

DEDICATION



"Photo by Jeanna Shepard, courtesy of the Vineyard Gazette."

Joan Jenkinson

On June 5, 1990 Joan Jenkinson was hired to be the Animal Control Officer for the Town of West Tisbury. The Town would never be the same. Joannie grew into the job like it was made for her. Reading back through the 26 years of town reports there is an overarching theme: Joanie was ready to help with just about anything. She responded to calls about wild animals stuck in chimneys, huge flies in someone's house, a multitude of skunks stuck in yogurt containers as well as over 25,000 calls about dogs. Joannie wrangled loose cows from the road, goats who overstayed their welcome in someone's house and swans who viewed the road as a perfectly logical place to sit and ponder life.

Joan's love of animals began at a young age: as a girl she would spend hours at Pond View Farm riding with Marjorie Manter. Her deep love of animals continues to this day. Joan frequently shows up at someone's home with flowers after the loss of a pet, understanding how much a part of the family our animals are. Over the course of her career with the town, more than one stray won the lottery when Joannie would decide to adopt them instead of sending them to the shelter. If she didn't adopt a stray she frequently knew just the right person who needed a new family member (even if sometimes they didn't realize they needed one – I count myself in that bunch). Driving the Town's little green car around Joannie always kept dog treats and apples on hand for the animals that she met both large and small.

We wish Joannie well in her retirement and look forward to seeing her out and about in her own little green car filled with dog treats and apples spreading cheer wherever she goes!

-Jennifer Rand

RELATE

I wake up
with an olive branch
between my teeth.

I breathe
breath of trees on
ground to keep.

Offhand, I share
my winter stores with
someone from elsewhere.

A stranger asks
after my interests
with curiosity.

I do not hear
sound that slanders
mine or any ear.

A light goes on.
One by which we
read, and speak.

-Emma Young
Poet Laureate

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John Powers

The Town of West Tisbury would like to recognize and extend its gratitude to John Powers, who retired after 30 years working as the town's health agent. Trying to summarize all that John did in his job is not possible-the duties ranged from food and restaurant inspections (including the fair, the Farmer's Market, and any occasion that served food!), water and beach testing, animal/barn/camp inspections as well as housing and septic inspections. In relation to his work, but as a volunteer, John helped organize and set up the island flu clinics and worked at the island health fairs. John has been an active member of his community ever since arriving on the Vineyard. He served as a volunteer fireman for many years. During that time he flipped many burgers at the fireman's booth at the Ag fair and delivered turkeys and the fixings to the homebound and elderly for thanksgiving. John was part of the huge cleanup effort after Hurricane Bob in 1991. John, along with board member David Merry, poured concrete pads (in the pouring rain!) at the transfer station. As an active member of the MV Harley Riders, John has participated in benefits for Camp Safe Haven, The Red Stocking Fund, and Hospice to name a few. Essentially, John was there to answer the call of any kid, animal or fellow citizen in need; cooking, organizing or generally lending a hand. He made for a fine ghoul in the WT cemetery, cooked food for town parties and remembered birthdays with cakes and goodies! West Tisbury is a better community because of people like John, and we are ever thankful to have such a dedicated, knowledgeable, compassionate, and hardworking man in our town.

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**TOWN OFFICERS
2016
(ELECTED BY BALLOT)**

MODERATOR

Daniel Waters	Term 1 Year, Expires 2017
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Richard Knabel	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
J. Skipper Manter	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Cynthia E. Mitchell	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

BOARD OF HEALTH

Erik Lowe	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Timothy Barnett	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Hans Van Ness	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Richard Cohen	Term 3 Years, Expires 2016
Maria McFarland	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Michael Colaneri	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018

TAX COLLECTOR

Brent B. Taylor	Term 1 Year, Expires 2017
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TOWN CLERK

Tara J. Whiting	Term 1 Year, Expires 2017
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TREE WARDEN

Jeremiah Brown	Term 1 Year, Expires 2017
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CONSTABLES

Timothy E. Maley	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Timothy Barnett	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Katherine Triantafillou	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Gary Montrowl	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Greg Orcutt	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Charles A. Hodgkinson	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019
Douglas Ruskin	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Gina Solon	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Linda Hearn	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
***Wendy Nierenberg	Expires 2017
***Amy Hoff	Expires 2017
Caroline Flanders	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
*Margaret Gallagher	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Wayne Smith	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019
**Linda Chapman	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

PLANNING BOARD

Bea Phear	Term 5 Years, Expires 2017
Matthew Merry	Term 5 Years, Expires 2017
Virginia Jones	Term 5 Years, Expires 2019
Leah Smith	Term 4 Years, Expires 2019
Susan S. Silva	Term 5 Years, Expires 2020

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Cheryl Lowe	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Suzanne Hammond	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
J. Skipper Manter	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Lisa Amols	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Mark Bernard	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

WEST TISBURY REPRESENTATIVES

Katherine Devane	Michael Marcus
J. Skipper Manter	

LAND BANK COMMISSIONER

Glenn R. Hearn	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
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*---Resigned

**---Deceased

***---Appointed in 2016 until the next election

**TOWN OFFICERS
2016
(Appointed by Selectmen unless otherwise noted)**

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

(members appointed by various town boards)

Michael Colaneri	Vickie Thurber
Joseph Tierney	Glenn Hearn
Lawrence Schubert	Henry Geller
Ted Jochsberger	Susan Feller
Angela Prout	

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER/DOG OFFICER

*Joan Jenkinson	Term 1 Year
Prudence Fisher	Term 1 Year
*Allen Healy, Assistant	Term 1 Year
Anthony Cordray, Assistant	Term 1 Year

BYWAYS COMMITTEE

Ashley Hunter	Harriett Bernstein
Cynthia Aguilar	Rez Williams
Shirley Vanderschuere	*Theresa Kominers
*Ann Bassett	*Paul Magid
*Bill Venio	

CABLE TV ADVISORY BOARD

Jennifer Rand

CAPE & VINEYARD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Jennifer Rand

CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

Sue Hruby	Jennifer Rand <i>(alternate)</i>
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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

(members appointed by various town boards)

Michael Colaneri	Cynthia E. Mitchell
Sue Hruby	Greg Orcutt
Katherine Logue	Leah Smith
Bruce Stone	Joseph Tierney, Ex. Officio

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Richard Knabel	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Cynthia E. Mitchell	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
J. Skipper Manter	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT

John S. Alley	Term 1 Year
Brian Athearn, Assistant	Term 1 Year
*Glenn Hearn, Assistant	Term 1 Year
Jesse Oliver, Assistant	Term 1 Year

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

(members appointed by various town boards)

*Sean Conley	Gary Montrowl
Lesley Eaton	Bea Phear
Glenn Hearn	Scott Stearns
Dale Julier	Tara Whiting
Cheryl Lowe	Nancy Dole

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Peter Rodegast	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Michael Turnell	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Tara Whiting	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Whit Griswold	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Binnie Ravitch	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Prudence Burt	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019
John Brennan	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

COUNCIL ON AGING

Nancy P. Cabot	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
J. Skipper Manter	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Ann Nelson	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017

COUNSTABLES

Norman Perry	Term 1 Year
Will Whiting	Term 1 Year

COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR

Ann Nelson	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Nancy P. Cabot	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
J. Skipper Manter	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018

DATA PROCESSING

Kathy Logue	Term 1 Year
Bruce Stone	Term 1 Year

DUKES COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD

J. Skipper Manter	Term 1 Year
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DUKES COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

Kristin Zern Term 1 Year

DUTCH ELM DISEASE WARDEN

Jeremiah Brown Term 1 Year

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

John Christensen, Director Term 1 Year

Russell Hartenstine, Assistant Director Term 1 Year

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Sue Hruby Term 1 Year

Sander Shapiro Term 1 Year

FENCE VIEWERS

Joanie Ames Term 1 Year

Richard Hammond Term 1 Year

FIRE CHIEF/FOREST WARDEN

Manual Estrella III Term 1 Year

HERRING WARDEN

John Hoy Term 1 Year

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Sean Conley Term 3 Years, Expires 2017

Nancy Dole Term 3 Years, Expires 2017

Ben Moore Term 3 years, Expires 2017

Mark Mazer Term 3 Years, Expires 2018

Lanny McDowell Term 3 Years, Expires 2018

Ken Lieberman Term 3 Years, Expires 2018

Anne Fischer Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

Charlie Kernick, alternate Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

INSECT CONTROL WARDEN

Jeremiah Brown Term 1 Year

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Joe Tierney Term 3 Years, Expires 2017

Mark Barbadoro (Assistant) Term 1 Year

Jeffrey Fisher (Local Inspector) Term 1 Year

INSPECTOR OF SIGNS

Joseph Tierney Term 3 Years, Expires 2018

JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Jennifer Rand Term 1 Year

LAND BANK ADVISORY BOARD

(members appointed by various town boards)

Lisa Amols Susan Silva

Michael Colaneri William Haynes

Andrew Woodruff Binnie Ravitch

LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE

Ian Aitchison	Max Skjoldebrand
Linda Hearn	Mark Mazer
*Tucker Hubbell	Leah Smith
Robert Paul Levine	

LOCAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Leslie Gray	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Anne Fisher	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Jill Bouck	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Karin Stanley	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Ellen Weiss	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Richard Burt	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION SELECTMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE

Ernest Thomas	Term 1 Year
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MARTHA'S VINEYARD CULTURAL COUNCIL

Beth Kramer, Ex Officio	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Linda Vadasz	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Robert Hauck	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019
Niki Patton	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

MARTHA'S VINEYARD TV SELECTMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE

Gail Tipton	Term 1 Year
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MILL POND WATERSHED STUDY COMMITTEE

Prudy Burt	Nancy Huntington
Tim Boland	Cynthia Mitchell
Rez Williams	Kristen Fauteux
Selena Roman	Chuck Hodgkinson

MILL POND COMMITTEE

Anna Alley	Kent Healy
Barbara Day	Rez Williams

PERSONNEL BOARD

Peter Gallagher	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Norman Perry	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Ben Retmier	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Kenneth Vincent	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Matthew Gebo (Empl. Rep.)	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018

PLANNING BOARD ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Henry Gellar	Term 1 Year
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POET LAUREATE

Emma Young	Term 1 Year
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

*James Neville, Sergeant	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
J. Skipper Manter, Sergeant	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Daniel Gouldrup, Officer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Bradley Cortez, Officer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Matthew Mincone, Lieutenant	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Mathew Gebo, Detective	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Leomar De Oliveira, Officer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Daniel Rossi, Chief	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019
Garrison Vieira, Officer	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

*Brian Cioffi	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
John G. Early	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Tim Carroll	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Jonathan Klaren	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Manual Estrella III	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Richard T. Olsen	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Sean Slavin	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Dan Durawa	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Diane Demoe	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
John Parker	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Maximilian Bradshaw	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018

REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

John S. Alley	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
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BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Antone H. Rezendes, Jr.	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
Bernice H. Kirby	Term 3 Years, Expires 2018
Rufus Peebles	Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

SHELLFISH CONSTABLE

Ray Gale	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
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DEPUTY SHELLFISH CONSTABLE

Kenneth M. Jones	Term 3 Years, Expires 2017
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SHELLFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Will Whiting	Peter Vann
Richard C. Karney	Jason Gale
Virginia Jones	David Merry
John Hoy	

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Richard T. Olsen	Term 1 Year
Keith Olsen, Asst.	Term 1 Year

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Bruce Stone Term 3 Years, Expires 2019

CARE OF TOWN CLOCK

Malcolm W. Young Term 1 Year

TREASURER

Katherine Logue Term 1 Year, Expires 2017

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Jennifer Rand Term 1 Year

TOWN COUNSEL

Ronald Rappaport Term 1 Year

TRI TOWN AMBULANCE COMMITTEE

Richard Knabel Term 1 Year

TRUANT OFFICER

Dan Rossi Term 1 Year

VETERANS' GRAVES OFFICER

Brian Athearn Term 1 Year

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Toni Cohen	Term 5 Years, Expires 2017
Bob Schwier-Associate	Term 2 Years, Expires 2017
Tucker Hubbell-Associate	Term 2 Years, Expires 2018
Nancy Cole	Term 4 Years, Expires 2018
Larry Schubert	Term 5 Years, Expires 2020
Julius Lowe	Term 5 Years, Expires 2021
Tony Higgins	Term 5 Years, Expires 2021

*resigned **Deceased ***Committee Dissolved

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

2016 was a year of many changes in Town including personnel changes in Town Hall. There were also reviews and updates in policy, procedure and finance keeping the Board busy and engaged.

In Town Hall proper, Jeffrey Fisher was hired to assist Inspector Joe Tierney in the Building Department, Omar Johnson was hired to replace retiring Board of Health Agent John Powers and Prudence Fisher was hired to replace retiring Animal Control Officer Joan Jenkinson. Anthony Cordray was hired as her assistant, replacing Allen Healy. In the Police Department, Samantha Smith was hired to replace retired Administrative Assistant Hadden Blair. Best wishes to our esteemed retirees, we will miss them, and likewise, a hearty welcome and congratulations to the new members of the town hall staff.

In the area of buildings and building maintenance, the new Highway Department building located next to the Public Safety Building was completed in early 2017 ahead of schedule and under budget. An open house is planned. In the ongoing quest to maintain all town-owned buildings systematically, Louis DeGeoffroy of MV Inspections, LLC, was hired as a facilities maintenance consultant. Mr. DeGeoffroy has thoroughly inspected all nine town buildings and their operational systems, and is formulating a maintenance schedule to address current and future maintenance needs. Some urgent remedial work he has identified has already begun, and other projects will be undertaken in FY 2018 as finances permit.

Dedication of the new West Tisbury Veterans Memorial took place on November 10th. The Memorial which sits beneath the West Tisbury Town Hall flag pole, next to the World War I and II Memorial, honors West Tisbury residents who served in the Armed Services from 1946 to the present in Korea, Vietnam and the Persian Gulf.

West Tisbury, Aquinnah, Chilmark and Edgartown were collectively awarded a Community Block Grant in the amount of \$873,473. The grant program, administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, awards funding to towns in order to provide home maintenance and childcare assistance.

Plans to develop Affordable Rental Apartments at 565 Edgartown/West Tisbury Rd. also known as Scott's Grove, have been well underway this year. Construction of the nine rental apartments is planned to begin next summer.

West Tisbury took part in the Martha's Vineyard Commission's Housing Production Plan program along with the rest of the Island towns. The program, which consisted of three interactive community workshops in each of the

towns, was initiated by the All Island Planning Board as well as the MVC. Designed to research all aspects of the housing crisis as it pertains to each town, the resulting plan is intended to present ideas and opportunities for the creation of additional affordable housing units in several categories.

Again we extend our thanks for the hard work and dedication of all Town Staff, the members of our many important boards, commissions, and committees and the countless numbers of citizens who take part in town affairs and participate in making the Town of West Tisbury the great place to live that it is.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Knabel, Chair
J. Skipper Manter
Cynthia E. Mitchell



Grange Hall porch

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

BIRTHS

Due to the passing of the Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts 1991, which prohibits the sale and distribution of the names of children under the age of 17, births by name will no longer be published in the town report. The total number of births for West Tisbury in 2016 was 23.

MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	Surname after Marriage	Residence
March			
9	Stephen H. Dourain Mary A. Donleavy	Dourian Donlavey	West Tisbury, MA
April			
9	Caleb Issac Williams Laura Molly Borges	Williams Williams	West Tisbury, MA
June			
11	Timothy Paul Daniels Jessica Lynne Clour	Daniels Daniels	West Tisbury, MA
21	Oleg Nikolaev Dana Leigh Marks	Nikolaev Marks	West Tisbury, MA
July			
14	Seam William Lehr-Nuth Sara Emily Crawford	Lehr-Nuth Crawford	Pittsburgh, PA
September			
10	Stephen Hammond Bethany M. deBettencourt	Hammond deBettencourt	West Tisbury, MA
10	Steven Thomas Stindt Dana Simone Rich	Stindt Rich	New York, NY
17	Eric Donald Fournier Kayla Elizabeth McCann	Fournier Fournier	Cumberland, RI
October			
9	Nicholas LeMay Brust Jessica Leigh Stone	Brust Stone	Raleigh, NC
18	Rykerr E. Maynard Khatia Kvatchadze	Maynard Kvatchadze	Tisbury, MA

Marriages (Continued)

DATE	NAME	Surname after Marriage	Residence
October			
22	Jeremy William Murphy Colleen Jeanne O'Donnell	Murphy O'Donnell	Astoria, NY
December			
8	Jeffrey Alan Entner Sandra Batista Kinaki	Entner Kinaki	West Tisbury, MA
14	Marissa Kelsey Quist Brittany Anne Wells	Quell Quell	West Tisbury, MA

DEATHS

DATE	NAME	DATE	NAME
January		August	
8	Lynn Jelliffe Friss	3	Aaron Lytton Myatt
21	Dorothy Mello	27	John S. Kenney
31	Thomas Rodman Gothals, Jr	September	
February		6	Florence Regina Paul
16	Charles Nevin Greenaway	16	Linda M. Chapman
18	William Riley Deeble	19	Karen Thelma Harris
27	Deborah Pigeon	October	
May		1	Mark Vincent Peters Jr
22	John Edwin Leaird	7	Julie LaHart Keefe
June		9	Joyce A. Briggish
13	Allen Janger	November	
July		30	Ralph John Jones
12	Regina Marie Cahill	December	
		30	Maitland A. Edey Jr.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS

Annual Town Meeting

April 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:10 pm who declared a presence of a 5% quorum, there being 224 qualified voters present. All articles were duly moved, seconded and voted upon. There were ten floor amendments. The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 pm.

Passed:

ARTICLE 1: To elect Officers on the Official Ballot and to vote Yes or No Ballot Question.

ARTICLE 2: Reports from Town Officers and Committees.

ARTICLE 3: Vote to Raise and Appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges and Expenses for Fiscal Year 2017.

PASSED AS AMENDED **TOTAL BUDGET \$17,540,675.71**

ARTICLE 4: Vote to authorize the Treasurer and Collector to enter into Compensating Balance Agreements during Fiscal Year 2017 as permitted by M.G.L. c.44, §53F.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel Bylaw at Sections 26.3 (Pay Schedule Year Round) to reflect a wage adjustment of 0.55% effective July 1, 2016.

ARTICLE 6: Vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of contracting for a Facilities Management Consultant for Town-owned buildings.

PASSED AS AMENDED

Insert 'and related services' after the word consultant

ARTICLE 7: Vote to Appropriate the sum of \$857,500 for the construction and equipping of a new Highway Department Building.

ARTICLE 8: Vote to *re-approve* up to \$2,500,000 borrowing authorized by vote of the Martha's Vineyard Refuse Disposal and Resource Recovery District.

ARTICLE 9: Vote to Raise and Appropriate \$15,280 to fund the Town of West Tisbury's share of the expense of the All Island School Committee's contract for Adult and Community Education in fiscal year 2017.

ARTICLE 10: Vote to reauthorize revolving funds previously established by vote of the Town under M.G.L. c.44, §53E1/2, for Fiscal Year 2017.

ARTICLE 11: Vote to Raise and Appropriate \$7,600 to support the CORE program, a collaborative program of the four Martha's Vineyard Councils on Aging.

ARTICLE 12: Vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$2,500 to fund the cost of a hearing officer who is charged with hearing appeals to building and fire violations.

ARTICLE 13: Vote to Raise and Appropriate \$15,000 to put towards the purchase and equipping of one all-wheel drive police cruiser in FY 2018.

ARTICLE 14: Vote to Appropriate \$68,000 to purchase and equip a new 20,000 lb dump body truck for the highway department.

ARTICLE 15: Vote to Appropriate \$82,237 for reconstruction work on town roads under the provisions of Section 34(2)(a) of Chapter 90 of the M.G.L.

ARTICLE 16: Vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$45,000 to be used for repairs and maintenance to Town buildings including, but not limited to, the Howes House dehumidifier, Station 1 air exchange, cemetery fence repair and other repairs as identified and needed.

ARTICLE 17: Vote to Raise and Appropriate \$24,000 to be used by the Board of Assessors for the valuation update of real and personal property to meet triennial certification of values as required by Massachusetts State Law.

ARTICLE 18: Vote to Appropriate \$60,000 to be used for repairs to the Howes House roof.

ARTICLE 19: Vote to Raise and Appropriate \$14,004.64, as the Town's proportionate share (15.28%) of Fiscal Year 2017 adjusted cost of \$91,653.40 to fund the *FirstStop* information and resource service as recommended by Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard (previously known as the Healthy Aging Task Force). All six towns must vote in the affirmative.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED

Replace \$14,004.64 with \$13,292.07

Replace \$91,653.40 with \$86,990.14

ARTICLE 20: Vote to Raise and Appropriate \$8,000 to transfer to the Retired/Departing Employees Compensated Absences Reserve Fund as provided for by M.G.L. c. 40, § 13D.

ARTICLE 21: Vote to Raise and Appropriate \$54,212.46 and transfer the remaining balance of \$5,787.54 from the 2012 Annual Town Meeting, Article #36 for the purchase of a brush breaker truck for a total of \$60,000 to be placed in a stabilization fund towards the purchase of a new pumper truck for the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 22: Vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$10,000 for the purpose of repairing the swale on the capped landfill at the local drop off.

ARTICLE 23: Vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$21,000 for maintenance and renovation of the tennis courts on Old County Road.

ARTICLE 24: Vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$27,500 to transfer to the Police Personal Services Line item 210-5120 for Fiscal Year 2016.

MOTION TO POSTPONE INDEFINITELY PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 25: Vote upon the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee to appropriate and set aside for later expenditure from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to Chapter 44B of the Massachusetts General Laws, FY2017 revenues: Open Space reserve \$50,000,

Historical Resources reserve \$50,000 (10% of estimated FY2017 Community Preservation Fund revenues), Community Housing reserve \$50,000 (10% of estimated FY2017 Community Preservation Fund revenues), Undesignated reserve \$325,500 (65% of estimated FY2017 Community Preservation Fund revenues). And to appropriate for the FY2017 Administrative Expenditures of the Community Preservation Committee \$22,500 (5% of estimated FY2017 Community Preservation Fund revenues).

PASSED AS AMENDED

Remove Open Space reserve amount

ARTICLE 26: Vote to Appropriate \$92,000 to support the rental assistance program of the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority for West Tisbury Households with \$26,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Community Housing reserve and \$66,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.

ARTICLE 27: Vote to Appropriate \$100,000 to assist The Island Housing Trust in a regional affordable housing project to create twenty two affordable rental apartments at Kuehn's Way in the Town of Tisbury for households earning 60% or less of the area wide median income with \$20,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Community Housing reserve and \$80,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve. In exchange, preference for one of the twenty two units will be given to income qualified West Tisbury residents or employees. The total cost of the project is approximately \$7.8 Million Dollars.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED

Add "The funds will not be released until a permanent affordable housing deed restriction is filed with the property at the Registry of Deeds. If the property is sold the town will be reimbursed \$100,000."

ARTICLE 28: Vote to Appropriate \$7,500 from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve to fund a program consisting of a community awareness brochure and a web based informational tool to assist year-round West Tisbury property owners interested in adding an accessory apartment (attached or detached) to their primary house, for the purpose of encouraging more affordable rental opportunities within the Town of West Tisbury.

ARTICLE 29: Vote to Appropriate \$10,000 from the Community Preservation Historic Resources reserve to assist The Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head in the preservation and rehabilitation of the Mayhew Chapel.

ARTICLE 30: Vote to Appropriate \$30,000 from the Community Preservation Historic Resources reserve to assist the Martha's Vineyard Camp Meeting Association to restore the chairs and benches in the Tabernacle.

ARTICLE 31: Vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement to convey and to negotiate the terms of an easement over Map 25, Lot 16 (the "new" section of the West Tisbury Cemetery) to The Whiting Farm Trust to gain access to Map 16, Lot 18 for farming purposes. The grantees conveyed the new section of the Cemetery to the Town in 1978 for no consideration.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED Strike ‘enter into an agreement to convey and to negotiate the terms of’ and replace with the word ‘grant’

ARTICLE 32: Vote to amend the Personnel By-law at Section 26.1 (Year Round Classification Plan) to delete the position titled Head of Circulation at Grade 3 and further to add the position of Head of Circulation/Assistant Library Director to the year round classification plan at Grade 5.

ARTICLE 33: Vote to amend the Personnel By-law at Section 26.1 (Year Round Classification Plan) to add a new full-time benefited position for the Library titled Programming Coordinator/Administrative Assistant at Grade 3.

PASSED AS AMENDED Strike ‘full time benefited’

ARTICLE 34: Vote to Appropriate from Free Cash \$570,000 to reduce the tax levy in Fiscal Year 2017.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED

Add \$27,500 from Article 24 for total of \$597, 500

ARTICLE 35: Vote to amend the following section of the zoning bylaw by adding (*italicized*) and deleting (~~stricken~~) the proposed language at the request of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

SECTION 6.7 FLOOD PLAIN ZONE (See full minutes for details)

ARTICLE 36: Vote to amend the following section of the zoning bylaw by adding the italicized text.

8.5-4 Swimming Pools (see minutes for full details)

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to approve the following bylaw:

Plastic Checkout Bag Bylaw (See full minutes for details)

PASSED AS AMENDED Delete from 4.1 “Town Police Officer or”

ARTICLE 38: Vote to amend the existing deadline for warrant articles or subjects now appearing in the Town Bylaws in the part entitled “Annual Town Meeting Date”(…)

MOTION TO POSTPONE INDEFINITELY PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 39: Vote to amend the following bylaw to add the language that is underlined:

WATER SOURCE - for Fire Department

To require (an) individual(s) who subdivide(s) land into (4) four lots or more or develops (4) Dwelling Units or more on a lot, to indicate water source(s); and, if not sufficient for firefighting, establish a water source for this purpose; said source to be approved by the Fire Chief after plans are presented to the Planning Board for their consideration.

ARTICLE 40: Vote to amend the zoning bylaw by relocating the following section:

Section 6.2-4 D 1 will be relocated to, and become “Section 6.3-4 C:”

Any development, other than for historical preservation, shall be prohibited within forty feet of a Special Place of Historic value as listed on the Special Places Register of the Martha’s Vineyard Commission.

ARTICLE 41: Vote to amend Section 6.2-4, Special Ways, of the zoning bylaw by replacing the existing language with the following proposed language:

MOTION TO POSTPONE INDEFINITELY PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 42: Vote to Raise and Appropriate \$160,000 to pay the Town's share of the Up-Island Regional School District's renovation of the playground at the West Tisbury School providing design, procurement, construction and any costs incidental and relative thereto.

PASSED AS AMENDED

Strike all above and add:

'To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$145,000) to be used toward the \$295,000 phase one cost of the Up-Island regional School District's rehabilitation of the playground at the West Tisbury School, which appropriation shall fund, in part, the design, the procurement, and the construction related to replacing the "Big Toy" apparatus, including other costs and expenses related to this capital improvement. To meet this appropriation, \$5,199 will be appropriated from the Community Preservation Open space reserve; \$89,801 will be appropriated from the Community Preservation undesignated reserve; and \$50,000 will be appropriated from the FY 2017 estimated Community Preservation Fund revenues provided for open space. Expenditure of any funds approved by this article is contingent upon the Up-Island Regional School District securing commitments for additional funding, in the total amount of \$150,000, from other Towns and/or from donations or other sources of funding'.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 1, 2016

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:14 pm who declared a presence of a 5% quorum, there being 156 qualified voters present. All articles were duly moved, seconded and voted upon. There were three floor amendments.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.

ARTICLE 1: Vote to Raise & Appropriate \$9,000 to cover the cost of surveying and engineering work associated with developing a project plan in order to obtain permits from various agencies for the purpose of Outlet Channel Maintenance for Sea Fish passage in James Pond.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED

Change from “Raise and Appropriate to Appropriate from Free Cash”

ARTICLE 2: Vote to Raise & Appropriate \$22,000 to purchase a chipper for the highway department.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED

Change from “Raise and Appropriate to Appropriate from Free Cash”

ARTICLE 3: Vote to Raise & Appropriate \$15,000 for the purpose of removing dead trees in town.

Motion to postpone indefinitely PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 4: Vote to Appropriate \$900,000 to assist the Island Housing Trust in the development of the Fire Station Lot Affordable Housing Project.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 5: Vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding the following new definitions, definition language changes, and section revisions:

New Definitions: Definition Language Changes: Section Revisions: (see full warrant) **PASSED AS AMENDED**

Under definitions; Habitable Space; ‘A space in a building for living, sleeping, eating and/or cooking.’

Remove the entire definition of ‘Bedroom, Detached’

There was a ‘sense of the meeting’ vote taken on behalf of the Board of Selectmen whether or not the voters wished the Town to pursue construction of bike lanes on State Road. A voice vote was noted in favor.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

14 April 2016-Annual Town Election

Registered Voters 2487; Total Ballots Cast-246 (9.89%)

MODERATOR

Blanks	37
Daniel A. Waters	208
Write-in	1

SELECTMAN

Blank	60
Cynthia E. Mitchell	186
Write-ins	0

BOARD OF HEALTH

Blank	181
David Merry	22
Hans Van Nes	29
Write-in	65

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Blanks	55
Richard Cohen	191
Write-in	0

TAX COLLECTOR

Blank	49
Brent B. Taylor	197
Write-in	0

TOWN CLERK

Blank	32
Tara J. Whiting	214
Write-in	0

TREE WARDEN

Blanks	46
Jeremiah Armstrong Brown	200
Write-in	0

FINANCE COMMITTEE

	Vote for 2
Blank	150
Charles A. Hodgkinson	183
Douglas Ruskin	156
Write-ins	3

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

	Vote for 2
Blanks	157
Linda M. Chapman	172
Wayne Smith	163
Write-in	0

PARKS & RECREATION

Blanks	59
Mark "Hap" Bernard	186
Write-in	1

Question 1 (Highway Building)

Blanks	15
YES	144
NO	87

ELECTIONS
PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY
March 1, 2016

Democratic Votes Cast	1,121	George Pataki	0
Presidential Preference		Ben Carson	9
Blanks	1	Mike Huckabee	0
Bernie Sanders	647	Rand Paul	0
Martin O'Malley	3	Carly Fiorina	0
Hillary Clinton	465	Rick Santorum	0
"Rocky" De La Fuente	0	Chris Christie	3
Donald Trump	4	Marco Rubio	30
State Committee Man		Jeb Bush	0
Blanks	1091	John R. Kasich	49
Scatterings	123	Scatterings	1
State Committee Woman		State Committee Man	
Blanks	489	Blanks	69
Robin Louise Hubbard	623	Francis P. Manzelli	92
Scatterings	9	Ronald R. Beaty, Jr	35
Town Committee		Devin Manning	24
Blanks	6113	Scatterings	3
Patricia I.W. Moore	638	State Committee Woman	
Andrew B. Warlock	534	Blanks	82
Daniel B. Cabot	635	Judith A. Crocker	138
Edward A. Bayne	514	Town Committee	
Leon A. Brathwaite III	495	Blanks	2146
Brenda J. Brathwaite	497	Joe Gervais	10
Catherine A. Brennan	582	Janice Cramer	8
John S. Alley	663	Mike Fontes	5
Robert E.L. Knight	526	Bernice Kirby	10
Scatterings	13	David La Rue	6
		Scatterings	49
Republican Votes Cast	220	United Independent Party	
Presidential Preference		Three ballots cast, scatterings only	
Blanks	1	Green-Rainbow Party	
Jim Gilmore	0	Three ballots cast, scatterings only	
Donald J. Trump	100		
Ted Cruz	26		

ELECTIONS
STATE PRIMARY
September 8, 2016

Democratic Votes Cast	795	Republican Votes Cast	81
Representative in Congress		Representative in Congress	
Blanks	156	Blanks	4
William R. Keating	633	Mark C. Alliegro	47
Scatterings	6	Thomas J. O'Malley Jr	28
Councillor		Scattering	1
Blanks	295	Councillor	
Joseph C. Ferreira	500	Blanks	80
Senator in General Court		Scatterings	1
Blanks	162	Senator in General Court	
Julian Andre Cyr	323	Blanks	12
Sheila R. Lyons	249	James H. Crocker Jr.	35
Brian R. Mannal	57	Anthony E. Schiavi	33
Representative in General Court		Scatterings	1
Blanks	54	Representative in General Court	
Dylan A. Fernandes	338	Blanks	76
Michael G. Heylin	8	Scatterings	5
T. Ewell Hopkins, Jr.	361	Sherriff	
Jessica G. Lambert	27	Blanks	50
Timothy M. Soverino	7	Robert Ogden	13
Sherriff		Marc R. Rivers	11
Blanks	54	Scatterings	7
Robert Ogden	480	County Commissioner	
Marc R. Rivers	256	Blanks	505
Scatterings	5	Norman L. Perry	58
County Commissioner		Scatterings	4
Blanks	3722	Register of Deeds	
John S. Alley	460	Blanks	57
Leon A. Brathwaite II	356	Paulo C. DeOliveira	11
David J. Holway	291	Laura J. Hairston	1
Christine C. Todd	385	Candace A. Nichols	6
Gretchen T. Underwood	336	Eve L. Vincent	3
Scatterings	17	Martina Thornton	2
Register of Deeds		Scatterings	0
Blanks	46		
Paulo C. DeOliveira	554	United Independent Party	
Laura J. Hairston	23	Two ballots cast, scatterings only	
Candace A. Nichols	103		
Eve L. Vincent	66	Green-Rainbow Party	
Scatterings	3	Three ballots cast, scatterings only	

ELECTIONS
PRESIDENTIAL
November 8, 2016

2,192 votes cast		Marc Rivers	118
President/Vice President		Scatterings	6
Blanks	22	County Commissioner	
Clinton/Kaine	1,688	Blanks	7,142
Johnson/Weld	70	John S. Alley	1,392
Stein/Baraka	49	Leon A. Braithwaite II	1,106
Trump/Pence	329	David J. Holway	945
Sanders	17	Tristan R. Israel	1,172
Scatterings	17	Christine C. Todd	1,138
Representative in Congress		Gretchen T. Underwood	1,026
Blanks	108	Norman L. Perry	577
William R. Keating	1,645	Robert Zeltzer	829
Mark C. Alliegro	328	Scatterings	35
Christopher D. Cataldo	14	Register of Deeds	
Paul J. Harrington	83	Blanks	191
Anna G. Raduc	12	Paulo C. DeOliveira	1,556
Scatterings	3	Martina Thornton	443
Senator in General Court		Scatterings	3
Blanks	192	Martha's Vineyard Commission	
Julian Andre Cyr	1,629	Blanks	9,146
Anthony E. Schiavi	370	Clarence A. Barnes III	1,301
Scatterings	1	Christina Brown	1,008
Representative in General Court		Robert M. Doyle	836
Blanks	154	Joshua S. Goldstein	880
Dylan A. Fernandes	1,068	Fred J. Hancock	630
Jacob N. Ferry	282	E. Douglas Sederholm	955
Tobias B. Glidden	687	Linda B. Sibley	1,017
Scatterings	2	James Vercruysse	795
Councillor		John R. Breckenridge	271
Blanks	576	Susan Desmaris	513
Joseph C. Ferreira	1,609	Myron Garfinkle	623
Scatterings	7	Allen M. Look	861
Sherriff		Brian C. Smith	326
Blanks	118	Richard J. Toole	544
Robert Ogden	1,468	Scatterings	25
Neal J. Maciel	601		

Question 1 (Gaming)

Blanks	105
Yes	400
No	1,687

Question 2 (Charter Schools)

Blanks	56
Yes	1,068
No	1,068

Question 3 (Farm animals)

Blanks	39
Yes	1,892
No	261

Question 4 (Marijuana)

Blanks	24
Yes	1,578
No	590



"Photo by Timothy Johnson, courtesy of the Vineyard Gazette."

