Title V Receipts Reserved	50,051.00
Empowerment Fund	1,873.00
Downtown Steering Committee	5,654.00
C.O.A. Building Fund	1,070.00
Insurance Reimbursement	-
Animal Gift Fund	5,573.00
FEMA Grant	-
Assistance to Firefighters	-
Anti-Terror/Homeland Security	-
Bristol County Homeland Security	816.00
Fire Local Preparedness	-
Park Department Gift Fund	8,501.00
COA Gift Fund	5,597.00
Community Policing Grant	4,178.00
Long Plain Museum Repair Grant	2,878.00
Stormwater Assessment Grant	1,512.00
GIS/GPS Mapping System Grant	-
Baseline Documentation Grant	-
Fire Department Gift Fund	16.00
Fire Safety Equipment	4,636.00
Cops In Shops Grant	3,000.00
Local Preparedness Grant	-
Sewer-Tie In Admin Grant	1,032.00
Ambulance Task Force Grant	193.00
Field Equipment Gift Fund	210.00
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ 971,239.00
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 1,359,749.00
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Attest:

Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
SCHOOL LUNCH**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 86,177.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 86,177.00

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 11,590.00
Due to Mass. - Meal Tax	(20.00)

TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 11,570.00
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FUND EQUITY

Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 74,607.00
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ 74,607.00
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 86,177.00
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Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash	\$	272,782.00
SPED Circuit Breaker Due from Commonwealth		-
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$	272,782.00
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LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	16,483.00
Accrued Teacher Salaries		-
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	16,483.00
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FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved For Encumb- Current Year	\$	-
Fund Balance Reserved For Encumb - Prior Year		195.00
Fund Balance Reserved For Expenditures		-
Title 1		(5,882.00)
Title 2		-
Title II-P.L. 94-142		34,728.00
DDE/ Math- Science		-
Health Project GR-GGCL		-
COM Partnership Grant		-
Early Childhood Grant		-
Class Size Reduction		-
Academic Support		-
Drug Free School		468.00
School Building Rentals		12,931.00
Tuition Revenue		58,361.00
Ford Middle School Fund		9,857.00
Elementary School Fund		20,290.00
Tech Literacy		-
Tech Lighthouse		385.00
Title V		-
Teacher Quality		3,454.00

Enhanced Education	263.00
Full Day Kindergarten	65,748.00
Full Day Kindergarten Grant	-
Gifted & Talented	-
Blue Cross Healthy Choices	59.00
SPED Improvement Grant	1,365.00
SPED Circuit Breaker	53,680.00
Non Smoking Grant	397.00

TOTAL FUND EQUITY \$ 256,299.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$ 272,782.00

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 628,553.00
Receivables:	
Water Charges	\$ 40,412.00
Water Services	-
Water Liens Added to Tax - 2006	-
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TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 668,965.00</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 61,968.00
Deferred Revenue Water	40,412.00
Deferred Revenue Water Liens	-
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 102,380.00</u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances- Current YR	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances- Prior YR	131,255.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	-
Undesignated Fund Balance	435,330.00
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 566,585.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 668,965.00</u>

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$	158,896.00
Receivables:		
Sewer User Charges		10,534.00
Sewer Connection Receivable		-
Machinery & Equipment		5,650.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Machinery & Equipment		(5,085.00)
Infrastructure		5,753,984.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Infrastructure		(230,322.00)
Vehicles		10,293.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Vehicles		(9,261.00)
Construction in Process		-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	<u>5,694,689.00</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	19,515.00
Deferred Revenue Sewer		10,534.00
Net Fixed Assets		<u>5,525,259.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	<u>5,555,308.00</u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances- Current YR	\$	-
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances- Prior YR	\$	11,073.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures		-
Undesignated Fund Balance		<u>128,308.00</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$	<u>139,381.00</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$	<u>5,694,689.00</u>
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Attest:

Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 557,728.00
Land Acquisition	1,637,100.00
Land Improvements	3,597,727.00
Land Improvements Interest	798,862.00
Buildings	167,737.00
Machinery and Equipment	397,881.00
Amounts To Be Provided For Payment Of Bond	<u>5,928,345.00</u>

TOTAL ASSETS **\$ 13,085,380.00**

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 29,978.00
Bonds Payable	5,885,000.00
Taxes Due To Massachusetts	(1.00)
Outing Deposits	6,266.00
Gift Certificates	42,535.00
Capitalized Lease Obligation	43,345.00
Net Fixed Assets	<u>6,599,307.00</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES **\$ 12,606,430.00**

FUND EQUITY

Contributed Capital	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances	-
Fund Balance Designated For Expenditures	-
Fund Balance Designated - P/Y Revenue Shortfall	-
Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>478,950.00</u>

TOTAL FUND EQUITY **\$ 478,950.00**

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY **\$ 13,085,380.00**

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments \$ (340,866.00)

TOTAL ASSETS \$ (340,866.00)

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable \$ -

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$ -

FUND EQUITY

Hamlin Street \$ -

Lawson Avenue -

Middle Road/Peckham Road -

Crompton / Various Streets (224,868.00)

Lake Street (116,018.00)

Slocum Street -

TOTAL FUND EQUITY \$ (340,886.00)

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$ (340,886.00)

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane

Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 272,772.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 272,772.00

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 54,213.00
B.A.N. Payable	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 54,213.00

FUND EQUITY

FB Res for Encumb-CY	\$ -
FB Res For Encumb - PY	141,476.00
Computer Account	6,404.00
EMS Building	387.00
School Playground	-
A.D.A. Compliance	-
Sewer Infiltration	3,955.00
School Renovations	-
Partingways Building Project	1,535.00
Water Meter Project	-
Water Infiltration - Phase I	-
Water Infiltration - Phase II	(24,425.00)
Water Infiltration - Phase III	(123,599.00)
Sewer Phase II	1.00
Park Renovations	7,145.00
Capital Project Bonded Equipment	205,680.00
Water Main Replacement	-
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ 218,559.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 272,772.00
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Attest:

Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
AGENCY FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	<u>\$ 119,217.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 119,217.00</u></u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ -
Braley Hill Estates	660.00
Erin Heights	400.00
Mendall Hill Estates	-
Stoney Acres	989.00
Deep Brook Estates	13,262.00
Blaise Drive	804.00
Park Drive Extension	-
Forestdale Estates	24,729.00
Maple Ridge Estates	41.00
Maple Ridge Estates #2	36,668.00
Davis Farm Estates	32,701.00
Edgewood Estates	3,116.00
Outside Details - Police	<u>5,847.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$ 119,217.00</u></u>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
TRUST FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 3,252,482.00
Due From Resident	420.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 3,252,902.00
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LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 292.00
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 292.00
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FUND EQUITY

Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$ 112,294.00
Haydon Flower	282.00
Haydon - Candage Flower	475.00
Instructive Nursing	10,562.00
Leo/Ruth Jackson Flower	337.00
Omey/Cottle Flower	18,887.00
Travis/Ellis Flower	3,838.00
Charles Beals Library	6,801.00
Albert Leconte Library	3,408.00
Allen/Rhonda Russell Library	9,927.00
Russell Library Maintenance	7,885.00
F. Sowa Library	13,452.00
Long Plain School	10,817.00
W.G. Owen Art Week	1,295.00
Russell Protestant Poor	69,390.00
Russell Town Hall	10,816.00
Sylvia P. Manter School	52,020.00
Henry H. Rogers School	13,396.00
Russell Public Schools	42,487.00
E. C. Burt School Library	4,557.00
Ruth Tabor Scholarship	8,540.00
Long Plain Meetinghouse	14,908.00

Meetinghouse Restoration	176,316.00
A. Fluegal Board Of Health	1,717.00
RN Swift 1	14,617.00
RN Swift 2	553.00
Conservation	29,922.00
Retirement	166,751.00
Accumulated Sick Time	3,057.00
Stabilization	2,360,486.00
Golf Course Farm Land	82,817.00
Fund Balance Designated For Expenditures	-

TOTAL FUND EQUITY \$ 3,252,610.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$ 3,252,902.00

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

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

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Amounts To Be Provided For Payment Of Bonds	\$ 11,745,698.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 11,745,698.00

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Sewer Phase II Bonds	\$ 5,122,010.00
School Renovations Bond	2,097,332.00
Bonds Payable Fire Truck	280,000.00
Partingways Building Bonds	120,000.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase I	650,242.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase II	1,745,999.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	177,893.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase III	1,487,000.00
Title V Bonds	65,222.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 11,745,698.00

FUND EQUITY

School Renovations Authorized	\$ -
Sewer - Phase II Authorized	1,198,344.00
Water - Middle Road/Main Street Authorized	-
CPA - White Woods Authorized	650,000.00
Fire Truck Authorized	-
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program Authorized	422,107.00
Water System Improvement Authorized	-

School Renovations Unissued	-
Sewer Phase II Unissued	(1,198,344.00)
Water - Middle Road/Main Street Unissued	-
CPA - White Woods Unissued	(650,000.00)
Fire Truck Unissued	-
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program Unissued	(422,107.00)
Water System Improvement Unissued	-
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ -
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 11,745,698.00
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Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
GOVERNMENTAL FIXED ASSETS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2007**

ASSETS

Land Acquisition	\$ 1,304,178.00
Land Improvements	357,956.00
Buildings	33,534,851.00
Machinery & Equipment	1,122,258.00
Infrastructure	18,123,609.00
Vehicles	1,749,521.00
Construction in Process	4,986,719.00
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(20,074,009.00)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 41,105,083.00</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

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

FUND EQUITY

Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>\$ 41,105,083.00</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 41,105,083.00</u></u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 41,105,083.00</u></u>

Attest:

Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

2007 Report of the Animal Inspector

To the Officers and residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of Dogs Quarantined	19
Number of Cats Quarantined	9
Number of Rabies Investigated	3
Number of Rabies Cases Negative	3
Number of Barn Inspections	79
Number of Cattle Inspections (inc. Dairy, Bulls Heifers & Calves)	145
Number of Horses and Ponies Inspected	107
Number of Sheep Inspected	157
Number of Chickens Inspected	584
Number of Turkeys Inspected	15
Number of Rabbits Inspected	187
Number of Swine Inspected	8
Number of Peacocks Inspected	4
Number of Guinea Hens Inspected	2
Number of Waterfowl Inspected	154
Number of Swans Inspected	0
Number of Pheasants Inspected	0
Number of Geese Inspected	0
Number of Llamas Inspected	2

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson
Animal Inspector

2007 Report of the Animal Control Officer

To the Officers and residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of Dogs Licensed	1,275
Number of Kennel Licenses (Multi Dogs)	57
Number of Dogs Picked Up Unrestrained (Brought to Shelter)	14
Number of Dogs Claimed	8
Number of Dogs Transferred & Adopted	6
Number of Dogs Euthanized	0
Number of Cats/Kittens Brought to Shelter	4
Number of Cats Adopted	4
Number of Cats Euthanized/Hit by M.V. or injured	32
Number of Dead Animals Picked Up	613
Number of Complaints Investigated	4,223
Number of Hearings by Selectmen	0
Number of Citations Issued	28
Number of Court Hearings	0
Mileage	8,456

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson
Animal Inspector

Report of the Health Department

During 2007, the Board of Health met the goals required by Homeland Security becoming ICS Certified and also to become part of the Medical Reserve Corp.

Over this past year there were a total of 49 septic system installations. Of the 49, 10 were for new construction and 39 were for repair. Even with the decline in the Housing market, percolation testing and Title V inspections did not decrease much over 2006 numbers. More time is required for witnessing percolation testing on the field, due to the new requirements at the State level. However, inspections still keep this office busy with the number of abandoned septic systems in town.

The Betterment Grant workload has increased due to the sewer line extension into 2007. Due to this abundant workload, a part-time clerk was hired to handle the excess paperwork and registry recordings with the cost coming out of the grant administrative money. To date \$313,000 was utilized to assist homeowner(s) in septic system repairs and sewer tie-ins to the newly installed sewer line. There is approximately \$287,000 still available for Septic Repairs and Sewer Tie-ins, through the summer of 2008. You can obtain applications at the Board of Health office.

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

Board of Health

BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT ANNUAL REPORT - ACUSHNET, MASSACHUSETTS January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007

On June 30, 2007 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project completed forty-eight years of service to the cities and towns of Bristol County. The mosquito control project works year-round in its efforts to reduce mosquito breeding sites and adult mosquito populations. The Project uses several different measures of control in its never-ending fight against mosquitoes.

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

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

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

Water Management - A year round endeavor to clean and maintain mosquito drainage ditches in areas to reduce standing water conducive to mosquito larvae.

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

It is the policy of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project to use pesticides that are environmentally sensitive so that they do not negatively impact people or the environment. We use as many of the biological insecticides as are practical with the environmental conditions present in the New England area.

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

During the time period January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project:

- Sprayed over 9356 acres
- Treated 29 acres in 47 locations with BTI for mosquito larvae
- Received 240 requests for spraying
- Cleared and reclaimed 2900 feet of brush
- Treated 1430 catch basins

The Bristol County Mosquito Control Project in a cooperative effort with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health – State Laboratory Institute has been trapping mosquitoes throughout Bristol County and sending the collections to the State Virus Lab.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne N. Andrews, Superintendent
December 31, 2007

Bristol County Mosquito Control Commissioners:
Arthur F. Tobin, Chairman
Gregory D. Dorrance
Christine A. Fagan
Joseph Barile

REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:

THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT ISSUED 298 PERMITS AND COLLECTED
\$23,887.50 IN PERMIT FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 2007.

DATE	PERMITS	FEES COLLECTED
		\$
JULY 06	36	1,965.00
AUGUST	29	2460.50
SEPTEMBER	30	1,320.00
OCTOBER	32	2,185.00
NOVEMBER	20	2,445.00
DECEMBER	21	1,740.00
JANUARY 07	15	1,100.00
FEBRUARY	07	410.00
MARCH	17	1,290.00
APRIL	28	1,145.00
MAY	31	1,670.00
JUNE	32	4,682.00
TOTAL	298	22,412.50
CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY	34	\$ 680.00
CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY REFUND	0	(00.00)
CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION	19	795.00
RENEW PERMIT	01	30.00
PERMITS	298	22,412.50
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED		\$23,887.50

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JAMES MAROT, BUILDING COMMISSIONER
STEVE PINA, DEPUTY INSPECTOR
PATRICIA HARBECK, SENIOR CLERK

REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

**TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:
THE FOLLOWING PERMITS WERE ISSUED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDING JUNE 2007.**

STRUCTURES	AMOUNT
WINDOWS	16
ADDITION	22
COMMERCIAL	04
DECK	20
DEMOLITION	03
DWELLING	13
CHIMNEY	02
GARAGE	07
MISCELLANEOUS	11
POOLS	26
PORCH	16
RENOVATIONS	29
ROOF	61
SHED	22
SIDING	20
SIGNS	03
WOODSTOVE	23
TOTAL	298

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JAMES MAROT, BUILDING COMMISSIONER
PATRICIA HARBECK, SENIOR CLERK

REPORT OF THE WIRING DEPARTMENT

TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:

THE WIRING DEPARTMENT ISSUED 208 PERMITS AND COLLECTED \$9,987.00 IN FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 2007.

DATE	PERMITS	FEES COLLECTED
JULY 2006	22	\$ 840.00
AUGUST	21	902.00
SEPTEMBER	21	775.00
OCTOBER	22	856.00
NOVEMBER	16	515.00
DECEMBER	12	530.00
JANUARY 2007	14	2,111.00
FEBRUARY	13	557.00
MARCH	08	416.00
APRIL	16	605.00
MAY	23	974.00
JUNE	20	906.00
TOTAL	208	\$ 9,987.00

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING DEPARTMENT

TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:

THE PLUMBING DEPARTMENT ISSUED 133 PERMITS AND RECEIVED \$7,942.00 IN FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 2007.

DATE	PERMITS ISSUED	FEES
JULY 2007	08	\$ 674.00
AUGUST	16	918.00
SEPTEMBER	14	681.00
OCTOBER	14	708.00
NOVEMBER	08	354.00
DECEMBER	13	705.00
JANUARY 2007	09	762.00
FEBRUARY	08	476.00
MARCH	06	464.00
APRIL	14	806.00
MAY	15	774.00
JUNE	08	620.00
TOTAL	133	\$ 7,942.00

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RAYMOND LAFRANCE, PLUMBING/GAS INSPECTOR
WILLIAM ALPHONSE, DEPUTY PLUMBING INSPECTOR
PATRICIA HARBECK, SENIOR CLERK

REPORT OF THE GAS DEPARTMENT

TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:

THE GAS DEPARTMENT ISSUED 85 PERMITS AND COLLECTED \$4,064.00 IN PERMIT FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 2007.

DATE	PERMITS ISSUED	FEES COLLECTED
JULY 06	6	\$ 237.00
AUGUST	6	260.00
SEPTEMBER	12	977.00
OCTOBER	9	515.00
NOVEMBER	9	356.00
DECEMBER	08	414.00
JANUARY 07	09	316.00
FEBRUARY	02	120.00
MARCH	08	298.00
APRIL	04	166.00
MAY	05	140.00
JUNE	07	265.00
TOTAL	85	\$ 4,064.00

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RAYMOND LA FRANCE, GAS/PLUMBING INSPECTOR
WILLIAM ALPHONSE, DEPUTY GAS/PLUMBING INSPECTOR
PATRICIA HARBECK, SENIOR CLERK

ANNUAL REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

For the period commencing January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

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

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

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

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

Sealing fees collected and submitted to the Town Treasurer amounted to \$ 465.00

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S SERVICES

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

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

It is my duty to make regular contact with recently discharged veterans as well as those having served their country in past wars and conflicts. Contacts are also made in person, by telephone, in writing, and by e-mail to department of Veteran Services employees in the Boston office as well as local contact with VFW and American Legion Posts in Town.

The Veteran Services Officer manages all benefit applications and investigates and approves disbursements of monies and benefits under applicable governing laws and regulations.

Assists veterans or their spouse, in obtaining service records (DD-214) and assists them in the preparation of various applications and documents pertaining to their health or financial welfare, such as Chapter 115 Veterans Benefits, allowances, state bonuses, G.I. Loans and burial allowances.

Assists veterans in the preparation of various applications and documents pertaining to their seeking compensation for such health problems they may have developed while serving their country, such as exposure to Agent Orange, or PTSD-Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

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

As VSO, I assist the veteran to find ways to arrange transportation for disabled or ill veterans to and from VA hospitals or other health care providers. I

also serve as Power of Attorney for veterans who request this service when researching and processing their cases to the Rating Review Board of the Department of Veteran Services.

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

I am available to any veterans' questions or requests, or their widow, seven (7) days per week, 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM, simply by contacting me on my personal (local) cell phone, at 1-508-245-1288. To my knowledge, I am the only Veterans Service Officer (VSO) in the state, who gives out his personal cell phone number to Town citizens and is available to the needs of Acushnet Veterans/widows, 365 days of the year. The majority of VSO's in the state are full time (40 hrs./ wk), with several working 20 hrs. / wk.

As the present position of VSO in Acushnet is a "part time" (4-5 hours per week) due to the Towns' population, it is generally my policy to work Thursdays from 10AM to 3 PM, at the Town Hall, to work on submitting monthly Town payment vouchers to Veterans or their widows, as well as being available for office visits.

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

Massachusetts is the only State in the country that does this.