The Town would like to thank Tim Maley for his 20 years of service as Constable. His trademark hat and ringing of the bell made for entertaining and efficient voting day!

REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

To the Board of Selectman:

The number of registered voters in

	December 2016 was:	December 2006:
Democrat	1,093	471
Republican	161	79
Green Party USA	2	1
Green Rainbow	6	2
Libertarian	2	1
American Independent	2	0
MA Independent	1	0
Un-enrolled	1,326	690
Others	12	2
Total	2605	1,246

The Street List of Residents in October 2016 was:

Voter	2,605
Non-Voter	609
Total	3,214

Respectfully submitted,

Bernice Kirby
Rufus Peebles
Antone H. Rezendes, Jr.
Tara J. Whiting, Clerk

REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

The West Tisbury Affordable Housing Committee (WTAHC) is focused on promoting and providing a supply of affordable housing for the residents of West Tisbury.

Since the start of the WTAHC in West Tisbury, 43 home/home site lots have been created, 41 affordable accessory apartments are rented or used by family members and 14 apartments are presently being subsidized for affordable housing with CPC funding. The accessory and rental assisted apartments and two rental facilities are overseen by Dukes County Regional Housing Authority (DCRHA).

Collaborating to bring affordable housing to West Tisbury. The WTAHC continues to work and support projects of affordable housing by non-profits and private developers such as Habitat for Humanity (Habitat) and Island Housing Trust (IHT).

The WTAHC completed the RFP and awarded IHT the right to develop rental units on town owned land near the Fire Station at 565 West Tisbury-Edgartown Rd. The towns' people overwhelmingly voted to support and proceed with the development in Nov. at a Special Town Meeting. The IHT will create 9 affordable rental units (3-3 bdrm, 3-2 bdrm, 3-1 bdrm with 1 of these being handicap accessible) that will be maintained in perpetuity.

WTAHC also is searching through town owned land parcels for possibilities of affordable housing development.

Working with other committees

The WTAHC continues to be involved in the island-wide Joint Affordable Housing Group through the MVC that joins to share affordable housing ideas and issues.

The members of the WTAHC sit on or represent various boards/committees of West Tisbury.

The WTAHC along with West Tisbury, the other island towns and the MVC supported the undertaking of a new study of affordable housing and the towns' future visions. The study called Housing Production Plan (HPP) assessed the housing availability, housing cost, and community solutions. The full report should be completed by the end of Feb. 2017. HPP workshops were held in all island towns. These workshops asked community residents to discuss housing needs, visions and plans for the community's future. The rural nature of the town was noted as valued and participants stated their wishes to maintain that rural setting while also addressing the housing need. The visions suggested were cluster housing with "dense pockets", repurposing large homes for rental, combining residential and commercial development. To achieve these visions

participants stated possible amendments to zoning laws (density areas, co-housing, etc.), creating a room tax on weekly rentals put toward affordable housing and creating a housing fund similar to the Land Bank Fund. The HPP with the MV Housing Needs Assessment's figures confirm affordable housing is in dire need. The summary of visions and goals to address the housing needs included identifying development opportunities that provide some greater scale and density in appropriate locations, adopting zoning and regulatory changes that will better utilize existing developable property which includes affordable housing, continue to donate publicly owned property for affordable housing, reach out to private donors, adopt fee waivers or reductions for affordable housing and work together as a whole island community to develop affordable housing for the community.

Here are some of the figures the consultants produced. West Tisbury's largest year-round population appears to be between the ages of 19 and under. But as time passes the older adult population is expected to increase from 14% to 32%. The MV Housing Needs Assessment report says there are 260 individuals living below the poverty line in West Tisbury (based on 2010 census) The HPP states that close to a third of all year-round households have low/moderate income. Of these more than 1/2 of these households spend more than 50% of their total gross income on housing. The median cost of a single family home figure is \$705,000, meaning to purchase a home you will need to make \$185,000.00. This is using the formula of 30% of income goes toward housing. Year-round households are decreasing according to census. Diversified housing is sorely needed (rental units especially, duplexes, etc.) DCRHA has a rental waiting list of 197 households, 23 of those living in West Tisbury. According to a DCRHA rep this has decreased from last year mainly because people moved off island when they could no longer find housing.

How You Can Help

The WTAHC encourages homeowners with large lots to consider using the home site lot creation bylaw by which you can create an affordable home on a smaller lot or maybe create an affordable accessory apartment (See Zoning Bylaw Section 4.4). Handouts addressing the process for these housing creations have been created and are available at the WTAHC desk on the third floor. They may also be downloaded from the town website.

Another way to help is by donating to the West Tisbury Affordable Housing Trust. This is a municipal trust whose funds are used solely for affordable housing.

The committee continues to update its comprehensive handbook, which contains the WTAHC guidelines to assist prospective affordable homeowners and developers seeking information on zoning issues and bylaws that affect affordable housing in West Tisbury. The handbook is available on the third floor at town hall, by calling the WTAHC administrative assistant or by emailing affordhouse@westtisbury-ma.gov.

Membership

The AHC announces our newest members, Susan Feller, member at-large and Angela Prout, alternate member. Their enthusiasm is welcomed.

The committee extends a welcome to the townspeople to join the committee in supporting housing. Anyone with ideas and a willingness to help create affordable housing should come to the meetings held on the second and fourth Tues. of the month at 7 PM in town hall.

At present, there is one vacant Planning Board appointee seat and one alternate position open.

This year the committee continues to search out opportunities to create and obtain affordable housing for West Tisbury. Many thanks go out to those individuals, businesses and organizations that have contributed and continue to give their time and expertise to creating affordable housing solutions and to helping the WTAHC reach their goals in the affordable housing endeavors.

Respectfully submitted by:

Larry Schubert, Building Dept. rep (Chair)
Mike Colaneri, Board of Assessor's Rep. (Vice Chair)
Glenn Hearn, Selectmen's Rep.
Henry Geller, Planning Board Rep.-Resigned
Ted Jochsberger, At-Large Rep.
Vickie Thurber, Board of Health Rep,
Susan Feller, New At-Large Rep
Angela Prout, New Alternate
Rhonda Conley, Administrative Assistant



Corner of Old County Road and West Tisbury Road - 1908

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen and
West Tisbury Residents:

As you all know by now, I am no longer your Animal Control Officer. Due to age and physical ailments, I am unable to do the job that I was appointed to do, I had to retire from the job I love. Lifting dogs into the back of the Animal Control vehicle was getting impossible. Also running to catch dogs, horses, cows etc. WAS impossible. The town now has a young lady who fits the bill to do the job. Her name is Prudence Fisher and her assistant is Tony Cordray who also is a good fit. You can reach them through the Communications Center, 508-693-1212. It kills me to leave this job but all good things must come to an end. I have enjoyed serving the town and knowing the residents and dogs and all animals, great and small.

Allen Healy, my able bodied assistant, also decided that he needed to leave the post and spend more time on his growing farm and be with his family. Allen was the best. He never said “no” when asked to help me in any situation and he was always available when needed. Thank you Allen.

During the year we had 790 calls either from the Communications Center or calls at home or on our cell phones. My last day was the end of October but in my heart I will always be looking out for animals in need of my assistance.

I want to thank the Board of Selectmen for appointing me to the job I love, and thank you to Jen and Pam for forwarding my calls. Also I want to thank the West Tisbury Police Department and the Highway Department for their assistance when I need them. Thank you to Animal Health Care for the use of their building as our pound. It has worked out really well for us and we hope we can continue to use it. Also I would like to thank the veterinarians here to help when we have an emergency and the other animal control officers for their ear and shoulder.

This has been a great job for me. Thank you.

Joannie
Joan Jenkinson

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

In calendar year 2016 we completed an interim year review of all properties in the Town as mandated by the State for fiscal year 2017. Values were based on the analysis of valid sales from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016. The fiscal year 2017 tax rate is set at **\$5.97**. Property values are available on our GIS website www.caigisonline.com.

The Board has successfully converted the CAMA database from Vision Appraisal to Patriot Properties of Marblehead, MA.

The final fiscal year 2016 total number of applications for Real Estate and Personal Property tax abatements was thirty seven. All applications have been successfully settled by the Board of Assessors.

The final approved tax rate information for fiscal year 2017 is as follows:

<u>TAX RECAPITULATION</u>	<u>FY2017</u>
<u>TAXABLE VALUE BY CLASS</u>	
Residential	2,413,720,715
Commercial	69,238,788
Industrial	8,583,600
Personal Property	40,327,780
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE	2,531,870,883
<u>ANNUAL TAX LEVY</u>	
Appropriations	19,630,084.78
Other Local Expenditures	37,912.95
State & County Assessments	190,712.00
Overlay	126,138.98
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	19,984,848.71
 Total estimated Receipts & Available Funds	 4,869,579.54
 NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	 <u>15,115,269.17</u>
TOTAL LEVY	

During calendar year 2017 (fiscal year 2018) the office will continue to look for ways to provide quality work to our citizens as efficiently as possible, mitigating costs wherever we can. The staff will continue to further their education in their efforts to serve the Town to the best of their abilities.

The office is located on the third floor of Town Hall. We are open from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Information about the department is available on the Assessor's page of the Town's website, www.westtisbury-ma.gov . Citizens can download their property records, generate abutters lists and view property photos at www.caigisonline.com.

Please contact the office if you have any questions or concerns about what we do. We look forward to continuing to serve the Town.

Sincerely,

Michael Colaneri, Chair
Richard Cohen, Member
Maria McFarland, Member
Dawn Barnes, Principal Assessor
Tammis Sprague, Data Collector/Assistant Assessor



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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Tick Borne Illness reduction program:

The tick program, operating as an island-wide six-town program since 2011 with Edgartown serving as the fiduciary agent, had another active year. Richard “Dick” Johnson, working in collaboration with Sam Telford of Tufts University, continued to conduct the field work component of the program as well as delivering the community education component offered throughout the year. Much of the focus continued to be on educating community members about ticks and tick-borne illnesses and how to avoid them. However, we also became much more active in initiating and leading the discussion on how to reduce the number of ticks Island wide.

Once again, we provided free yard surveys where we assessed potential tick habitat by ‘flagging’ the yard to collect and count a sample of the number of ticks present combined with assessing the types of vegetation and moisture level in the yard. We then worked with the property owner on ways to reduce tick habitat and ticks. In past years we focused on tick hotspots on Chappaquiddick and in Chilmark. This year we placed advertisements in both island newspapers offering the free yard surveys to residents in all six-island towns. The response was both gratifying and somewhat overwhelming. We conducted 160 yard surveys: 7 in Aquinnah, 62 in Chilmark, 36 in Edgartown, 18 in Oak Bluffs, 20 in Tisbury and 17 in West Tisbury. Each yard survey offers an opportunity to educate the public on a range of tick avoidance and illness prevention information. We also presented public forums at the Chappaquiddick Community Center and Chilmark Library, spoke to three homeowners associations, conducted a yard survey at the Vineyard Montessori School and spoke to classes at the Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School. We also participated in administering a deer herd reduction survey sponsored by the Vineyard Gazette that had 1311 responses with 79% of the respondents reporting being in favor of deer herd reduction to aid in tick reduction. The survey can be found at: <https://vineyardgazette.com/news/2016/09/15/survey-shows-strong-support-culling-island-deer-herd>.

As part of the discussion about ticks and tick borne illness on an Island-wide level, we wrote a number of newspaper articles, op-ed pieces and Letters to the Editor advocating reducing the number of deer on the Island. Generally, our published opinion in the media that deer herd reduction is an integral part of tick reduction was strongly supported in the public comments and letters to the editor following a number of articles. We also worked with 15 homeowners to allow access to their private property for hunting and when asked, matched the homeowner with a responsible hunter in the area.

The board of health website (mvboh.org) begun as part of the tick project in 2012 has continued to experience extensive public use. 5000 people accessed the site in 2016 with a spike in July following a front-page article in the Vineyard Gazette that referenced the website. In 2016 the website was viewed 11,000 times with 14% viewing the site at least twice. Since the site was created in 2012 there have been 15,000 unique visitors with 17% returning to view the site multiple times. The web page has been viewed over 37,000 times since it was started. We are encouraged by use of the site and plan to continue to build and refine the public health information we post here.

It is of most importance that the island as a whole remains vigilant in its efforts to combat tick-borne illnesses. The presence of the Lone Star tick for example, continues to provide new challenges and requires even greater efforts. The Lone Star tick carries its own combination of diseases similar to the deer tick. The established successful control measures for deer ticks of clearing brush and leaf litter to cause the ticks to die due to dehydration do not work with the Lone Star Tick. The Lone Star is more suited to the warm dry weather in the southern US and is capable of withstanding warm dry temperatures that would kill deer ticks. Clearing and drying of the landscape is largely ineffective Lone Star control. It is important to use DEET and permethrin treated clothing as the most effective preventative measures in areas where Lone Star ticks are likely to be encountered. Tick checks after spending time in areas where you may have been exposed also continue to be important. In 2017 the question of deer herd reduction should continue to be seriously considered by the towns especially now that deer will be the primary blood meal for the egg bearing female lone star ticks. The question of deer herd reduction will be entertained by the environmental committee with public input. Please visit the MVBOH.ORG website to view work to date, and stay tuned to developments regarding whether the island will participate in a rather innovative project involving the genetic modification of mice to assist in the eradication of tick borne illnesses.

Fertilizer Applicator Certification:

The spring, summer and fall of 2015 was the first year of working with the newly adopted Turf Fertilizer regulations that went into effect on January 1, 2015. The fertilizer regulations were conceived to protect the Island's surface and ground waters from impairment from excess nitrogen and phosphorus loading. Generally, excess nitrogen threatens coastal estuaries and drinking water, while excess phosphorus is a greater concern for fresh water ponds and streams. Both nutrients are important for plant growth and health and when applied in the correct amounts are absorbed by turf. In excess or used incorrectly, they threaten the island's drinking water and coastal ponds. Beginning in 2015 ACE MV did an outstanding job and deserves big thanks for arranging the classes and instructors, administering the certification tests and distributing certifications to the students. This program provided a great first step toward helping manage the nutrient contribution to the Vineyard embayment's from fertilizer.

We would like to remind all residents that the Visiting Nurse Association of Cape Cod conducts Free Wellness Clinics at the Howe's House on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 11:00-1:00pm, and at the West Tisbury Library on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 1:00-3:00pm. Questions call CCVNA at 508-957-7613 or the Board of Health at 508-696-0105

The Board would like to remind residents that a prescription drug drop off box is located at the West Tisbury Police Department. Residents wanting to properly dispose of unused medications can contact the Police department at 508-693-0020 for drop-off information.

Mass Department of Public Health (MDPH) continues to issue date certain Emergency management "deliverables" or mandates for the BOH to satisfy. The Board works with many different agencies locally such as the Hospital, Martha's Vineyard Medical Reserve Corp, Dukes County Emergency Management, and the six Town's Boards of Health. As part of the MDPH's "Region 5B Coalition "(Cape & Islands) the BOH continues to make progress establishing a functioning "Medical Reserve Corp" (MRC) of medically trained and none medically trained volunteers who are able to help in the event of an emergency. For more information on becoming a medical or non-medical volunteer you can contact the MRC at their website (www.mvmedicalreservecorps.org), by e-mail at admin@medicalreservecorps.org, by phone at 508-696-3811, or by fax at 508-696-3841.

This year the Island Wide Flu Clinics was held at the Martha's Vineyard High School on October 1st. The clinic was all walk in and was setup in the cafeteria for adults, children and their families.

The Board issued the following licenses and permits in 2016.

Semi-Public Swimming Pool Permits	2
Bathing Beaches.....	7
Bed & Breakfast Permits	1
Camp Permits.....	3
Well Permits.....	27
Septic System Permits	41
Lawn Fertilizer License	22
Food Establishment Permits	28*
Temporary Food Establishment Permits.....	6**
Motel Permit (Youth Hostel)	1
Tent Permits	1
Septic Pumping permits	163
Septic Hauler License	5
Septic Installer License.....	15
Tobacco Vendors License	2
Pool Permits	2
Barn Permits.....	5

* Includes restaurants, food stores, caterers & bakers with approved home kitchens.

** Vendors at Farmers' Market, Fair, and other special events.

The Refuse District processed and shipped over 7,000 tons in 2016 of waste and construction material. Over 6,000 tons of the material was delivered to SEMASS Waste to Energy Facility in Rochester Ma., and the remaining tonnage (1,000) was recycled Construction Material delivered to New England Recycling located in Taunton, Ma.. Our recycling efforts also removed over 1,200 tons of mixed single stream recycling, 200 tons of various metals, over 200 batteries, 15 tons of tires, and 500 tons of leaves/brush.

We are proud to announce that over 500 households participated in the District's Hazardous Household Waste Collection program during 2016. After 27 years, the program continues to grow and provide Island residents the opportunity to dispose of hazardous material in an environmentally correct and safe way.

Harmful Household Hazardous Waste Collection dates are held on the *third Saturday* each of the following months with no charge to residents.

Mercury Elements and Florescent light bulbs accepted at all four District drop-off center at no charge during regular business hours.

(Please watch our local newspaper for dates and any changes to come)

The collection location is held at the Refuse District located @ 750 West Tisbury Rd. Edgartown. (Please watch our local newspapers for dates and any changes)

The collection location is held at the Refuse District located @ 750 West Tisbury Rd. Edgartown.

A Salute to a Dedicated Employee:

This year ushered in the retirement of Mr. John Powers and the start of new Health Agent Omar Johnson as his replacement. Mr. Powers served in the position for over 29 years and provided a level and quality of service that will be difficult to match due to his dedication, passion for the job, and his many years of experience.

In conclusion, the Board would also like to thank like to thank the following for the time and effort in fulfilling the various responsibilities of their positions: Recently retired Animal inspectors Joan Jenkinson, and new Animal inspectors Prudence Fisher and Anthony Cordray.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Barnett, Chairman
Erik Lowe
Hans Van Nes

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

Single Family Residences (SFR)	9	Private Swimming Pool	5
Modular SFR	2	Fence over 6'	3
Guest House	4	Retaining Wall	2
Residential Additions	15	Demolition	8
Residential Alterations	16	Move Structure	3
Residential Renovation	14	Roofing	10
Residential Renovation/Alteration	3	Foundation	8
Detached Accessory Apartment	2	Wood Stove	5
Detached Garage	6	Insulation	13
Detached Bedroom	1	Minor Work	49
Detached Accessory Structure	1	Minor Work +	7
Garage w/Detached Bedroom	0	Minor Work S	1
Dry Studio	1	Sign	0
Screened Porch	0	Commercial Minor Work	2
Change of Use	3	Commercial New Construction	3
Change of Contractor	2	Commercial Alteration	3
Craft Workshop	2	Commercial Addition	0
Barn	0	Commercial Renovation	0
Pickle Ball Court	0	Sprinkler System	0
Enforcement Order	3	Annual Inspection	6
Shed	4	Fire Protection System	2
Tent for Storage	0	Smoke Detector Installation	1
Camping Vehicle	1	Sheet Metal	57
Solar Array- Roof Mount	34	Electric Permits	522
Solar Array- Ground Mount	7	Gas Permits	163
		Plumbing Permits	181

Total Permit Fees Collected	\$147,630.11
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LPG License (2000+ Gallons)	0
LPG Construction	84
LPG Removal	5
Fuel Oil Tanks & Burners	10
Underground Oil Tank Removal	2
Total Fire Permit Fees Collected	\$4,700.00

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph K. Tierney, Jr., Inspector of Buildings
Jeffrey Fisher, Local Inspector

REPORT OF THE CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

West Tisbury Activities

Cape Light Compact is an award-winning energy services organization operated by the 21 towns and two counties on Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard. The Compact's mission is to serve its 200,000 customers through the delivery of proven energy efficiency programs, effective consumer advocacy, competitive electricity supply and green power options. For more information, visit www.capelightcompact.org.

POWER SUPPLY – Stability, Security and Green Power Options

Calendar year 2016 was slightly less volatile than prior years in terms of delivered natural gas prices, which resulted in lower and more stable electricity pricing overall.

The combination of milder-than-expected real-time wholesale electricity prices in the winter of 2014-2015, a relatively warm 2015 fall season, and the continuation of a New England-wide winter reliability program led to lower forward power pricing for the winter of 2015-2016 than the record highs seen in the 2014-2015 winter. Customers benefitted from this in the form of lower retail electricity prices, and based on these market factors, the Compact made a decision in December 2015 to lock in a rate for twelve months rather than go with the normal six-month pricing. The twelve-month rate was lower than Eversource's January-June Basic Service rate, which helped to mitigate impacts to customers' winter electric bills. This meant that Compact customers saved a cumulative total of approximately \$3.2 million over Basic Service from January through June.

Despite lower and more stable prices this year, New England continues to face electricity pricing challenges associated with the limited pipeline capacity that delivers natural gas to electric generators, which supply over fifty percent of New England's electricity. The pipeline constraint is only an issue for a limited number of hours in the winter, when gas is also used for heating homes, creating a supply shortage and increased pricing for generators, thereby increasing the price for every megawatt hour they produce. Until such time as this issue is addressed, either through additional infrastructure, demand reduction or other targeted programs, the possibility of future high winter pricing remains, and as such, consumers should still expect seasonal pricing fluctuations for the foreseeable future.

The Compact continues to provide power supply to commercial customers through its contract with NextEra Energy Services and to residential customers through ConEdison Solutions. As of November 2016, the Compact had approximately 1,917 electric accounts in the Town of West Tisbury on its power supply.

CONSUMER ADVOCACY – Committed to Consumer Interests

Since 1997, Cape Light Compact has advocated for the ratepayers of Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard at the local and state level. In 2015, the Compact continued its focus on grid modernization, reviewing the plans submitted by the utilities in August 2015 and beginning to engage stakeholders about the plan and its implications for the energy future of Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard. The Compact was granted full party status in Eversource's grid modernization plan review docket at the Department of Public Utilities (DPU), meaning the Compact will have the opportunity to take an active role in the adjudicatory review process of the plan. There are several key areas of concern to the Compact and Cape and Vineyard ratepayers, and the Compact will continue to engage our member communities to make sure they have a voice in these important decisions that will have a major impact on how energy is used and consumed on the Cape and Vineyard.

The Compact was also a participant in the DPU dockets for the proposals that were put forth this year by the state's two main electric distribution companies (EDCs), Eversource and National Grid, to contract for new natural gas pipelines and pass costs on to electric consumers. The EDC's proposed to have the costs of expanding natural gas pipelines paid by electric rate payers through increased distribution charges. The Compact noted that this concept is contrary to the 1997 Massachusetts Restructuring Act. The Compact objected to having electric rate payers fund natural gas pipelines, and supported the position that natural gas pipelines be funded by natural gas customers and natural gas company shareholders. In early FY 17, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court ruled the utilities' proposed funding concept illegal, stating the proposal "would reexpose ratepayers to the very types of risks that the Legislature sought to protect them from when it enacted the restructuring act." This ruling put an end to the concept of electric ratepayers funding natural gas pipelines. As such, while the pipeline constraint issue remains, electric ratepayers are protected from exposure to the financial risks associated with these expensive pipelines.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY – Saving Energy and Money

Jan – Nov 2016	# of Participants	Customer Savings	kWh Saved	Rebates/ Incentives Paid to Customers
Low Income	4	\$669.40	3,347	\$16,414.25
Residential	161	\$25,570.60	127,853	\$148,537.99
Commercial	13	\$8,314.80	41,574	\$61,671.15
Total	178	\$34,554.80	172,774	\$226,623.39

Please note that this data does not include activity that occurred in December 2016. Please visit www.capelightcompact.org/reports for complete information.

In November 2016, the Compact learned that Eversource plans to file a rate case for its distribution service territory on Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard for the first time in nearly twenty years. The Compact plans to petition the DPU for intervention in the case to help ensure that the interests of the ratepayers on Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard are protected.

The Compact also continues to participate in dockets related to the retail electric market, pushing for policies that promote a competitive power supply market while ensuring common-sense protections for consumers.

Funding for the energy efficiency programs (i.e. energy audits for homes and businesses, rebates on the purchase of energy efficient appliances and energy education in our schools) comes from a monthly customer "energy conservation" charge (\$0.0025 cents multiplied by the number of kilowatt hours used during the month) and a portion of the "distribution charge" (\$0.01802 for residential customers and \$0.01343 for commercial and industrial customers) that appears on each customer's electric bill.

Other Cape Light Compact efforts include:

- 5 ENERGY STAR® qualified homes were built in the Town of West Tisbury.
- The Cape Light Compact's Energy Education Program continues to support teachers and students through classroom materials, standards-based education curriculum, teacher training and sponsors the all-island 5th grade Solar Car Race held in June. In addition, the Compact helps to sponsor educational efforts of the Living Local Festival held at the grange hall in October.
- Lighting upgrades were completed at the Fire Station.

West Tisbury Representative – Sue Hruby
West Tisbury Alternate – Jennifer Rand

REPORT OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLANNING COMMITTEE

Introduction

The Capital Improvements Planning Committee is charged with reviewing “proposed capital outlays, projects and improvements involving major tangible assets and projects” with a view to recommending those capital improvement projects which should be undertaken over the next five years. These assets and projects are defined as those costing over \$25,000 and having a useful life of five years or more. Our charge is to prepare a capital budget for the next fiscal year, considering the relative need, impact, timing and cost of the various requested expenditures, as well as to project a capital program for the next five years. The following narrative and the chart at the end of this report outline the FY2018 capital budget, as well as projections for the capital program for the next five years, through FY2023.

Summary

If all of the FY2018 requests are approved, we will spend a total of \$1,638,291 on new and existing capital expenditures (including regionally assessed debt). For FY2018, this spending breaks down as follows:

- \$1,337,291 in general fund debt payments
- \$107,500 on Town projects funded by CPA
- \$193,500 in free cash, redirected prior appropriations or other general funds.

Policy

- The Town and the Board of Selectmen shall adhere to the Capital Improvement by-law, by ensuring that all capital spending requests are placed on a Town Meeting warrant only after they have been evaluated and prioritized by the Capital Improvements Planning Committee.
- The Town’s capital improvement program shall provide for consistent debt service and capital spending that is as close to level as possible over time, so that taxes do not fluctuate excessively due to capital spending.

Recommendations

- The Committee commends the work of the Facilities Maintenance consultant Louis de Geofroy and that of the Facilities Maintenance Committee. We recommend that the Town continue the process that will result in a formal and permanent Facilities Management Program, by ensuring that the implementation phase is adequately staffed and funded going forward.
- Currently, Town departments take responsibility for maintenance of the buildings and other physical assets under their control in their annual budgets. The committee recommends that the Town move to budgeting for and management of its facilities on a town-wide basis, effective with the 2019 fiscal year.

- The Committee recommends that the Town and the Finance Committee support maintenance budget lines adequate to maintain the value and condition of the Town's buildings and equipment in a proactive manner.
- The Committee recommends that the new Facilities Maintenance plan should incorporate energy efficiency as a central part of its mission, and work in concert with the Energy Committee to carry that out.

Recent Capital Events

- Construction of a new Highway Building was authorized in April 2016; at this writing, the building is near completion, ahead of schedule and on or below budget.
- The renovations and repairs at the West Tisbury School are underway.

Requested Capital Projects FY2018 – FY2023

Following is a chart with accompanying notes for the FY2018 items. The Committee has set priorities for the capital requests using the following coding:

<u>Priority Code</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
1	This project must be completed , as it is necessary for public health and safety, to meet our legal obligations or for reasons of fiscal prudence.
2	This project should be completed to maintain or expand our existing assets.
3	This project is useful but not essential at this time.

(Please note that projects are rated according to their present priority, so may get a higher priority as time goes by.)

Affordable Housing. The Island Housing Trust (IHT) has been selected by the Town of West Tisbury to develop nine apartments in seven buildings with a maximum of 18 bedrooms on town owned land. The total estimated project costs are \$2,897,000. \$900,000 of CPA funding has already been appropriated by the town at the fall 2016 special town meeting and an additional \$500,000 in Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding (including an authorization to borrow) is being requested to help pay for this development at the spring 2017 town meeting. IHT will also be applying to the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston for \$480,000 in competitive grant funding in September of 2017, applying for a \$550,000 25-year bank loan, and fundraising \$467,000 from private donors and foundations to cover the balance. In exchange for CPA funding, IHT will record an affordability restriction in the land disposition and ground lease agreement with the Town.

Animal Control. The 2006 vehicle for the animal control officer needs to be replaced. The amount requested for the 2017 annual town meeting will fund purchasing and equipping the new vehicle.

County Building. The county was authorized to borrow to acquire a building to house the Island Senior Center and an expanded Senior Day Program with

the MV Center for Living at the April 2015 town meeting. At this writing, the purchase of the building has been completed and some renovations of the new space have begun.

Energy Committee. During the past year building alterations financed by the 2012 Green Communities grant were essentially completed, with one small project remaining in Fire Station 1. The lighting fixture replacement program on town streets, financed by Cape Light Compact, was also finished. While small, this effort reduced street light energy expenditures by 88%. Together, these programs have reduced overall Town energy usage by 5%. Howes House, with the most improvement, saw a 16% reduction in energy consumption. Concurrently, there has been a substantial shift from fossil fuel to non-carbon derived, self-generated electricity. The production of electricity by the newly constructed photovoltaic array over the Town landfill has now provided over a year's cumulative data. Details can be found in the Energy Committee report.

Fire Department. The department is requesting the next new pumper fire truck earlier than planned, due to the condition of the 1987 truck it will replace. The FY2018 request is for authorization to borrow all but the \$60,000 already set aside in FY2017, for a total expected cost of \$460,000. The existing fire hydrant tank at Fire Station #1 needs to be upgraded and expanded, in part due to the planned affordable housing development at the adjacent property. A total of \$100,000 will be requested, with half to come from CPA funds in FY2018 and the other half to be raised and appropriated by the Town in FY2019.

Highways. With major road resurfacing now complete, the Town plans to continue to accumulate Ch. 90 state grant funds, and to set aside funds beginning in FY2019 or 2020 toward future road repairs in a stabilization fund that was set up for that purpose in the fall of 2013.

The Planning Board has formed a subcommittee to work on the Town's participation in the State's Complete Streets program. A Complete Street is one that provides safe and accessible options for all travel modes - walking, biking, transit and vehicles – for people of all ages and abilities. An island-wide committee is active through the MVC, and West Tisbury is participating. Currently the Town is applying for a \$50,000 planning grant from the state. There will be a public hearing to get feedback from residents, and the Committee will apply for a \$400,000 grant. It is too soon to know whether the Town will have to contribute money toward any future projects.

Mill Brook Watershed. The Mill Brook Watershed Study Planning Committee is currently reviewing the data from the ESS Group's baseline assessment of the watershed along with other data collected and recorded by local/regional project partners. The Committee is developing a report with conclusions and recommendations to the Selectmen as to how best, over the long term, to continue to monitor and responsibly manage this critical resource. The report is expected spring 2017.

Police. The police have adopted a program of replacing one vehicle each year, and the FY2018 request is for the balance needed to purchase the next vehicle, in addition to the \$15,000 set aside at the 2016 annual town meeting.

Refuse District. The MVRRD has developed a design for a revised layout of the central facility. This design separates residential and commercial traffic, to relieve congestion and improve safety and processing efficiency. A vote to authorize this project and the related borrowing will be presented to all four member towns at their 2017 town meetings.

Schools. A study is underway for several alternatives to repair, upgrade and renovate or replace the high school building.

Town Buildings. In FY2014, the Town began to set aside funds annually toward future building repairs and maintenance in a stabilization fund. For FY2017, a number of deferred maintenance items requiring immediate attention, totaling just under \$100,000, were funded directly instead. The report of the facilities management consultant reveals that this will be the case for several years more, as the town catches up on some deferred maintenance. A full report from the Facilities Management Committee is planned for the 2017 annual town meeting. Very substantial progress has been made toward bringing a town-wide Facilities Management Plan to fruition. This work will help the Town to implement the migration of major maintenance items to one new central line in the annual budget and to fund that line, as well as to fund an annual stabilization fund contribution at appropriate levels in FY2019.

Tri-Town Ambulance. There are three Tri-Town ambulances, one stationed in each town. One ambulance was replaced in FY2014; a second is scheduled to be replaced in FY2017. Since the ambulance service began charging insurance companies, it has reserved 20% of the receipts for such capital expenditures; those reserves are expected to be sufficient to purchase the next ambulance, and most of the third ambulance which is likely to be purchased within the next three years. The ambulance service goal is to purchase a new ambulance every five years thereafter.

The Committee thanks the Town departments and regional entities for their assistance and input.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Orcutt (Finance Committee)
Michael Colaneri (Assessors)
Sue Hruby (At-Large)
Cynthia Mitchell (Selectmen)
Kathy Logue (Treasurer)
Leah Smith (Planning Board)
Bruce Stone (Town Accountant)
Joseph Tierney (Building Inspector)

FY2018 CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROJECTED CAPITAL PROGRAM FY2019-2023

Department	Capital Item	Total Amount	Priority	Funding Method(s)	Voted FY2017	Proposed FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	PAYOFF
Projected Capital Program:												
Affordable Housing	Scott's Grove Housing Project	\$1,400,000	2	CPA/Bond	900,000	57,500	56,750	56,000	55,250	54,500	53,750	2027
Animal Control	New ACO vehicle	\$31,000	2	Taxes	0	31,000						
Fire	Fire Trucks	500,000	1	Bond	60,000	86,000	84,800	83,600	82,400	81,200	0	2022
Fire	Upgrade hydrant at Station #1	100,000	1	CPA/Taxes	0	50,000	50,000					
Fire	Fire Station #1 repaving	45,000	1	Taxes	0	0	45,000					
Police	Vehicles	Ongoing	1	Taxes	15,000	27,500	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	
Refuse	District Redesign/expansion	2,500,000	1	Reg. Assess	0	36,813	35,941	35,069	34,197	33,325	32,453	2037
Town Buildings (2)	Town Building Maintenance	Ongoing	1	Taxes/Bond	45,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	
	Subtotal Projected Capital Program	1,020,000				388,813	412,491	314,669	311,847	309,025	226,203	
Existing Projects:												
Chilmark School (4)	Construction	\$338,500	1	Reg. Assess	19,744	18,826	16,933					2019
County Building	Center for Living County Bldg.	1,600,000	3	Reg. Assess	0	30,661	29,940	29,218	28,497	27,775	27,054	2026
Field Gallery	Land & building acquired	625,000	1	Bond & CPA	24,420	0						2017
Fire	Fire Station #1 ventilation	35,500	1	Taxes	35,500							
Highway	Highway Building	925,500	1	Bond	-17,131	109,637	108,405	107,173	105,941	118,260	114,318	2026
Highway	New Highway Dump Truck	68,000	1	Bond	68,000							2021
Highway	Road resurfacing	2,588,800	1	Bond/St. Grant	200,883	197,683	194,483	191,283	183,133	180,033	176,933	2028
Library	Expand building	1,500,000	1	Bond	129,275	127,275	125,275	123,275	121,275	119,275	117,275	2035
MVRHS (2013) (3)	Roof/Exterior Repairs	304,000	1	Reg. Assess	35,712	34,848	33,984	33,120	32,256	31,392	30,528	2024
Police	New station	2,495,000	1	Taxes/Bond	66,350	187,600	183,850	180,725	176,975	173,225	169,475	2035

Department	Capital Item	Total Amount	Priority	Funding Method(1)	Voted FY2017	Proposed FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	PAYOFF
Town Hall	Construction/Expansion	4,450,000	1	Bond	327,525	321,944	315,481	308,431	301,381	294,331	287,134	2029
Up Island Council on Aging	Replace Howes Roof	60,000	1	Bond	60,000							2026
WT School (2011)	Repair/renovate exterior	1,200,000	1	Reg. Assess	134,850	132,450	130,050	127,500	124,650	121,575	0	2022
WT School (2016)	New Playground	500,000	2	Taxes or CPA	160,000							
WT School (2016)	Repair/renovate Interior	995,000	1	Reg. Assess	89,550	88,555	87,560	86,565	85,570	95,520	92,336	2025
		Subtotal Projected Capital Program			1,334,677	1,249,478	1,225,961	1,187,290	1,159,678	1,161,386	1,015,053	
Total					\$2,354,677	\$1,638,291	\$1,638,451	\$1,501,959	\$1,471,525	\$1,470,411	\$1,241,256	

(1) For projects that are funded by a bond issue, the cost/fiscal year includes interest and principal on debt service payments; the actual cost of issuing the bond is NOT included.
(2) Two Stabilization Funds were authorized in April 2013, to begin funding ongoing repairs/maintenance of town buildings and roads, as major construction/renovation projects were nearing completion. In addition, State Ch. 90 funds of approximately \$80,000 should also be available annually; these funds are not shown the chart above. Near term building maintenance expenditures will be spent directly, rather than being set aside in the stabilization fund.
(3) School debt assessments are tied to percentage enrolled per town, so these figures will fluctuate annually with enrollment; the total amounts shown are that portion (approx.) of the total that the Town of West Tisbury will be assessed over the life of the bond.

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Voters and Taxpayers:

The three West Tisbury Cemeteries have been very nicely maintained this year, with welcome progress on repairing or replacing portions of the fence surrounding the West Tisbury Cemetery. More work needs to be done there, and is an ongoing maintenance need.

Computerizing cemetery records and creating additional cremation lots has also proceeded as the call for full-sized burial plots has decreased, and the number of cremation burials has increased. A new price list for burial plots was adopted by the Commissioners, as was an updated set of cemetery regulations. Copies of which are available at Town Hall, and on the town website.

The Commissioners thank Richard Olsen, Highway Department Superintendent and his assistants, Jesse Oliver and Dwight Kaeka (DJ) for all their hard work. We also extend our thanks to Cemetery Superintendent, John Alley and his assistants, Brian Athearn and Glenn Hearn. Special thanks to Glenn who retired this year after many years of service. Jesse Oliver was appointed to this position on November 17th. Breezy Pines Landscape has maintained the cemetery grounds and kept them in order. We extend our thanks to them as well.

There were 16 burials, and the town sold 10 cemetery lots this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Knabel, Chair
J. Skipper Manter
Cynthia E. Mitchell

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

At Annual Town Meeting in 2005, the Town voted to adopt the provisions of the Community Preservation Act (CPA), which established a nine member Community Preservation Committee (CPC) to receive applications for funding and make recommendations to the Town. CPA funds are derived from a 3% surcharge on real estate taxes, supplemented annually by state funds from the Massachusetts Community Preservation Trust Fund. Each year, depending on revenues, the State pays a percentage of the surcharge to the Town. The supplemental funding percentages for each year are as follows;

FY2007	-	100%	FY2012	-	44%
FY2008	-	100%	FY2013	-	84%
FY2009	-	94%	FY2014	-	51%
FY2010	-	55%	FY2015	-	47.5%
FY2011	-	44%			

This translates into \$2,040,384 of State funding since the adoption of the Community Preservation Act by the Town of West Tisbury.

CPA funds may be used to support the preservation or restoration of historic resources, the creation and support of community housing, and the acquisition or preservation of open space, including recreational use.

Information about the CPC and the projects currently under consideration is available on the Town website, http://www.westtisbury-ma.gov/CPC/index_cpc.html. The CPC invites applications for CPA funding in any of the categories listed above at any time during the year, and urges potential applicants to attend its meetings or to contact its members.

In FY2016, the CPC received 10 applications. On the basis of public input and its own evaluation, the CPC denied 4 of the applications and recommended the remaining 6 projects for funding on the Warrant for Annual Town Meeting in April 2016; All of them of them were approved by the voters, in addition to continued support for debt service on the Town Hall bond issue for the Maley/Field Gallery Purchase.

- Dukes County Regional Housing Authority-Rental Assistance, \$92,000
- Kuehn's Way Affordable Housing Project-Town of Tisbury, \$100,000.
- Partnership for Accessory Apartments Program, \$7,500
- Mayhew Chapel Rehab and Preservation, \$10,000
- Martha's Vineyard Camp Meeting Association Tabernacle benches and chairs renovation, \$30,000
- West Tisbury School Playground Big Toy Project, \$145,000

- In FY2017, the CPC received 1 application for the Special Town Meeting held on Nov. 1st, 2016, Island Housing Trust Application for Scott's Grove Affordable Housing Project, \$900,000.

In the fall of this year, the CPC received 9 applications, 3 of which were denied. The remaining 6 proposals will be presented to the voters at the 2017 Annual Town Meeting.

The CPC welcomes comments, suggestions, and new proposals from all residents of West Tisbury during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Bea Phear, Planning Board-Chair
Cheryl Lowe, Park and Recreation
Nancy Dole, Historic District Commission
Gary Montrowl, Finance Committee
Lesley Eaton, Member at Large
Scott Stearns, Member at Large
Glenn Hearn, Affordable Housing Committee
Tara Whiting, Conservation Commission
Dale Julier, Dukes County Regional Housing Authority



Jeremy Mayhew at Johnson House

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To The Board of Selectmen:

In 2016 the Conservation Commission processed twice as many permit applications as it did in 2015. Several properties were sold, generating an increase in the number of Certificates of Compliance for old projects.

In our work to administer the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the Town's local wetlands Bylaw the following determinations of jurisdiction and permits called Orders of Condition were issued for projects in or near inland wetlands and coastal resource area. The Commission is also charged with managing Town owned conservation land and participates in the review of Conservation Restrictions between land owners and conservation groups.

If you are interested in participating in the work of the Commission there are two Associate Member positions available.

Administrative Reviews

Map 7 Lot 44 (Billowitz/ removal of hazardous tree)

Map 11 Lot 41.1/101 (Vona/dead tree removal)

Map 32 Lot 48 (DeBraganca/tree pruning)

Determinations

Map 7 Lot 51 (Viviano/well replacement)

Map 11 Lot 109.2 (Ross/driveway)

Map 32 Lot 48 (Brooks& Horwitz/replacement of fish ladder)

Orders of Conditions

Map 1 Lots 26, 28 & 29SE 79-370 (Weiss, Hammond and Marshall/view channel)

Map 1 Lot 35.2/SE -371 (Keravuori/demolition of existing house/new construction)

Map 6 Lot 7/WTCC2016-2 (Paul's Point Area Realty Trust/ widen cart path)

Map 7 Lot 13/SE79-365(Medowski –guest house)

Map 7 Lot 27.2/Se79-369 (Campbell- septic system upgrade)

Map 7 Lots 32, 34, 76 & 81/SE79- 372 (Black Brook Crossing/replacement of failed culvert)

Map 7 Lot 69/WTCC2016-1 (Smith/septic system)

Map 11 Lots 39 & 109/SE79-367 (Land Bank/Manaquayak Preserve/trails)

Map 13 Lots 4 & 5/SE79-362 (Cedar Tree Neck/Trails & view channel)

Map 13 Lot 8/SE79-363 (Ephraim Road LLC/ stone wall/withdrawn)

Map 14 Lot 2/SE79-360 (Dreier/view channels/withdrawn)

Map 14 Lot 2/SE79-368(Dreier/addition, guest house & view channels)

Map 23 Lot 1/SE79-374 (Merrills Haven LLC/garage conversion)

Map 34 Lot 10/SE79-361(Thomas/ Phragmites removal)
Map 34 Lot 10.1/SE79-366 (55 Carl's Way Trust –mowing)
Map 35 Lot 6.2/SE79-373 (Torrence/boardwalk/kayak platform)
Map 35 Lot 6.3/SE79-333 (Segal/Amendment/landscaping)

Extension Permits

Map 1 Lot 2/SE79-340 (Herget/ house addition)

Certificates of Compliance

Map 1 Lot 26 /SE 79-129/40 Norton Farm Road
Map 1 Lot 26 /SE 79-146/40 Norton Farm Road
Map 1 Lot 35.2/SE79-87/5 Naushon Road
Maps 2 & 8 Lots 9.1 & 39/SE79-227
(Black Water Brook Reservation/trails/ invasive species removal)
Map 3 Lots 73.1, 73.2& 79SE79-298 (Alton/driveway)
Map 6 Lot 6/SE79-301 (SB Vineyard LLC/Landscaping)
Map 7 Lot 36/SE79-256 (Silber/septic system and addition)
Map 7 Lot 91/SE79-43 (Rice/Septic system)
Map 8 Lots 22.13/SE79-99 (Cabral/Tree removal)
Map 11 Lot 43/SE79-326 (Ravitch/ boardwalk)
Map 14 Lots 1 & 2/SE79-80 (Dreier/ dredge pond)
Map 23 Lot 3.1/SE79-315 (Lauprete/landscape work)
Map 23 Lot 3.1/SE79-332(Lauprete / barn restoration)
Map 34 Lot 10/SE79-361 (Thomas/Phragmites project withdrawn)
Map 34 Lot 10.2/SE79-329 (Yale/house)
Map 36 Lot 43/SE79 and 160 (Moss/ landscaping)

Conservation Restrictions:

Map 38 Lot 1/Amendment (The Nature Conservancy) -The Commission did not recommend approval of the proposed amendment.
Map 39 Lot 2.1 Conservation Restriction between Marjorie M. Yoars and the Trustees of Reservations

Ongoing projects:

Map 3 Lot 91/SE79-357 Lambert's Cove Beach monitoring: Thanks to Reid Silva of Vineyard Land Surveying & Engineering for agreeing to undertake the task of monitoring the elevation of the dune where the path to Lambert's Cove Beach sits. In March, members of the Commission along with young Everett Healy planted 1,000 beach grass culms to aid in stabilization of the coastal dune.

James Pond: Since February of 2016 the Commission has been working with Johnny Hoy, the herring warden, and Brad Chase of the Division of Marine Fisheries on an application for a permit to open and maintain the channel at James Pond for fish passage. In November, Town meeting approved \$9,000 for surveying and engineering work to ascertain site conditions and meet permitting requirements.

Conservation Land Management:

Brandy Brow: In October, a group of volunteers donated their time and financial resources to the planting of 500 daffodils bulbs on Brandy Brow. Many thanks to all the hands that helped make this happen.

Map 18 Lot 1/Margaret K. Littlefield Greenlands: The Commission amended the management plan to prohibit any commercial use of this conservation property.

The Commission also conducted monitoring site visits and addressed issues on properties covered by agricultural and conservation restrictions that are held by the Town and/or third party conservation agencies.

Members:

This year the Commission welcomed John Brannen as a full member. There are two associate member seats available.

In addition to their Conservation Commission duties, members also serve as appointees to other committees. Tara Whiting is the appointee to the Community Preservation Committee. Binnie Ravitch sits on the West Tisbury Land Bank Advisory Board and Prudy Burt sits on the Mill Brook Watershed Management Planning Committee.

The Commission office also fielded numerous calls concerning jurisdiction over a variety of minor projects in the Buffer Zone and monitored the progress of ongoing or under construction projects.

The Commission will continue to hear applications under the Wetlands Protection Act and the West Tisbury Wetlands Protection Bylaw during regular meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 5:00 P.M. Our meetings are held in the Selectmen's meeting room on the second floor of Town Hall and are open to all. We welcome your presence and your participation

Tara Whiting, Chair
Whit Griswold, Vice-Chair
John Brannen
Prudy Burt
Michael Turnell
Binnie Ravitch
Peter Rodegast
Maria McFarland, Board Administrator



Dolph Maning Crow Hollow



Garden Club

REPORT OF THE DATA PROCESSING DEPARTMENT

During FY 2016 we continued with our goal to keep both our hardware and software, including web-based applications and the town web page, well maintained and up to date. We do this within our annual budget so that our costs to the taxpayers are as constant as possible from year to year. Major accomplishments included:

- Conversion to new tax collection software, which is hosted online and allows for both online payments of all West Tisbury taxes and lookups of your tax and payment history.
- Completed migration of some software to a new server, and took the oldest server offline.
- Ran a thorough trial of restoring data from backups, to improve our preparedness for disaster recovery and cyber attack
- Upgrading and increasing our licensing for operating systems and document management.
- Replaced oldest four printers and provided hardware for the new building department position.

Every year, more information is available online on the town's website: www.westtisbury-ma.gov. The Town Clerk has made the agendas and minutes of the various town committee and board meetings available from the town website or directly at the following website, where you can subscribe to notices of any meetings you are interested in: <http://www.mytown-government.org/02575>

The new tax collection software can be found from the Tax Collector's webpage or directly at the following link:
<https://epay.cityhallsystems.com/?key=westtisbury.ma.us>

The Assessors' data on each parcel of land, including GIS maps and building photographs, can be found from their webpage or directly at http://www.caigisonline.com/West_TisburyMA/.

We thank you for your support of our ongoing efforts to keep the town up to date.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Logue & Bruce K. Stone
Data Processing Department

REPORT OF THE ELDER SERVICES OF CAPE COD AND THE ISLANDS, INC

To the Board of Selectman:

Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands was founded in 1972 as a private, not-for-profit community-based organization dedicated to promoting the welfare, enhancing the quality of life, and maintaining the dignity of older citizens. The agency has grown to become an integral part of the Massachusetts Aging Service Network. A complete list of state and federally funded programs administered by Elder Services is attached.

Collaboration with local community resources and the engagement of volunteers are essential components of our services.

In FY 16 our Nutrition Program served 46,739 meals purchased from Martha's Vineyard Hospital. 252 seniors were served at Elder Services' Dining Centers located at local senior centers. 245 seniors received meals delivered to their homes by a corps of over 70 Meals on Wheels volunteers.

Our Home Care Program provides eligible elders the supportive services they need to live safely and independently at home or respite for family caregivers. A professional Elder Services caremanager develops a care plan based on individual need. Support services which may include personal care, meal preparation, shopping, homemaking, emergency response systems and adult day care are purchased from local service providers.

Mature Worker Program participants are receiving on-the-job training at Felix Neck Sanctuary and Martha's Vineyard Center for Living. Senior Service Corps Volunteers are providing transportation services for Vineyard Village at Home. A volunteer Nursing Home Ombudsman regularly visits residents of Windemere Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Elder Services has been an active member of the Dukes County Health Council since its inception; we serve on the Oversight Committee of its Healthy Aging-Martha's Vineyard task force. Our Protective Services Unit has joined Martha's Vineyard Community Services' Connect to End Violence elder abuse prevention effort and our Nutrition Program participated in the Island Food Equity Network Summit. We look forward to active participation in these local initiatives.

In October 2016, The Area Agency on Aging under the auspices of Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands distributed Older Americans Act funds to the following local agencies.

Island Health Care Community Health Center ("My Life My Health program, \$5,343).

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living (Transportation to Medical appointments on Cape Cod, \$3,477).

Martha's Vineyard Community Services (Caregiver Support Group, \$5,220).

Martha's Vineyard Community Services (Assessment, intervention and referral mental health and substance abuse services, \$5,220).

Tri-Town Ambulance Service (Tri-Town Ambulance Elder Wellness Care Transit Service, \$6,000).

Elder Services uses federal, state, town and private funds to provide services. The value of these funds is greatly enhanced by Town support, the cooperative efforts of community organizations and the many Island residents who volunteer their time and skills. We appreciate the value of the support we receive and expect to continue to work collaboratively and productively with local resources to meet the challenges of the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacque Cage, MV Director



Nancy Luce House

REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY ENERGY COMMITTEE

The Energy Committee seeks to enhance the ability of the Town and its Residents to shape their future through conservation and the introduction of alternative (renewable) energy technologies. Our intent is not only to minimize costs, but to reduce dependency on environmentally degrading fuels. The committee focuses on methods to develop and implement a clear, comprehensive energy program for our town and, in concert with other groups, for the Island.

During the past year building alterations financed by the 2012 Green Communities grant were, essentially, completed, with one small project remaining in Fire House I. The lighting fixture replacement program on town streets, financed by Cape Light Compact, was also finished. While small, this effort reduced street light energy expenditures by 88%. Together, these programs have categorically reduced overall Town energy usage by 5%. Howes House, with the most improvement, saw a 16% reduction in energy consumption. Concurrently, there has been a substantial shift from fossil fuel to non-carbon derived, self-generated electricity.

The production of electricity by the newly constructed photovoltaic array over the Town landfill has now provided over a years cumulative data. During the twelve months ending in October of 2016 production provided 931,680 KWH of which 714,683 were consumed by Town facilities (306,065 KWH) and the West Tisbury School (406,598 KWH). That portion of the electricity produced but not used in West Tisbury was offloaded (sold) to Cape communities. Altogether this provided a savings of \$69,121 to the community.



James Adams threshing grain.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Town of West Tisbury:

The Finance Committee has the statutory duty to “consider and act upon any and all municipal questions to be included as Articles in all Warrants for Annual and Special Town Meetings including the annual town budget.” (Chapter 39, Section 16) To that end we have met nearly every month since the last Annual Meeting and sometimes two and three times a month! Here are some highlights from our work this past year:

Schools

Related to schools, the Finance Committee undertook several initiatives intended to reduce costs or limit the impact of financial obligations on West Tisbury residents.

The Finance Committee supported the Up Island Regional School District (UIRSD) in its petition to the All Island School Committee to provide redress to the Town of West Tisbury for added costs incurred as part of the School Choice program. School choice allows students to choose whichever Island school they wish to attend, dependent upon space availability, and the “receiving school” is reimbursed a fixed amount for each student. Because the amount received by the Town as reimbursement covers only part of the education costs associated with School Choice Students and West Tisbury receives a disproportionate share of School Choice Students in comparison to other Island towns, the All Island School Committee was asked to amend the formula used to calculate compensation to receiving towns. As a result of these efforts, the All Island School Committee agreed to a change in the formula which will be phased in over 10 years.

The Finance Committee also participated both in an initial West Tisbury Selectmen's Task Force and in a follow-on special Selectmen's Committee to engage other UIRSD towns in a discussion regarding the revision of the formula by which the district school costs are allocated. Circumstances have changed significantly since the UIRSD was originally established and thus an amended formulation based upon current realities should result in a more equitable sharing of the district costs for each town. As of this writing, a reformulation proposal is anticipated which will be presented to the West Tisbury Selectmen who will then meet with the other towns to come to a formal agreement.

The Finance Committee actively participated in all stages of the budget process for both UIRSD and Martha's Vineyard Regional High School (MVRHS) with a view toward keeping expenses to a minimum while maintaining the high quality of education. Renovations to existing infra-

structure at both locations will present a significant challenge in the coming year and in the years ahead.

Personnel

Out of a concern for ever-escalating payroll costs, we took a look at the Town's wage scale (grades and steps) and its Annual Wage Adjustment process. Although both are the ultimate obligation of the Personnel Board, we thought a closer look at these issues was warranted.

In West Tisbury, wage step increases are 5% per step for all grades. This is one of the highest rates in Massachusetts, and the highest rate elsewhere on the Island, which ranges from 2.5% to 4%. At 5% per year, the Town's payroll increases 41% over 8 years (assuming everyone starts at step 1 at the same time and there is no change in staff). Stated another way, a new employee with positive reviews each year will receive a cumulative 41% raise at the end of 8 years.

The FinCom presented a proposal to the Personnel Board to reset step increases to 3.5%. Using the same assumptions above, the savings would result in approximately \$400,000 over 8 years, or 27% vs. 41%. We intentionally avoided any recommendations regarding specific steps or grades, as it is not our role to address the appropriateness of matching these to job descriptions. Nor are we recommending pay reductions; only addressing the year-over-year increases. We are pleased that the Personnel Board agreed to consider the proposal.

Over the years, the Annual Wage Adjustment (AWA) provided by the Personnel Board has varied. Although the Personnel Board looks at a variety of indices to arrive at a figure, it was unclear to the Fin Com what the exact formula is. Therefore we requested that the Personnel Board use a standard formula annually, using the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics *Consumer Price Index (CPI) database for Northeast Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers* as a basis. We further proposed that the AWA not exceed 3%, nor be less than 1%. The 1% minimum is intended to help offset any increase in an employee's share of medical premiums, which have historically risen regularly.

Payroll increases will always occur annually for a variety of reasons. The proposals above, if adopted will help improve the predictability as well as the amount of those increases.

OPEB

OPEB means Other Post-Employment Benefits, which usually refers to future benefits paid to former town employees other than pensions, such as health insurance, long term care or life insurance.

We believe that employees should receive their contracted-for benefits. In order to keep our promise to provide such benefits we need to set aside adequate funds for these future payments. Although the town is doing a fairly good job of funding these benefits through routine annual contributions to a

special Dukes County Trust Fund (approximately \$150,000/year) some entities are not. For example, the Up Island Regional School District has an outstanding liability of approximately 14 million dollars. The Martha's Vineyard Regional High School has an outstanding liability of approximately 29 million dollars. The Fin Com undertook an analysis of these liabilities and presented reports to both school departments in an effort to assist them in developing concrete plans to stem the growth of their liabilities. We were pleased that our efforts were welcomed by the School Committees and resulted in the inclusion of increased payments toward OPEB in this year's fiscal budget. More remains to be done, but this is a good start.

All Island Finance Committee

Many of the financial issues we face as a town are shared by other Island towns. We therefore took the initiative in organizing a revived "All Island Finance Committee" by publicizing and hosting the initial meeting. The informal group, chaired on a rotating basis by each participating town, has developed into a regular conclave of fin com members sharing ideas, information and solutions.

In closing we wish to thank Town Accountant, Bruce Stone for his tremendous support in helping us understand "the numbers," and to our relatively new Administrative Assistant, Margo Urbany-Joyce, for her invaluable assistance in helping our committee run smoothly as well as her outstanding work developing our OPEB financial analysis report.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Triantafillou, Chair
Gary Montrowl, Vice-Chair
Greg Orcutt
Doug Ruskin
Chuck Hodgkinson

REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectman:

This year at Annual Town Meeting I will be asking for \$400,000.00 to be added to the \$60,000.00 that we passed last year for a New Pumper. The cost for the new truck is between \$475,000.00 to \$500,000.00. The other \$40,000.00 the West Tisbury Fireman Civic Association will donate to the Town. This is to replace a 1988 Ford Pumper that is almost 30 years old. As you know I like to put money in a stabilization fund every year towards a truck but I just can't let it go any longer. Just remember if it passes in April we will not receive it for at least a year. Also I would like to thank town employees for their help over the year, especially Bruce & Kathy.

Fire Alarms	150	Gas Alarms	10
Carbon Monoxide Alarms.....	41	Drills.....	70
Burning Permits	145	All Inspections.....	444
Administration Work.....	120	Car Accidents	11
Brush Fires-	4	Illegal Burning	8
Meetings	280	Stove Fire	1
Smoke Investigations	2	Electrical Fires.....	3
Mutual Aid.....	2	Search & Rescue	1
Oil Spills.....	1	First Responder	2
Classes	10	Stuck in Elevator.....	1
Chimney Fire.....	1	Rescue Calls	2

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Manuel Estrella III

REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The library provided the Town with a vibrant community gathering space in 2016. There were no “slow” months: patronage was bustling and enriching programming was evident throughout the year.

Attendance - over 152,000 people walked through our doors this year

Circulation - over 190,000 items circulated, including books, DVDs and EBooks

The library continued to bring income to Town from passport acceptance fees, fines, and fees for scans, faxes and copies. Over 300 passports were processed at the library this year! The building continued to see heavy use of small meeting rooms by Island non-profits and individuals and the large program room was used for many community events (over 1200 meetings held here).

The library offered 1,141 programs with 17,724 people attending. The David and Rosalee McCullough Program Room was well used last year! A diverse array of programming was offered for families, children, tweens and teens, adult education, boomers, and community elders. Our programming encourages life-long learning, promotes literacy and a love of reading, supports children and youth, and enriches the lives of our residents and the wider island community:

- o Art shows by 19 different artists and a Community Photography show with more than 40 photographers
- o Chess club, Lego club, family movie nights, teen movie series, Ice Cream Social, piano and children’s musical recitals, Harry Potter party, adult and YA book group and writers’ group, Sister Islands program with St. Vincent & The Grenadines
- o Free guitar lessons, free Pilates and yoga classes, free dance classes with the Yard, doll-making workshop, knitting classes, art demos, local chefs doing cooking demo’s, meditation classes, genealogy workshop, conversations about green burials, Buddhism, homelessness, and health;
- o Author talks, lots of poetry including community poetry, Writers Read, Islanders Read the Classics in collaboration with the MV Times
- o Opera performances, Brazilian music concerts, live jazz Sundays, Monday Night and all that Jazz with Dave Kish in collaboration with WMVY
- o Popular regular programs like the spring egg hunt, summer reading program, Halloween party, computer help, fairy houses, holiday party, story-times

Many of the programs and events at the library were funded by the Friends and Foundation. Congratulations to the Friends, who had their most successful

book sale this year. The Friends' provided funding for artist's receptions, free music programs, the summer reading program and staff training. The Foundation raised money for the library by hosting several events. They produced musical events, including Tuesdays at Twilight at the Grange Hall, and Amy Helm at Union Chapel in Oak Bluffs in collaboration with WMVY, and the Speakeasy author series. The Foundation provided funding for the library's landscaping, adult and children's programming, furniture and IT purchases, and the creating of an endowment to support the library's future. Thank you to the Friends and Foundation for your hard work!

The library also secured several grants to support its programming and community outreach, including MV Cultural Grants, LSTA Federal Grant on Health Literacy, National Network of Libraries of Medicine grant.

The library continues to work toward building strong collaborations. Last year's collaborators included Island Grown Schools and Island Grown Initiative, Polly Hill Arboretum, Chamber Music Society, The Yard, ACE MV, Bodhi Path, WMVY, Dukes County, and other Island libraries through the Martha's Vineyard Library Association.

The new building may be complete, but the Trustees are in the midst of a "rebuilding year." We began the year invigorated by the addition of new electees Linda Chapman and Wayne Smith. Then we welcomed Wendy Nierenberg, who was appointed to serve in place of Margaret Gallagher, who had resigned for personal reasons. But we were shocked and heartbroken by the untimely passing of Linda Chapman last fall. She was a committed Trustee, had seemingly boundless energy, a wealth of knowledge about libraries, and contributed to our library in myriad ways. Her death is a loss for our community. Amy Hoff, former longtime library staff member, stepped up to serve in her place.

A big thank you to all the staff and volunteers, who provide gracious, attentive service to everyone who enters our library. Your commitment and hard work makes our library the excellent community resource we all know and love.

Lastly, a few words for departing Trustee Linda Hearn who, after more years on the Board than she may care to remember, is not running for reelection this year. Linda served as Chair for many years, and played an integral role in the success of the new building project. I can't overstate our appreciation for her service. Thank you. We will miss you Linda!!

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Flanders, Chair
Gina Solon, Vice Chair
Linda Hearn
Amy Hoff
Wendy Nierenberg
Wayne Smith

REPORT OF THE HERRING WARDEN

To the Board of Selectman:

The 2016 herring run was a little off this year due to a couple of unsuccessful openings to the Tisbury Great Pond and the continuing problem of shoaling up inside James Pond. Some herring did come into both ponds however and successfully spawned.

On March 1st, 13 volunteers met inside James Pond and dug a channel through the big sandbar inside to allow easier access for returning fish. In 2 ½ hours of steady digging, in wet sand, a nice channel was created about 100 yards long and 4 feet wide by 8 ½ feet deep.

The volunteers were myself, my son Gus Hoy, Amanda Dickinson, Prudy Burt, Whit Griswold, (and his dog Rose), the Goldsteins (husband and wife), the Zarbas, (father and son), Jeffrey Maida, Brian Athearn, Ken Child and Nils Leaf. Albert Fischer took some great pictures of this event from the dunes looking south. We hope that in future years we can create a bigger, deeper, channel which will facilitate passage of ever increasing numbers of fish.

On March 23rd, Brad Chase the head of Anadromous Fisheries for the State of Massachusetts came to the Island with Ed Clarke, his assistant and ladder designer and we installed the fish ladder on the Tiasquam River going up into Looks Pond. It was a big job and well done. This is the second fish ladder the state has installed in town. On March 31st, in preparation for the arrival of the herring, a group of volunteers convened at the Tiasquam and cleared the stream bed of obstructions. We then moved on to the Mill Brook and cleared it to the mouth. The volunteers did great work. They were Prudy Burt, John Zarba, Whit Griswold and Todd Goodell.

There was considerable adjusting to maintenance of the fish ladders, spillways, channels and weirs at both ladders and at James Pond. Plenty of fish were seen at all spawning spots, but a better spawning season is hoped for in 2017. Permits are being sought for upcoming work in James Pond. This is an important project which seeks a semi-permanent solution to the wind and wave born shoaling on the flat behind the dunes inside the pond. The shoals are very shallow in places and impede spawning access as well as good exchange of water leading to water quality issues. Brad Chase and Ed Clarke are expected to return next week and we will do further planning at James Pond and do some adjusting of the fish ladders.

That will wrap up 2016!

Respectfully submitted,

John Hoy, Herring Warden

REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD CENTER FOR LIVING

Mission statement:

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living provides programs and services that promote dignity; self-worth, self-sufficiency and a life lived to its fullest potential.

The 2010 census figures indicate that Dukes County is the second fastest growing, and most rapidly aging County in Massachusetts. Locally, the way we address and plan for the needs of this growing older population is critical. Transportation, health care, housing, information dissemination, education, and long term care (nursing and assisted living facilities) are issues that not only affect those 60 and over, but the entire population and the overall economy of Martha's Vineyard.

In 2015, all six town approved the purchase of a large building at 29 Breakdown Lane in Vineyard Haven, to house and expand MV Center for Living programs. This marked a milestone in the ability of the island community to rally support around a common cause and singular purpose, and serves as a model for collaboration between a private non-profit and municipal governments to further a common mission. In March of 2016 the building purchase was official and over the next several months we engaged in negotiating a long term lease with the County, and municipal agreements with all six towns for MV Center for Living to first renovate and finally occupy the new space, (the first floor, approximately 5,000 square feet of the building).

As of December 15, 2016, work has begun in the new building. A fire suppression system is being installed throughout the entire building at MVCL expense. Final plans for the renovation of the first floor are in hand and we should be ready to hire a contractor by the end of January 2017. It is our hope that work will progress without delay. A July 1 completion would be ideal but may not be realistic. We will hopefully move in no later than fall of 2017.

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living programs and services:

Supportive Day Program:

The Supportive Day Program (SDP) is a professionally run social program for individuals who would be at risk if left alone and are unable to participate independently in the programs and services offered at the municipal Senior Centers. Of equal importance is the respite provided for families and caregivers of SDP participants. Many of the clients of the SDP suffer from various and sometimes multiple conditions and/or chronic illnesses, including Alzheimer's disease or other dementia, but wish to remain at home in the care of their families. At the SDP, a wide range of engaging activities are tailored

to individual capacity. Most importantly, loving, careful attention is paid to the individual physical and emotional needs of our clients. Nutritious meals and snacks are provided. Transportation is available.

In 2016, 30 individuals, along with their families and caregivers were served at the Supportive Day Program; providing over 20,000 hours of quality direct care and respite for families and caregivers. At \$40 for full day and \$30 for half day attendance, this is a highly cost effective and affordable alternative to private in-home care and/or long term care (nursing home) costs. The Supportive Day program partners with families in the care of their loved ones at home; to extend and enhance a safe, nurturing environment into the community. The anticipated move to the new building will become a reality in 2017 and provide the opportunity to expand the program to 5 days and increase the number of clients on a daily basis from 18 to 25.