Respectfully submitted,

George F. Bevilacqua
Veterans Service Officer

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Acushnet Board of Appeals met on a regular schedule during 2007.

In January of 2007, Member Ronald Matton and Alternate, Paul Trahan resigned.

Replacements appointed by the Board of Selectmen:

Albert Santos, Member
James Pringle, Alternate

In May 2007 Gerald Toussaints' term expired and he chose to retire after serving over 20 years on the Board. He will be missed.

Richard Gula was appointed to the Board in May 2007.

There were 17 applications for hearings filed with the Town Clerk. Twelve applications were for residential purposes; five for business use. One case was continued from 2006.

Variations were requested in 4 cases and Special Permits were requested in 9 cases. Four petitioners requested both a Special Permit and a Variance. One Petitioner requested an overturn of the Building Inspectors' decision.

Nine petitions were granted by the Board. Seven petitions were denied. One petitioner withdrew without prejudice.

Filing Fees received by the Town Clerk totaled \$4,250.00

Lawrence G. Marshall, Chairman
Carol Westgate, Vice-Chairperson
Rick Lally
Albert Santos
Richard Gula
Paul Hipolito, Alternate Member
James Pringle, Alternative Member

Respectfully submitted,
Diane M. Ferreira, Administrative Asst.

Report of the Acushnet Cable Advisory Committee

To the Subscribers and Residents of Acushnet:

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

The Committee meets once a month. The present Cable committee has been active for over ten years since the Committee was reactivated.

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

We maintain a fully equipped live broadcasting center at the Town Hall in order to air any Committee meetings held at the Town Hall Meeting Room. We also have a complete broadcasting center located at the Acushnet Community Center. We can broadcast live from the Council on Aging location as well as the Ford Middle School for Special Town meetings or events

This Committee continues to broadcast events of Community interest. The Committee will continue to broadcast events live as well as replay them on a weekly basis. We operate Acushnet's Channel 18 — Government Access programming on a 24 hour 7 days a week basis. We broadcast the Channel 18 Bulletin Board, which operates 24 hours a day and is updated on a weekly basis. We rebroadcast taped Government Committee meetings every day at various times so that the subscribers of Comcast may be able to watch a meeting in the event they missed the live broadcast.

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

Acushnet began negotiating with Comcast this year for a renewal license. The committee welcomed the input from subscribers. A Public meeting held to air your views, your concerns and your wishes as well as your complaints which we will consider when we are in negotiations with Comcast.

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

We are still looking for events and programs to air on Channel 9. We need programs as well as recitals, musical events, graduations etc which can all be broadcast on the Acushnet's School Channel 9, with the School Committee's approval. If anyone is interested in producing this type of production in the upcoming year, please contact the Cable Committee.

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

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

The Committee is looking for digital pictures of Town Buildings, Parks and locations for viewing on the Bulletin Board. If you have any that you would like to share, drop off a disk with your images at the Cable Town Hall mail drop.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman — Donald P. Lopes

Member — Robert Lanzoni

Member — Lawrence Marshall

Member — George Souza

Member — Michael Greene

Recording Secretary – Michelle Albert-Dean

REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Objective:

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

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

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

Conservation Commission Town Hall office hours:

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

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

Regular site inspections are conducted by the Commission on Saturday mornings during the fall/winter months and Monday evenings in the spring/summer months as necessary.

2007 Filings under MGL Chapter 131 Section 40:

- Notices of Intent - 12
- Requests for Determination of Applicability - 18
- Requests for Certificate of Compliance - 14
- Requests for Amendment of Order of Conditions - 2
- Requests for Extension of Order of Conditions - 4
- Requests for Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation - 2

2007 Achievements:

With the help of the Buzzards Bay Project National Estuary Program, the

Conservation Commission worked diligently with the Phase 2 Stormwater Committee to create a new Stormwater bylaw for Acushnet. The bylaw was part of the stormwater management system required by the US Environmental Protection Agency for small cities and towns in Massachusetts with an MS4 permit. The bylaw was passed by Town Meeting in spring, and approved by the Massachusetts' Attorney General's office in the fall.

Training:

Conservation Commission members were very busy with training opportunities this year. Four members and staff attended the annual spring conference of the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions (MACC), and four attended the fall conference. MACC is a non-profit corporation founded in 1961 to support, educate and advocate on behalf of Conservation Commissions throughout the Commonwealth. In addition, four members attended training courses in open space protection, the fundamentals of the Wetlands Protection Act, and wetlands permitting procedures. Three members took an advanced class on wetland soils identification. Margo Clerkin of the MA Department of Environmental Protection also gave a workshop at a regular Conservation Commission meeting on writing effective orders of conditions.

Commission Membership:

After nearly a full year operating short of one voting member, the Conservation Commission is pleased to welcome new member Kevin Dakin to the Commission. Persons interested in volunteering for associate and voting member positions are always welcome and may send a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen.

As of December 2007, the Conservation Commission and staff included:

Robert Rocha, Chairman
Ted Cioper, Vice Chairman
Patricia Picard, Member
Marc Brodeur, Member
Richard Gula, Member
Carol Chongarlides, Member
Kevin Dakin, Member

Merilee K Woodworth, Agent
Patrice Laforest, Clerk

Respectfully submitted,

Acushnet Conservation Commission

Report of the Council on Aging

To The Officers and Residents of Acushnet

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

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

We also deliver approximately **300 meals** (meals on wheels) to our shut-ins **Monday through Friday except holidays**.

Our seniors play **Bingo** every **Monday and Wednesday to 12:30 PM 2 PM**. **Cribbage** games are on **Monday** afternoons from **1 PM to 4 PM**. We also offer **Cribbage lessons on Monday Morning by appointment**. The **Scrabble club** meets every **Tuesday** afternoon at **1:00 PM to 4:00 PM**. The **Pitch League** meets at **6 PM** every **Tuesday evening**. **Square Dance Lessons** are held every **Wednesday evening** from **7:00 to 9:00PM**. Once a month on the first **Saturday evening** of each month, the **Square Dancers** meet for their monthly dance at the Senior Center. We offer **Craft Classes** every **Thursday** from **1:00 PM to 3:00 PM**. **Line dancing** is offered every **Thursday** afternoon from **1:00 to 3:00 PM**. We have **card games** every **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** from **10:00 AM to 4:00 PM**. **Whist parties** are held on **Friday** afternoons from **1:00 to 4:00 PM**.

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

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

The **Community Nurse and Hospice Care** provide nurses for the **blood pressure screening clinic** every **Wednesday morning** at **9:00 to 10:00 AM**. This service is well attended. They also have a **flu clinic in the fall** at the Center for qualifying residents that need a flu shot or a pneumonia shot.

Every 4th Wednesday of the month, Patricia Midurski from Community Nurse conducts **CARING FOR SOMEONE WITH MEMORY IMPAIRMENT** for caretakers of people who have Alzheimer's disease. This meeting is well attended .

Strong Women Program is offered every **Monday and Wednesday** from **10 AM to 11 AM**. It is an ongoing exercise program for women using weights. We have Shine and outreach **volunteers** on **Tuesday morning** to assist seniors in **filling out forms for, Pharmacy Program, Paperwork** for Assisted Living including doctor

referrals, Commission for the Blind, applications for Medicaid and any other documents they need to make out. In the winter season we have a representative of P.A.C.E who assist clients with their fuel assistance forms and a trained volunteer tax consultant who assist seniors in filling out their income tax forms. These services are free of charge, but an appointment is required.

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

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

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

Diabetic Shoes are available through a representative of Lifeline Medical Supplies every month. **Hearing exams** are now being offered weekly on Wednesday morning from **9 AM to 11 PM, call for appointment**.

Day Trips are done once a month to different locations on a first come, first served basis. We also have long distance trips on a regular basis.

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

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

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

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

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

Acushnet Council on Aging Members

Chairperson	Pauline Teixeira
Vice Chairman	Alice Soares
Secretary	Linda Guilbeault
Council Members	
Irene Bouchard	
Milton Reynoldls	
Doris Gomes	
Alfred Gonsalves	

Respectfully

William P. Contois

REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET CULTURAL COUNCIL

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

Financial allocations were once again at a reduced level therefore; this council could only fund some applicants with partial funds. During 2007, we did receive \$2,500.00 through a line item budget appropriation granted at the annual town meeting to help us meet some of our goals.

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

Davis Bates
NB Festival Theatre
Showstoppers
Annual Acushnet Art Show
Russell Memorial Library-Friends of the Library

Tri-County Music
Greater NB Choral
NBFT Apprentice Programs
NB Symphony Orchestra

Council Members during the 2007 cycle:

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

Patricia Mulvey
Lisa Leonard
Jeanne M. Siwik
Leanne Perreira

Respectfully submitted:

Walter S. Dalton, Jr.
Chairman, Ex -Officio

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Paul Sylvia – Director DPW

HIGHWAY DIVISION

Raymond Barlow – Highway Superintendant

Lori Sylvia – Senior Clerk

Paul Fortin
Douglas Rodgers
Raymond Brienzo
John Mello
David Gifford

WATER/SEWER DIVISION

Matthew Tripp
John Westgate

ACUSHNET RECYCLING CENTER

John Duarte

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Acushnet DPW - **Highway Division** has been busy during the 2007 calendar year maintaining roads with repair of pot holes, clearing roadside brush, street sweeping, clearing storm drains and repairing manholes. New traffic lines were painted and many signs replaced giving Town roads a fresher appearance. The Department maintained and repaired drainage lines and ditches throughout Town, and performed miscellaneous small tasks on an as needed basis. The Department responded timely and efficiently in emergency situations some occurring during off-duty hours.

Keeping the roads safe by sanding and snow plowing is of a high priority for the Department, and is one of their primary missions. As always, the Department exceeded expectations with fast response times and kept up with snow accumulation. The Department maintained all snow removal equipment to the best possible working condition at all times.