Memory Café: In 2016, we expanded the Memory & Music Café, with funding from the Department of Developmental Services, to be inclusive of individuals receiving services through DDS programs. Older adults with developmental disabilities are more likely to develop an early dementia than the general population. This program takes place once a week, at the American Legion Hall, and was originally for individuals experiencing memory loss, and now includes younger people with developmental disabilities, their family members and caregivers. It is a safe place where they can socialize and enjoy the company of others without fear of stigma. Our café activities are centered around music and sing-a-long, discussion, art activities and Martha's Vineyard Museum programs. There is no charge to participants and this program has grown in popularity, with 25-30 participants on a regular basis. We expect to permanently move the Café to the new Center for Living building in 2017.

Medical Taxi (transportation to off-Island medical appointments):

In FY2016 (Sept 2015 – Oct 2016), the Medical Taxi program provided 210 Islanders with transportation 1073 one way trips to and from medical appointments throughout Cape Cod. The direct cost of this program was \$18,138. MV Center for Living provides management and administrative support for this program. In early 2017, with support from the MV Transit Authority, we will receive a handicapped accessible van to keep in Woods Hole for the purpose of ex-panding the Medical Taxi program, with a cost effective alternative to using private taxi services.

Funding Sources:

Elder Services of Cape Cod & Islands Title IIIB Grant, \$6,000 grant from Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands,
Department of Elder Affairs Grant, \$6,000 (through Oak Bluffs Council on Aging)

Voluntary donations from participants, \$4947

All grants and donations go toward the direct cost of this service.

Emergency Food Program:

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living is the island's lead sponsoring agency of the Greater Boston Food Bank Emergency Food Distribution Program. As such MVC4L coordinates five designated Emergency Food Pantries (four Senior Centers and the Serving Hands Pantry, located at the Baptist Church Parish House on Williams St. in Vineyard Haven). On a monthly basis, each of the 5 sites orders a variety of nutritious foods from the Greater Boston Food Bank in Boston. MV Center for Living is responsible for coordinating the pick up and delivery of these shipments for distribution to needy islanders of all ages.

In 2016, we added a second monthly trip to Boston, increasing our capacity by over 30% and bringing nearly 80,000 pounds of food to the island. Island Food Products (IFP) picks up our orders twice a month at the Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB) in one of their refrigerated trucks. This program serves an average of 250 households monthly, including children and elders. This year the Faith Community (church suppers and homeless shelter program) has joined with us to order food from the GBFB to support their Community Suppers and Homeless Shelter programs.

GBFB hopes to further expand our capacity by providing additional grant funding for refrigeration and/or freezer storage at sites where this is feasible.

Funding sources:

Project Bread Grant \$2,000

GBFB Grant \$4,000 for transportation costs

Vineyard Committee on Hunger donation \$2195.74

Stop & Shop donations (Food for Friends Program) \$3,491.40

79,736 pounds of food received (30% increase over FY15)

Value of food received \$93,389.95 (45% increase over FY15)

Cost of purchased food \$3,235.37

Island Food Products donation (truck, time, storage) valued at over \$30,000

We also partner with the Island Grown Initiative Gleaning program to distribute freshly harvested produce gleaned from local farms during the harvest season. Our local Stop & Shop stores have designated the Emergency Food Program as the recipient organization for their "Meat the Needs" program, as well as their holiday "Food for Friends" program. This year, through the "Food for Friends Program" 300 boxes (an assortment of non-perishable items) were donated and distributed during the holiday season through the Emergency Food Pantries. In early 2016 we received the proceeds from the 2015 Food for Friends program in the amount of \$3,491 which supports the on-going expenses of the Emergency Food Program including transport and food costs.

55PLUS Times: Information and Referral The 55PLUS Times is a comprehensive resource with information pertaining to programs and services available to all 55+ Islanders and their families. It is published in the Martha's

Vineyard Times on the last Thursday of each month. MV Center for Living is responsible editing and submitting all the information published in the 55Plus Times.

Older Americans Act:

The Elder Services Nutrition Program, under the Older Americans Act (Meals on Wheels and Senior Dining Centers), is supported financially by the six Vineyard towns through the Martha's Vineyard Center for Living budget. In FY2016, the towns on Martha's Vineyard contributed a combined total of \$36,750 to Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands in support of this vital nutrition program.

Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Luncheon Program:

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living coordinates with the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Culinary Arts Department to offer a three course gourmet meal for \$12 per person once a month in the Culinary Arts dining room at the High School. Under the direction of Chef Jack O'Malley, Culinary Arts students plan, prepare and serve the meal. Students from the Music Department, under the direction of Michael Tinus, provide musical entertainment. Between 25 and 40 seniors attend these luncheons each month. Proceeds go to the Culinary Arts Department.

Home Delivered Holiday Meals:

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living coordinates and provides funding for a home delivered holiday meal to seniors who are alone and/or homebound on the Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter holidays. The Martha's Vineyard Hospital food service prepares and packages the meals on each of these holidays. The local Councils on Aging coordinate the volunteers to deliver the meals in their towns. This year, on Thanksgiving Day 77 meals were delivered and on Christmas Day 67 meals were delivered to homebound seniors.

Through Martha's Vineyard Center for Living programs and services, 55+ islanders have benefited from the generous support, both financial and in spirit, of the town Boards of Selectmen, Finance Committees, Councils on Aging, other municipal agencies and the community at large. This on-going support and generosity makes a positive impact on the lives of many islanders and is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Clapp, Executive Director

REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of West Tisbury:

The Martha's Vineyard Commission (MVC or Commission) is the regional planning agency for Dukes County and offers planning services to the County's six towns and the county. The Commission's enabling legislation also allows the towns of Martha's Vineyard to adopt special regulations targeting Districts of Critical Planning Concern (DCPC) and requires the Commission to review Developments of Regional Impact (DRI) on the Vineyard. The year 2016 was a demanding one for The Martha's Vineyard Commission. Along with completing reviews and decisions on an increasing number of projects; large scale planning efforts were also at the forefront.

The Commission's major planning focus for 2016 centered on the control and removal of nitrogen from island great ponds and the provision of housing for island residents. The Commission also considered important planning issues such the demolition of structures over 100 years old, review and update of the DRI checklist, the development of an island wide economic program, the programming of transportation projects, and the development of a comprehensive demographic data base.

The Martha's Vineyard Commission is made up of 21 Commissioners.

- Nine (9) are elected by Vineyard voters in Island-wide elections held every two years,
- Six (6) are appointed on an annual basis by the boards of selectmen of the towns on Martha's Vineyard,
- One (1) is appointed on an annual basis by the Dukes County Commission,
- Five (5) are appointed by the Governor or member of the cabinet, four of whom do not vote on DRIs or DCPCs. The Governor's alternate has full voting power on all MVC matters.

The Commission is supported with a professional staff of ten. More detail is provided below and is available on the Commission's website: www.mvcommission.org.

The following items represent major focuses of the Commission during 2016.

DRI Checklist Review

In 2016, the Commission completed its biennial evaluation of the standards and criteria for what developments should trigger review by the Commission as Developments of Regional Impact (DRI) – commonly called the DRI

Checklist. A background report was developed that reviewed historical DRI records and quantified DRI decisions by town and by type. Meetings were held with input from town officials as well as business people, non-government organizations, and residents. The final result continued recent adjustments to increase the thresholds before most commercial developments will be considered DRIs and provided a method for towns to handle development reviews in commercial areas as well as eliminating unclear references and providing more clarity in other areas. The Commission adopted the changes in August and is awaiting certification from the Commonwealth.

The Removal of Nitrogen from Island Ponds

The health of island ponds was a continuing focus of the MVC throughout 2016. The following actions represent MVC actions in this area:

Solutions Conference – the Commission organized and sponsored a conference in May that focused on efforts to remove nitrogen to improve water quality. Presentations were made on several technologies with State leaders such as George Huefelder of the Massachusetts Alternative Septic System Testing Center, Brian Howes of the UMass School for Marine Science and Technology (SMASST), Brian Anderson of Kohler Inc., as well as other experts offering explanation of the strengths and status of the various nitrogen removal technologies.

Testing – Commission staff conducted testing in 14 ponds on the island in multiple locations in each pond. Samples were collected that demonstrated nitrogen content, pond visibility, temperature, and other indicators. This testing was conducted in the same locations and manner that the Massachusetts Estuaries Program utilized so that results could be compared. A comprehensive report will be completed in early 2017 that will detail the results of the testing and evaluate the current trends for each pond.

Water Quality Policy - A wastewater subcommittee was established and began evaluating the MVC's ten-year-old DRI water quality policy. The committee evaluated data results, technologies, and recent DRI approvals. The subcommittee is in the process of developing their report to the full commission with recommendations for amendment of the policy.

Provision of Housing

A second major focus of 2016 was the continuing effort to address the island's housing needs. The Commission working with the All Island Planning Boards, obtained funding to enable the towns to collectively hire consultants to assist them in individually developing Housing Production Plans, or HPP, that quantify types of housing units needed for each town and their potential general locations. A general scope of work was designed to permit each town to consider and complete a HPP that reflected their specific needs and focus. From September to December, each town held a series of workshops assessing town housing needs, developing housing goals and policies, and identifying implementation methods particular to each Town.

The HPPs are scheduled to be completed in early 2017. The project was funded by the Commission and the State Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). Reports and background documents are found at www.mvcommission.org/housing-production-plan.

Development of DRI Demolition Policy

MVC staff researched and produced a report to aid DRI review of proposed demolition of historical buildings. The guide establishes standards to determine whether a structure proposed for demolition merits protection based upon the structure's history, condition, architecture, location, and other factors. A Commission subcommittee on demolition reviewed the report made adjustments and recommended approval to the full Commission. In early 2017 the Commission will consider adopting a policy that establishes a process and standards for Commission review of proposed demolition to referred properties.

Development of an Island Statistical Profile

Staff developed a statistical profile of the island with focus on population, housing growth, economic condition, jobs, and other metrics. The report not only considered current statistics but also evaluated trends and other analysis. An initial presentation was made in October to the Chamber of Commerce. The MVC will expand upon this profile annually.

Opening of the Lagoon Pond Drawbridge

For more than a decade, the Commission has been involved in the planning and construction of the Lagoon Pond Drawbridge. In August 2016, the Bridge was completed and opened for passage. Early in the process, MVC staff, Vineyard public officials and stakeholder groups fashioned the Lagoon Pond Drawbridge Committee to provide a unified voice in working with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation and its consultant engineers. Because of regular communications through the committee, the community could raise issues during the planning and engineering process that ultimately resulted the bridge including a Shared Use Path as part of a continuous SUP between Tisbury and Oak Bluffs, and in walkways around and underneath both ends of the bridge that expand public access to the water.

Representative Developments of Regional Impact (DRI)

The following are decisions that were made for Edgartown by the MVC as DRIs in 2016:

Squibnocket Beach (Chilmark) - Project involved two, interdependent applications to address an eroding shoreline that the Commission reviewed concurrently and approved. A subdivision association sought to relocate its sole access to a new causeway/bridge inland. The Town sought to relocate inland of the Squibnocket Town Beach parking lot, which the subdivision's existing access bisected. In addition to the projects retreating from an eroding beach, the fortification of the existing parking lot/access will be removed to return the shoreline to a natural state.

OB Water Solar (Oak Bluffs) -- The Oak Bluffs Water District proposed to allow Blue Wave Capital to construct a 1.46 MW solar farm on District property containing three public supply water wells between the State Forest and Goodales Construction. A portion of the electricity generated would go to reducing the District's energy costs. A 10.37-acre area between two wells would be cleared of trees. The Commission took extensive testimony regarding the merits of placing the facility on a natural forested area and ultimately denied the application finding that, although worthy in reducing taxpayer utility costs and generating clean energy, the project should be located in an alternative location where the land is already disturbed.

Dias Mixed Use (Tisbury) - Dias Construction proposed construction of a 25,200 sf 3-story warehouse building with 2 studio apartments and a showroom on a steeply sloped parcel fronting High Point Lane. The building would house a wholesale lumber business and be two stories facing High Point Lane and the attached three-story tall (35') warehouse behind would extend downward to a lower level of the site. The major issue was access as the proposal initially included an access driveway that cut through the adjacent Island Miniature Golf site. The Commission was involved in negotiating a solution whereby a land swap between owners resulted in all traffic accessing the site from High Point Lane and the access affecting the mini golf course not being necessary.

Wavelengths (Edgartown) - The application requested approval of modifications to a building previously approved as a DRI but that had already been built in a manner differing from the MVC approval. The Commission heard testimony and determined that the applicant had acted without authorization and had subsequently accepted a dozen or so modifications suggested by the Edgartown Planning Board. Ultimately, the Commission found that while the unsanctioned changes to the building negatively affected the massing of the structure, the changes, as moderated by the Edgartown Planning Board, were not significant enough to require the applicant remove the modifications. However, in approving the application, the Commission left leeway for the Edgartown Planning Board to work out additional details with the applicant without necessitating the applicant return again to the Commission.

Phillips Hardware and Lampost (Oak Bluffs) -- The Commission considered two proposals for redevelopment on Circuit Avenue. Phillips Hardware proposed to demolish the existing one- and three-story building to be replaced by a mixed-use three-story building designed in the character of the 1800s Inn on that site. The hardware store and another retail space will remain on the first floor, with residential accommodations above. The Lampost proposed the conversion and expansion of upper floors from night club space to employee housing. The Commission approved both projects with conditions.

Lagoon Ridge (Oak Bluffs) -- The Commission considered a Form C Subdivision proposed for 24 lots. As the development was located within the

impaired Lagoon Pond watershed, much of the discussion centered on how nitrogen from wastewater would be addressed. The developer proposed a community-based wastewater treatment system where all but four homes were connected. In the end, the MVC approved the application but required a bond to ensure that the proposed wastewater system can control the site generated wastewater.

Mapping and Graphics

The MVC continues to be the place of record for maps and other geographic data. MVC staff provided zoning, property, natural resources, and other graphics to each town as well as non-profits and private entities in 2016. The Commission also provides maps and other data to law enforcement agencies when requested.

Finances

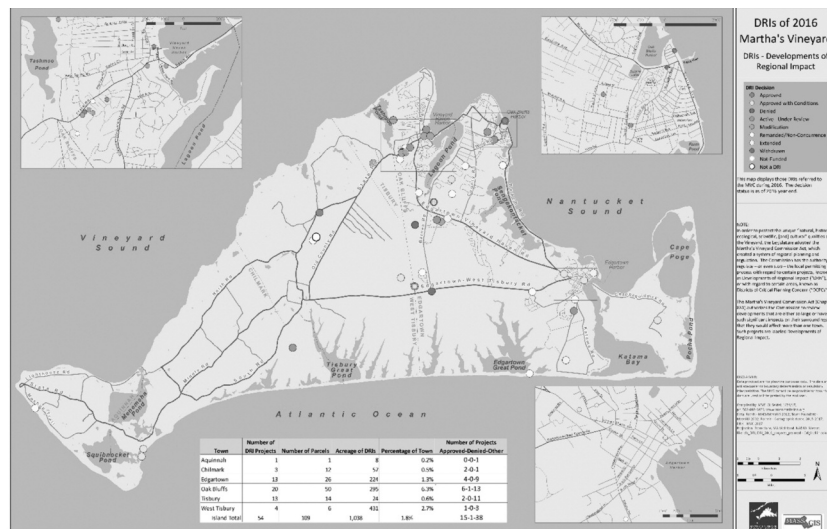
The Commission's FY2016 income was \$1,436,409, of which 70.5% came from town assessments, 26.6% from grants and contracts, and 2.9% from other sources. Expenses were \$1,504,182 of which 55.4% was for salaries, 22.4% for salary-related costs, 5.6% for legal fees, and 16.6% for other expenses. The annual audit by an independent auditor showed fiscal soundness. The budget and audited financial statements are on the Commission website.

ALL ISLAND EFFORTS

The Commission reviews referred Developments of Regional Impact (DRI) applications to determine compliance with the Commission policies and the consideration of benefits and detriments as established in Chapter 831.

Projects Reviewed:

In 2016, **54** projects were referred to the MVC for review through the DRI process. These projects can be classified as follows: **14** were full DRI's



reviewed with public hearings that were approved with conditions; one (1) was a full DRI reviewed with public hearings that was denied; 14 were minor modifications of existing DRI's that were approved and remanded back to their towns without a DRI public hearing review; 9 were projects referred to the MVC for concurrence review that were sent back to their towns without DRI public hearing review; 2 were previously approved DRI's returning to LUPC for approval of their landscape plan; 3 projects were withdrawn before a decision was made; 7 are either on hold at the applicant's request or still under review; three (3) previously approved DRI's were granted extensions; and one project that was referred did not trigger DRI review.

Housing, Community and Economic Development

- **Housing Plans:** specific information on the development of Housing Production Plans is discussed above.
- **Downtown Revitalization and Community Planning:** MVC Staff continued to provide technical assistance to complete *the Oak Bluffs Downtown Streetscape Master Plan Phase I* and will continue to assist the town with Phase II. The Town of Tisbury's ongoing Visioning effort including mapping and other background information. Staff provided technical assistance and support to Aquinnah and Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head/Aquinnah to apply for and receive a state designated Cultural District. The Aquinnah Circle Cultural District is the first joint cultural district in the nation to include a municipality and Native American Tribe.
- **Gosnold Long-Range Planning:** The MVC staff continued to work with the Town of Gosnold Selectman and staff on several projects including improvement of the Towns internet/data capability, development of a specific personnel and compensation policy, housing, and transportation grants.
- **Economic Development:** Review of the State's Economic Development & Emerging Technologies Bill: MVC Staff provided towns and county a breakdown of One Billion Dollars in capital spending for various state programs. The Economic Development Bill is aimed at supporting initiatives focused on job creation, workforce development, and infrastructure projects while staff highlighted several key funding appropriations that could benefit Martha's Vineyard.
- **State of the State Economy Presentation by Dr. Michael Goodman.** The Commission organized and sponsored this Presentation in partnership with the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority and MV Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Michael Goodman is Professor of Public Policy, Executive Director of the Public Policy Center, and Acting Chair of the Department of Public Policy at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. Dr. Goodman offered his perspective on the current condition of and prospects for the Massachusetts economy during a period of considerable economic and political uncertainty. His talk highlighted the

state's recent economic performance, assessed the major threats to our economic outlook, and identified the major challenges that are weighing heavily on the prosperity of our people and major institutions with special attention to the implications for Martha's Vineyard and the larger Cape and Islands region.

- **ArtsMV:** Fifth Annual Meeting: Best Practices Planning Session with the some of the following presenters:
 - Anita Walker, Executive Director Mass Cultural Council
 - Helena Fruscio, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Technology and Director of the Creative Economy
 - Maria Marasco, Regional Director, Massachusetts Office of Business Development
 - The Commission assisted October's *Fall for the Arts* and *Spring for the Arts* marketing campaigns. MVC Staff updated economic impacts such as jobs, wages, and business within the Creative Economy.
 - MVC Staff is currently assisting efforts in Oak Bluffs and Edgartown to create a state designated Cultural District.
 - Additional MVC Sponsored Webinars and Workshops:
 - South East Economic Development Corporation (SEED) and Small Business Administration (SBA): Entrepreneurial and Business Workshops with over 25 Participants
 - Cape Light Compact: Three Year Plan
 - USDA Rural Development Office: Economic Development Webinar
 - TA Connect Webinars:
 - Site Readiness Programs
 - Placemaking
 - Creative Economy, Innovation, & Technology
 - District Management Strategies for Downtowns
 - Blue Economy: MVC supported Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce and MV Chamber of Commerce to secure letters of support from Island towns for state grant and attended several listening sessions
 - The MVC provides the towns, business community and public with economic and demographic information from federal and state sources while also responding to more than 400 requests for information.

GIS:

The MVC's cartography and spatial data staff provides spatial analysis and cartographic production to aid MVC and town planning efforts, including custom cartographic services to towns, organizations, and individuals.

- **Data Updates and Distribution:** The MVC cartography staff maintains and continuously updates a county-wide GIS (Geographic Information System) spatial data warehouse. The MCV uses the GIS to provide data

to towns, consulting groups working on town projects, academics conducting research, state agencies, and local residents. The cartography staff produced a series of town maps displaying frequently requested data such as zoning, overlay zoning, watershed boundaries, roads, flood zones, and parcels (available in the MVC website Map Library).

- **GIS/Mapping Software Installation, Training, and Support:** MVC staff provides technical support for the County's Island-wide GIS software contract, giving all Island towns and the MVC unlimited GIS software licensing at a fixed fee. Technical support to towns included software installs, on-site training, twice-monthly GIS how-to sessions, and technical support via phone and email.
- **Assistance to MVC Planning Projects and Island-Wide Efforts:** In collaboration with the Island's Conservation Partnership and with information-sharing and feedback from many conservation stakeholders, the cartography staff updated and refined its trails and conservation land database, which is vital to multiple planning efforts. It also produced watershed maps for the Water Alliance's Living Local exhibit and Watershed Public Awareness Project in Island libraries.

Coastal Resources

- **Climate Change Adaptation:** MVC continued technical work and outreach on impacts of sea-level rise and climate change, and related mitigation strategies. The main challenge here is preparing to adapt to coming changes with vulnerability assessments and mitigation strategies to improve the Island's resiliency.
- **Hazard Management:** *The Dukes County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan* is updated every five years to keep towns eligible for FEMA funding of mitigation measures. The 2015 edition, prepared by the MVC, was approved by MEMA and FEMA, and was adopted by each town's Board of Selectmen and certified by the State in 2016. The plan includes management tools as well as keeping the towns eligible for federal funding of mitigation projects. Mitigation measures were highlighted and discussed in various planning sessions.
- **FEMA:** MVC staff coordinated with FEMA to hold Q and A sessions with regulators and professionals on the updated NFIP flood maps. FEMA personnel came in person to speak with the users.
- **CRS:** MVC staff coordinated with two towns interested in pursuing Community Rating System (CRS) rating to potentially lower flood insurance premiums. Neither town chose to pursue the relief further.
- **Massachusetts Ocean Management Plan:** The MVC Coastal Planner is the Governor's appointed representative for the MVC on the Massachusetts Ocean Advisory Commission. In 2016, the group participated in development and review of the Northeast Ocean Plan.

- **Martha's Vineyard Wind Energy Area:** The MVC, towns, and Tribe kept in close contact with the 2 leaseholders for wind development south of Martha's Vineyard. Various geophysical surveys were conducted in 2016.

Transportation

The MVC provides transportation planning for the Vineyard, in association with the Towns, Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority, Martha's Vineyard Airport, Steamship Authority, public, and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT). MassDOT contracts for planning in the region and provides approximately \$300,000 to the MVC budget for transportation planning and related services such as mapping.

Joint Transportation Committee: The Commission facilitates meetings of the JTC, made up of appointees from each town, the County, Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA), MVC Staff, and the Airport and MassDOT as Ex-Officio Members, to coordinate Island transportation planning. In 2016, the JTC met to formulate, discuss, release for public comment, and approve the certification documents required to continue to qualify for federal and state funding for transportation projects in the region. The certification documents developed in 2016 included the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) and the Martha's Vineyard Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FFY 2017-2021. The UPWP and TIP are produced annually on Martha's Vineyard. In addition, the Martha's Vineyard Public Participation Plan (PPP) was developed to provide an overview of transportation planning and outline the public process.

- **Martha's Vineyard Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)** The TIP is produced annually on Martha's Vineyard through the JTC and includes federal aid projects to implement within available federal and state funds. In Federal Fiscal Year 2016, \$14,095,057.20 in federal funds were obligated for Martha's Vineyard. **The 2016 update on Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Projects:**

Korean and Viet Nam Veterans Memorial Bridge: Construction was completed on the *Lagoon Pond Drawbridge in Tisbury* project, and the MassDOT Chief Executive Officer and Secretary Stephanie Pollack participated with the Veterans, Wampanoag Tribe, and communities in the ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday, November 10, 2016, to officially dedicate the *Korean and Viet Nam Veterans Memorial Bridge*.

Bus Purchases: The 2016 TIP year funding was used for Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA) bus purchases. The transfer of funds for the VTA bus purchases was toward the purchase of vehicles in 2016 for a total estimated cost of \$1,752,902, with \$432,902 in CMAQ from the TIP, and the remaining \$1,320,000 in state and federal rural capital assistance funds.

Bicycle-Pedestrian Network Improvements: Two links in the island planned shared use path (SUP) network are under design, both are along *Beach Road, one section in Tisbury and the other begins at the Lagoon Pond Bridge heading into Oak Bluffs* to improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities. MVC Staff continues planning support toward resurfacing of the Correllus State Forest paths with the Department of Conservation Resources, MassDOT, and the Towns.

- **Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC):** MVC staffs the BPAC, an advisory committee to the JTC and the wider community on bicycling and pedestrian matters. The Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) members continued efforts and support toward improved facilitation of bicycle and pedestrian facility improvements in their respective towns.
- **Complete Streets:** MVC Senior Transportation Planner with Baystate Roads Program organized a MassDOT Complete Streets Program workshop on Martha's Vineyard in March 2016, held in Oak Bluffs. All six towns attended as the first step in the MassDOT Complete Streets Program. Tisbury and West Tisbury are developing and submitting complete street policies to MassDOT for review and approval. Provided updated complete streets program information in the fall.
- **Trails Planning:** A portion of the MVC Senior Planner's time is contracted by the Land Bank to work with towns and landowners to protect and extend the Island's trail network.
- **Data Collection:** During 2016, MVC staff conducted automatic traffic recording counts at various locations, and performed Turning Movement Counts at some intersections. MVC Senior Transportation Planner and a University of Connecticut intern used the Global Positioning System (GPS) unit and iPad to geocode and photograph a two-mile section of the state forest paths for the Department of Conservation and Recreation. A map package of the results was developed by MVC GIS Coordinator. Summer interns continued to collect parking observation data in downtown Oak Bluffs and Vineyard Haven.
- **Increased Engineering Capacity** – MCV staff worked with the members of the JTC to develop programs and funding opportunities for the hiring and work of an engineer to work with the JTC and towns to design, review and develop project plans for transportation projects.

Water Quality

- **Water Testing, Solutions, and Water Policy** projects are discussed above.
- **Water Alliance and Associations:** The MVC Water Planner is an active participant in the Martha's Vineyard Water Alliance, which meets monthly in the MVC offices, and all Island pond advisory committees.
- **Groundwater monitoring:** In conjunction with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) staff monthly measures and maintains database of groundwater elevation at nine well-sites around the island.

Collaboration -The Commission facilitated collaboration on many fronts:

- **Education and Training:** The Commission hosted courses and information sessions on topics of interest to town officials, the business community, and members of the general public. Two workshops from the Citizen Planning Training Collaborative tailored for planning board and zoning board members were offered in the fall: *Writing Reasonable and Defensible Decisions* and *How to Create a Master Plan and Plan with Community Support*.
- **Island Collaboration:** The MVC facilitates meetings of town boards and other organizations to foster exchange of information and collaboration, such as the Joint Affordable Housing Group and the Island Conservation Commissions. Staff also attends and presents information to the quarterly meetings of the All Island Planning Boards. Staff support to an effort initiated by the All-Island Selectmen to improve taxi regulations, which produced a draft set of uniform regulations for circulation and comment in the beginning of 2017.
- **Inter-regional Collaboration:**
 - o Staff participated in a series of on-line sessions with other Regional Planning Agencies and the MA Department of Public Health exploring the health implications of transportation and development. This included exploration of state mechanisms for aiding localities to identify and address health issues in their evaluations of development proposals.
 - o The MVC is one of eight regional planning agencies represented on a 15-member Rural Policy Advisory Commission within the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development. The commission is charged with making recommendations over a four-year period to enhance the economic vitality of the Commonwealth's rural communities and advance the health and well-being of its rural residents. Senior Planner Bill Venio is the appointed member and is on the commission's infrastructure subcommittee
- **Statewide Workforce Housing Projections:** MVC Staff in collaboration with MAPC, Cape Cod Commission, and Nantucket Planning & Economic Development Commission on Workforce Housing and Population Projections. Christine Flynn and Bill Venio have participated in this process
- **MARPA.** The Commission is a member of the Massachusetts Association of Regional Planning Associations (MARPA). The thirteen Massachusetts regional planning agencies that form MARPA are advisory bodies to member communities, private business groups, and state and federal governments. MVC staff meets monthly with other members of the MARPA to discuss legislation and funding programs with senior Commonwealth officials, and to collaborate on many fronts.

SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES FOR WEST TISBURY

In addition to the efforts described above, the MVC undertook the following activities in the Town of West Tisbury.

Water Quality

- **Mill Brook:** MVC staff collected stormwater, dry weather samples and stream flow data of the Mill Brook system as part of the study to evaluate the Mill Brook Watershed study. This stream is a major contributor of fresh water and the nutrients it carries to Tisbury Great Pond.
- **Community Assistance:** The MVC Water Resource Planner serves as technical advisor to the Mill Brook Watershed Committee and the Tisbury Great Pond Riparian owners.

Coastal, Ocean, and Hazard Planning:

- **CRS (Community Rating System)** MVC staff coordinated with the Town in consideration of pursuit of a Community Rating System (CRS) rating that could reduce flood insurance premiums. After consideration, the Town did not pursue the action.

Economic Development and Affordable Housing

- Notified and help draft letter from the West Tisbury Selectmen regarding proposed policy changes to FY 2017 CDBG Funding.
- MVC Staff worked with The Resource Inc. (TRI) to apply for an Island-wide Community Preservation Act Application that would create an Island-wide Interest Free Housing Loan Program.
- MVC Staff worked with the West Tisbury's Affordable Housing Committee and Planning Board to review and support island-wide uniform zoning definitions for Affordable and Community Housing and Affirmative Fair Housing Practices.

Geographic Information Systems

- **Mapping:** The Planning Board received mapping support for several projects: Manter's Path; Bike Paths; One Acre Properties within West Tisbury; and Mixed Business Zone. The MVC mapping staff also aided the Conservation Commission by delivering maps of the James Pond Area and conducting field work along the Tiasquam River to GPS the data logger locations.

Transportation

- **Martha's Vineyard Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)** The TIP is produced annually on Martha's Vineyard through the JTC and includes federal aid projects to implement within available federal and state funds. In Federal Fiscal Year 2016, \$14,095,057.20 in federal funds were obligated for Martha's Vineyard.
- **Planning:** MVC staff continued to work with the Town on potential future projects, and provided complete streets program information. MVC Senior Transportation Planner with Baystate Roads Program organized a MassDOT

Complete Streets Program workshop on Martha's Vineyard in March 2016, held in Oak Bluffs. Provided updated complete streets program information in the fall.

- Data Collection: The MVC data collection in West Tisbury included automatic traffic recorder counts on Edgartown-West Tisbury Road. MVC staff performed Turning Movement Counts at the West Tisbury school and visited to discuss potential improvements.

DCPCs

- MVC staff participated with the Byways Committee and Planning Board to amend the Special Ways regulations. The MVC and Town had amended the regulations substantively in 2008. In 2016, the MVC approved amendment to make the language more user friendly. The amended text has not yet been presented for vote by Town Meeting.
- MVC staff participated in the Byways Committee's research into Manter's Path as a possible Special Ways nomination. The Byways Committee subsequently recommended to the Planning Board and the Planning Board voted to nominate Manter's Path.

Coastal Management

- CBRA maps – MVC staff investigated, with the Town, the ramifications of proposed amendments to the federal barrier beach maps in the vicinity of Lambert's Cove Beach, concluding that the changes are benign.

Collaboration

- Staff supported activities of the Town's Byways Committee to prepare amendments to the Town's Special Ways regulations and nomination of Manter's Path as a new Special Way.
- At year's end, staff began working with a Town committee reexamining accommodations for bicyclists – especially along State Road.
- Staff, working on behalf of the land bank, seems to have completed a multi-year effort that will result in a formalized public walking path linking the Howes House parking lot to the Mill Pond via Brandy Brow. In addition to securing the land bank easement over a private landowner's property, the effort required working with the Selectmen, Conservation Commission, Parks Commission, and Library.

Regulatory Activities

In 2016, four (4) projects were reviewed in West Tisbury in some manner by the MVC through the DRI process. These projects can be classified as follows:

- One (1) was a full DRI reviewed with a public hearing that was approved with conditions;
- One (1) was a minor modification of an existing DRI that were approved and remanded back to the town without DRI public hearing review;
- One (1) was a project referred to the MVC for concurrence review that was sent back to the town without DRI public hearing review;

- One (1) was a project referred to the MVC for mandatory DRI Review that did not trigger DRI Review because it was on a property that was already a DRI and the proposal was within the limits of the previously approved DRI.

2016 Commissioners

Clarence “Trip” Barnes, Tisbury,
elected Member at Large
John Breckinridge, Clerk/Treasurer, Oak Bluffs,
elected Member at Large
Christina Brown, Edgartown,
elected Member at Large
Robert Doyle, Vice Chairman, Chilmark,
elected Member at Large
Josh Goldstein, Tisbury,
elected Member at Large
Fred Hancock, LUPC Chair,
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Lenny Jason,
Appointed by the Dukes County Board of Selectman
James Joyce,
Appointed by the Edgartown Board of Selectman
Joan Malkin,
Appointed by the Chilmark Board of Selectman
Kathy Newman,
Appointed by the Aquinnah Board of Selectman
Ben Robinson,
Appointed by the Tisbury Board of Selectman
Doug Sederholm, West Tisbury,
elected Member at Large
Abe Seiman, Oak Bluffs,
elected Member at Large
Linda Sibley, West Tisbury,
elected Member at Large
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Appointed by the West Tisbury Board of Selectman
Jim Vercruysse, Chairman, Aquinnah,
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REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD CULTURAL COUNCIL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The mission of the Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council is to promote excellence, access, education, and diversity in the arts, humanities and interpretative sciences for the purpose of improving the quality of life for all Island residents. Our grants are modest in size, but their effects resound mightily through the Vineyard community.

Each year the Council meets early in November to vote on the distribution of grants for the current fiscal cycle. Grant applicants must be residents of the Commonwealth and at work on projects in the arts, humanities or interpretative sciences. Instructions, program guidelines and forms are available at www.mass-council.org, as well as at each town hall and public library. The Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council gives priority to projects originating on the Island and benefiting the year-round Island community.

In November 2016 the Commonwealth allocated the MVCC \$26,400 for local re-granting. The six Island Towns also contributed generously: Aquinnah, Chilmark, Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury, and West Tisbury voted to donate \$1,000, \$2,500, \$1,500, \$1,500, \$2,500, and \$2,500, respectively. Together with interest and unclaimed grant funds from the previous cycle, the total available for granting was \$41,000.