The Department was aggressive in addressing some needed drainage improvements in several sections of Town. Hathaway Road received 440 feet of new piping and Mattapoissett Road 320 feet resolving the lack of drainage in those areas. Mendall Road

received 360 feet and repairs to the existing 440 feet of drainage pipes greatly improving drainage in that area. The Departments Drainage Improvement Plan this year has been very successful.

Pavement projects completed this year were Lake Street, 5043 feet, Darling Street, 1239 feet and Whelden Lane, 307 feet, making considerable improvements in these areas. With the water / sewer project at a close paving was also done on Crompton, Dayton, Hill, Hiram, Allen and Boylston Streets.

The **Recycling Center** has been in full swing this year with its increased hours and year round service. New recycling bins were made available at no cost to the Resident. The Department again offered the curbside pickup of Christmas trees with the Recycling Center chipping the trees for compost. The new hours come with great benefit allowing Residents a more convenient schedule to jump on board with our very important recycling program.

WATER AND SEWER DIVISION

The **Water Division** installed approximately 7,800 feet of new water main on Middle Road, Myrtle Avenue, Wilbur Avenue and Meadow Lane replacing old cast iron and transite pipe. This work is part of the water main improvement project funded by the US Department of Agriculture loan/grant which the Town has received to improve water quality and service to its residents. The department has replaced and/or repaired five fire hydrants and repaired 8 water main leaks this year.

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

The **Sewer Division** continues to inspect new residential sewer tie-ins. Approximately 200 homes have tied into the new sewer system. The Sewer Department responded to four blockages and/or pipe repairs.

The department continues to conduct its inflow and infiltration study through home inspections and main line pipe camera surveillance.

We would like to say thank you to all DPW employees and Town departments for their continued assistance during 2007.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rene Racine, Chairman
John Carvalho, Member
Charles Vieira, Member
Jeffrey Schuster, Member
Steven Boucher, Member

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

Five Simple Steps to Water Conservation

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

Taken from the American Water Works Association

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

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet, MA, I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 2007.

We are entering our 5th year of being at the Advanced Life Support (ALS) level. We are fortunate to have a team of seasoned and extremely experienced Paramedics who not only treat the community at a higher level, but also have mentored the less experienced medics. Our members continue to strive toward our goal of providing the best service to this Town.

We are saddened by the absence of one of our Basic EMTs who has been stricken with Lou Gehrig's disease.

While it is our hope to become an all Paramedic Service, the economy is making that very difficult. So we continue to work with a Paramedic/Basic waiver which allows us to provide the best service with the money we are allotted. I am pleased to say there have been many incredible saves this past year, both in the trauma and medical area.

I would like to thank the members of Acushnet EMS for continuing to perform in the professional manner in which they have been trained. I am extremely proud to lead such a group.

While we will be faced with many more challenges along the way, I know that they will be handled with the same care and rationale that has gotten us to this point.

Thanks to the leaders and Townspeople who continue to recognize the important role EMS plays in Public Safety.

Yours in Service to Life

Paul Bulat, MD, FACEP
Dr. William Porcaro, MD, MPH
Brenden Hayden, Hospital Liaison, EMT-P
Adrienne Y. Rivet, EMS Dir., HIPAA Officer
Jayne Gagnon, ALS Field Supervisor, EMT-P, CPR-IT
Robert R. Lavoie, Supervisor, EMT-I

FULL TIME POSITIONS

Carl Dort, EMT-P
Richard Gunter, EMT-P,

PARAMEDIC STAFF

Valerie Andrade- EMT-P
Joseph Flynn- EMT-P
Benjamin Fuertes, EMT-P
Thomas Jacintho, EMT-P, CPR-I
Scott Kruger, EMT-P, CPR-I
Michael Mentzer- EMT-P, CPR-I
Michael Peloquin, EMT/P, CPR-I
William Roderiques, EMT/P
Phillip Saraiva, EMT/P, CPR-I

BASIC and INTERMEDIATE STAFF

Alan Bowen-EMT-B, Peter Clark, EMT-B, Andrew Lavoie, EMT-I

EMS STATISTICS:	2005	2006	2007
Sex Assault/Rape	2	27	17
Medical Emergencies	459	612	547
Trauma	164	206	178
OD/Suicide/ETOH/Poison	38	59	76
Psychological	21	67	91
Fire	76	59	48
MVCS	75	72	66
MVC/Refusals	53	26	31
Births/OBGYN	6	6	1
DOA	11	8	9
Mutual Aid to Us	18	22	38
Cardiac Arrests	9	5	14
No Transports/Medical	82	66	47
Walk-Ins/Station	112	96	112
Mutual Aid > Fairhaven	36	12	21
Mutual Aid > New Bedford	28	6	6
Mutual Aid > Mattapoisett	1	2	1
False/Unfounded	14	9	8
Med Flights	3	5	6
TOTAL	1205	1361	1357

PARAMEDIC STATISTICS

Complete Paramedic Calls	908	902
Paramedic/Intermediate Calls	71	143
Paramedic/Basic Calls	264	312

Report of the Acushnet Emergency Management Agency

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

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

During 2007, members of the Acushnet EMA continued the ongoing major initiative to improve the Acushnet EMA Headquarters located at 14 Thomas Street and to make this location the town's Emergency Operations Center or EOC. This effort would not be possible without the continued dedication of the new Acushnet EMA Communications Officer and Operations Manager, Tony Duarte. Tony has continued to work with me, the Deputy Director and several other volunteers to complete major renovations to the building which for 2007 included repairs to the roof over the kitchen area, a new communications console and 3 Television sets for the communications area donated to Acushnet EMA from Boston University through the efforts of Acushnet EMA volunteer Roger Riezvoic and continued work on renovations in the kitchen area. More work remains but we are well on our way to having an impressive EOC to utilize and activate if disaster strikes or a special event requires utilization of the EOC.

With DSL Internet access remaining at the EMA Headquarters, we continue to have access to the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Web EOC program, public safety and Amateur Radio communications resources. These communications' resources were utilized during the Patriots Day Nor'easter and during the remnants of Hurricane Noel where Acushnet EMA communicated storm conditions to the National Weather Service and MEMA and AEMA was active assisting other town agencies blocking off areas where trees and wires were blown down and several cellars of homes that had to be pumped out due to heavy rain. The town based activities for the past year include providing lighting at town events, traffic control at planned activities such as the Apple Peach and Halloween parades, Christmas Sing-a-Long and Little League activities. AEMA also participated in the June Acushnet Car Show and assisted with communications and public safety support of road closures for the Patriot Half Triathlon. Through our new Training and Field Operations Officer, Steve Silvestre, we have had several drills to better train our AEMA volunteers.

Report of the Acushnet Emergency Management Agency

I would like to personally thank the many members of the Acushnet Emergency Management Agency who give freely of their time based solely on their interest in giving something back to their community. I would like to especially thank our Communications Officer and Operations Manager, Tony Duarte, for his continued tremendous effort and dedication.

Thank you to the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator for their continued support, and a very heartfelt thank you to the residents of the town of Acushnet for supporting your local Emergency Management Agency.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerard A. Bergeron
Director

REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET FIRE / RESCUE DEPARTMENT

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit this annual report for the year ending December 31, 2007.

Several major projects were undertaken by the Fire / Rescue Department during 2007. I am pleased to provide you with the following update.

In August the town took ownership of a 2007 International Rescue / Pumper. Designated as "Squad 2" this apparatus carries 1,000 gallons of water and is equipped to respond to all fire incidents and rescue calls. Squad 2 replaces Engine 2 and Rescue 1, two vehicles that served the town for many years. During a ceremony at our annual Open House the department dedicated the new vehicle in memory of Captain John Worthington who served Acushnet with distinction from 1962 until his untimely death in 1987.

At the annual Town Meeting, voters approved a bylaw requiring that commercial and industrial buildings with truss type construction of roofs and/or floors be marked with a six inch decal. Firefighters have marked 37 buildings since the bylaw went into effect. These decals might go unseen by the public, but will result in sound firefighting tactics being used in the event of fire. The goal of this bylaw is to enhance firefighter safety. I would like to again express my sincere appreciation for the overwhelming vote of support we received at town meeting and for the support demonstrated by the owners of the buildings we have visited.

The department received an Assistance to Firefighters Grant of \$28,000 which will allow us to replace our non-code compliant air breathing storage and filling system. This is the sixth grant we have received from this program designed to assist local fire departments with updating equipment and training. In addition, we received a state grant allowing us to purchase over \$5,000 of new equipment. I am very pleased to report that since FY 2002 the Fire / Rescue Department has received \$394,000 in grant funding which – coincidentally – equals our operating budget for the current fiscal year!

On the personnel front, I am very pleased to report that Firefighter Alfred Robichaud was promoted to the rank of Captain following the civil service promotion process. Captain Robichaud has been assigned the responsibility of monitoring our department's safety needs, from strategies on the fireground to updating obsolete equipment. Our primary goal is the safety of our members and Captain Robichaud's diligence will enhance our ongoing efforts. The department responded to over 340 incidents in 2007 without a single injury!

Career Firefighter Thomas Farland successfully completed a nine week Recruit Training program offered by the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy. Firefighter Farland ranked at the very top of his class and was singled out for his abilities and talents. Firefighter Farland followed Career Firefighter Eric Arruda who last year also completed the recruit

training and also ranked at the top of his class. All of Acushnet should be proud of these two firefighters!

Finally, our involvement with the Greater New Bedford Medical Reserve Corps continued in earnest during 2007. A recruitment effort has resulted in over 50 town residents participating in the local Acushnet Unit. These residents have received the required training and credentialing and are now in a pool of several hundred similar volunteers from Dartmouth to Wareham. Our town's ability to adequately respond to local emergencies is made stronger by their participation. More medically trained and non-medical volunteers are needed. Please consider joining this very important group.

As always, on behalf of the men and women of this department I thank you for your continued friendship and support.

Respectfully submitted.

Kevin A. Gallagher
Chief of Department

Members of the Acushnet Fire and Rescue Department

Chief of Department

Kevin A. Gallagher, EMT-Paramedic

Career Firefighters

Captain Alfred Robichaud
Gerard Bergeron, EMT-Intermediate, CPRI (Senior FF)
Eric Arruda, EMT-Basic
Thomas Farland, EMT-Paramedic

Call Deputy Chief

James Knox

Call Captains

Michael Rothwell, FFI George Pimental

Call Lieutenants

David Makuch Paul Martins, FFI/II, FOI Brian Monte, FFI/II

Call Firefighters

Marc Cenerizio	Ronald St. Onge (Senior CFF)	Maurice St. Armand
Frank Knox	Wayne Pimental	Robert Correia
Jeffrey Krupa	Matthew Tripp	Peter Rawcliff
Bruce Rymut	Donald Crocker	Kyle St. Onge, FFI/II
Peter Giampa, FFI/II	Brian Costa, FFI/II	Scott Salter, FFI/II
David Riquinha, FFI/II	John Pytel, FFI/II, EMT-Paramedic	
Paul Frysinger, FFI/II, EMT-Basic	Matthew Roderiques, FFI/II, EMT-Basic	
Kathryn Pimental, FFI/II, EMT-Basic		
Joseph Knox, FFI/II, RN, EMT-Basic		
Michael Mentzer, EMT-Paramedic (Recruit)		
Andrew Lavoie, EMT-Intermediate		
Brian Westgate, FFI/II, EMT-Paramedic		

Dispatcher

Diane Barlow

Key: FFI Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One
 FFI/II Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One & Two
 FII Massachusetts Certified Fire Instructor Level One
 FOI Massachusetts Certified Fire Officer Level One
 CPRI Certified CPR Instructor

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the officials and residents of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 2007.

The Acushnet Police Department had a very successful year in closing some difficult cases in 2007. Many of the cases we solved during the year were simply by our own hard work but some of the more complex cases we were involved in this year required a regional approach.

The Acushnet Police Department, Dartmouth Police Department, the State Police and the Bristol County District Attorney's Office re-opened the murder case of 19-year old Acushnet resident Marni Larkin. Ms. Larkin was reported missing on March 4, 1986 and her body was discovered in a quarry off State Rd. in Dartmouth. Ms. Larkin's disappearance and murder had been unsolved for 21 years.

Detective Sergeant Thomas Carreau and Sergeant Gary Coppa represented the Acushnet Police Department on the 2007 team investigating this case. Retired Acushnet Police Detectives Donald Guenette and Charles Pelletier assisted the 2007 team with their insight of their investigation from the late 80's and early 90's. I can not understate the importance teamwork played in closing Ms. Larkin's case. The 2007 team interviewed hundreds of witnesses and logged thousands of miles. On October 9, 2007 Ms. Larkin's estranged husband Robert Roy of Nye Avenue was arrested for her murder.

Detectives James Costa and John Bolarinho along with Patrolmen Keith Ashley and Derek Cathcart played integral roles in breaking up two separate auto theft rings involving ATV's. Area Local Police Departments, Massachusetts and Maine State Police Auto Theft Task Forces were involved in these cases that started here in Acushnet. Five suspect were arrested and 14 ATV's' were recovered at an estimated value of \$100,000 and returned to their owners.

Detective Costa solved an identity theft case of an Acushnet resident that stemmed from a security breach of a Somerset car dealer. This case is still a work in progress and the detectives have been able to clear up approximately \$100,000 of credit fraud for numerous area residents who were victims in this scheme.

The bottom line is that a regional team work approach not only helps us get dangerous drugs and criminals off our streets but it helps us in the larger community as well. These four cases are excellent examples of this principal at work.

The Acushnet Police Department's web-site www.acushnetpd.com has had nearly 20,000 hits in its first two year of existence. The web-site is designed to allow residents easier access to the police department and helpful links to a variety of services that we offer. One of the web-site's best feature is that we run the site and we can update the web- site 24/7. We are one of only a few police departments in the State that have this capability. We encourage resident with ideas or comments about the web-site to e-mail our web master Officer Jeremy Fontes at jfontes@acushnetpd.com.

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

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

OTHER ACTIVITIES	2006	2007
Calls for Service	7,131	6,594
Parking Tickets	58	83
Larcenies	88	80
Breaking & Entering	56	73
Attempted Breaks	9	7
Arrests- M/V, Narcotics, B&Es, Larceny, <i>Warrants</i>	393	367
Summons Served	105	151
Stolen M/V, ATV	4	12
Accidents, damage over \$1,000	141	123
Fatalities	0	0
Robberies	0	0
M/V Citations	740	531
Domestics	61	41

MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

Michael G. Alves

SERGEANTS

Barry W. Monte

Stephen McCann

Thomas L. Carreau

Christopher R. Richmond

Gary S. Coppa

FULL TIME OFFICERS

Paul J. Melo

Marc J. Antone

John A. Bolarinho

Michael A. Matton

Jeremy T. Fontes

Gary L. Rousseau

Louann Jenkinson

James D. Costa

Keith A. Ashley

Derek W. Cathcart

Steven Soqui

Kevin Walsh

PART TIME OFFICERS

Michael J. Nunes

Gene W. Robinson

Gary Moniz

John Almeida Jr.

Jason Matton

DISPATCHERS

Jolene M. Gregoire

Heather M. Richards

Respectfully submitted,

Michael G. Alves

Chief of Police

2007 ANNUAL REPORT
of the
ACUSHNET PLANNING COMMISSION

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Planning Commission respectfully submits the following report for the calendar year 2007:

The Planning Commission held regular meetings on a generally first Thursday of the month format, when possible, beginning at 7:00 pm. Public hearings and on-site meetings were posted and held as needed. Regular meetings are held in the second floor Planning Commission office in the Parting Ways Building. Larger public hearings are held in the Town Hall meeting room. Please consult the bulletin boards in the Town Clerk's office and outside the Treasurer's office for meeting location.

The Planning Commission did extensive research on stormwater regulations and the need for implementation in our regulations. The Members of the Planning Board are presently incorporating the regulations for the new stormwater By-Law that was passed at Town Meeting in May.

The Planning Department also continued to oversee the preparation of the Town's Comprehensive Master Plan. The first municipal planning document prepared for Acushnet since 1964, the Master Plan will provide strategic guidance for elected and appointed officials, as well as Town employees and citizens. The Master Plan will address the following areas: Land Use, Open Space and Recreation, Natural and Cultural Resources, Economic Development, Transportation, Public Services and Facilities. Over the past year, we have been fortunate to have a large number of volunteers who have graciously served on many committees to prepare this important document. The Master Plan will be completed and implementation will commence in 2008.

The Planning Commission would like to express its appreciation to Conservation Agent Merilee Woodworth, Special Projects Manager Henry Young and Administrative Assistant Donna M. Ellis for their contributions throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Henry Young, Special Projects Manager

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

The Town of Acushnet is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. SRPEDD (pronounced sir-ped) is the regional agency serving twenty-seven cities and Towns in southeastern Massachusetts dealing with common issues facing our region, such as economic development, growth and land development, transportation, environment and general planning for the future. SRPEDD is governed by a Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members and at large members. We are funded by federal and state grants and local assessments. For 2007, the Town of Acushnet paid \$1,641.31 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 16.15 cents per capita.

Local citizens serving at SRPEDD included the following:

- < SRPEDD Commission: Henry Young represented the Bd. of Selectmen and Planning Board
- < Joint Transportation Planning Group: Henry Young and David Wojnar

Some of SRPEDD's more significant accomplishments during 2007 were:

- **Completion and approval of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds, and the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).** The TIP established priorities for federal and state regional targeted for highway projects, and transit funds for GATRA over the next 3 years.
- **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Southeastern Massachusetts,** a regional economic development strategy, was completed and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, making the region eligible for federal economic development grants from EDA.
- **The Taunton River Wild and Scenic initiative continued in 2007 with an effort to get the U.S. Congress to designate the Taunton River as a Wild & Scenic resource.** SRPEDD is also a partner with 9 other organizations in the Taunton River campaign.
 - SRPEDD publishes the **100 Most Dangerous Intersections in Southeastern Massachusetts** for the period 2001-2004.
- SRPEDD's web site contains data and information about every city and Town in the region, and can be reached at <http://www.srpedd.org>. The web site was

expanded again this year and now includes an inventory for more than 300 signalized intersections in the region.

- **The Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force** met through 2007. The Task Force, which includes representation from 18 municipalities and 18 regional organizations, is examining the growth impact of the proposed rail service extension to Taunton, Fall River and New Bedford.
- SRPEDD is the designated fiduciary agent by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety for the **Southeast Regional Advisory Council for Homeland Security** serving 96 communities in 6 counties in southeastern Massachusetts. The Council has awarded \$11.6 million in federal homeland security funds since 2004.
- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic counting program (including speed surveys and vehicle classification, and intersection turning movement counts) and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 100 counts at various locations this past year.
- An extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. Every year new computerized “data layers” are added to the system. SRPEDD also operates the Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.
- SRPEDD continues to provide planning and support to the two regional transit authorities, SRTA and GATRA, on various efforts including: consumer advisory committees, route evaluations, planning, monitoring services and federal reporting.
- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 305 signalized intersections in the region. This includes geometry, traffic volume, crash rate, signal timing and operational characteristics.
- SRPEDD continued its affiliation with the South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation, which makes loans to small businesses for expansion. SEED is one of the Small Business Administration top lenders in New England.