In 2016 the MVCC received 53 applications requesting a total of \$123,491.

The 42 awards granted by the MV Cultural Council in the December 3-4, 2016 Annual Grant Meeting are listed below:

Martha's Vineyard Playhouse	Shakespeare for the Masses	\$1213
West Tisbury School	Creative Dramatics	\$1214
Danielle Doell	Landforms	\$568
Kristina Fletcher		
Second grade visit to the Whaling Museum		\$660
MV Chamber Music Society	Artist in Residency Project	\$1175
Lisa Sherman	Children's Room Art Mural, Edgartown Public Library	\$1233
Marine and Paleobiological Research Institute, Inc.		
	National Fossil Day Celebration	\$800
West Tisbury Public Library	Children's Room Mural,	\$1440
Cinema Circus	Cinema Circus	\$1340
BiodiversityWorks	MV Kindergartens for Monarchs	\$1115
Abby Bender		
Built on Stilts Community Dance Festival		\$1651
The Martha's Vineyard Film Festival	Vineyard Shorts	\$1005
Casey Ann Hayward	A Genetics Play	\$494

Roberta Kirn		
Winter Concert and Community Sings		\$1135
Lynn Ditchfield		
Nightmares and Dreams: Immigrant voices from the Inside		\$1935
MV Film Society	2017 MV International Film Fest	\$1234
Paul Levine		
The World of Troubadours and Trobairitz VIII		\$498
Lynn Thorp	MV Signs, Then & Now	\$1117
Jennifer Rapuano, MVLA	MV Minimizer Faire	\$1173
Emma Young	The Book:From Scratch	\$925
Nathan Luce	Oak Bluffs African American Lit. and Culture Festival	\$1258
Renee Richard	New Works Lab	\$1165
Elise LeBovit		
Creator Spring, Easter Egg Hunt, Aquinnah		\$973
Julianne Vanderhoop	Cranberry Festival	\$280
Mabelle Felipe		
The News & Weather with Mabelle		\$741
Garden Gate CDC	Rights of Children	\$943
Tisbury School First Grades		
Attend Theater production at Wheelock College		\$423
Holly Nadler	A Novel: Emily Just in Time	\$330
Lynne McKenney Lydick		
Family Letters of Abby Kelley and Stephen Foster		\$465
West Tisbury School	StarLab Planetarium Visit	\$1039
Aquinnah Cultural Center		
11th Annual Native American Artisans' Festival		\$1964
West Tisbury School Teachers		
Indoor Mini-Golf Multi Disciplinary Collaborative		\$517
Corinne de Langavant	MV Ice Theater Ballet	\$731
MV Environmental Educators Alliance		
MVEEA		\$324
The Yard Inc.		
The Yard's MAKING IT with H.Y. Chen & Dancers		\$1170
Memorial Day Picnic Committee, Tisbury		
Tisbury Memorial Day Picnic		\$510
Lynne McKenney Lydick		
To My Dearest: The Civil War Letters of General Ward		\$360
Donna Swift		
Performance Skills for Island Kids		\$1251
Mass Audubon's Felix Neck Wildlife Sanctuary		
Felix Neck Fall Festival		\$405

Richard Clark	
Great Scott it's Andrew Carnegie	\$346
Liz Witham	
Keepers of the Light: The History of the Gay Head Light	\$2802
Ken Wentworth	
Sustainable MV Documentary Series	\$1299

As always, we wish to thank West Tisbury Town Accountant Bruce Stone and Town Treasurer Katherine Logue, who have processed the financial transactions of the Council since it became a regional entity in 2003. We are grateful as well to Director Joyce Albertine and the Up-Island Councils on Aging for allowing us to use the Howes House as our meeting place.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT J-P. HAUCK, Chair

**Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council
2015 Membership**

Aquinnah	Oak Bluffs
THERESA MANNING	HARVEY BETH, Treas.
ELIZABETH WITHAM, Sec.	WALLACE BULLOCK
MACY DUNBAR	HOLLY NADLER
Chilmark	Tisbury
DYAN DEMERS	NOREEN BAKER
LINDA THOMPSON	ROBERT CROPPER
ALISON MEAD	
Edgartown	West Tisbury
LORI STONE	ROBERT HAUCK , Chr.
WILLIAM G. VENO	NIKI PATTON
	LINDA VADASZ
Ex-Officio	
WIET BACHELLER	DAN WATERS (emeritus)
BETH KRAMER	
MARTA CAMARGO	

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REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD LAND BANK COMMISSION

3358 acres, representing 5.8% of Martha's Vineyard, have been conserved by the Land Bank since voters created it in 1986. Please visit them; maps are available at town halls and libraries; online at www.mvlandbank.com; and at the Land Bank office in Edgartown.

Acquisitions:

The town of Tisbury, as far back as the 1980s, recognized the need to protect the lands around its public drinking water wells. The water department and selectmen enlisted the Land Bank's participation and a number of strategic acquisitions were made. Inspired by the open space reservation that resulted, the Land Bank aimed to consolidate and expand it. An additional seven acres were added to the *Wapatequa Woods Reservation* in 2016, via a \$500,000 purchase from the Ellis Manter Trust.

Odd, small pieces sometimes fit into a larger puzzleboard. A \$4,000 purchase of a 3-acre landlocked lot was added to the *Toad Rock Preserve*; the seller was George Brush.

Accretion motivated the Land Bank's purchase of property on the flank of the hilltop *Middle Ridge Preserve*. The crest with its views out to Tuckernuck Island was acquired in 1994 but the lands on its slopes remained buildable. Fielding Lewis's sale of 19.8 acres here, for \$1,200,000, has now conserved them.

One of the Land Bank's first acquisitions, in 1986, was the land in West Tisbury located behind the venerable and plain Mayhew Chapel in Christiantown; the purpose was to prevent the historic site from being dulled by rearward suburban development. In 2016 the Land Bank applied the same logic to the lorn *Sailors Burying Ground* in Tisbury, purchasing 2.9 acres behind it so that the graves would never be de-solemnized by any beetling houses behind them. The seller was Christopher Dias and the price was \$382,000.

In addition, the Land Bank continued to pursue and purchase partial interests in properties across the island.

Land management:

Ecological inventories and studies continued at many Land Bank properties: Aquinnah Headlands Preserve, Cove Meadow Preserve, Doug's Cove Preserve, Edgartown Great Pond Beach, Fulling Mill Brook Preserve, Great Rock Bight Preserve, Manaquayak Preserve, Middle Line Woods Preserve, Middle Ridge Preserve, Paint Mill Brook Preserve, Pecoy Point Preserve,

Poucha Pond Reservation, Quammox Preserve, Sepiessa Point Reservation, Tisbury Great Pond Beach, Waskosim's Rock Reservation and the Wilfrid's Pond Preserve.

The commonwealth approved management plans for the Toms Neck Preserve, Wapatequa Woods Reservation and the Manaquayak Preserve. The latter approval attained a long-sought goal direct access to the preserve from the Lamberts Cove Road. Shortly thereafter staff installed a four-space roadside trailhead and cut a new 1-mile sylvan path from the trailhead to the pond. Staff, at Toms Neck, also completed a 5-acre meadow restoration adjacent to the Pease Pond and Cape Poge Pond.

Rot was attacked. Boardwalks and footbridges were rebuilt or maintained at the Aquinnah Headlands Preserve, Fulling Mill Brook Preserve, Tea Lane Farm and Wompesket Preserve.

The Land Bank expanded the island's bluestem stock by planting the beautiful native grass both varieties, big blue and little blue at multiple preserves: Aquinnah Headlands, Chilmark Pond, Cove Meadow, Felix Neck, Gay Head Moraine, Ocean View Farm and Pennywise.

The goat herd, now 200 strong, spent a good deal of the summer at the valley bottom on the Waskosim's Rock Reservation. They overwinter at the Wapatequa Woods Reservation; staff erected a shelter/hay barn there for them this year.

As usual, the Land Bank field crew continued ongoing general maintenance on various Land Bank properties across the island.

Cross-island hike:

The Land Bank's twenty-fourth annual cross-island hike celebrating National Trails Day the first Saturday in June ranged from Pecoy Point Preserve in Oak Bluffs to south beach in Edgartown ... via Chappaquiddick Island and its Norton Point Beach. In total, 19 conservation properties were crossed. Sixty-five hikers started in the morning, 70 were present at the launch of the afternoon session and about 45 lurched across the finish line at left fork. 32 hikers completed the entire 21-mile, 9-hour hike, marking the third consecutive year that more than 30 have done so.

Budget and related matters:

The following chart synthesizes the Land Bank's annual finances. Anyone wishing to read the budget in its entirety, which includes a narrative describing the purpose of each line item expenditure, is welcome to obtain a copy at the Land Bank office:

	fiscal FY 2016 budgeted cash amount and percentage of total	fiscal FY 2016 actual cash amount and percentage of total	fiscal FY 2017 budgeted cash amount and percentage of total
Revenues	\$9,500,000	\$13,295,337	\$11,075,000 *
Administrative Expenses	(\$ 523,949) 5%	(\$ 523,929) 4%	(\$ 539,605) 5%
Land Management Expenses	(\$ 978,458) 10%	(\$ 995,003) 7%	(\$ 1,173,898) 11%
Debt Service Expenses	(\$5,884,461) 62%	(\$ 5,884,461) 44%	(\$ 6,127,000) 53%
Reserve Expenses	(\$ 30,000) 0%	(\$ 30,000) 0%	
Unencumbered New Receipts	\$ 2,158,132 23%	\$ 5,891,944 44%	\$ 3,179,497 29%

As of December 1, 2016 the Land Bank treasury contained some \$12.0 million in unencumbered funds.

The asterisk (*) indicates the Land Bank's revenue projection.

Gifts:

The Land Bank gratefully accepted several gifts of cash: \$50 from Stacy Malecki; and \$100 in memory of Wayne Kallman.

Transfer fee revenues:

Fiscal Year 2016 transfer fee revenues were:

	Received July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016	Percent of total
Aquinnah Fund	\$135,521	1 %
Chilmark Fund	\$765,354	6 %
Edgartown Fund	\$3,024,799	23 %
Oak Bluffs Fund	\$1,000,331	8 %
Tisbury Fund	\$775,691	6 %
West Tisbury Fund	\$945,973	7 %
<i>central fund</i>	<i>\$ 6,647,668</i>	<i>50%</i>
	<hr/> \$13,295,337	<hr/> 100%

This represented a 23% increase over the previous year.

Commissioners and staff:

The Land Bank commission comprises the following members: Pamela Goff, Chilmark; April Hamel (resigned), commonwealth; Glenn Hearn, West Tisbury; John Anthony Nevin, Tisbury; Priscilla Sylvia, Oak Bluffs; Sarah Thulin, Aquinnah; and Edward Vincent, Jr., Edgartown. The year-round Land Bank staff comprises the following individuals: Matthew Dix, foreman; James Dropick, conservation land assistant; Jean-Marc Dupon, conservation land assistant; Maureen Hill, administrative assistant; Jeffrey Komarinetz, conservation land assistant; Cynthia Krauss, fiscal officer; James Lengyel, executive director; and Julie Russell, ecologist.

Respectfully submitted,

James Lengyel
Executive Director

REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD SHELLFISH GROUP

To the Honorable Boards of Selectmen:

The Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group, Inc. continued its programs to preserve and enhance the shellfish resources of Martha's Vineyard and the clean water they require. In 2016 our program received funding from the six Island towns, the US Environmental Protection Agency, the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries, the Wampanoag Tribe, the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Jewish Communal Fund, the Great Pond Foundation, the Edey Foundation, the Farm Neck Foundation, the Vineyard Gazette, the Boston Foundation and other private donors. Highlights of our 2016 program are as follows:

Solar Shellfish Hatchery - The key mission of our shellfish program is to augment natural shellfish recruitment and maintain a critical mass of brood-stock in the Island ponds. To that end, we annually produce millions of seed shellfish for release in the ponds. In 2016, we produced a record number of over 13 million seed quahogs; remotely set millions of eyed oyster larvae in both Tisbury and Edgartown Great Ponds, and produced over 20 million seed scallops. We remotely set gold-shelled blue mussels, and continue to develop culture methods for kelp and ribbed mussels. Working with the Island's shellfish constables, these seed shellfish were planted in the Island's ponds in a successful ongoing shellfish enhancement effort. With federal funding we produced an additional one million blue mussel seed to support the development of private shellfish farms.



Seed shellfish in hands

Expansion into the John T. Hughes Hatchery – In 2016 we continued a cooperative venture with the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) expanding our shellfish culture operations into the John T. Hughes Hatchery (former State Lobster Hatchery) in Oak Bluffs. Under the lease agreement, DMF supplies funds for utilities and systems maintenance. The arrangement provides additional hatchery and nursery capacity to complement our operations at the Solar Hatchery and Chappaquiddick Shellfish Nursery resulting in increased shellfish seed production.

Improvements at the Chappaquiddick Nursery – With private foundation funding and labor provided by the Edgartown Shellfish Department two failed underground electrical lines were replaced at our satellite shellfish nursery facility.

Oyster Restoration – In 2016, we continued our oyster restoration programs in Edgartown and Tisbury Great Ponds. The overall goal of these projects is to restore the number of oysters in the ponds to levels at which this keystone species can again provide its vital ecosystem functions to restore ecological balance to the local marine environment. Following our restoration efforts, we are observing a continued expansion of the oyster populations in both ponds. Beneficial eelgrass habitat is returning to Edgartown Great Pond. In contrast, a thick potentially smothering seaweed bloom covered many of the oyster beds in Tisbury Great Pond.

Shell Recycling Project – When shellfish are harvested, shells are removed from the pond. Shell provides critical habitat for oysters and is increasingly important as a natural buffer to reduce the negative effects of acidified seawater on marine organisms, including shellfish. With funding Patagonia and the Farm Neck Foundation, we continued our shell recovery program coordinating restaurant pickups in partnership with a pilot organic waste initiative called “Composting on the Coast.” The program recovered well over 12,000 lbs. of clam and oyster shells this year.

Pilot Seaweed Culture Project – Under a grant from the Edey Foundation, we continued a pilot study of the potential to culture edible seaweeds on the Island. Like shellfish, cultured sea vegetables have potential to improve water quality through their uptake of nitrogen while providing a healthful local food product. Kelp spores released from ripe pieces of sugar kelp were set on spools of twine at the Hughes Hatchery. Our system was improved and new tanks were purchased to double our capacity. Although we encountered hurdles at the nursery stage, we were able to deploy sugar kelp culture lines in Oak Bluffs, Chilmark and Aquinnah

Nitrogen Bioremediation - Nitrogen overloads are recognized as one of the greatest threats to estuarine water quality and shellfish resources. Under a \$135,693 grant from the EPA we began a two year investigation into the potential of nitrogen removal through Phragmites harvest.

Transition - After 41 years, I stepped down as Director of the MV Shellfish Group effective January 1st 2017. My experienced, long-term co-workers, Amandine Surier Hall and Emma Green-Beach, will share the Directorship.

SEED SHELLFISH DISTRIBUTED IN 2016

	TOWN	AMOUNT
Quahogs	Aquinnah	2,600,000
	Chilmark	2,600,000
	Edgartown	2,600,000
	Oak Bluffs	2,600,000
	Tisbury	2,600,000
	MA Marine Fisheries*	250,000
	Total Quahog Seed	3,250,000

Scallops (Seed on cheese cloth (estimated))		
	Aquinnah	4,000,000
	Chilmark	4,000,000
	Edgartown	4,000,000
	Oak Bluffs	4,000,000
	Tisbury	4,000,000
	Gosnold*	160,000
	Wampanoag Tribe*	150,000
	Total Scallop Seed	20,210,000

Scallop Eggs		
Scallop Larvae	Sengekontacket Pond	48,210,000
	Lagoon Pond	280,000
	Menemsha (Quitsa) Pond	740,000
	Lake Tashmoo	2,600,000
	Total Scallop Larvae & Eggs	51,830,000

Oysters (Disease-resistant)		
Oyster Larvae & Eggs	Tisbury	Edgartown
	Great Pond	Great Pond**
Fertilized eggs	175,00,000	175,000,000
2 Day old larva	12,650,000	
4 Day old larvae	9,000,000	
19 Day old larvae	180,000	150,000
Released eyed-larvae	1,370,000	2,070,000
Eyed -larvae (Remotely Set)	7,124,000	4,515,000
Total Oyster Larvae & Eggs		387,059,000

Single Oyster Seed	Edgartown Great Pond**	250,000
	Tisbury Great Pond	250,000
	Sengekontacket	6,500
	Lagoon*	5,000
	Total Single Oysters	511,500

Blue Mussels* Total Mussel Eyed-Larvae (Remotely Set) 1,000,000**

*Provided under contract

**Provided under private foundation funding

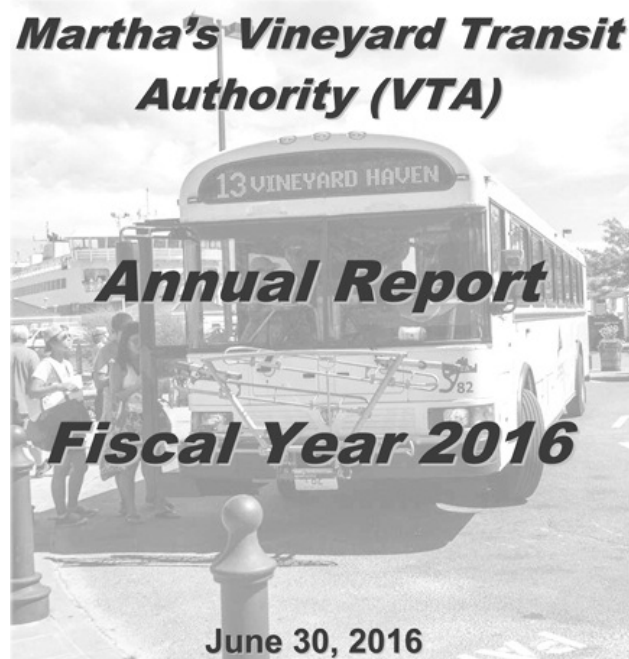
*** Produced under special project funding

More detailed reports of our work are posted on our website www.mvshellfishgroup.org. and on our Facebook page.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard C. Karney, Shellfish Biologist/Director Emeritus

REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY



Advisory Board

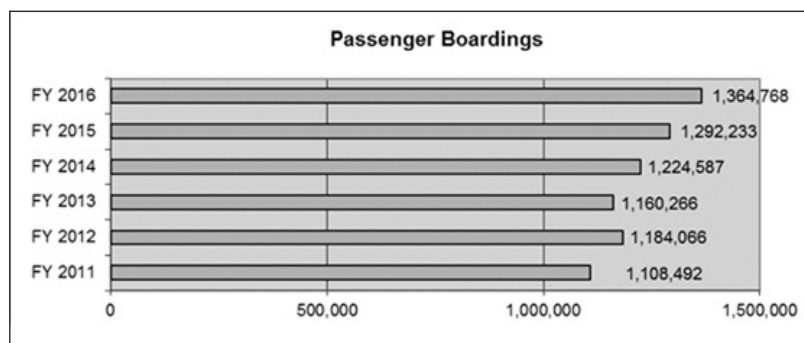
Alice Butler, Chairman Oak Bluffs
John Alley West Tisbury
June Manning Aquinnah
Jay Grande Tisbury
Leonard Jason Chilmark
Louis Paciello Edgartown
Russell Ashton Rider Community Representative
Vacant Disabled Community Representative
Angela E. Grant, Administrator Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority

Ridership

Fiscal Year 2016 showed an overall increase of 5.61% in passenger boardings from FY 2015. Passenger boarding analysis showed a 4.91% increase in the FY 2016 off-season ridership from FY 2015 and a continuing increase of multi-day travel passes and annual passes purchased.

Fixed Route Ridership

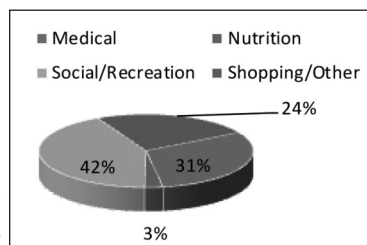
	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
July	269,237	290,248	275,455	282,606	293,708	311,650
August	265,686	268,749	291,568	303,175	323,949	330,173
September	118,462	133,887	126,859	129,661	140,739	162,236
October	63,907	67,217	57,637	71,666	76,286	72,149
November	29,096	29,635	29,986	30,053	32,380	34,625
December	23,309	24,760	24,661	24,617	28,628	31,295
January	21,060	22,839	22,162	21,299	22,395	24,683
February	19,673	22,456	20,106	21,624	20,032	23,816
March	25,694	28,798	27,036	26,033	26,877	31,708
April	35,092	42,834	39,240	41,834	42,506	43,062
May	88,395	90,976	87,167	92,847	106,798	104,230
June	148,881	161,667	158,389	179,172	177,935	195,141
Total	1,108,492	1,184,066	1,160,266	1,224,587	1,292,233	1,364,768



“Lift” Ridership

Fiscal Year 2016 showed an increase in medical and social/recreational service trips on “The Lift” resulting in a 13.2% increase over FY 2015.

Fiscal Year	Ridership	Change
FY 2007	14,408	
FY 2008	15,265	5.9%
FY 2009	14,578	-4.5%
FY 2010	15,997	9.7%
FY 2011	15,577	-2.6%
FY 2012	14,681	-5.8%
FY 2013	13,219	-10.0%
FY 2014	13,302	0.6%
FY 2015	14,471	8.8%
FY 2016	16,381	13.2%



Fare Increase

The VTA Advisory Board approved a multi-year fare increase, beginning January 2014:

	Date of Last Increase	Current Fare	1/1/2017
One Day Pass	January 2015	\$8.00	same
Three Day Pass	January 2014	\$18.00	same
Seven Day Pass	January 2016	\$30.00	same
Annual Pass	January 2016	\$130.00	\$140.00
Senior Annual - Island	January 2016	\$30.00	\$35.00
Youth Annual - Island	January 2016	\$40.00	\$45.00
Zone Fare - Fixed Route	January 2015	\$1.25	same
Zone Fare - Lift	January 2015	\$2.00	same
Senior/Disabled Zone Fare	January 2015	\$0.75	same
Medivan	January 2015	\$15.00	same

Alternative Fuels Assessment & Feasibility Study

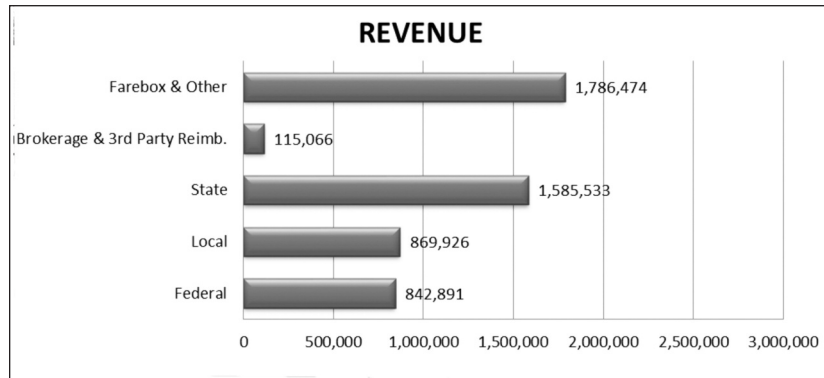
The VTA continuously looks for ways to improve and enhance their services and commitment to the Island community to provide safe, economical and environmentally responsible transportation. With that in mind, the VTA contracted with Vermont Energy Investment Corporation to conduct an alternative fuel assessment and feasibility study to assess the potential of transitioning part or all of their fleet to alternative fuel. The full report can be viewed on our website (www.vineyardtransit.com).

Fiscal Year 2016 Audit Report

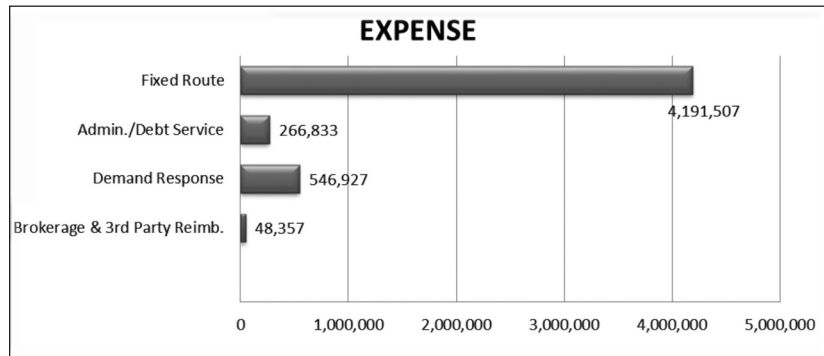
Statement of Net Position June 30, 2016 and 2015

ASSETS	2016	2015
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 959,025	\$ 1,165,492
Receivable for operating assistance	\$ 1,797,504	\$ 1,773,403
Other current assets	\$ 488,750	\$ 411,299
Prepaid fuel hedge	\$ 284,966	\$ -
Total current assets	\$ 3,530,245	\$ 3,350,194
Restricted & Noncurrent Assets		
Restricted assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 168,288	\$ 1,311,369
Receivable for capital assistance	\$ 1,788,713	\$ 456,985
Total restricted assets	\$ 1,957,001	\$ 1,768,354
Receivable for operating assistance	\$ 387,325	\$ 495,342

Capital assets, net	\$ 10,778,886	\$ 10,185,325
Total restricted assets & noncurrent assets	\$ 13,123,212	\$ 12,449,021
Total assets	\$ 16,653,457	\$ 15,799,215
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Deferred outflows of resources related to pension	\$ 45,785	\$ 2,296
Total assets & deferred outflows of resources	\$ 16,699,242	\$ 15,801,511
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expense	\$ 207,224	\$ 199,505
Total current liabilities	\$ 207,224	\$ 199,505
Restricted and noncurrent liabilities		
Liabilities payable from restricted assets		
Accounts payable and accrued expense	\$ 1,674,899	\$ 1,625,469
Total liabilities payable from restricted assets	\$ 1,674,899	\$ 1,625,469
Other post-employment benefits	\$ 257,178	\$ 86,246
Net pension liability	\$ 267,629	\$ 245,465
Revenue Anticipation Notes	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000
Total restricted and noncurrent liabilities	\$ 3,699,706	\$ 3,457,180
Total liabilities	\$ 3,906,930	\$ 3,656,685
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Deferred infows of resources related to pension`	\$ -	\$ -
Total liabilities & deferred inflows of resources	\$ 3,906,930	\$ 3,656,685
NET POSITION		
Invested in capital assets	\$ 10,778,886	\$ 10,185,325
Restricted	\$ 282,102	\$ 142,885
Other current assets	\$ 1,731,324	\$ 1,816,616
Total net position	\$ 12,792,312	\$ 12,144,826



Note: The increase in State revenue is due to the legislature changing the funding structure of regional transit authorities from funding in the arrears to current year financing.



REPORT OF THE MILL BROOK WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Residents of the Town of West Tisbury:

This April will mark three years that the Mill Brook Watershed Management Planning Committee has been working on the Mill Brook watershed study. The Committee also reviewed all relevant existing data, documents and reports to prepare a recommended plan for the continued monitoring and management of the watershed. We usually meet twice each month and to date have met over fifty times. As the foundation of our work, the following is the purpose statement for the Mill Brook Watershed Study:

"The Mill Brook Watershed Study will collect the necessary data to establish a baseline reading for determining the water quality and general health of Mill Brook, the Mill Brook Watershed, including all streams and ponds, the watershed ecosystem and their impacts on the Tisbury Great Pond. The data will become the basis for drafting a Mill Brook Watershed Management Plan. The study will establish the criteria and standards for an on-going, Town-sponsored watershed monitoring and evaluation program that measures progress against established watershed management goals."

The Committee is in the final phase of its assignment. ESS Group and BiodiversityWorks completed their data collection in August, 2016. The Committee is now working with ESS Group, Kent Healy and Bill Wilcox to review the data and understand how to interpret and apply it to conclusions and recommendations moving forward. To this end, we are also drafting our final report to the Selectmen who will then decide how to share its findings with the Town.

We would be remiss if we did not recognize the following people and organizations for their technical assistance throughout our assignment: Polly Hill Arboretum, Sea Run Brook Trout Coalition, Martha's Vineyard Commission, Kent Healy, and Bill Wilcox.

We thank you for the opportunity to serve. With your continued support and patience, we are optimistic for success in providing the baseline study and eventual plan for effective future management of this watershed which is so important to our town.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Hodgkinson, Co chair
Cynthia Mitchell, Co chair
Tim Boland
Prudy Burt

Kristen Fauteux
Selena Roman
Rez Williams
Nancy Huntington

REPORT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Dear Board of Selectmen:

The Parks and Recreation Committee is pleased to report another successful year providing quality programs and activities to the community of West Tisbury.

Our annual chess club began in January following the holiday break. We enrolled 36 students in grades one through six. The eight week session is held on Wednesdays in the cafeteria at the West Tisbury School. The club finishes with a tournament and awards party. All players receive a participation trophy as well as individual awards for the top three finishers in each level; beginner 1 & 2, intermediate and advanced. This year's grand winner was Jack Tully. We offered three eight week sessions of adult yoga held on Tuesday evenings at the Howes House which is greatly appreciated by the participants. Both ball fields continue to see lots of use from school leagues, MV Little league, Men's and Women's softball leagues, MV Youth Soccer as well as many private groups. The fields have been newly renovated over the past couple of years and we are proud to say are in stellar condition.

Our summer season is always busy between Seth's Pond, Lambert's Cove Beach, and tennis courts. We have had great response to the addition of the boardwalk at Lambert's Cove Beach. Many community members and visitors have expressed appreciation for the ease of getting over the dune to enjoy one of the best beaches on the island. The swim program at Seth's Pond continues to grow. We had 22 students enrolled in the American Red Cross certified lessons. We had six weeks of basketball camp for grades one through eight in July and August. The tennis courts were renovated this spring with a new surface, nets, rebound board and fencing replacements. Total revenue this summer was \$76,498. The beach wheel chair continues to get regular use from those in need. We had several private events and wedding at Lambert's Cove Beach this year. We ask the community and guest to respect the carry in carry out trash policy at the beach.

The annual Halloween Party as always was a huge success. The community enjoyed pizza, cider, games and prizes. The spooky hayride through the cemetery is still the most popular tradition. Freddie Fisher and sons brought their horses and truck to pull approximately 100 people on a ghostly thrill ride through the cemetery. The committee would like to thank all those who make this a special event. A special thanks to Kim Manter and Leo DeGeoffrey in the cemetery.

The Winter Recreation is always a highly anticipated program for first through fifth graders. The ten week program runs from the weekend after

Thanksgiving to February break. Over 50 students participated in sports, art and theater activities on Saturday mornings at the West Tisbury School.

The Parks and Recreation Committee is proud of the work we have done and the programs we offer to the community. We look forward to another productive year.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Lowe, Co-chair
Hap Bernard, Co-chair
Suzanne Hammond
Skip Manter
Lisa Amols
Peggy Stone, Board Administrator



High Jump

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD

In 2016, the Personnel Board lost Brian Smith when he and his family moved to Oak Bluffs. In his place the Board welcomed Ben Retmier. The board would like to extend their thanks to Brian for his service to the Town.

At the April annual town meeting, voters approved the Board's recommendation of a .55% wage adjustment for all Town employees for FY2017.

The Town of West Tisbury historically has very little employee turnover, but this year we have had a number of comings and goings. Two long time employees, Joanie Jenkinson, Animal Control Officer and John Powers, Health Agent decided it was time to enjoy life a bit more. The Town honored their combined 50 plus years of service with two parties. Part time Animal Control Officer Allen Healy also resigned. We wish them well on their new adventures.

Omar Johnson is the new Health Agent. Joanie's replacement is Prudence Fisher. Allen's replacement is Tony Cordray.

Samantha Smith has filled the Police Department's Executive Assistant seat vacated by Hadden Blair who retired in April. Sergeant Jim Neville resigned after 8 years on the force to take a position with the Sheriff's Department. Thanks to Hadden and Sergeant Neville for their service to the Town.

The building department has been exceptionally busy this year necessitating the hiring of a local building inspector. Jeffrey Fisher joined the staff in September to fill this position.

At the Library, Laura Coit, Head of Circulation, has taken on the additional responsibility of Assistant Library Director. A new position created to handle all aspects of programming and administrative assistant to the Library Director, has been filled Olivia Larsen. Lauren Hearn was promoted from Circulation Assistant to Youth Services Librarian and Rachel Rooney was promoted from Circulation Assistant to IT/Reference Librarian.

Please welcome these new staff members when you meet them. The Personnel Board wishes all our new staff happiness and success in their positions with the Town.

As always, the Board reviewed and acted upon annual job performance reports, confirmed appointments, and approved job descriptions and classification placement for new positions.

The Board wishes to recognize with appreciation the input and support of all departments and employees in the ongoing administration and continuing evolution of the town's personnel plan.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Vincent, Chair

Gerry Gallagher

Matthew Gebo, Employee Representative

Norman Perry

Ben Retmier

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

2016 has been a busy year on many levels for the Planning Board, with some complex and time consuming challenges. Working with other boards, committees and town officials, we strive to maintain the rural character, open lands and scenic vistas throughout the town.

The number of Form A, Form C, and Site Plan Review Applications submitted have been typical. Most Form A applications requested a simple lot line change for the purpose of selling off a parcel or creating a home site lot, or creating space for a building. We had several applications requesting second curb cuts for safer, more suitable access to properties, and we reviewed and approved a special permit application from the Island Housing Trust to construct a 9 unit affordable housing rental complex on the Edgartown Road. Each application that we processed provided adequate consideration of neighboring properties. Our Site Plan Review applications have been similarly straightforward, with requests to expand or significantly renovate an existing dwelling. We are careful to physically review these properties to measure and confirm that the applicants have adhered to the zoning bylaw height restrictions on wooded and open landscape which help to conceal the structures from neighboring properties and view from the water. During the review process, for each application we request energy efficient construction with low maintenance materials, downward facing lights (if any) outside for safety purposes only, non-reflective glass in windows, native vegetation for landscaping, and organic fertilizer and pesticides. Our goal is to protect our land, air and water, as well as ourselves and flora and fauna.

We have worked with the Byways Committee to preserve our special ways for the enjoyment of walkers, bicyclists and horseback riders, and to preserve the historical character they embody. Some of these ways date back to the Revolutionary War. Through careful location of driveways and the use of alternative vehicle access points when available, we can maintain the character of the ways and their immediate surroundings. By minimizing additional vehicular use, retaining natural vegetation alongside the ways, and preventing the ways from being blocked, their character is preserved for the future.

On the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 2016, the board included an update of the Flood Plain Zone section of the zoning bylaw in accordance with the state regulations. The Swimming Pools Section of the bylaws was changed to comply with the state regulations concurrently, and some zoning bylaw typographical errors were corrected for housekeeping purposes. At the fall Special Town Meeting, the board proposed more typographical clean-up, added definitions that were absent and suggested a language change to the detached bedroom bylaw. The detached bedroom language change was removed on town meeting floor for further clarification.

An All Island Planning Board has been formulated though a group of island board members, and we have hosted two of the quarterly meetings during the

spring and fall of 2016. We have found the discussions to be useful and enlightening. Though many topics have been discussed, affordable housing and road safety are a high priority of the island's planning boards, and the group continues to strive toward beneficial solutions.

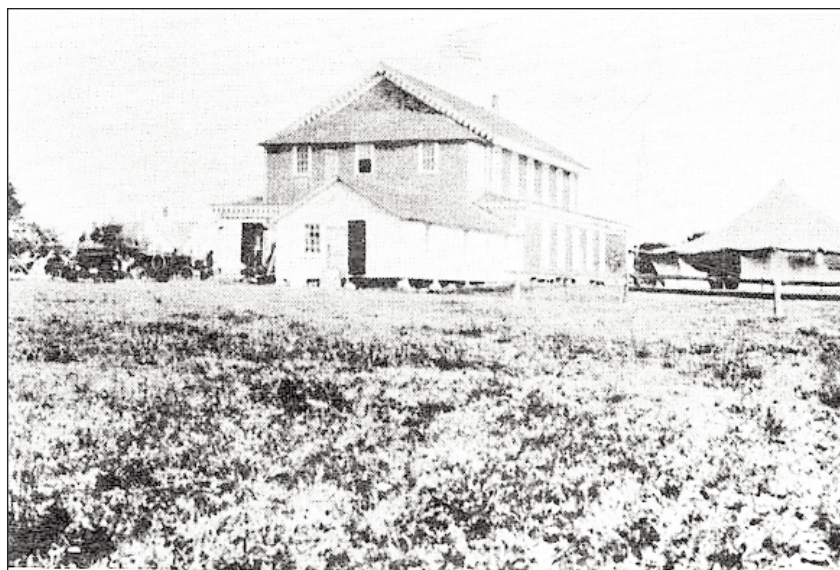
Board members serve the Town in many other capacities. Susan Silva represents us on the Land Bank's Town Advisory Board. Leah Smith serves on the Capital Improvements Planning Committee and is the Chairman of the Library Building Committee. Henry Geller, our associate member, has recently resigned as representative to the Affordable Housing Committee but continues to be our representative to the All Island Planning Board, and Bea Phear is our representative and the Chairman of the Community Preservation Committee. Virginia Jones is a member and current chairman of the Shellfish Advisory Committee. Board members rotate attending various other board and committee meetings when the agenda is applicable to the Planning Board.

After several years of reviewing and analyzing the town roads for safety, the town is currently working with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation on a funding program called Complete Streets. Through an application process that is approved by the board of Selectmen, the program provides guidance on evaluating our roadways to make them safer for automobile traffic, bicyclists, pedestrians and public transit. This is a program that will provide funding for a specialist to review our roads to determine and recommend improvements where they are needed, and there is funding available to contribute to the costs of those improvements. We are currently in the application process.

Finally, we would like to thank Town Counsel Ron Rappaport and his colleague Michael Goldsmith, The Byways Committee for their continued efforts to protect our Special Ways, Zoning Inspector Joe Teirney and his assistant Jeff Fisher, former Health Agent John Powers, and current Health Agent Omar Johnson, Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Nancy Cole and ZBA members, members of the Conservation Commission, Electrical Inspector Tom Colligan, Road Inspector Leo DeSorcy, Fire Chief Manny Estrella and the entire staff of the West Tisbury Town Hall for the guidance, assistance and hard work they have provided to our Board this year. We also greatly appreciate the assistance that we receive from the Martha's Vineyard Commission: Adam Turner, Bill Veno, Paul Foley, Priscilla Leclerc, Christine Flynn, Chris Seidel, Jo-Ann Taylor, and the entire staff.

Respectfully submitted,

VIRGINIA C. JONES, Chairman
SUSAN SILVA, Vice-Chairman
LEAH SMITH
BEATRICE PHEAR
MATTHEW MERRY
HENRY GELLER, Associate Member



Grange



North Tisbury Post Office

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

“Protecting and maintaining the quality of life for all”

To the Board of Selectmen:

I would like to thank the Selectmen, the town boards, and citizens for your continued support of the police department.

Next, I would like to thank Lieutenant Matthew Mincone, Accreditation Manager for the department, for reaching our goal of becoming certified with the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission. Lieutenant Mincone worked tirelessly over the past year and a half leading up to our accreditation assessment which took place in the fall of 2016. The town will receive the official award in the spring of 2017, with this award the police department is meeting national standards in policing.

In 2016, we said good-bye to our long time Executive Assistant Hadden Blair. Hadden retired in April, his laughter and overall good nature will be missed. In December of 2016, Sergeant James Neville resigned for the department to become the Superintendent of the Dukes County Sheriff's Department. We wish them well in their new endeavors. The department welcomed Samantha Smith to the staff as the new Executive Assistant.

I would like to thank the officers of the department for continuing to give 100% to the community year after year: Lieutenant Matthew Mincone, Sergeant Skipper Manter, Officer Daniel Gouldrup, Officer Garrison Vieira, Officer Leomar DeOliveira, Detective Matthew Gebo, Officer Bradley Cortez, and Special Officers Daniel Durawa, Diane Demoe, and Max Bradshaw. Our officers continue to serve the community with the pride and determination that exemplify the true definition of public service.

As always, thank you to the Fire Department, Tri-Town Ambulance, Animal Control, Highway Department, and all town employees.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel R. Rossi
Chief of Police

Police Department Statistics

911 Hang-up	46	Landlord/Tenant Disputes	10
Accidents Aircraft/Alerts.....	0	Larceny/Larceny by Check	8
Bicycle	6	Littering/Dumping Trash.....	2
Moped	3	Lock Out (Assist Motorist)	61
Alarms Burglar	183	Malicious Destruction/Vandalism ..	8
Fire	95	Missing Person/ Runaway	1
Bank	1	Motor Vehicle...Abandon	12
Life-line	5	Accidents	60
Other.....	27	Citations	102
<i>Alarm Total</i>	366	Stops (no citation) ..	561
Medical Emergency.....	159	Disabled	47
Animal Complaint	41	Unauthorized Use ..	0
<i>Arrest Total</i>	30	Noise Complaints	25
Assault & Battery	16	Parking Violation Complaints	27
Assist Other Agency.....	18	Parking Violation Tickets	34
B & E/Larceny	22	Property.....Found	14
By-Law Violation..... Noise	25	Reported Lost/Stolen ..	26
Child Abuse/Neglect..51a.....	4	Service of Court Documents	38
Criminal Summons.....	64	Sex Crimes	2
Unattended Death	2	Weapons Complaints	12
Domestic Disturbance/Restraining Order	14	Suspicious Motor Vehicles.....	14
Domestic Related Activity	32	Persons	23
Erratic MV Operator	80	Activity	22
Harassment	7	Trespass	22
Hunting Violation Complaints.....	4	Welfare Checks.....	19

REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY SHELLFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Due to a significant algal bloom which covered the oyster beds with a thick mat like blanket of green 6 to 12" thick during the fall, the season for oysters has been closed since spring of 2016 for commercial fishermen although recreational permits are being issued and folks can get out on the Pond and get a mess. A sample of the micro algae (which was only on the WT or east side) has been sent for identification.

In 2016, estimates of the take were 300 bushels of oysters and 200 bushels of clams. We have attempted to get the harvest figures from the State but it is confidential proprietary information and we are relying on voluntary information provided by the fishermen.

In the spring Ray Gale, the WT Shellfish Warden, and Isaiah Scheffer, the Chilmark Shellfish propagation officer, organized and carried out spreading a large load of cultch (about 40 yards) in various areas of the Pond. Cultch gives the spat (seed oysters) a substrate to "latch on to." Samples of oysters brought in by Ray (when he could get through the heavy growth of algae) in November showed significant numbers of spat on the shells. It is illegal to keep and/or sell any oysters which have more than 5% spat attached. Just FYI: it is impossible to remove the spat by scraping or knocking it off without detection. This and the difficulty of dredging because of the algae led to the decision to not open the commercial season for the early winter portion of 2016-2017. A further complication was that Cape and Island water bodies (including Tisbury Great Pond) were closed for shell fishing by the Commonwealth due to a toxic pseudo nitzschia bloom, which produced neurotoxin domoic acid. This is distinctly different from red tide, or paralytic shellfish poisoning (alexandrium fundyense) which can also occur. The difference is that pseudo nitzschia can kill you while red tide normally is paralytic but not fatal. The Commonwealth finally lifted the ban in mid November.

The Pond gets opened to the Ocean approximately 4 times a year. This facet of Pond management is directed by the Sewers/Pond Commissioners Dr. Kent Healy and Will Whiting, who answer to the Riparian Owners of Tisbury Great Pond. The Riparian owners pay for the openings and in the past they have also paid for some of the other costs. The Town (and five sister island towns) have made annual payments to the MV Shellfish Hatchery over the years and under the guidance of Rick Karney, the Hatchery has provided information and advice as well as millions, if not billions and trillions, of seed oysters and clams. Rick Karney retired from the Hatchery as of December 31, and his assistants Emma Green-Beach and Amandine Surier have assumed the joint directorship. We anticipate that the same exceptionally fine relationship will continue. We wish Rick well in retirement, as well as enormous thanks to him

and to everyone else for their efforts. Island Ponds in general and our Ponds in particular are an incredible resource for many different reasons and it is partially because of the vigilance, care and interest of many residents and seasonal home owners. The Committee has met several times over the year to discuss conservation of these resources, and how to encourage more shellfish production while assuring that the beds remain viable, sustainable and healthy.

If you have any questions or concerns don't hesitate to approach a member of the Committee or a member of the Board of Selectmen. We provide advice and guidance to the BOS who actually set the policy. Copies of the Rules and Regulations as well as maps of shell fishing areas are available at Town Hall.

John Hoy, as Herring Officer, has written his own report about the activities in various town water bodies.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia C. Jones, Chair

Will Whiting

Jason Gale

Peter Vann

Rick Karney

John Hoy

David Merry (member of the Hatchery Board)

Ray Gale as Warden is a non voting member of the committee.



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REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Colleen McAndrews, Chairperson
Martha's Vineyard Superintendency
Union #19 School Committee

Dear Ms. McAndrews:

In accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth, I am pleased to submit my 2016 annual report as Superintendent of Schools to the members of the six school committees of the Martha's Vineyard Public Schools. The schools on the Island continue to strive to provide our students with a quality education that prepares them with the skills necessary to compete in today's world.

There are several personnel changes that have occurred over the past year. At the high school, Ms. Sara Dingley has been hired as our new principal. Ms. Dingley previously served as the founding principal of the Westchester Square Academy in New York City. Additionally, with the retirement of Assistant Principal Andrew Berry, we have restructured the Career and Technical Education Director position to serve also as an Assistant Principal. Consequently, Mr. Berry's position has been eliminated.

At central office we have reorganized our Director of Student Services position. Ms. Nancy Dugan, who has been in the position of Special Education Director at the high school, has become our Director of Student Support Services at the elementary level. Hope MacLeod, who served as our Interim Director last year, has become our Director of Student Support Services at the secondary level. This change has brought stability to this important position and allowed us to develop our on-island talent. We will continue to explore ways to utilize our personnel as productively and efficiently as possible.

At the Oak Bluffs School, Megan Farrell has been hired as the permanent Principal. Megan stepped in as the Interim Principal last year and did a terrific job. As a result, she has been hired to fill the position.

One of my goals as the Superintendent of Schools has been to conduct a needs assessment of our shared services programs. The intent of the study is to determine our areas of strength and to identify areas in which we could make improvements in both the Bridge and Social Skills programs. Mr. James Shillinglaw, an Educational Consultant, was here in mid-December to lead us through the evaluation. Mr. Shillinglaw has been in education for almost 40 years. He has served as a Director of Student Support Services for 25 of those years and has been a consultant for over six years, leading several districts through program evaluations. The process included interviews with staff, administration, and parents, along with observations of our programs. We expect to receive Mr. Shillinglaw's report in late January or early February.

The assessment will be an excellent means to make any necessary changes to our programs, but also to educate the Island community about the services we provide compared to districts across the state. We have excellent special education programs on the Island, and I hope that a needs assessment will help us to make our successful programs even better.

At the high school, we continue to upgrade our facility to ensure that the building is safe for our students and staff, and that the teachers have the resources they need to provide our students with the best education possible. We will continue to pursue all avenues to upgrade and improve the facility.

Several teachers will be retiring this year and I would like to recognize them for their dedication to our students. At the Tisbury School, science teacher Connie Alexander, instrumental teacher Julie Schilling, and Educational Support Professionals Kelly McElhinney and Denise Lambos will be moving on. English teacher Dan Sharkovitz will be retiring from the high school and Jill Rosenkranz will be leaving the Chilmark School each after thirty-nine years of teaching in the Island schools. Finally, Ann Fay Lawton will be retiring from her teaching position in our social skills program after twenty-five years. Collectively these staff members have over two hundred years of service to the Island's students.

I am truly privileged and honored to be serving as the Island Schools' Superintendent. Happy New Year!

Matthew D'Andrea, L.P.D.
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Dear Dr. D'Andrea:

It is my pleasure to present to you a summary of many of the accomplishments of our departmental staff at MVRHS in the service of our students and community. There are lots of things to be proud of. As an all-Island school, we strive to represent the best of this unique community through our high-performing academic core, our hands-on Career and Technical Programs, our abundantly talented performing and visual arts departments, and our very competitive sports teams. It is through the dedication and support of the towns, school committee, staff, students, community partnerships, and parents that all of this is made possible on a daily basis.

Art, Design & Technology

The Art, Design & Technology Department had a full and productive year in 2016. Our annual Evening of the Arts was held in May in coordination with the Performing Arts department and a new tradition was begun: live "Art Throwdown" competitive events. The MVRHS Yearbook and our art and literary magazine, SEABREEZES, both had successful publications this year.

Twenty-five students won awards in the 2016 Scholastic Art Awards and six of them advanced to the national competition, including one senior ceramics portfolio. Advanced students attended Portfolio Day in Boston in November and prepared senior portfolios for college admission, as well as for the Young Arts portfolio contest. Art and design students also took field trips to the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston and to the Wentworth Institute of Technology.

Several graduating seniors were showcased in an exhibit at the Old Sculpin gallery, and several photography students designed solo exhibits and participated in group shows at the West Tisbury Library. Many students participated in the Vineyard Conservation Society's "The Art of Conservation" competition and others entered Rep. Keating's Congressional Art Contest in Plymouth.

Ceramics students participated in a Raku firing and a multi-day wood firing at Featherstone, and held a pottery show and sale at Featherstone's Pebble Gallery. Also, these students made bowls for an Island Grown School fundraiser in conjunction with Culinary Arts classes.

Drawing & Painting students designed a schoolwide "Unity Art Project" in November, bringing hundreds of students together for a unifying sidewalk chalk design. Design & Architecture students participated in a "Tiny House Jam" in conjunction with Island Housing Trust for publication in the *Martha's Vineyard Times*.

Five students won awards in the 2016 *Cape Cod Times*' "Classroom Times" photography contest and a sophomore won first place in the *Martha's Vineyard*

Magazine's annual photo contest. MVRHS students won first and third prize at the international 2016 iEARN Photography Challenge and participated in a captioned photography exchange with a high school on the island of St. Vincent, culminating in an exhibit at Featherstone's "VincyFest." Photo students also participated in a "Day in the Life" captioned photography challenge by the *Martha's Vineyard Times* and two presented their work in a live international online conference.

A new AP Computer Science Principles class was piloted this year. Technology students presented projects at the first Martha's Vineyard Maker Faire and also presented at the national Maker Faire in New York City. Technology students collaborated with physics classes and Here Lab to study environmental data, and collaborated with ELL students to make interactive maps using the Scratch programming language.

Athletics

Once again, the athletic teams at the High School have represented the community of Martha's Vineyard in excellent fashion. Many communities across the Commonwealth consider a successful season in wins and losses. Although our teams have their share of success in the win column, we continue to boast the success of our student-athletes both on and off the field. Our teams continually get praise on their demeanor as young adults. This is what carries success into adulthood. We take pride in our athletic programs by developing our athletes as complete individuals. Our mantra is: "Coaches build character, confidence, and citizens. Wins are a product of the above."

Teams that have seen post-season play are: Boys and Girls Basketball; Baseball; Boys and Girls Lacrosse; Boys and Girls Tennis; Golf; Boys Soccer; and Field Hockey. Our girls' tennis team has now won back-to-back state championships and look to get even stronger. Several individuals saw success by qualifying for post-season state meets in cross country, indoor track, swimming, and outdoor track.

We would like to thank the entire Martha's Vineyard community for their continued support of our student-athletes, and all should be proud of the young adults participating in our athletic programs.

Career and Technical Education

Career and Technical Education (CTE) at MVRHS offers students exposure to a variety of pathways, depending on their choices after high school. The skilled trades continue to be the hardest positions to fill, not only here on the Island, but across the Commonwealth. Middle-skill jobs, jobs that require education and training beyond high school, but less than a bachelor's degree, are a significant part of the economy. *CTE addresses the needs of high-growth industries and helps close the skills gap.*

Students in CTE programs can continue on to a 2- or 4-year college, pursue additional licensing and training, or go directly into the workforce. The

number of program offerings is growing to meet the needs of the Island community. During 2016, Radio Broadcasting and Business/Marketing were formalized to begin to develop sequential programming for students.

Under the direction of Ken Ward, the Automotive Technology department has undergone some significant equipment updates. New lifts and specialized equipment have advanced the technical skills offered. The automotive students continue to earn their 10-hour OSHA General Industry Certification and are prepared for entry-level employment.

Health care occupations, many of which require an associate degree or less, make up 12 of the 20 fastest growing occupations. The Health Assisting program continues to grow and expand its presence in the community with its partnership with MVH and Windemere. Mary Vivian, BSN, RN, brings her knowledge of nursing, the health care industry, and her love of students to this new program. The Health Assisting students were instrumental in organizing a fundraiser for Haiti during its most recent hurricane.

The Horticulture department, under the direction of John Wojtkiel, is in its second year of raising trout as part of its aquaponic/hydroponic system. The horticulture students earn their 10-hour OSHA General Industry Certification and Pesticide Application training. During the spring months, students of horticulture landscaped the Oak Bluffs and Tisbury Senior Centers. The annual spring plant sale was a great success. Former students are now proprietors of several landscaping businesses.

Chef Cynthia Cowan joined the Culinary Arts department to work with Chef Jack O'Malley and the students, who are always busy preparing delicious meals for members of the Island community. Culinary Arts continues to host events for local groups, frequently using locally sourced produce from the horticulture program and the school garden. Annually, culinary students become ServSafe and OSHA 10 certified.

Over the last year, our Building Trades department, taught by Bill Seabourne, has continued with its shed building program. The building trades students earn the important 10-hour OSHA General Construction Certification. Building Trades students, in collaboration with Island Grown Schools, received Blue Ribbon recognition for designing and building the school's composting bin. Students of this trade regularly join local construction businesses directly out of high school.

Maritime Sciences, with Brock Callen at the helm, continues to expand its presence within CTE. This is the eighth year MVRHS has offered seamanship science, with the support of Sail MV. The program is the first of its kind in the state. The Maritime Sciences program has helped several students, with the credentials obtained through the program, to attend maritime colleges or enter into the maritime industry.

Our newest programs, Radio Broadcasting and Business/Marketing were added to the exploratory rotation, offering students an opportunity to explore

career paths in communications and business. WYOB 105.5FM, the Island's newest radio station, broadcasts directly from MVRHS. We are proud of this student-run endeavor and thankful to Skip Finley and Bill Narkiewicz for their tireless efforts in fundraising and managing this station.

Our newest staff member, Brian Jakusik is working with Josh Burgoyne to expand the business offerings at the high school to include a sequence of marketing courses. Brian comes to us with a strong background in business and marketing and is a great addition to the DECA program begun by Josh last year.

Career Technical Education programs benefit from biannual advisory meetings. Advisory groups are made up of industry professionals and provide valuable oversight of programs. The departments rely on them for curriculum, equipment, and budgetary advice.

English

The English department sponsored the second annual Writers Week during the spring term. Twenty Island writers attended the event, delivering coffee-house style readings and teaching lessons about all aspects of writing to nearly 300 students. English teachers Christine Ferrone and Spencer D'Agostino organized the event with help from their English department colleagues.

Students in the English department who took the Advanced Placement Literature exam and the Advanced Placement English Language and Composition exam once again achieved an extremely high level of academic success. Regional high school students earned passing scores at a rate nearly 30 points above the national average.

For the second consecutive year, all students in regular English classes scored in the passing range on the state MCAS exam.

Class of 2016 member Amadine Muniz's participated in the Poetry Out Loud State Championship held in Boston in March, 2016.

Bill McCarthy earned an additional Master's Degree in English/Writing at Western New Mexico University (WNMU) last summer.

Dave Wilson and Bill McCarthy took 35 of their students to Walden Pond and environs in early October. The group visited the Old Manse, The Alcott House, and Thoreau's cabin site in Walden Woods. By arrangement, the students even encountered old Henry David (a Thoreau impersonator) ambling through the woods by his cabin. All in all, it was a great day of expeditionary learning.

Kate Hennigan and Christine Ferrone attended the New England Association of Teachers of English fall conference. Upon their return, both teachers continued to share what they learned with their colleagues.

Two Creative Writing students, Pearl Vercruysse and Mary McCarthy, have had their work accepted for publication in *Fine Lines Journal*, edited by David Martin. *Fine Lines* is a national journal that publishes creative writing. The students' work will appear in the winter 2017 edition.

The Martha's Vineyard Regional High School's student newspaper, the High School View, won several major journalism awards at the New England Scholastic Press Association's annual conference held May 2 at Boston University. The paper won the Massachusetts Highest Achievement Award for excellence in editing and publishing in the class three category. The team won second place honors in the prestigious All-New England category. Several students earned individual special achievement awards for journalistic excellence: co-editor in chief Olivia Jacobs for news writing, Casey McAndrews for feature writing, and Sophie Bonneau for illustration. English department chairman Dan Sharkovitz has served as the newspaper's faculty adviser since 1995.

Cynthia Cowan's 10th grade English class hosted three Island authors: Jay Schofield, Tom Dresser, and WWII Veteran, Herb Foster, this past October to discuss their book, *Martha's Vineyard in WWII*. Having just completed John Knowles novel, *A Separate Peace*, about the experiences of young men at a prep school in New Hampshire during WWII, students were fascinated to learn of actual war-time activities on our island during this time period.

The school's literary magazine, *Seabreezes*, was recognized by the National Council of Teachers of English as a magazine of "Excellence." Chris Baer and Bill McCarthy serve as the magazine's faculty advisers.

English department chair, Dan Sharkovitz, was elected vice-president of the New England Scholastic Press Association Board of Directors for the fourth consecutive year. In May, he taught a journalism seminar at the New England Scholastic Press Association's annual conference held at Boston University. In the fall, five of his poems were featured in the 2016 edition of *Cantos: A Literary and Arts Journal*. In addition, Dan's insights about teaching were quoted in Brian Sztabnik's ebook, *The 10 Habits of Master Teachers*. In July, as part of a series of scholarly lectures titled "Islanders Read the Classics," Dan presented a talk to a full house at the Edgartown Library. The presentation guided the audience through the intricacies of Shakespeare's great play, *The Tragedy of Hamlet, Prince of Denmark*.

Guidance

The culmination of our four-year developmental guidance program helped the 156 graduates of the Class of 2016 develop transitional plans during their post-secondary planning process. As a result, 62% of the students are attending a 4 year college; 7% attending a 2 year college/technical college/prep school; 18% entered the work force; 7% were admitted to college but taking a gap year; and 6% are pursuing other alternatives including travel. The generosity of our community was demonstrated by the \$1,555,414.00 awarded at our Class Night. Our 2016 Graduates received 517 scholarships and post-graduates received 237. Our Peer Outreach Program, which includes 108 trained students and 36 trained teachers, continues to be an effective peer-driven program to assist students in negotiating the challenges of high school.

The “Sting,” created to help the 8th grade students’ transition into the high school, has proved to be a highly successful program. The Guidance Department is dedicated to assist and encourage students to set and meet their goals and support their academic and extracurricular success.

History

The History department has had an interesting year so far with a historic general election that prompted interesting conversations and reflections within the department. Elaine Cawley-Weintraub and Louis Hall combined their social studies and science classes to work with students on generating questions and concerns about the election. The students worked on several dilemmas and the finished product, *The Wall of Hopes and Fears*, is in the hallway outside Room 505.

Olsen Houghton and Andrew Vandall are continuing their post-graduate work and the entire department became trained in the mandated state program for teaching students whose first language is not English. Elaine Cawley-Weintraub made presentations for Facing History & Ourselves and the National Council on the Social Studies, and Andrew Vandall attended a number of battle reenactments. Five of our teachers attended a complimentary showing of the new film, *LOVING*, at the Film Center in Vineyard Haven as part of our collaboration with them. The film addressed the issue of the anti-miscegenation laws and how they were challenged successfully on behalf of Richard and Mildred Loving. Earlier in the year, the students attended showings of “Suffragette and Race” at the Film Center. The senior class took part in the annual African American Heritage Trail project exhibition and several won prizes.

There was a cultural exchange visit with the High School of Economics and Finance in New York. In April, the students from the One World Club visited New York and participated in a series of cultural activities, and in June the New Yorkers visited the Vineyard. The annual Brazilian-American Friendship Lunch, an event celebrating intercultural friendships and building a strong community, took place on December 9, 2016. Also during this year, groups of students traveled to the Close Up program in Washington, D.C., led by Corinne Kurtz, and to Ireland as part of their Irish History program.

Math

The math department is pleased to welcome Michael Inness as a new instructor. Michael brings 12 years of experience from The Woodlands High School in Texas, having taught an array of subjects ranging from Algebra I to AP Calculus.

Math teachers Melissa Brillard and Mary Lee Carlomagno are progressing with earning their master’s degree in a conjunctive program with Fitchburg State College and ACE MV.

MVRHS scored well with regards to the 2016 math standardized test results. The average SAT score was 541 and the average on the Math I subject test was

633. The BC calculus AP scores averaged 3.5 with 78% scoring a three or higher. We also recorded the highest number of students ever taking an AP exam. The MCAS results were also encouraging, with 85% of students scoring proficient or higher and 57% scoring advanced.

Performing Arts

Beginning in January, 2016, the Performing Arts Department continued to offer students both performance and non-performance music and theatre classes: choral and instrumental ensembles; guitar; piano; class voice; music theory; sound technology; theatre workshop; and musical theatre production, as well as opportunities for independent study. In addition, English Language Learners and students in the LifeSkills programs were offered classes in music exploration. Performance classes presented a concert in March for Music in Our Schools Month, performed at Evening of the Arts, and participated in the graduation ceremonies at the Tabernacle in June.

Choral members participated in the All Island Choral Festival, singing with and getting to know the students and teachers from the Island elementary schools. Vocal Ensemble entertained Island seniors at Windermere and senior centers, and the string quartet provided music for the senior luncheons in Culinary. Theatre classes performed monologues and scenes from a variety of Shakespeare plays, while the Musical Theatre Production Class presented its second 'Cabaret' at Alex's Place.

Outside of scheduled classes, many students took advantage of extracurricular activities. Twenty-three students participated in the All Cape and Islands Music Festival, six performed in the Southeast District Senior Festival, and two singers were selected for the All State Concert at Symphony Hall. Over sixty students were members of the cast of 'CHICAGO,' presenting three stellar performances in February, assisted by faculty members and several Island musicians, designers, and set builders. In May, the Minnesingers presented their Spring Shows, entitled 'Kaleidoscope,' celebrating the many diverse styles of music.

The first semester of the 2016 school year was again a busy time with all classes up and running. In October, thirty-five students attended the Boston Symphony's open rehearsal which featured Yo-Yo Ma; truly an amazing experience for everyone! At the annual Assessment Day in November, all the classes in the department were able to participate, either as performers or audiences members, with classes sharing their accomplishments. The department's winter concert on December 1st featured Band, Jazz Band, Orchestra, Chorus, Vocal Ensemble, the Woodwind Quintet, and compositions by the Sound Technology class.

Musical Theatre Production class prepared for its 'Cabaret' performances at Alex's Place, scheduled for January 2017. Auditions for this year's Performing Arts Department Musical, 'Guys and Dolls,' were held and a cast of over 50 rehearsed beginning in November for performances in February. In very

successful auditions in November, thirty-one musicians were chosen for the All Cape and Islands Music Festival, six for the Southeast District Music Festival, and one singer will have the opportunity to audition for the All State Concert.

In other performances during the fall and winter, a jazz duo provided music for the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony in November, and instrumentalists continued to entertain at the senior luncheons. The Minnesingers performed at the annual Minnesinger auction, made several holiday visits to area senior centers, and sang at the Neighborhood Convention and at Windermere. They also presented their traditional Winter Concerts at the Whaling Church for Christmas in Edgartown. 2016 was another busy and successful year for both students and staff thanks to the support of the administration and high school staff, parents, and the Island community.

Physical Education

This past calendar year, the PE department was invigorated by new and renewed staff as retirements prompted many new opportunities. In addition to Ms. Alyssa Lemoi being new to the department, we welcomed the newly-certified Ryan Kent from the Special Education department to help cover the retirement of Donald Herman. Both of these young professionals are infusing new experiences and ideas to our program.

Our students continue to thrive on team sports and individual fitness feats that spread enthusiasm to all students. Favorite team sports include floor hockey, team handball, pickle ball, and badminton. During each class meeting, a brief ‘tip of the day’ is highlighted on fitness, nutrition, and safety, and this past spring our sophomores rushed to the gym to let the faculty know that information on cholesterol from the ‘tip of the day’ was part of the Biology MCAS and these sophomores were pumped that PE had shed a light on the topic!

Over 300 students in all the spring classes were very fortunate to enjoy some of the best spring weather on MV while at Felix Neck to kayak and hike as part of Physical Education. The Yard’s “Making It” program was also part of physical education this past year, with both semesters of the 9-10 grades participating in diverse experiences in movement. In addition to the talent that resides with The Yard, there were guest groups that visited our school to work with students. Yoga continues in the 11-12 grade courses thanks to a grant from the Sound Foundation.

Science

In the past 12 months, the teachers in the Science Department actively engaged in education, community outreach, and collaboration. Our science teachers took classes in educating diverse populations and in curriculum design, including general curriculum design, physics curriculum design, and computer-based STEM design. Teachers attended the National Science

Teachers Association Conference, a Social Thinking Conference, and an Engineering Design Conference that focused on engaging students in STEAM-based projects. The department has worked with several local groups (on-Island and off-Island), including Biodiversity Works, Felix Neck, the Shellfish Hatchery, Island Grown Schools, and Cape Light Compact to provide project opportunities for students.

The 2016 science fair was very successful, with several students competing at the regional fair. MVRHS received the South Shore Regional Science Fair School Award. These awards are given to schools from which one or more students won a first place award at the 2015 fair. Christopher Aring won a 1st place award last year for his project, Augmented Reality Sand Table. This award recognizes that the success of the students reflects the hard work of dedicated teachers and a supportive school system.

Dr. Munn has taken on the role of STEAM coordinator for the 2016-17 school year. This is a new position that will oversee the integration of STEAM related courses and/or materials into the MVRHS curriculum.

Jason Neago has taken a leave of absence and a position in a DOD school in Japan. Lou Hall has been hired to teach his Chemistry and Physics courses.

Our new course additions of “Principals of Physics” and “Green Engineering” seem to be gaining interest among the students.

The Engineering Challenge continued to build on its success, offering over 40 students an opportunity to engage in competitive engineering design work. The strongest of these students were invited to attend the Cape and Islands Engineering Challenge in Woods Hole.

The department has set goals to study the new standards put forth by the state and align our curriculum to better fulfill those standards. We continue to try to identify best-practice standards and implement common skills, assessments, and overacting ideas that can be incorporated throughout the science curriculum. We have continued to improve our co-teaching program and look to add two Earth science classes in 2017-18.

Special Education

The role of the Special Education Department is to identify eligible students and provide them with specialized instruction to help them fulfill their potential towards college and/or career readiness. Specialized instruction and supports are provided on a continuum from academic support, in-class support, co-teaching, and small group instruction to substantially separate programs. These services/programs are designed with the belief that all students can learn together in the same school to prepare for adult living after graduating/transitioning from the high school.

The focus of the department is to build a positive collaborative environment and be an integral part of the school community at large. We started the year

with a new Principal who supports this philosophy. In the first few days of the year, during teacher professional development, we were able to meet with all teachers and staff. We presented how best to support the different individual needs that are included in our classrooms. Then again, at a staff meeting in November, our department was able to lead a presentation on Executive Functioning for the teaching staff.

We started a co-teaching model in September of 2015 and within the first few months there was positive results observed for the students, teachers, and parents. This year, we have co-teaching in four 9th grade classes and seven 10th grade classes. We are planning on expanding next year to include 4 more freshman classes and one more sophomore class. This is an exciting process that reflects the inclusive nature of the school's culture and a commitment by our administration and staff to support this initiative.

We are continuing to develop a transition process to meet the needs of incoming freshman with IEPs. The MVRHS Special Education Department meets regularly with representatives of each sending school. A Parents' Meet/Greet Night was held to provide parents an opportunity to meet the staff and learn about the overview of special education services. This new event allowed teams to hold a focused individual student's transition.

Our Department meets on a monthly basis to review special education regulations, practices, monitoring of the compliance, and to ensure appropriate supports and services are in place to meet the needs of our students with disabilities receiving specialized instruction. Each Special Education teacher also participates in monthly content department meetings as a representative for the special education department.