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

- Lane Departure Crash Study – Main Street
- Filing Fee Information
- 40R/40B Presentation

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

Report of The Acushnet Historical Commission

2007 was a busy year for the Commission. We attempted to set realistic goals and achieved some while other goals avoided conclusion.

It seemed our first order of business was accepting the resignation of our dear friend Roberta Leonard. Roberta served more than thirty years on the Commission in addition to membership on the Historic Society. Roberta will however remain on the Historic Society.

One goal that has avoided conclusion is the Severance House Property. Presently a resolution is still being sought and hopefully a conclusion will be found during this new year. The Commission is still waiting to hear from the Massachusetts Historical Commission as to placing the Head of the River District, Robison Road District, the Long Plain District, and seven individual properties on the National Register of Historic Places.

An area of tremendous success has been the Long Plain Museum.

The Upkeep and Maintenance of Long Plain Museum is under the excellent supervision of Pauline Texeira, President of Acushnet's Historical Society. Achievements this year are:

Attention to the furnace requiring belt replacement; upgrade to the Fire Alarms, the Museum's electrical panel required some work as did the kitchen & meeting room appearance which received new coats of paint by Society members.

Lawn care continued to be addressed throughout the Spring & Summer seasons. The flag pole became illuminated and a new dehumidifier was installed in the basement.

The basement windows required much attention so were replaced for protection & safety of the building. Thanks to the Town of Acushnet, there stands a new Museum Sign on the front lawn and the DPW installed a crushed stone driveway which is a great improvement.

Presently the Museum's Belfry is being given much needed attention by Old Colony students, Mr. Norton and contractor Tom Fortin. Following winter's delays our next report should boast of a better than new belfry.

Meanwhile at the Friends Meetinghouse, some painting, ceiling & wall attention as well as window repairs succeeded in improved appearance, upgrading, and meeting building codes at the historic building.

The very large, but well kept lawn at the Meetinghouse, has been under the personal care of Mr. Steve Gilmore. Steve also arranged for the driveway improvement.

An historic event took place at the Meetinghouse during September. A Selectmen's meeting was held at the Meetinghouse which is the first time our town fathers have been inclined to do so and was much appreciated. It has been indicated that this will be repeated.

The Commission took on a new task this year of making the Museum & Friends Meetinghouse more visible to residents of Acushnet and neighboring towns.

With the collaboration of the Commission, the Historical Society, and the Friends of the Friends Long Plain Meetinghouse events were planned during this past summer including:

Report of The Acushnet Historical Commission

A June Classic car show, July entertained the N.B. Sea Chanty Chorus at the Museum while Jim McGrath & Jim Bennett performed at the Meetinghouse. In August we held a flea market & bake sale at the Museum during which the Showstoppers and Voices in Time performed. Concluding our events in September we hosted the Fairhaven Militia with Chris Richard at the Museum and at the Meetinghouse Bob Bromley from Ft. Tabor had a Civil War display. The events did succeed in bringing some new visitors. We have made the History of Acushnet book available by calling Pauline Teixeira at 508-961-7843.

I contacted Mr. Dwelley, Chairman of the Fairhaven/Acushnet Land Trust, concerning the White's Factory.

The Factory has become more and more in peril due to overgrowth each year. It was concluded that attention needed to be given soon to prevent the destruction of this historic site.

A call was received from a Mr. Mark Phaneuf who contacted both the Land Trust and the Historical Commission to state his desire to tend to the needs of this special site. What has transpired at the Factory located on Hamlin Street is nothing short of amazing. Mark took on this personal challenge and has now begun to receive assistance from numerous talented local individuals.

It is Mr. Phaneuf's goal to make this site a place to attract & inform visitors.

The Commission hopes to achieve new goals set for 2008.

Presently the Commission is in need of one regular member and two alternate members. If you are interested in any of these positions please contact the Acushnet Selectmen's Office.

On a personal note I would like to thank everyone who sent cards and well wishes during my recent health issue which kept me from many meetings. I thank Jim Coutinho and the Committee members for continuing to hold meetings and address needs during my absence.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Geier- Chairman

Jim Coutinho-Secretary

Lori Bates

Stephen Gilmore

Madeline J. Gwozdz

Roberta Leonard served until June '07

Joyce A. Reynolds

Pauline Teixeira

Acushnet Historical Commission

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET HOUSING AUTHORITY

In April, 2007, Presidential Terrace marked its 33rd anniversary.

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

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

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

NUMBER OF OCCUPANTS	NET INCOME RANGE
One Person	Max. \$41,000.00
Two People	Max. \$46,850.00

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

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

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

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

James Madruga, Chairman
Nancy Brightman, Vice Chairman
Lawrence Marshall, Commission
Richard Threfall, Treasurer
Lawrence Mulvey, Asst. Treasurer

Lucia Casey, Executive Director
Alice Soja, Assistant Director

Acushnet Park Department Report

To the good townspeople of Acushnet, we submit to you the following report for the calendar year ending on December 31st, 2007.

The year started out on a sad note, when long time Pope Park fixture and local baseball guru Frank "Pop" Janik passed away. He could always be seen talking baseball with his long time cohort Gus Cote, and will be greatly missed. They do not make them like him anymore, and we will miss him.

In March, Bob Andrade was hired as the new Park Superintendent to handle the running of day-to-day operations for the Park Department at Pope Park. This turned out to be one of the best decisions that we ever made as a board. Bob has done an outstanding job in not only keeping up the appearance of our newly renovated facilities, but he has come up with some new processes that will make the staff more efficient and cost effective. Many thanks go out to Bob and his staff, and keep up the good work.

Once again, vandalism has occurred at the park. We not only ask the authorities, but more importantly the parents to help police ourselves in keeping the park clean and safe for all to use. We will be adding web-based Internet cameras in the future, to protect the park and its citizens.

In May, the new baseball field was played on for the first time. We can only speak for ourselves, but this project along with the playground, T-Ball field and basketball court has been a long time coming for the residents of Acushnet. We would like to acknowledge the following volunteers. Without their assistance and dedication, the Park Department's vision and commitment to future projects at the park, would not be possible. If you see them around town, please thank them, and if you need some work done give them a call.

Acushnet DPW
Leo Cusson of Cusson Plumbing
Dan Mello of Jose Mello Construction
Buddy Pimental of Buddy's Crane Service
Tom & Marcelle DeCosta & Family
Mike Cioper of Ray & Mike's Construction
Steve Sullo of Sullo Construction
Chris Buzniak of Tile Craft

Matt Lopes of SM Machinery
Joe Jason Jr. Foundation
Frank Knox of Knox Electric
Marc & Nick Antone
Charlie Rodrigues
Bob Brown
Al Fortin

In June, the new baseball field was dedicated. From this point forward, it will be know as the Joseph Jason, Sr. Champions Field at Pope Park. The field is without question, one of the nicest facilities that any municipality in the State of Massachusetts has to offer. A special thank you goes out to all the Park Board members, CPC members as well as other boards, past and present, whose diligence made this all happen.

The Joey Jason, Jr Foundation has almost completed their renovation project on the newly dedicated, Joe Jason, Jr Little League Field. This year the dugouts were finished

and they are now focusing on the playing surface itself, to make this field one of the finest Little League fields in the area. The 55th annual Michael Poulin AYAA Little League baseball tournament was held in July, with over 40 teams participating. And in August, the Acushnet Police team once again captured the Acushnet Little League Championship for the third straight year.

Once again this summer, Catherine Jason ran her six week summer youth program, with 135 Acushnet children attending the program in any given week. This very successful program allows children access to adult supervised crafts and sporting activities, for two hours each weekday morning during the summer. With increased cost due to the minimum wage increase, we are hoping that the finance committee agrees with us and allows the necessary funding to keep this great program going. It truly is a benefit to the entire community.

In closing the Park Board would be remiss in not thanking the residents of Acushnet for having the foresight and patience in renovating Pope Park. We as a board, continue to be highly motivated in making the appropriate improvements and to provide proper maintenance to Pope Park, in the hope that it will reclaim its rightful spot as the center of physical activity in the town. With national obesity rates and other physical ailments amongst our youth at an all time high, and no place for our aging residents to get in a little exercise or walk, we have a plan and vision to see that all of our projects be completed. Some of the projects for 2008 are a walking path, new fencing, and new scoreboards on all of the Little League fields as well as other general improvements. We would greatly appreciate the continued support of the residents of Acushnet, and hope that the local boards get behind us to see that Pope Park once again claims its place as a jewel of the community.

Respectfully yours,

Acushnet Park Board
Tom DeCosta – Chairman
Marc Antone
Michael Desrosiers

2007 Acushnet Town Report

Acushnet River Valley Golf Course

We have established a reputation of ideal golf course conditions throughout the season. This factor complimented by exemplary customer service has earned the respect of the golfing community. Our course has a unique layout that offers two styles of golf in one golf course. Pine alley fairways outline the front side of the golf course and the back side offers a unique interpretation of Scottish links. It is frequently commented as a unique golfing experience. Customers frequently comment that "Acushnet River Valley is the best municipal golf course in the region. "

Golf Course Improvements

We have made a major commitment to improving the golf course this season by adding cart paths on the first, seventh, ninth, tenth, fourteenth, sixteenth and eighteenth holes. We have dedicated ourselves to elevating the quality of products we offer at Acushnet River Valley. This has been a banner year for our operation. Golf courses continue to struggle (Lakeville, Heritage Hill, Reservation & New Bedford Country Club) in this market and we are keeping our customer base loyal and satisfied. They are our foundation for future development. This is why we have tried to improve the golf course every year it is possible. Another Improvement project completed this season was the reconstruction of the Sand bunkers on the 6th & 7th holes.