World Language

Professional development was the theme of 2016 for teachers in the World Language Department. Pierre Bonneau attended the American Association of Teachers of French (AATF) annual convention in Austin (TX) last July, where he presented a cultural session on the evolution of the Quebec society through his travel stories in Northern Quebec. Jane Sampaio participated in a Portuguese teachers' retreat at the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia, where she learned from experts in the field of foreign language instruction and collaborated with other Portuguese teachers. In November, six teachers attended the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages conference in Boston, where they learned the latest trends in language learning and acquisition. The department is currently working to share and integrate new ideas and activities from the conferences that focus on encouraging speaking in world language classrooms and supporting an environment of proficiency that aligns with national standards.

Juliana Germani joined the department as a Portuguese teacher with a course load that includes classes for heritage and native speakers as well as ELL

support. The department has also developed a collaborative effort with the ELL department to bring students together to engage in authentic communication as they learn each other's languages. This pairing has been a great success and we look forward to further developing the curriculum next year.

Cristina Dominguez, a native speaker from Spain and Lorena Crespo, originally from Ecuador, visited Spanish classes to share their language and traditions. Students enjoyed using their Spanish skills to converse with native speakers and learn about their cultures. We are so grateful to have these members of our community come in and work with our students, giving them an authentic way to practice their language skills and learn about other cultures; a great time was had by all!

As always, students of all languages had ample opportunity to put their language skills to the test and, again this year, advanced Spanish students demonstrated great success, with all students passing the Advanced Placement Exam in the spring.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Dingley
Principal



Dukes County Academy

**REPORT OF THE
MARTHA'S VINEYARD
REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICE OF THE TREASURER
4 Pine Street
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568**

February 1, 2016

To the Citizens of West Tisbury:

In compliance with Section VIII of the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School District Agreement under which the District was formed and according to the recommendations of the Office of the Directors of Accounts, we submit the following financial reports of the District for fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

Statement of Net Position
Government Funds Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds – Statement of Revenues,
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Respectfully submitted,

Marylee Schroeder
Treasurer

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,021,681
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	749,328
Due from Agency Fund	719,999
Total current assets	<u>4,490,918</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets not being depreciated	179,744
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>13,702,900</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>13,882,644</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>18,373,562</u></u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Related to Pensions	348,394
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities:	
Warrants Payable	667,322
Accrued payroll	1,283,411
Other liabilities	47,955
Compensated absences	29,063
Wastewater connection payable	29,560
Long-term bonds and notes payable	<u>188,799</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>2,246,110</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Compensated absences	261,570
Net OPEB obligation	12,928,756
Net Pension Liability	3,071,249
Wastewater connection payable	295,587
Long-term bonds and notes payable	<u>1,321,596</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>17,878,758</u>
Total Liabilities	<u><u>20,124,868</u></u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	12,666,23
Restricted for:	
Special Education	246,966
Other specific purposes	247,606
Unrestricted	<u>(14,563,720)</u>
Total Net Position	<u><u>\$ (1,402,912)</u></u>

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
GOVERNMENT FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016**

	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,246,339	\$ 775,342	\$ 3,021,681
Due from Agency Fund	719,999	-	719,999
Restricted assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	-	749,238	749,238
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>2,966,338</u>	<u>1,524,580</u>	<u>4,490,918</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
LIABILITIES:			
Warrants Payable	647,742	19,580	667,322
Accrued payroll	1,214,310	69,101	1,248,411
Other liabilities	47,955	-	47,955
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>1,910,007</u>	<u>88,681</u>	<u>1,998,688</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Restricted	-	803,746	83,746
Committed	-	765,327	764,327
Assigned	300,807	-	300,807
Unassigned	755,524	(132,174)	623,350
	1,056,131	1,435,899	2,492,230
TOTAL FUND BALANCES			
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 2,966,338</u>	<u>\$ 1,524,580</u>	<u>\$ 4,490,918</u>

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016

REVENUES	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Member town assessments	\$ 16,038,670	-	\$ 16,038,670
User fees	817,056	435,268	1,252,324
Intergovernmental:			
State Aid-foundation	2,775,225	-	2,775,225
State Aid-transportation	309,395	-	309,395
State Aid-charter school assessment reimbursement	110,054	-	110,054
State Aid-circuit breaker	-	165,351	165,351
Other state and federal grants	2,644,769	1,600,171	4,244,940
Departmental Receipts	40,874	101,831	142,705
Contributions and donations	-	2,081	2,081
Investment income	21,444	991	22,435
TOTAL REVENUES	22,757,487	2,305,693	25,063,180

EXPENDITURES

Current:		
Instruction:		
Regular	5,095,987	5,637,977

	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Special Education	2,210,151	1,092,243	3,302,394
Vocational	492,150	64,563	556,713
Other	83,727	36,513	120,240
Support Services:			
Pupil	1,793,355	232,835	2,026,190
Instructional	570,736	179,919	750,655
Administration	1,884,817	149,038	2,033,855
Business	96,891	-	96,891
Building and grounds	1,581,510	453,250	2,034,760
Transportation	1,680,633	8,788	1,689,421
Food	43,527	315,603	359,130
Community services	-	178,550	178,550
Pension benefits	2,983,658	-	2,983,658
Employee benefits	2,747,563	-	2,747,563
Property and liability insurance	283,229	-	283,229
State Assessment			
Charter school	1,033,311	-	1,033,311
School choice	15,366		15,366
Debt service-principal	180,000	-	180,000
Debt service-interest	45,900	-	45,900
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	22,822,511	3,253,292	26,075,803

	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(65,024)	(947,599)	(1,012,623)
ROTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Transfers in	-	814,092	814,092
Transfers out	(464,092)	(350,000)	(814,092)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(464,092)	464,092	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(529,116)	(483,507)	(1,012,623)
FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year	1,585,447	1,919,406	3,504,853
FUND BALANCE, End of year	<u>\$ 1,056,331</u>	<u>\$ 1,435,899</u>	<u>\$ 2,492,230</u>

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

EXPENDITURES

(7,009)

	Prior Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Original Budget	Supplemental Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Current Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Actual and Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Variance Positive/ Negative)
Support Services:								
Pupil	31,452	1,828,872	-	1,860,324	1,793,355	457	1,793,812	66,512
Instructional	8,950	568,605	-	577,555	570,736	-	570,736	6,819
Administration	31,323	1,933,815	-	1,965,138	1,884,817	3063	1,887,880	77,258
Business	495	101,900	-	102,395	96,891	900	97,791	4,604
Building and grounds	132,245	1,596,801	-	1,729,046	1,581,510	15780	1,597,290	131,756
Transportation	241,356	1,728,359	-	1,969,715	1,680,633	264718	1,945,351	24,364
Food	-	47,000	-	47,000	43,527	3,473	47,000	-
Pension benefits	-	338,889	-	338,889	338,889	-	338,889	-
Employee benefits	-	2,787,238	-	2,787,238	2,747,563	-	2,747,563	39,675
Property and liability insurance	-	280,473	-	280,473	283,229	-	283,229	(2,756)
State Assessment								
Charter school	-	879,430	-	879,430	1,033,311	-	1,033,311	(153,881)
School choice	-	180,000	-	180,000	15,366	-	15,366	(15,366)
Debt service-principal	-	180,000	-	180,000	180,000	-	180,000	-
Debt service-interest	-	45,900	-	45,900	45,900	-	45,900	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	499,680	20,199,207	-	20,698,887	20,177,742	300,805	20,478,547	220,340
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES								
OVER EXPENDITURES	(499,680)	(169,574)	-	(669,254)	(65,024)	(300,805)	(365,829)	303,425
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):								
Transfers out	-	-	(464,092)	(464,092)	(464,092)	-	(464,092)	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(499,680)	(169,574)	(464,092)	(1,133,346)	(529,116)	(300,805)	(829,921)	303,425
FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year	1,585,447	1,585,447	1,585,447	1,585,447	1,585,447	-	1,585,447	-
FUND BALANCE, End of year	\$ 1,085,767	\$ 1,415,873	\$ 1,121,355	\$ 452,101	\$ 1,056,331	\$ (300,805)	\$ 755,526	\$ 303,425

REPORT OF THE CHILMARK SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Dr. Matthew D'Andrea
Superintendent of Schools
4 Pine Street
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear D'Andrea:

The year 2016 has seen several at the Chilmark School! Our school community began with 43 students in three classrooms; a K/1 class, a 2/3 class and a 4/5 class (last year we had two 4/5 classes)

New faculty members this year include: Donna Swift, music teacher, and Jane Katch, our librarian. These new positions will help us reach the needs of all students.

An all-school morning circle starts our day as a community. We often have several parents participating with us each morning. During this time we celebrate birthdays, have a thought for the day, pledge the flag, sing a song, share news, and end with a symphonic musical selection from the "MusicWorks! Everyday program developed by the Cape Cod Symphony.

Our school continues to focus on project-based learning. Project based learning is "a teaching method in which students gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to an engaging and complex question, problem or challenge". An example of this at the Chilmark School would be the 2/3's investigation of whaling. They began the year learning about whalers, and whales ships in social studies. Their reading lessons also utilized books about whaling. Students researched why whales were hunted, so they could understand the resources that the whales provided. They built a town that would have existed in early whaling times and each student was a proprietor of a shop in town. Field trips were taken. They visited a whaling museum, and participated in a whale watch. These types of activities keep students actively engaged in learning when immersed in a specific topic. They ended the unit by making whales to scale, so that replicas could fit in the classroom. The current focus on STEAM activities (combining science, technology, engineering, art and math) is very similar to project-based learning and enlists just a few changes for us to be following the STEAM teaching ideas.

Chilmark School has many Whole School Events involving the entire school community. These activities allow students to get to know, and work cooperatively with children of different ages and abilities. Whole School Events, as well as the multi-age classroom model, allows for maximum differentiation of curriculum, as well as helping students develop leadership skills. Teachers

within each multi age classroom encourage older students to become role models and to demonstrate leadership skills. With our proximity to the Chilmark Preschool and their participation in our various Whole School Events, even our kindergarten students can begin to learn leadership skills. Our recess time is also multiage, so students can participate in a variety of activities with students of all ages and abilities.

To promote physical awareness as well as self-regulation, we have continued to embrace mindfulness and yoga instruction. Theater instruction for all students encourages self-expression and self-assurance. Our hot lunch program continues to grow as we promote island grown foods, and healthy lunches. Outdoor recesses during the day help promote healthy living as well.

We are in our 2nd year of utilizing “Math in Focus Singapore Math”. This is the same program being utilized at the West Tisbury School ensuring continuity to our graduates that move on to 6th grade at the West Tisbury School.

The Lucy Calkins Writing Program helps students produce a great product in the area of writing. This year teachers continue to work together monthly to be sure that students’ compositions are graded similarly, based on required skills and elements.

In the computer lab students utilize various programs to improve their skills on the computer while participating in academic learning. They use “Type to Learn”, for keyboarding skills, “Aleks” and “Dreambox” for math, and “Lexia” for reading. These programs are web based which allows the student to work at their own pace both at school and home. Students also work with the web based Suite developed by Google that incorporates creating documents, spreadsheets, drawing and more.

Many traditions make our school special, starting with the 4/5 outdoor education week of sailing aboard the tall ship Alabama during the first full week of school. Since this trip takes place during the school year, with teachers on board, students complete all of their lessons while on the ship. The 4/5 class sponsors a fundraiser at the end of October. This year we raised funds for the “Water for South Sudan”. The K/1 and 2/3 classes visit the residents at Windemere once a month. The K/1 students do a short performance for the residents, while the 2/3 students meet with them to share photos of the island. In November, we hold the Turkey Trot, where students “race” a mile down Middle Road. We then return to school for a reading of Stone Soup, and eat Stone Soup for lunch. This was the 2nd year that Dr. D’Andrea and Mr. Smith were our distinguished readers of two different versions of “Stone Soup”. In February the 5th graders visit Sugarloaf Mountain in Maine for our annual ski trip. At the beginning of May we have a May Day Celebration. The 4/5 students perform a May Pole Dance. Afterward they organize games as a Whole School event. At the end of May we travel to Menemsha to listen to “Taps”, played by students, and throw flowers in the water in memory of our veterans. An annual end of year tradition is our 5th grade graduation. A high

school senior, who attended the Chilmark School, joins us to read their scholarship-winning essay about their experience here. All 5th graders share a speech about their time at the school and then we have a Whole School potluck lunch. Our final tradition of the year is a kayak trip for the 3rd and 4th graders. This prepares the students for their adventure on the Alabama in the fall. These traditions foster community involvement and help create the uniqueness of our school.

There are many contributors that support the Chilmark School's success. The staff, a group of talented individuals, works closely to meet the needs of all students. The school PTO and School Advisory Council put in countless hours and are a valuable resource. The Chilmark School parent body makes the school a true community. Volunteers bring their unique experiences and expertise, giving students another perspective. The Up-Island School Committee works to help our school be successful. I would like to thank all those who have contributed and helped the Chilmark School continue to be a place where children come "to live, to love and to learn".

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Stevens
Head of School

Chilmark School Students 2016

Kindergarten

Maybeline Brown	Lucy Doyle	Rasmus Mayhew
Moses Thomson	Dylan Waldman	Kiyla Weiner
Annalee Wike	Genevieve Wise	

First Grade

Tauras Biskis	Emme Carroll	Mira Davis
Oscar Flanders		

Second Grade

Zeb Athearn	Arjuna Begle	Malia Bodnar
Sam McMullen	Emmett Taylor	Leah Thomson
Aki Weiner	Fletcher Zack	

Third Grade

Grazina Biskis	Hunter Broderick	Cian Davis
Jean Flanders	Grady Keefe	Lathrop Keene
Walter Prescott	Claus Smith	

Fourth Grade

Elizabeth Chavtal	Katherine Chavtal	Laila Fenner
Hayden Higgins	Katalena Hume	Rodeo Purves-Langer
Charlotte Scott		

Fifth Grade

Axel Abrams	Clara Athearn	Laina Benoit
Kestutis Biskis	Oona Carroll	Oisin McVey
Peter Miller	William Miller	Yossi Monahan
Sam Zack		

Chilmark School Staff 2016

Full Time Staff:

Principal/Head of School	Susan Stevens
Teachers:	
K/1	Robin Smith
2/3	Gretchen Snyder
4/5	Jackie Guzalak
Educational support Professionals:	
K/1	Eleanor Neubert
2/3	Celeste Drouin
4/5	Caroline Fenske
Enrichment/SPED	Jed Katch
Head Custodian:	Lisa Nichols

Part Time Staff:

School Secretary (85%)	Mary Ambulos
Specialists:	
Special Education (80%)	Jill Rosenkranz
Music (20%)	Donna Swift
Instrumental Music (10%)	Ruth Scudere-Chapman
Physical Education (20%)	Channon Capra
Art (20%)	Mariah MacGregor
Guidance Counselor (40%)	Joan Rice
Computer coordinator (30%)	Rebecca Barca-Tinnus
School Nurse (20%)	Janice Brown
Reading (30%)	Jessica Whiteley
Yoga (20%)	Jen DeLorenzo
Library (20%)	Jane Katch

REPORT OF THE WEST TISBURY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Matthew D’Andrea, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Martha’s Vineyard Public Schools
RR 2, Box 261
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear Dr. D’Andrea:

I am pleased to present this report for calendar 2016 at the West Tisbury School. In it, I describe significant aspects of the year, as well as staff changes. In sum, staff, parents, and leadership continue together to build on the excellence that has characterized the West Tisbury School and for which it is well known and widely admired. This year, as ever, we have followed Ben Franklin’s guidance, “Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning.”

Student enrollment increased once again in 2016. Current numbers in kindergarten through eighth grade are 338, distributed as follows:

Kindergartens ~ 16 and 16
First Grades ~ 20 and 21
Second Grades ~ 20 and 21
Third Grades ~ 17 and 21
Fourth Grades ~ 16 and 17
Fifth Grades ~ 17 and 18
Sixth Grades ~ 17, 18 and 18
Seventh Grade ~ 45*
Eighth Grade ~ 20*

*students configured differently in various courses

New colleagues include Caitlyn Clark, Casey Hayward, Amy Hoff, Sarah Karlinsky, Cathy MacDonald, David Mesheau, Allison Saiff, Sam Scott, and Nina Webster. Karl Nelson returned from sabbatical. Jill Lane, third grade teacher, retired, and we thank her for her long service and unfailing dedication to the West Tisbury School and its community.

We have continued to refine the implementation of our math program that uses the Singapore approach. We have continued our intervention and enrichment reading block in the first and second grades. Having all students work in small groups for a half-hour daily for targeted reading instruction that aligns precisely with their current reading levels has shown gratifying early results. Professional development training and materials for this program continue to be funded through several grants, we sought energetically and won.

Concurrent with implementing new science standards, we began an interdisciplinary approach to the learning called STE(A)M, an acronym for science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics. Teachers are developing and implementing a STE(A)M curriculum that immerses students in open-ended exploration as well as hands-on, project-based learning, a hallmark of the West Tisbury School throughout its history. We are also partnering with the Boston Museum of Science Gateway Schools Project, along with Chilmark School, Edgartown School, Oak Bluffs School, Tisbury School, and the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School.

Additional grant support and donations have allowed us to continue a yoga program in every grade, to install interactive whiteboards in more classrooms this year, to partner with Martha's Vineyard Museum to allow student access to primary sources to participate in a variety of innovative learning experiences across several grades, and to continue to provide a homework support club for students in third through fifth grades. Recent donations will fund installation of a filtered water bottle refilling station, will finance the planting of a large shade tree for the new playground as well as the installation of irrigation around it.

About the playground: With the help of the West Tisbury Community Preservation Committee and citizens of West Tisbury, the towns of Aquinnah and Chilmark, the West Tisbury Parent/Teacher Organization, and thanks to many donations from community members, we completed a large part of our playground renovation by removing the deteriorating Big Toy and installing a new one with a fully accessible surface. This new area has attracted lots of enthusiastic use, and comments have been frequent and extremely positive. We thank everyone for uniting to create this badly needed replacement to the old, tattered playground.

In terms of state assessment, we will move from the recently implemented Partnership for Assessment and Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) assessments, administered last spring, to a new state assessment system now being developed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in collaboration with PARCC. We will administer the new MCAS 2.0 assessments in English, math, and science.

Our School Advisory Council is at work on four school improvement goals in the current school year. They include implementing the new science standards, English language arts enrichment, writing, and school parking lot safety and accessibility. Along with measuring progress on our current goals, the council has identified four new ones for the upcoming school year in the areas of best practices; methods and programs for special education and 504s; unstructured time recommendations; phase two and three of the playground/outdoor learning area renovation; and health and wellness. This plan was first shared with the UIRSD school committee at its November meeting and will be followed by a full presentation to the school committee in January.

The very active and encouraging Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) created opportunities for families to join in fun activities and raised funds to support school initiatives. Highlights from the year include providing free, healthy cooking classes for families, raising funds for the school playground, helping to build the middle school garden, building school store display cases to revitalize the school store and allow children to work on all the skills needed to run a business, including learning to count money, and providing new bike racks and athletic uniforms.

This year as every year, the support of community members has been paramount in the success of our school. I thank them all for their unstinting support of the West Tisbury School and its mission of “providing a solid academic foundation, to inspire a love of learning for the sake of learning, to foster an understanding of basic human values with a working knowledge of the rights and responsibilities associated with those values, and to promote independent thinking through cooperative and inclusive learning while maintaining the unique values of our diverse, rural island community.” I am eager to continue this immensely valuable and successful collaboration with educators, parents, volunteers, community members, organizations, and business partners, all focused steadily on the advancement of our school and the achievements and success of all our students.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Lowell-Bettencourt
Principal

**REPORT OF THE
UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF MARTHA'S VINEYARD**

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March 16, 2017

To the Citizens of West Tisbury:

In compliance with Section VIII of the Up-Island Regional School District Agreement under which the District was formed and according to the recommendations of the Office of the Directors of Accounts, we submit the following financial reports of the District for fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

Statement of Net Position

Governmental Funds Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds – Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

General Funds – Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual

Respectfully submitted,

Marylee Schroeder
Treasurer

**UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016**

	Government Activities
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,413,758
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	754,692
Total current assets	<u>2,168,450</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Capital assets not being depreciated	158,970
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>1,322,867</u>
Total Noncurrent assests	<u>1,481,837</u>
Total Assets	<u>3,650,287</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Related to Pensions	<u>130,652</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Warrants Payable	395,939
Accrued payroll	601,034
Other Liabilities	17,901
Compensated absences	8,485
Long-term bonds and notes payable	<u>150,000</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>1,173,359</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities	
Compensated absences	76,362
Net OPED obligation	4,520,074
Net Pension Liability	1,127,893
Long-term bonds and notes payable	<u>750,000</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>6,474,329</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>7,647,688</u>
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets	581,837
Restricted for:	
School Choice	361,828
Special Education	182,664
Building & Grounds	113,561
Other specific purposes	125,169
Unrestricted	<u>(5,231,808)</u>
Total Net Position	<u><u>\$ (3,866,749)</u></u>

**UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNMENT FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016**

ASSETS	General	School Choice	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,293,027	\$ -	\$ 120,731	\$ 1,413,758
Restricted Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	-	361,828	392,864	754,692
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,293,027</u>	<u>361,828</u>	<u>513,595</u>	<u>2,168,450</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES:				
Warrants Payable	358,803	-	37,136	395,939
Accrued payroll	601,034	-	-	601,034
Other liabilities	17,901	-	-	17,901
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>977,738</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,136</u>	<u>1,014,874</u>
FUND BALANCES:				
Restricted	-	361,828	421,394	783,222
Committed	64,966	-	120,731	185,697
Assigned	9,604	-	-	9,604
Unassigned	240,719	-	(65,666)	175,053
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>315,289</u>	<u>361,828</u>	<u>476,459</u>	<u>1,153,576</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 1,293,027</u>	<u>\$ 361,828</u>	<u>\$ 513,595</u>	<u>\$ 2,168,450</u>

**UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNMENT FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016**

REVENUES	General	School Choice	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Member town assessments	\$10,065,628	\$ -	-	\$10,065,628
Charges for Services	-	-	113,303	113,303
Intergovernmental				-
State aid-foundation	821,922	-	-	821,922
State aid-transportation	157,644	-	-	157,644
State Aid - school choice	54,700	-	-	54,700
State aid - charter school assessment reimbursement	76,628	-	-	76,628
Federal aid - impact aid	23,157	-	-	23,157
Other state and federal grants	1,100,319	376,918	265,228	1,742,465
Department and other	1,892	-	170,977	172,869
Contributions and donatins	-	-	127,298	127,298
Investment Income	10,062	-	-	10,062
TOTAL REVENUES	12,311,952	376,918	676,806	13,365,676
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	2,894,159	250,000	-	3,144,159
Special Education	1,450,223	-	150,581	1,600,804
Other	65,049	-	-	65,049

	General	School Choice	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Support Services:				
Pupil	850,419	-	9,318	859,737
Instructional	213,346	-	20,780	234,126
Administrative	1,230,813	-	8,102	1,238,915
Business	63,678	-	-	63,678
Building and grounds	928,564	-	204,544	1,133,108
Transportation	277,802	-	-	277,802
Food	111,379	-	144,191	255,570
Rent	187,950	-	-	187,950
Pension benefits	1,203,419	-	-	1,203,419
Employee Benefits	1,504,495	-	-	1,504,495
Property and liability insurance	137,470	-	-	137,470
State Assessments:				-
Charter School	978,178	-	-	978,178
School Choice	109,400	-	-	109,400
Debt Service - principal	150,000	-	-	150,000
Debt Service - interest	21,563	-	-	21,563
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>12,377,907</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>537,516</u>	<u>13,165,423</u>
(DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(65,955)	126,918	139,290	200,253

	General	School Choice	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	-	-	267,890	267,890
Transfers out	(267,890)	-	-	(267,890)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(267,890)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>267,890</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(333,845)	126,918	407,180	200,253
FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year	649,134	234,910	69,279	953,323
FUND BALANCE, End of year	<u>\$315,289</u>	<u>\$ 361,828</u>	<u>\$ 476,459</u>	<u>\$1,153,576</u>

**UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, BUDGET AND ACTUAL
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

	Prior Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Original Budget	Supplemental Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Current Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Actual and Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Variance Positive/ Negative
REVENUES								
Member town assessments	\$ -	\$ 10,097,802	\$ (23,157)	\$ 10,074,645	\$ 10,065,628	\$ -	\$ 10,065,628	\$ (9,017)
Intergovernmental								
State aid-foundation		812,797	-	812,797	821,922	-	821,922	9,125
State aid-transportation		162,000	-	162,000	157,644	-	157,644	(4,356)
State aid - school choice tuition					54,700	-	54,700	54,700
State aid - charter school assessment reimbursement		82,393	-	82,393	76,628	-	76,628	(5,765)
Federal aid - impact aid		-	23,157	23,157	23,157	-	23,157	-
Other State and Federal grants		-	-	-	106,932	-	106,932	106,932
Investment Income		8,000	-	8,000	10,062	-	10,062	2,062
Departmental and other		4,000	-	4,000	1,892	-	1,892	(2,108)
TOTAL REVENUES	-	11,166,992	-	11,166,992	11,318,565	-	11,318,565	151,573

EXPENDITURES

Current:								
Instruction:								
Regular	2,952,683		(52,587)	2,900,096	2,894,160	-	2,894,160	5,936
Special Education	1,489,329		2,000	1,491,329	1,450,223	-	1,450,223	41,106
Other	65,167		-	65,167	65,049	-	65,049	118
Support Services:								
Pupil	828,613		840	829,453	850,419	-	850,419	(20,966)
Instructional	261,917		(48,350)	213,567	213,346	-	213,346	221
Administrative	1,258,630		(755)	1,257,875	1,230,813	-	1,230,813	27,062
Business	63,678		-	63,678	63,678	-	63,678	-

	Prior Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Original Budget	Supplemental Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Current Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Actual and Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Variance Positive/ Negative
Building and grounds	14,254	749,315	200,580	964,149	928,564	9,604	938,168	25,981
Transportation		279,858	(2,744)	277,114	277,802	-	277,802	(688)
Food		111,066	600	111,666	111,379	-	111,379	287
Rent		187,950	-	187,950	187,950	-	187,950	-
Pension benefits		210,032	-	210,032	210,032	-	210,032	-
Employee Benefits		1,505,495	(1,000)	1,504,495	1,504,495	-	1,504,495	-
Property and liability insurance		100,634	36,836	137,470	137,470	-	137,470	-
State Assessments:								
Charter School		940,840	-	940,840	978,178	-	978,178	(37,338)
School Choice		90,080	-	90,080	109,400	-	109,400	(19,320)
Debt service - principal		150,000	-	150,000	150,000	-	150,000	-
Debt service - interest		21,563	-	21,563	21,563	-	21,563	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	14,254	11,266,850	135,420	11,416,524	11,384,521	9,604	11,394,125	22,399
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		(99,858)	(135,420)	(249,532)	(65,956)	(9,604)	(75,560)	173,972
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers out	(167,890)	(100,000)	-	(267,890)	(267,890)	-	(267,890)	-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(167,890)	(100,000)	-	(267,890)	(267,890)	-	(267,890)	-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(182,144)	(199,858)	(135,420)	(517,422)	(333,846)	(9,604)	(343,450)	173,972
FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year	649,134	649,134	649,134	649,134	649,134	-	649,134	-
FUND BALANCE, End of year	466,990	\$449,276	\$ 513,714	\$131,712	\$ 315,288	\$ (9,604)	\$305,684	\$173,972

REPORT OF THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

The Charter School received a new five-year charter from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. The new five-year charter gives us an opportunity to design our new five-year strategic plan to map the course for our next two decades of work. The Charter School opens the new Vernon Jordan Science Center in September comprised of two state of the art science labs. The labs are very exciting news for our students and teachers.

The Charter School is offering AP World History to enrich their students' college preparatory program of studies. This level of course enrichment matches the High School's Environmental Studies, English, and mathematics coursework.

The Charter School is implementing the Response to Intervention (RTI) strategies for grades 1-6. We are looking forward to the impact the enrichment blocks have on student learning. The Charter School's Student Services Department will be responsive to the needs of the students in a comprehensive manner.

The new initiatives will enhance the educational programs offered to the students and families at the Charter School. We are anxious to witness the results and reaching new heights during the 2016-2017 school year.

The Charter School community is very gracious for the support it received during its first twenty years and looks forward to a rewarding and new experience during its next twenty years.

Robert M. Moore
Director

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

To the Voters and Taxpayers:

Collected

Fiscal 2017 Real Estate	\$7,274,586.17
Fiscal 2016 Real Estate	7,958,763.25
All Others Years Real Estate	116,811.23
Fiscal 2016 Personal Property	226,661.79
All Other Years Personal Property	7,433.54
2016 Motor Vehicle Excise	573,210.91
All Other Years Motor Vehicle Excise	33,318.82
TOTAL	\$16,190,785.71

Respectfully submitted,

Brent B. Taylor
Collector

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Board of Selectmen:

In accordance with Chapter 41, Section 61 of the Massachusetts General Laws, I hereby submit my Annual Report for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 and Appropriations for the period July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

This Annual Report consists of the following subsequent reports:

- 1) Revenue and Expenditures of the General Fund compared to budget for the year ended June 30, 2016
- 2) Activity including receipts and expenditures of all other town funds for the year ended June 30, 2016
- 3) Payments to Vendors in excess of \$2,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016
- 4) Wages Paid to Employees during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016
- 5) Appropriation Analysis for fiscal year 2016
- 6) Combined Balance Sheet showing all funds as of June 30, 2016
- 7) Report of Balance Sheet accounts for all funds as of June 30, 2016
- 8) Schedule of Debt Outstanding as of June 30, 2016
- 9) Summary of Appropriation Accounts for the period July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

All reports included are pending final audit.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce K. Stone
Town Accountant

TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
General Fund
Revenue and Expenditures vs Budget
July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

	Actual	Revised Budget	Under (Over) Budget
REVENUE			
Tax Revenue			
Real Estate Tax	14,205,572.69	14,211,306.67	5,733.98
Personal Property Tax	235,223.60	238,820.07	3,596.47
Tax Liens Redeemed	92,031.91	0.00	(92,031.91)
Vessel Excise	339.93	0.00	(339.93)
Penalties & Interest	92,750.44	70,000.00	(22,750.44)
Motor Vehicle Excise	535,885.85	510,000.00	(25,885.85)
In Lieu of Taxes	2,265.64	1,000.00	(1,265.64)
Sub-total : Tax Revenue	15,164,070.06	15,031,126.74	(132,943.32)
Fines & Forfeits			
Fines & Forfeits	6,018.54	3,000.00	(3,018.54)
Sub-total : Fines & Forfeits	6,018.54	3,000.00	(3,018.54)
Departmental Revenues			
Other Dept Revenue	295,437.92	248,000.00	(47,437.92)
Park & Recreation	76,997.50	70,000.00	(6,997.50)
Inspections	89,522.00	60,000.00	(29,522.00)
Rentals	51,638.75	48,000.00	(3,638.75)
Sub-total : Departmental Revenues	513,596.17	426,000.00	(87,596.17)
Licenses & Permits			
Licenses	13,462.50	14,000.00	537.50
Permits	87,291.00	74,000.00	(13,291.00)
Sub-total : Licenses & Permits	100,753.50	88,000.00	(12,753.50)
State Revenue			
School Construction Reimbursement	932,843.00	932,203.00	(640.00)
Cherry Sheet	236,920.00	236,920.00	0.00
CMVI	2,050.00	0.00	(2,050.00)
Miscellaneous	216.00	0.00	(216.00)
Veterans Benefits	69.00	0.00	(69.00)
Sub-total : State Revenue	1,172,098.00	1,169,123.00	(2,975.00)
Intermunicipal Revenue			
Council on Aging	152,283.93	150,000.00	(2,283.93)
Sub-total : Intermunicipal Revenue	152,283.93	150,000.00	(2,283.93)
Miscellaneous			
Miscellaneous	70,868.48	1,700.00	(69,168.48)
Sub-total : Miscellaneous	70,868.48	1,700.00	(69,168.48)
Investment			
Investment	7,480.74	5,000.00	(2,480.74)
Sub-total : Investment	7,480.74	5,000.00	(2,480.74)
Transfers In			
From Special Revenue Funds	3,894.86	3,894.86	0.00
From Trust Funds	140,000.00	140,000.00	0.00
Sub-total : Transfers In	143,894.86	143,894.86	0.00
Total : REVENUE	17,331,064.28	17,017,844.60	(313,219.68)
EXPENDITURES			

FY 2016 Appropriations/Budget	Actual	Revised Budget	Under (Over) Budget
General Government			
114-5110 Moderator Salary	370.00	370.00	0.00
114-5700 Moderator Expenses	620.00	1,170.00	550.00
122-5110 Selectmen Salaries	10,000.00	15,000.00	5,000.00
122-5120 Selectmen Pers Serv	153,414.97	154,920.01	1,505.04
122-5700 Selectmen Expenses	12,147.32	13,700.00	1,552.68
131-5120 FinCom Pers Serv	1,901.20	2,683.80	782.60
131-5700 FinCom Expenses	1,262.23	2,225.00	962.77
132-5700 Reserve Fund	0.00	3,592.40	3,592.40
133-5300 Annual Audit	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
135-5120 Accountant Pers Serv	90,129.71	90,129.71	0.00
135-5700 Accountant Expenses	1,496.13	1,670.00	173.87
141-5110 Assessors Salaries	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
141-5120 Assessors Pers Serv	135,846.29	135,846.81	0.52
141-5305 Assessors Legal	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
141-5700 Assessors Expenses	18,773.05	26,950.00	8,176.95
145-5110 Treasurer Salaries	83,982.48	85,309.51	1,327.03
145-5700 Treasurer Expenses	4,720.00	4,720.00	0.00
146-5110 Collector Salaries	86,645.86	86,645.86	0.00
146-5700 Collector Expenses	19,134.09	24,160.00	5,025.91
151-5305 Legal	26,798.07	50,000.00	23,201.93
152-5120 Personnel Bd Pers Serv	3,406.37	10,558.38	7,152.01
152-5700 Personnel Bd Expenses	200.00	800.00	600.00
155-5120 Data Proc Pers Serv	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
155-5700 Data Proc Expenses	68,429.12	75,613.00	7,183.88
158-5305 Tax Foreclosure Legal	3,884.07	7,500.00	3,615.93
158-5700 Tax Foreclosure	0.00	150.00	150.00
161-5110 Town Clerk Salaries	53,565.90	53,565.90	0.00
161-5700 Town Clerk Expenses	1,020.62	1,545.00	524.38
162-5120 Elections Pers Serv	995.50	2,131.00	1,135.50
162-5700 Elections Expenses	2,930.54	6,450.00	3,519.46
163-5120 Registrars Salaries	250.00	250.00	0.00
163-5700 Registrars Expenses	791.89	900.00	108.11
171-5120 ConCom Pers Serv	44,525.45	45,398.54	873.09
171-5700 ConCom Expenses	2,054.26	3,350.00	1,295.74
175-5110 Planning Bd Salaries	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
175-5120 Planning Bd Pers Serv	43,351.73	48,071.04	4,719.31
175-5700 Planning Bd Expenses	2,215.98	6,245.00	4,029.02
176-5120 ZBA Pers Serv	49,223.02	55,939.04	6,716.02
176-5305 ZBA Legal	547.75	4,000.00	3,452.25
176-5700 ZBA Expenses	1,674.21	3,725.00	2,050.79
177-5600 MV Commission	132,716.00	132,716.00	0.00
179-5120 AH Com Pers Serv	7,526.44	8,907.00	1,380.56
179-5700 AH Com Expenses	77.50	1,000.00	922.50
179-5305 AHC Legal	1,067.38	3,000.00	1,932.62
192-5700 Town Hall Expenses	70,441.76	84,000.00	13,558.24
193-5700 Property Insurance	88,854.76	99,650.00	10,795.24
195-5700 Town Report Expenses	6,398.40	6,398.40	0.00
196-5120 Town Clock Pers Serv	0.00	250.00	250.00
197-5600 DCRHA Administrative	39,406.00	39,406.00	0.00
Sub-total : General Government	1,296,296.05	1,454,112.40	157,816.35