If you combine all that has been mentioned, you can begin to visualize our commitment and devotion to constant improvement. If we are not improving the facility we are losing ground to our competition. We continue to elevate our performance in all areas never growing complacent with average results. This is what separates us from our competition; this is what separates championship teams from the rest of their competitors. We must continue to hold true to the vision of creating something unique at Acushnet River Valley, by further pursuing excellence in every aspect of the business model. It is all relevant pricing structure, maintenance, marketing, product development, food and beverage, customer service, everything we participate in on a daily basis throughout the season continues to push our recognized brand of VALUE to our customers. The finished product is a destination golf course that offers an opportunity for an unprecedented day of relaxation and enjoyment for any customer that chooses to enjoy a round of golf at Acushnet River Valley.

We continue to expand through out the region enticing new & loyal customers to travel from the North Shore, Boston, Cape Cod & the Islands, Providence, and Connecticut. We have established loyalty with customers that visit New England every summer and they play us once a year from all over the country. We have successfully established a growing business model in our snack bar developing delicious deli fresh sandwiches to go complimented by our golf outing menu to support our annual tournament schedule that continues to grow.

Community Involvement

It is imperative for us to get involved in the community. We developed a junior clinic program and assisted Old Colony in solidifying a championship golf program in 2007. We are extremely proud of their devotion and dedication to the sport of golf and all of their friends and family should be extremely proud of their efforts as they continue to develop into fine young gentlemen.

We are experiencing increased interest from surrounding Private Clubs, as their rates continue to rise. In an economic climate that is not increasing wages in conjunction with increased health costs & inflation customers will continue to seek out value in 2008. They continue to find it at our facility! In order to remain competitive in any market, progress and development is imperative.

Our future success depends upon the development of young local players and family participation – TODAY.

Golf Digest 2007 - 4 star rating

We are devoted to converting as many new customers/golfers into loyal Acushnet River Valley Customers/Golfers every day.

We have been recognized, 5 years consecutively, as a four star Golf Course Facility by the 2007 edition of Golf Digest “Best Places to Play”.

All customers are treated with respect and offered country club courtesy. Other honors received by Acushnet River Valley were :

ranking in the top 100 courses in Massachusetts, “Golf Styles Boston”, along with achieving the golden sprinkler award from “Cape Cod Publications”.

I would like to thank the team of Acushnet River Valley staff for there dedication and implementation of our objectives and outstanding acts of professionalism. Thank you for your continued support.

Dana Przybyszewski

REPORT OF THE RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY 2007

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

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

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

The six-member Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library has the custody and management of the library and all related property. The Board meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 6 P.M. in the library meeting room. Any changes or additions to this schedule are posted in the Library, at Town Hall, and on Cable TV.

Jayne Z. Viveiros, Director B.A. Stonehill College, M.S.L.I.S. Simmons College.
Denise Hamer, Assistant Director; Constance Preston, John Finni, & Pauline Prudhomme, Library Technicians; Sandra Medeiros, Page; Elaine Spinale, Custodian.

The Library at 88 Main Street is open year round:

Monday and Wednesday	10-8
Tuesday and Thursday	1-8
Saturday	9-3
Telephone	(508) 998-0270
Fax	(508) 998-0271
Website	www.sailsinc.org/acushnet

To obtain a library card, please present positive identification and proof of address. A child may have a card with parental permission when able to print his/her name. No card is required to use materials and services within the library.

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

Free children's programs support emerging literacy. Story Time uses books, songs, crafts, and finger plays to teach listening skills, develop attention span, exercise fine motor skills, and foster a love of books. Summer Reading encourages children to read during the summer, reinforcing the skills gained during the school year. All registered members of the summer reading program are invited to make crafts, enter weekly drawings for prizes and come to a special end of summer celebration. We are grateful to the Acushnet Cultural Council for awarding the library a grant for this year's summer reading program "Catch the Beat @ the Library". Ms. Diane Edgecomb did a wonderful job of storytelling in the heat and Acushnet Creamery generously donated ice cream and fixings for "make your own sundaes" to wrap up the celebration.

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

All programming is made possible by the generous donation of money and time from the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library. In addition, the Friends were instrumental in getting the library parking lot paved this year. We are grateful to them for their hard work and dedication throughout the year.

The Public Libraries Fund was established in this year's State Budget and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. The purpose of this program is to provide a matching incentive for funds raised by local trustees and library foundations from non-municipal sources for the enhancement of library services beyond those provided through municipal funds. The funds raised by the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library qualified for a matching grant.

For many years, it has been recognized that the Russell Memorial Library building at its current location has not been able to adequately service the residents of Acushnet. The lack of space affects all areas of library services. The age, size and location of the building create a number of problems including: inadequate shelf space, overcrowding and lack of seating, no handicapped accessibility, inadequate restroom facilities, limited parking and more.

The library Director and Board of Trustees have focused much of their efforts over the past year on building repair and upkeep. Although repairs to the roof were completed this year, the protective skin of the building has aged and is in need of restoration. Water is coming in through cracks in the failed masonry and from below grade. The Community Preservation Committee generously awarded, and town meeting approved, \$30,000 in funds for necessary restoration work to the library building. The intent of the restoration project is to stop the intrusion of water by making repairs to the masonry and prevent preventing any further damage. We also hope to repair the water damaged areas on the interior of the lower level of the library and make them fully functional for their intended use. The repair work, which will begin in spring of 2008, is expected to maintain the integrity of the building and not alter the historic character or picturesque charm.

The modern town library, however, should not simply be a repository for books, magazines and videos, but instead should act as a valuable resource for residents. Library personnel are trained to help library users gain access to information quickly and accurately for both practical purposes and for pleasure. The library should be a community focal point where townspeople can meet each other spontaneously and participate in public discourse about community issues. In addition, a town library needs to provide adequate space for community meetings and programs. The current structure can no longer house the collection or provide the services required by the growing population of Acushnet; it is a continuing challenge to meet the goals set forth in our mission statement.

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

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

The library maintained state certification in 2007. Required: a Director with a Master's Degree in Library Studies from an accredited institution and certification by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners; a minimum of 40 hours open per week; a minimum of 16% of the total budget expended on materials; a municipal appropriation that increases by 2½% each year over a 3 year average. Certification entitles Acushnet residents to borrow materials from other Massachusetts libraries and qualifies the Town to apply for state aid and state grants to libraries – these elements allow the library to provide residents with a wider variety of materials, and also assist the library in providing additional services.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Bartolome, Chair
Christina Gaudette
James Knox
Kristen Leotti
Jeanne Poulin
Anne Verissimo, Secretary

RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

STATISTICAL REPORT 2007

Active Borrowers.....	3,797
Library visits.....	20,696 (398/week)
Children's Programs Held.....	17
Attendance, Children's Programs.....	504
Adult Programs Held.....	36
Attendance at Adult Programs.....	311
Computers for Public Use.....	3
Public Internet Access.....	2
Meeting Room Use.....	38
Hits to Library Website.....	53,385
Materials Holdings (Number of items)	
Books.....	23,460
Periodical subscriptions.....	100
Videos.....	1,424
Audio(cassettes and CDs).....	515
CD/ROMS.....	51
Circulation (Times Borrowed)	
Books.....	23,929
Periodicals.....	4,472
Video/DVD.....	7,553
Electronic format.....	165
Audio.....	1,755
Miscellaneous (equipment, museum passes, etc.).....	322
Total Items circulated.....	38,196

REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET PUBLIC SCHOOLS

I am delighted to offer the annual report on the state of public education in the Town of Acushnet for the year 2007.

School Committee:

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

Douglas Coray, Chairman
Dr. Mary Louise Francis, Secretary
Robert Lanzoni

Manuel Goncalves, Vice-Chairman
Frank Kuthan

Earlier this year, Frank Kuthan became the newest member of the Acushnet School Committee when he was appointed at a joint meeting of the school committee and selectmen. Mr. Kuthan took over the seat vacated by JoAnn Bertrand who resigned in June of 2007. Mr. Kuthan's term of office extends through 2008. He joins Manuel Goncalves and Douglas Coray who were re-elected to three-year terms.

Districtwide:

There were a few changes to the Acushnet Central Office staff in 2007. Claudette Saulnier retired after 19 years as the administrative assistant to the superintendent of schools. Mary Carter, the former secretary at the Albert F. Ford Middle School, took her place in August. In addition, Christopher Oliver, who had previously worked as a paraprofessional in the district, was hired as the new technology director.

Both the Fairhaven School Committee and the Acushnet School Committee voted unanimously to approve a new high school tuition agreement. Both parties agreed to remove the student limit of 25 students from the agreement and to extend the contract for five years instead of the traditional three. In addition, language in the contract was deleted that required an April 1st deadline of acceptance. Acushnet also tuitions its high school students to New Bedford High School, Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, and Bristol County Agricultural High School.

Student enrollment for the district has decreased slightly from the previous year. As of October 1, 2006, there were 1,088 students. As of October 1, 2007, there were 1,075 students. The student enrollment for the Albert F. Ford Middle School decreased by six students (493 to 487), and the Acushnet Elementary School's enrollment decreased by seven students (595 to 588).

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) is administered annually to students in Massachusetts in accordance with the Education Reform Law of 1993. These state tests are designed to measure performance based on the learning standards in the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks and serve as one measure of accountability for students, schools, and districts. Overall, Acushnet's MCAS results were relatively stable compared to the previous year, with five areas showing significant improvements. A double-digit increase from the previous year in the number of students

who achieved proficiency (a score of 240 or above) occurred in grades three, four, and seven in mathematics and grades four and seven in English language arts. Because of the significant improvements in the areas previously mentioned, 2007 marked the first time that all of the MCAS test results for the district were at or above the state average.

The MCAS Data Analysis Process was expanded districtwide in 2007 and culminated in the first districtwide MCAS Data Analysis Report. Subject area and grade level teams at both schools met to identify student weaknesses for different student populations and subject areas. Upon completion of this task, each subject area/grade level team presented to the staff two to four of the highest priority student weaknesses for their particular subject area and the action plans that address these weaknesses. School administrators consolidated all of the action plans to complete this districtwide report. These action plans seek to address the academic weaknesses as identified by the MCAS for various student populations and sub-groups and impacts the decisions the school department makes concerning curriculum, instruction, professional development, school budgets, and academic support for students.

The district continued to augment and develop curriculum in 2007. Teachers, at both schools, have been working hard to compile a curriculum that is aligned with the Massachusetts State Curriculum Frameworks. The elementary school teachers completed a rough draft of a portion of the English language arts curriculum guides, and the middle school teachers have completed rough drafts of curriculum guides in every subject area. In addition, a new District Curriculum Development Plan was compiled which lays out a blueprint for the development of curriculum over the next few years. This document defines the roles and responsibilities that the school committee, superintendent, curriculum coordinator, building principals, and teachers have in developing curriculum for the district, includes a projected curriculum planning chart to help define timelines for the adoption of each curriculum guide, and includes school committee policy references that coincide with this process.

One of the goals of the District Improvement Plan is to “provide a safe environment for students and staff.” In addition to conducting fire drills mandated by law, both schools in the district instituted lockdown drills for the first time. These drills provide practice in case the need ever arises for a lockdown. The school department was also able to enhance the security systems at both schools by purchasing better security monitors and an electronic scan card entry system for staff access to the buildings.

The professional development committee met regularly and continued to enhance the District Professional Development Plan, as well as to develop the itinerary for the three professional development days for staff. The updated Professional Development Plan includes some minor changes and additions, including changes to the curriculum process section of the plan so as to better align this portion of the Professional Development Plan to the new District Curriculum Development Plan. The committee also included the professional development day agendas for the past two years in the plan. The practice of compiling professional development agendas from year to year will be continued, so the district may accurately document its professional development offerings.

For the first time, all of the district's professional development days were scheduled before students started school. For the first two days of professional development, teachers received English language learner training (Category I), and paraprofessionals were trained in working with students with autism spectrum disorders and applying language goals in an inclusion classroom. On the third day, there were trainings in a variety of areas that included: Lexia reading strategies for middle school students, security at the schools, using GradeQuick grading and attendance software, creating classroom webpages, webpage validation, IEP/504 issues, tech/reading programs, and utilizing the Eutactics special education software.

The Acushnet Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) continues to play an important role in the success of our schools. Members of the PTO continue to donate many hours of their time volunteering for school events and organizing and administering PTO-sponsored events. Their annual fundraiser continues to provide the district with monies for field trips and special events for Acushnet students. In addition, the Booster Club, an entity of the PTO, was able to raise funds in order to augment after school programming at the Ford Middle School.

Albert F. Ford Middle School:

There have been many significant changes at the Albert F. Ford Middle School in 2007.

At the start of the year, the Ford Middle School (FMS) schedule was altered from numerous simultaneous separate schedules to a single six-day rotation for the entire school. This accomplished several things: First, it consolidated the entire school to the same time schedule. Second, it allowed the specialist schedule to maintain a rotation balance that eliminated the negative effects of missing days due to holidays, weather incidents, or short weeks. Third, the schedule increased the number of times each student was able to attend his or her specialist classes, allowing for increased instructional time. Finally, the schedule allowed for the inclusion of band and choir classes into each grade, eliminating the necessity of holding these programs after school when many students were unable to participate.

In regards to academic programming, the 2007-2008 school year marked the addition of two new academic courses: Pre-Algebra in the seventh grade and Algebra I in the eighth grade. The library was also opened until 3:30 p.m. from Monday through Thursday giving students additional opportunities to access library materials and to work on homework.

Technology usage was expanded further in 2007. GradeQuick Web, an online version of the school's grade book program was instituted. This program allows teachers to work on their grade books from any location that is connected to the World Wide Web. The Study Island program was also adopted. This online curriculum enhancement program helps to prepare Acushnet middle school students for the MCAS. Students are able to access Study Island from any computer with an Internet connection and a standard web browser. Results from student study sessions are recorded and made available to the teachers. This includes results from sessions completed at home. Ford students use the mathematics program in grades five through eight and the science program in grade eight.

With regards to staff, Paula Pacheco has joined the FMS Guidance Department. Mrs. Pacheco is familiar with the workings of the school, as she had previously completed her internship at the Ford Middle School during the 2005-2006 school year. In addition, Caitlyn Araujo and Amy Reynolds-Hardwick were hired to fill two special education teacher vacancies, while Mary Beth Soares retired after 35 years in the system.

Acushnet Elementary School:

This year continued to bring staffing changes to the Acushnet Elementary School (AES). In 2007, AES continued with the expected cycle of staff retirements. The following teachers retired at the end of the 2006-2007 school year: Cynthia DeMello, kindergarten teacher and Mary Pat Bourgeois, grade one teacher. In addition, Margaret Castro, kindergarten teacher, retired just before the winter holiday vacation. Overseen by Principal Virginia Cutler during the summer, candidates were interviewed, leading to the hiring of many talented new teachers to fill these positions. Catherine Charpentier has filled Mrs. DeMello's position, Margaret Teves, previously a grade three teacher, transferred to the grade one vacancy, and Karen Machado replaced the mid-year kindergarten position. In addition, Kate Hartnett was hired at the beginning of the school year as a fourth grade teacher.

The elementary school continued to improve its technology base, with all classroom teachers being provided with a PC to use in their classroom. In addition, a number of Macintosh computers were installed in grades three and four, allowing students and teachers faster connectivity to the Internet. At each grade level, teams of teachers continued working to update and align the language arts and reading curricula with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. All areas of academics continue to be important in the school, with exceptional focus being given to writing and reading skills as well as mathematics in order to promote increased student performance at all grade levels. In addition, new science textbooks were purchased from Harcourt Publishing for use by several grade levels.

In addition to academics, the students of the school also enjoyed a variety of field trips and programs. Each grade had specific learning experiences at varied locations, including: the New Bedford Whaling Museum (grade two), Brass Quintet Holiday Performance (all grades), Buttonwood Park and Zoo (grade one), pumpkin picking at Keith's Pumpkin Patch (grade one), Native American learning days at the New Bedford Rod and Gun Club (grade three), and the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra at Veterans Memorial Amphitheatre (grade four). The students were all fortunate to be able to participate in these enrichment activities.

Finally, in 2007, the staff and students of the school worked together to make a difference in the community. In November, students and staff worked together to collect food, hygiene items, and comfort items for the American troops stationed overseas. In addition, the staff worked together during the holiday season to assist several local families in need by contributing their time, goods, and effort. The generosity of the families and staff was extraordinary and showed the commitment of the school community to make the world a better place.

Special Education:

In the summer of 2007, Michael Sullivan resigned as special education director to accept a position elsewhere. Danielle Coffin, grade six special education teacher, was appointed as special education director in August 2007.

The Massachusetts Department of Education conducted a Coordinated Program Review onsite visit in April 2007, examining the program areas of special education, civil rights and other general education requirements, and English learner education. The Acushnet Special Education Department worked on compiling documents for this review and coordinated the Department of Education's weeklong visit to the district. On November 14, 2007, the Department of Education issued its final report on the Coordinated Program Review. A corrective action plan is required in ten criteria of special education, four criteria in civil rights and other general education requirements, and six criteria in English learner education. The corrective action plan is currently being written and will be reviewed by the Department of Education. All school districts in Massachusetts are required to go through such a review every six years with a mid-cycle special education follow-up visit three years after the Coordinated Program Review.

The special education director serves as a member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative Steering Committee, a group that discusses programs which would be beneficial to the collaborative member districts. The Acushnet-Fairhaven Special Education Parent Advisory Council continues to meet four times during the school year, to review special education regulations and discuss areas of interest and concern to the parents. The Department of Education's special education fall regional meeting, coordinated by the Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative, was held at Ford Middle School on December 17, 2007 for dissemination of information to the area special education directors.

Grants:

The district applied for and received entitlement grants from the Federal government totaling \$104,556 in FY08. This was a reduction of \$12,885 from the previous fiscal year. The entitlement grants consist of Titles I, II-A, II-D, IV and V. Title I funds currently pay for two teacher salaries in order to provide reading skill development in grade one. Title II-A (Teacher Quality) funds are used to support the mentor program, supplement the Title I program, and support professional development for teachers and paraprofessionals. Stipends for three teacher mentors and one administration mentor were paid from this grant and a portion of the funds were used to pay for district wide professional development and Title I programming. Title II-D will be used to pay for professional development related to technology, and the expansion of the Second Step Violence Prevention Program at the Acushnet Elementary School. Title V (Innovative Educational Programs) funds have been used to purchase additional Algebra I textbooks for the eighth grade.

The special education department continues to support and maintain their programs through several grants: Early Childhood Special Education Allocation, Special Education Program Improvement, and Special Education 94-142 Allocation.

Once again, the district applied and received two competitive grants from the state: Early Intervention Literacy and Kindergarten Enhancement. The Early Intervention Literacy grant monies were used towards the salary of one of the Reading Recovery teachers, and the Kindergarten Enhancement grant helps to support our full-day kindergarten program by offsetting salary and supply costs for the program.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen R. Donovan
Superintendent of Schools

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ACUSHNET AT A GLANCE

Incorporated: February 13, 1860

Type of Government: Open Town Meeting

Population: 10,735

10,129 (State Census)

Total Valuation:

Class 1 and 2 Tax Rate: \$9.25 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2007)

Class 3 and 4 Tax Rate: \$11.24 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2007)

Registered Voters: 7,659

Total Area: 18 Square Miles

Churches: 6

Public Schools: 2

Parochial Schools: 1

Regional School: 1

Principal Industries:

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

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Annual Election of Officers: 1st Monday in April

Annual Town Meeting: 4th Monday in April