	Actual	Revised Budget	Under (Over) Budget
Public Safety			
210-5120 Police Pers Serv	1,062,288.50	1,062,288.50	0.00
210-5700 Police Expenses	124,756.95	125,645.00	888.05
220-5120 Fire Pers Serv	106,500.00	134,000.00	27,500.00
220-5700 Fire Expenses	175,425.36	189,700.00	14,274.64
231-5600 Tri-Town Ambulance	265,062.04	265,062.04	0.00
241-5120 Bldg Inspect Pers Serv	117,102.60	117,251.12	148.52
241-5700 Bldg Inspect Expenses	10,954.43	13,095.00	2,140.57
291-5120 Emer Mgmt Pers Serv	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00
291-5700 Emergency Managment	3,166.75	5,970.00	2,803.25
292-5120 ACO Pers Serv	65,396.09	66,057.05	660.96
292-5700 ACO Expenses	4,699.02	9,400.00	4,700.98
294-5110 Tree Warden Salaries	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
294-5120 Tree Warden Expenses	704.00	704.00	0.00
294-5700 Tree Warden Expenses	7,848.30	8,500.00	651.70
297-5700 Insect Pest Control	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
298-5120 Shellfish Dept Pers Serv	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
298-5700 Shellfish Dept Expenses	3,649.74	3,650.00	0.26
299-5700 MV Shellfish Group	37,000.00	37,000.00	0.00
Sub-total : Public Safety	2,001,053.78	2,055,822.71	54,768.93
Education			
311-5600 Up-Island RSD	6,819,530.78	6,819,530.78	0.00
313-5600 MVRHS District	2,581,929.86	2,581,929.86	0.00
Sub-total : Education	9,401,460.64	9,401,460.64	0.00
Public Works			
421-5120 Super Streets Pers Serv	24,500.00	24,500.00	0.00
422-5120 Highway Pers Serv	104,286.99	104,287.85	0.86
422-5700 Highway Expenses	57,219.77	63,000.00	5,780.23
423-5700 Snow & Ice	78,379.95	50,000.00	(28,379.95)
424-5700 Street Lights	6,280.18	6,830.00	549.82
Sub-total : Public Works	270,666.89	248,617.85	(22,049.04)
Sanitation			
433-5120 Town Landfill Pers Serv	0.00	50.00	50.00
433-5600 Town Landfill Intergov	19,163.50	46,000.00	26,836.50
433-5700 Town Landfill Expenses	3,399.14	3,400.00	0.86
439-5600 MVRDRRD Intergov	111,531.34	111,531.34	0.00
Sub-total : Sanitation	134,093.98	160,981.34	26,887.36
Health & Human Services			
491-5120 Cemeteries Pers Serv	2,608.84	3,200.00	591.16
491-5700 Cemeteries Expenses	12,210.20	16,900.00	4,689.80
510-5110 BOH Salaries	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
510-5120 BOH Pers Serv	86,094.27	87,193.96	1,099.69
510-5700 BOH Expenses	9,056.23	9,065.00	8.77
522-5700 Health Services	9,010.42	17,636.00	8,625.58
525-5600 Vineyard Health Care Access	37,747.06	37,747.07	0.01
540-5700 MV Center for Living	53,511.11	53,511.11	0.00
541-5120 UpIsland COA Per Serv	255,774.65	255,775.60	0.95
541-5700 UpIsland COA Expense	17,638.15	19,680.00	2,041.85
543-5700 Veterans Benefits	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Sub-total : Health & Human Services	486,650.93	507,708.74	21,057.81

	Actual	Revised Budget	Under (Over) Budget
Culture & Recreation			
610-5120 Library Pers Serv	428,349.73	441,255.55	12,905.82
610-5700 Library Expenses	240,428.26	245,250.00	4,821.74
620-5110 P&R Com Salaries	664.00	830.00	166.00
620-5120 P&R Pers Serv	20,703.25	20,703.36	0.11
620-5700 P&R Expenses	1,028.23	1,450.00	421.77
632-5120 Beaches Pers Serv	78,318.64	79,496.71	1,178.07
632-5700 Beaches Expenses	13,481.75	19,325.00	5,843.25
640-5120 Rec Programs Pers Serv	8,148.74	10,273.68	2,124.94
640-5700 Rec Programs Expenses	8,344.27	8,650.00	305.73
650-5700 Town Grounds	7,569.75	7,750.00	180.25
691-5700 Historical Commission	0.00	350.00	350.00
690-5700 Historic District	112.00	500.00	388.00
692-5600 MV Cultural Council	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Sub-total : Culture & Recreation	809,648.62	838,334.30	28,685.68
Debt Service			
710-5910 Principal-Long Term	644,000.00	644,000.00	0.00
751-5915 Interest-Long Term	244,726.01	249,101.00	4,374.99
752-7925 Interest-Short Term	0.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
Sub-total : Debt Service	888,726.01	894,351.00	5,624.99
Benefits			
911-5170 County Retirement	378,544.00	385,607.00	7,063.00
912-5170 Workers Comp Ins	10,521.00	10,521.00	0.00
913-5170 Unemployment	18.00	3,000.00	2,982.00
914-5170 Health Insurance	646,148.22	698,000.00	51,851.78
915-5170 Life Insurance	1,783.53	2,300.00	516.47
916-5170 Employers Medicare	39,704.93	39,705.00	0.07
945-5740 Public Official Liability	14,191.00	14,700.00	509.00
Sub-total : Benefits	1,090,910.68	1,153,833.00	62,922.32
Cherry Sheet Assessments			
820-5600 State-Air Pollution	3,158.00	3,158.00	0.00
821-5600 State-RTA	114,696.00	114,696.00	0.00
824-5600 State Non-Renew MVE	4,180.00	4,180.00	0.00
830-5600 County Assessment	64,122.76	65,732.00	1,609.24
Sub-total : Cherry Sheet Assessments	186,156.76	187,766.00	1,609.24
FY2016 Warrant Articles			
ATM2015 Term Emp Reserve	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
ATM2015 Assessors Reval	0.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
ATM2015 Bldg Main Stab	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
ATM2015 Fire Truck	375,000.00	375,000.00	0.00
ATM2015 Police Vehicle	39,216.53	39,500.00	283.47
ATM2015 Highway Bldg Design	24,934.62	50,000.00	25,065.38
ATM2015 Com Cetner Upgrade	7,228.33	7,626.66	398.33
ATM2015 School Com Adult Ed	7,490.00	7,490.00	0.00
ATM2015 Dukes Cty ISC Debt	0.00	33,667.20	33,667.20
ATM2015 Dukes Cty Health Aging	11,993.94	11,993.94	0.00
ATM2015 Mill Brook Watershed	1,227.48	6,600.00	5,372.52
ATM2015 Veteran Monument	0.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
STM 11-2015 Oakleaf PY Bill	1,741.15	1,741.15	0.00
STM 11-2015 Howes House Repairs	5,200.00	12,500.00	7,300.00
STM 11-2015 Old County RD Streetlight	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00

	Actual	Revised Budget	Under (Over) Budget
STM 11-2015 Cemetery Fence Repair	90.10	6,000.00	5,909.90
ATM2016 Facilities Consultant	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
ATM2016 Municipal Hearing Officer	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
ATM2016 Building Maintenance	0.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
ATM2016 Landfill Swale	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Tennis Court Maintenance	20,969.24	21,000.00	30.76
Sub-total : FY2016 Warrant Articles	537,591.39	730,618.95	193,027.56
Total : FY 2016 Appropriations/Budget	17,103,255.73	17,633,606.93	530,351.20
PRIOR YEAR CARRIED FORWARD			
FY2015 Encumbrances			
Cemetery Mapping	0.00	81.30	81.30
Data Processing Educomp	1,906.25	2,375.00	468.75
Bldg Dept Code Books ICC	412.00	412.00	0.00
COA Windows Marvin	436.64	436.64	0.00
Fire Dept Signs Uranker	4,100.00	4,100.00	0.00
Sub-total : FY2015 Encumbrances	6,854.89	7,404.94	550.05
Prior Year Warrant Articles			
ATM2014 Assessors Revaluation	0.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
ATM2014 Personnel Comp Study	950.00	2,000.00	1,050.00
ATM2014 State Rd Crosswalk	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
ATM 2015 LC Beach Boardwalk	124.91	124.91	0.00
ATM2015 TH Bathrooms	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
ATM2015 Howes House Repairs	14,500.00	14,500.00	0.00
ATM2013 4 Police Vehicle	90.47	90.47	0.00
ATM2013 18 Assesors Reval	4,250.00	22,623.12	18,373.12
ATM2014 16 Watershed Study	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
ATM2014 17 Courthouse Rd Bldg	0.00	3,633.87	3,633.87
ATM2014 37 Library Construction	0.00	11,027.37	11,027.37
ATM 2012 Fire Truck Acquisition	0.00	5,787.54	5,787.54
ATM 2013 Mill Brook Watershed	380.72	380.72	0.00
STM 11-15-11 Greenlands Maint	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Town Hall Renovation	0.00	23,974.54	23,974.54
Road Reconstruction ATM 2012	0.00	65,430.03	65,430.03
Library Project	0.00	8,200.00	8,200.00
Police Station	3,575.00	7,680.75	4,105.75
Sub-total : Prior Year Warrant Articles	38,871.10	217,953.32	179,082.22
Total : PRIOR YEAR			
CARRIED FORWARD	45,725.99	225,358.26	179,632.27
Total : EXPENDITURES	17,148,981.72	17,858,965.19	709,983.47

TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
Other Fund Activity (Non-General Fund)
July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Island Drug Task Force (Forfeitures)	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	7,462.58
FY 2016 Receipts	6,248.75
FY 2016 Expenditures	(13,711.33)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>0.00</u>
Emergency Management Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	1,651.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(3,905.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>(2,254.00)</u>
Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	38,048.42
FY 2016 Receipts	38,000.49
FY 2016 Expenditures	(34,562.25)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>41,486.66</u>
MV Fire Training Council	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	8,324.55
FY 2016 Receipts	15,000.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(15,423.80)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>7,900.75</u>
Winter Relief Highway	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	(12,370.00)
FY 2016 Receipts	12,370.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>0.00</u>
MEMA (FEMA) Snow Emergency	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	(20,045.63)
FY 2016 Receipts	20,045.63
FY 2016 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>0.00</u>
Refuse District Revolving Fund	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	94,706.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(94,706.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>0.00</u>

State Aid, Elderly Persons	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	6,021.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(6,021.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	0.00
Green Community Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	34,707.50
FY 2016 Receipts	71,625.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(81,877.53)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	24,454.97
Library MVCC Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	535.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(535.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	0.00
Library Toubador Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	1,025.00
FY 2016 Receipts	530.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(1,200.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	355.00
State Aid to Libraries	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	15,960.51
FY 2016 Receipts	9,687.85
FY 2016 Expenditures	(3,823.75)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	21,824.61
State Library LSTA Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	2,728.03
FY 2016 Receipts	4,650.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(4,402.73)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	2,975.30
Library Foundation Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	28,000.00
FY 2016 Transfer to General Fund	(8,641.91)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	19,358.09
State Library LEED Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	100,000.00
FY 2016 Receipts	0.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(20,463.08)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	79,536.92

Library, Beagary (Morse Memorial) Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	4,750.00
FY 2016 Receipts	0.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(1,877.46)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	2,872.54
Library, Comcast Technology Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	6,093.86
FY 2016 Receipts	0.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(354.64)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	5,739.22
Library, Friends WTFPL Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	14,100.00
FY 2016 Receipts	8,768.05
FY 2016 Expenditures	(11,575.34)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	11,292.71
Library, Brannen/Hemberger Grant	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	2,000.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(1,848.76)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	151.24
BOH Health Services	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	1,406.50
FY 2016 Receipts	0.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	1,406.50
Sale of Cemetery Lots	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	48,510.65
FY 2016 Receipts	9,000.00
FY 2016 Refund Prior Receipt	(1,000.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	56,510.65
Wetlands Protection	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	29,022.71
FY 2016 Receipts	1,362.50
FY 2016 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	30,385.21
Septic System Repairs	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	85,282.84
FY 2016 Receipts	3,688.12
FY 2016 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	88,970.96

Insurance Proceeds

7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	41,567.16
FY 2016 Expenditures	(41,567.16)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	0.00

Wetlands By-Law Fees

7/01/15 Opening Balance	500.00
FY 2016 Receipts	350.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	850.00

Gifts

7/01/15 Opening Balance	22,124.46
FY 2016 Receipts	51,863.40
FY 2016 Expenditures/Transfers	(64,996.34)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	8,991.52

Gifts/Library Expansion

7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	12,050.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(12,050.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	0.00

Community Preservation Fund

7/01/15 Opening Balance	1,189,632.50
FY 2016 Receipts/Surcharge	381,964.52
FY 2016 Receipts/State Match	171,231.00
FY 2016 Receipts/Penalties & Interest	1,470.19
FY 2016 Receipts/Investment	5,412.60
FY 2016 Receipts/Tax Liens Redeemed	1,803.33
FY 2016 Receipts/Tax Liens Pen & Int	199.26
FY 2016 Expenditures	(323,362.19)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	1,428,351.21

CAPITAL PROJECT**Highway Building/Truck/HH Roof**

7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 BAN Proceeds	985,500.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(34,130.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	951,370.00

NON-EXPENDABLE TRUSTS

Perpetual Care

7/01/145 Opening Balance	54,990.00
Refund Prior Payment	(200.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>54,700.00</u>

F.E. Mayhew

7/01/15 Opening Balance	<u>1,000.00</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	1,000.00

W.J. Rotch

7/01/15 Opening Balance	<u>4,000.00</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	4,000.00

J.C. Martin

7/01/15 Opening Balance	<u>200.00</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	200.00

P. Hancock

7/01/15 Opening Balance	<u>5,343.45</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	5,343.45

EXPENDABLE TRUSTS

Perpetual Care

7/01/15 Opening Balance	3,973.41
FY 2016 Interest Earned	1,641.82
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	5,615.23

F.E. Mayhew

7/01/15 Opening Balance	146.59
FY 2016 Interest Earned	5.34
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	151.93

W.J. Rotch

7/01/15 Opening Balance	571.33
FY 2016 Interest Earned	19.08
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	590.41

J.C. Martin

7/01/15 Opening Balance	73.89
FY 2016 Interest Earned	0.70
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	74.59

P. Hancock	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	1,927.64
FY 2016 Interest Earned	18.26
FY 2016 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	1,945.90
Library Gift Fund	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	2,623.16
FY 2016 Additions	5,642.25
FY 2016 Expenditures	(500.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	7,765.41
Conservation Fund	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	62,554.48
FY 2016 Interest Earned	159.51
6/30/16 Closing Balance	62,713.99
Affordable Housing Trust Fund	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	157,058.90
FY 2016 Receipts	0.00
FY 2016 Interest Earned	397.61
FY 2016 Expenditures	(3,385.62)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	154,070.89
Stabilization Fund	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	495,637.15
FY 2016 Interest Earned	2,986.85
FY 2016 Transfer from General Fund	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	498,624.00
Stabilization Fund-Ambulance	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	54,460.72
FY 2016 Interest Earned	1,507.39
FY 2016 Transfer to General Fund	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	55,968.11
Stabilization Fund-Fire Equip	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	142,526.12
FY 2016 Interest Earned	842.84
FY 2016 Transfer To General Fund	(140,000.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	3,368.96
Separation Benefits Reserve	
7/01/15 Opening Balance	30,171.19
FY 2016 Interest Earned	273.59
FY 2016 Transfer From General Fund	15,000.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(4,643.82)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	40,800.96

Stabilization Fund-Building Maintenance

7/01/15 Opening Balance	10,663.70
FY 2016 Transfer From General Fund	25,000.00
FY 2016 Interest Earned	217.21
FY 2016 Transfer to General Fund	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>35,880.91</u>

AGENCY FUNDS**Retiree & Firefighters Benefits Contribution**

7/01/15 Opening Balance	230.90
FY 2016 Receipts	52,849.14
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>(53,314.04)</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	(234.00)

Due to Police Special Detail

7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	87,378.50
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>(81,042.50)</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	6,336.00

Due to Comm. of Mass.(PD Firearm Licenses)

7/01/15 Opening Balance	462.50
FY 2016 Receipts	3,987.50
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>(3,762.50)</u>
Transfer to General Fund	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	687.50

Due to Comm Of Mass F&W (Town Clerk)

7/01/15 Opening Balance	(119.00)
FY 2016 Receipts	3,384.28
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>(3,265.28)</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	0.00

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7/01/15 Opening Balance	6,978.39
FY 2016 Interest	17.64
FY 2016 Receipts	0.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	6,996.03

Misc Escrow

7/01/15 Opening Balance	25,085.17
FY 2016 Interest	102.34
FY 2016 Receipts	25,000.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	<u>0.00</u>
6/30/16 Closing Balance	50,187.51

Due to Collector's MLC Fees

7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	2,825.00
FY 2016 Expenditures	(2,825.00)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>0.00</u>

WT School Share of Solar Project

7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	32,717.59
FY 2016 Expenditures	(32,717.59)
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>0.00</u>

Due to Other Municipalities

7/01/15 Opening Balance	0.00
FY 2016 Receipts	19.95
FY 2016 Expenditures	0.00
6/30/16 Closing Balance	<u>19.95</u>

TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
PAYMENTS TO VENDORS (OVER \$2,000)
July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

VENDORS			
Name		Amount	
Up-Island Regional School District		6,819,530.78	
MV Regional High School District		2,589,419.86	
US Bank		863,270.01	
Cape Cod Municipal Health Group		731,637.24	
Dukes County Contrib Retirement		623,939.56	
KME Fire Apparatus		419,140.00	
EFTPS		403,197.07	
Town of Chilmark		267,105.03	
M. V. Refuse District		225,733.44	
Great-West Retirement Services		183,316.61	
County of Dukes County		177,779.61	
M. V. Insurance Agency		166,081.76	
M. V. Commission		132,716.00	
Comm of Mass (Withholding)		131,427.27	
Dukes County Pooled OPEB Trust		120,861.81	
Dukes County Reg Housing Authority		109,071.00	
Island Housing Trust Corp.		100,000.00	
Town of Aquinnah		82,980.06	
Richard T Olsen & Son Inc.		82,288.26	
Cape & Vineyard Electric Cooperative Inc.		57,411.17	
Foggy Bottom Company LLC		56,185.00	
Marvin Design Gallery		52,858.17	
Name		Amount	
Baker & Taylor		50,592.29	
M. V. Law Enforcement Council		46,791.85	
Educomp Inc.		46,207.06	
Bulldog Fire Apparatus Inc.		41,730.03	
Edgartown National Bank		40,196.00	
MHQ Municipal Vehicles		38,604.00	
M. V. Shellfish Group		37,000.00	
Oakleaf Landscape Inc.		32,368.70	
BTU Control Inc		31,932.92	
Reynolds Rappaport & Kaplan		31,143.82	
Cafeteria Plan Advisors Inc.		30,909.76	
Eversource		28,912.72	
Unibank For Savings		25,260.00	
Sport Court of New England		24,969.24	
Clams Inc.		23,804.02	
Amazon		22,983.13	
Daedalus Projects Incorporated		22,500.00	
New England Soundproofing		20,345.00	
Cape Building Systems Inc.		20,000.00	
Bardwell Electronics		18,963.50	
ESS Group Inc.		17,381.81	
Industrial Protection Services		16,322.15	

Name	Amount	Name	Amount
M.V. Transit Authority	15,375.49	Vision Government Solutions Inc.	6,600.00
daRosa Corporation	15,125.20	Rising Sun Construction	6,540.54
Rise Engineering Inc.	15,056.00	John T. Cotterill III	6,493.85
Buddy's Auto & Truck Repair Service Inc.	14,195.02	Steamship Authority	6,104.00
Accela Inc.	13,475.78	VNA of Cape Cod	5,965.42
Vineyard Gardens Inc.	12,420.50	Associated Elevator Companies Inc.	5,906.00
Overdrive Inc.	12,268.02	Hi-Way Safety Systems Inc.	5,633.97
R. E. Brown & Company	12,000.00	Findaway	5,599.40
R. L. Fullin & Daughters	11,680.00	Trippi's Uniforms Inc.	5,598.00
M. V. Times	11,256.92	Patriot Properties Inc.	5,500.00
MIA Property & Casualty Group Inc.	10,521.00	Mid-Island Repair Inc.	5,473.85
Travis T. Thurber D/B/A	10,235.00	EBSCO	5,367.20
Beth Kramer (Expense Reimb)	10,090.00	West Tisbury Firefighter's Civic Assoc.	5,359.70
Comcast Business	9,524.37	Tom Barlosky Painting & Sanding LLC	5,200.00
MSGovern	9,393.43	Verizon	5,176.38
Comcast	9,350.10	Pitney Bowess Reserve Account	5,000.00
Tyler Technologies Inc.	8,788.72	J L Maintenance Inc.	4,707.50
M. C. Clements Tree Service	8,500.00	Biodiversityworks Inc.	4,511.39
Marzbanian Construction Company	8,222.68	Maciel Boat Service	4,343.80
Bruce K. Stone (Expense Reimb)	8,006.20	Office Resources Inc.	4,335.60
Fort Dearborn Life	7,892.72	Dukes County Fire Chiefs Assn.	4,317.12
BillTrust	7,303.41	Leedara Zola	4,250.00
R. M. Packer Co Inc	7,182.76	Joseph K. Tierney Jr. (Expense Reimb	4,202.30
Land By Hand	7,061.25	Vineyard Generator LLC	4,154.83
Verizon Wireless	6,985.94	Vineyard Propane & Oil	4,106.02
Goodale Construction Co Inc.	6,972.56	City Hall Systems Inc.	4,000.00
Vineyard Land Surveying	6,970.00	Leo Vigeant Co. Inc.	3,984.00

Name	Amount	Name	Amount
Richard M Hull	3,925.84	Jurek Brothers Inc.	2,688.00
Mister Boardwalk	3,796.00	E. C. Cottle Inc	2,676.26
Vineyard Bottled Waters	3,791.61	Collins & Weinberg, Law offices of	2,656.00
DEMCO	3,783.82	Quill Corp.	2,649.83
Dept of Criminal Justice Info Service	3,762.50	Coppola & Coppola	2,609.07
Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.	3,736.80	MV Cultural Council	2,500.00
US Dept. of Education	3,691.93	Unibank Fiscal Advisory Services Inc.	2,500.00
Tea Lane Nursery & Farms Inc.	3,670.00	Diane K. Braun	2,400.00
New Horizon Communications	3,614.99	Witmer Public Safety Group	2,385.21
Deborah Hoadley	3,560.00	Vineyard Gazette	2,378.00
Dewey Fence	3,500.00	Dukes County Registry of Deeds	2,350.24
Bala Tmp Consulting Engineers	3,480.00	MMA Management Associates LLC	2,340.00
Hewlett-Packard Financial Services Co.	3,397.90	Postmaster--West Tisbury	2,327.42
Angels Auto Body	3,304.74	MV Community Services / IYC	2,295.00
John J. Powers (Expense Reimb)	3,299.15	Marsars Water Rescue Systems Inc.	2,220.71
Cellebrite Usa Inc.	3,299.00	Cronig's Market	2,200.00
Stop & Shop	3,100.00	LHS Associates Inc.	2,165.15
Jeffrey S. Manter (Expense Reimb)	3,058.93	Emergency Communications Network Inc.	2,144.39
AT&T Mobility	3,033.98	Fleet Services	2,140.79
Bruno's Rolloff Inc.	2,963.93	Clivus New England Inc.	2,104.50
American Heritage Life	2,949.66	John Christensen (Expense Reimb)	2,079.04
Indian Hill Power Equipment	2,886.89	Island Community Chorus	2,068.00
NCPERS Group Life Ins.	2,880.00	Margaret Stone (Expense Reimb)	2,055.24
Sharp Electronics Corporation	2,862.84	Vineyard Cash & Carry	2,041.46
J. P. Uranker	2,855.00	Axon Business Technologies	2,038.71
Boston Mutual Life Ins Co	2,837.69	MV Film Festival	2,005.00
Carol L Aranzabe	2,800.00		

**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
EMPLOYEE WAGES
July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016**

Name	Department/Position	Wages	Overtime	Paid Details	Total
Rossi, Daniel	Police	132,567.45	743.64	528.00	133,839.09
Gouldrup, Daniel	Police	86,550.66	10,355.62	29,161.00	126,067.28
Vieira, Garrison	Police	89,557.02	27,178.76	176.00	116,911.78
Mincone, Matthew	Police	102,813.75	13,296.72		116,110.47
Rand, Jennifer	Town Administrator	112,213.26			112,213.26
Gebo, Matthew	Police	84,392.15	20,906.73	3,586.00	108,884.88
Cortez, Bradley	Police	70,501.00	17,150.45	13,799.50	101,450.95
Kramer, Beth	Library	101,138.31			101,138.31
Manter, Jeffrey	Police	100,863.46			100,863.46
De Oliveira, Leomar	Police	82,033.64		7,482.07	89,515.71
Taylor, Brent	Tax Collector	89,470.86			89,470.86
Stone, Bruce	Town Accountant	89,340.38			89,340.38
Stone, Bruce	Data Processing	1,500.00			1,500.00
Powers, John	Health Agent	85,201.63			85,201.63
Logue, Katherine	Treasurer	83,379.15			83,379.15
Logue, Katherine	Data Processing	2,000.00			2,000.00
Albertine, Joyce	Council on Aging	83,025.27			83,025.27
Neville, James	Police	74,519.11	6,102.30	1,232.00	81,853.41
Barnes, Dawn	Assessors	75,607.42			75,607.42
Tierney, Joseph	Building/Zoning Inspector	72,825.43	208.59		73,034.02
Reynolds, Ellen	Council on Aging	67,968.28			67,968.28
Blair, Hadden	Police	65,367.16			65,367.16
Sprague, Tammis	Assessors	58,982.49			58,982.49

Name	Department/Position	Wages	Overtime	Paid Details	Total
Decker, Cornelia	Library	58,620.05			58,620.05
Oliver, Jesse	Highway Worker	58,054.93	373.14		58,428.07
Oliver, Jesse	Fire	3,736.00			3,736.00
Whiting, Tara	Town Clerk	53,565.90			53,565.90
Whiting, Tara	Board of Registrars	100.00			100.00
Larsen, Tanya	Council on Aging	51,670.57			51,670.57
Harrington, Clare	Board of Appeals	47,933.87			47,933.87
Klebs, Stephen	Library	47,444.39			47,444.39
Jenkinson, Joan	Animal Control	45,814.42	1,514.20		47,328.62
Coit, Laura	Library	46,872.74			46,872.74
Durawa, Daniel	Police	33,406.92		11,792.00	46,822.38
Hoff, Amy	Library	44,387.39	1,623.46		44,387.39
McFarland, Maria	Conservation Comission	44,058.33			44,058.33
McFarland, Maria	Personnel Board	4,049.22			4,049.22
McFarland, Maria	Elections	90.00			90.00
Kaeka, Dwight, Jr.	Highway Worker	43,895.35	31.73		43,927.08
Rossi, Jane	Planning Board	42,935.66			42,935.66
Thors, Pamela	Selectmen Office	40,146.37			40,146.37
Thors, Pamela	Community Preservation	7,536.90			7,536.90
Estrella III, Manuel	Fire	40,000.00			40,000.00
deBettencourt, Bethany	Council on Aging	34,780.49			34,780.49
Colligan, Thomas	Inspector	22,080.00			22,080.00
Olsen, Richard	Highway Supervisor	22,000.00			22,000.00
Stone, Margaret	Parks & Recreation	20,869.61			20,869.61
Wojkielo, Nikolaj	Police	11,270.52	762.03	8,294.00	20,326.55
Hall, Maureen	Library	18,636.11			18,636.11
Norton, Ginger	Library	18,521.05			18,521.05

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department/Position</u>	<u>Wages</u>	<u>Overtime</u>	<u>Paid Details</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bradshaw, Maximilian	Police	12,640.68	540.93	5,258.00	18,439.61
Healy, Allen	Animal Control	18,038.87			18,038.87
Quigley, Ann	Library	15,909.63			15,909.63
Rooney, Rachel	Library	14,902.48			14,902.48
Hearn, Laura	Library	13,607.56			13,607.56
Flanders, Martha	Library	13,244.85			13,244.85
Schroeder, Joseph	Parks & Recreation	12,451.46			12,451.46
Demoe, Diane	Police	5,148.56		7,216.00	12,364.56
Cotnoir, Charles	Council on Aging	12,084.93			12,084.93
Larsen, Olivia	Library	11,703.05			11,703.05
Penicaud, Marie	Parks & Recreation	11,350.58			11,350.58
Ciancio, Michael	Inspector	10,395.00			10,395.00
Harcourt, Maya	Parks & Recreation	9,421.70			9,421.70
Williston, Sarah	Parks & Recreation	8,495.27			8,495.27
Neville, Julia	Parks & Recreation	8,089.46			8,089.46
Conley, Rhonda	Affordable Housing	7,674.61			7,674.61
Pachico, Gregory	Fire	7,134.80			7,134.80
Christensen, John	Emergency Management	7,000.00			7,000.00
Christensen, John	Fire	1,200.00			1,200.00
Vergura, Julieanne	Parks & Recreation	6,923.70			6,923.70
Haynes, William	Inspector	6,885.00			6,885.00
Smith, Samantha	Police	5,941.76			5,941.76
Figaratto, Andrea	Library	5,633.12			5,633.12
Schaffner, Brynn	Fire	5,621.00			5,621.00
Hunt, Amber	Library	5,144.80			5,144.80
Myers, Travis	Parks & Recreation	5,046.86			5,046.86
Knabel, Richard	Selectman	5,000.00			5,000.00

Name	Department/Position	Wages	Overtime	Paid Details	Total
Mitchell, Cynthia	Board of Selectmen	5,000.00			5,000.00
Gale, Raymond	Shellfish Warden	4,950.00			4,950.00
Gervais, Alicia	Library	4,591.84			4,591.84
Stone, Barry	Inspector	4,440.00			4,440.00
Mastromonaco, Kenneth	Fire	4,342.00			4,342.00
Ferry, Shelby	Parks & Recreation	4,227.20			4,227.20
Marzbanian, Wendy	Council on Aging	3,950.82			3,950.82
Cotterill, John	Fire	3,900.00			3,900.00
Medeiros, Eric	Fire	3,552.00			3,552.00
Dorr, Katherine	Parks & Recreation	3,364.84			3,364.84
Hull, Richard	Fire	3,250.00			3,250.00
LaRue, Elijah	Parks & Recreation	3,209.83			3,209.83
Early, John	Fire	3,000.00			3,000.00
Alley, John	Cemetery	2,910.44			2,910.44
Walt, Greta	Parks & Recreation	2,809.04			2,809.04
Dorr, Alexander	Fire	2,806.00			2,806.00
Marzbanian, Peter	Fire	2,800.00			2,800.00
Schroeder, Michael	Parks & Recreation	2,775.36			2,775.36
Hartenstine, Russell	Emergency Management	2,500.00			2,500.00
Hartenstine, Russell	Fire	1,800.00			1,800.00
Brown, Jeremiah	Tree Warden	2,500.00			2,500.00
Cordray, Bruce	Fire	2,500.00			2,500.00
De Geofroy, Louis	Fire	2,500.00			2,500.00
Estrella IV, Manuel	Fire	2,250.00			2,250.00
Stone, Matthew	Parks & Recreation	2,176.02			2,176.02
GordonBeck, Alexander	Parks & Recreation	2,032.86			2,032.86
Olsen, Keith	Highway Supervisor	2,000.00			2,000.00

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department/Position</u>	<u>Wages</u>	<u>Overtime</u>	<u>Paid Details</u>	<u>Total</u>
West, Christopher	Fire	2,000.00			2,000.00
Hennessey, Robert	Fir	1,900.00			1,900.00
Bettencourt, Mark	Fire	1,800.00			1,800.00
Barton, Mathew	Library	1,720.17			1,720.17
Parker, Rosa	Library	1,691.68			1,691.68
Urbany-Joyce, Margo	Finance Committee	1,682.73			1,682.73
Girouard, John	Library	1,585.22			1,585.22
DeBlase, Glenn	Fire	1,400.00			1,400.00
Fontes, Michael	Fire	1,400.00			1,400.00
Rivers, Marques	Fire	1,400.00			1,400.00
de Geofroy, Olivia	Library	1,395.28			1,395.28
Haynes, Bruce	Fire	1,300.00			1,300.00
Serusa, Stephen	Fire	1,300.00			1,300.00
Edwards, Clay	Fire	1,200.00			1,200.00
Edwards, Kenneth	Fire	1,200.00			1,200.00
Lowe, Erik	Fire	1,200.00			1,200.00
Shannon, John	Fire	1,200.00			1,200.00
Tseng, Jennifer	Library	1,146.82			1,146.82
Broadley, Shawn	Fire	1,071.00			1,071.00
Cohen, Richard	Board of Assessors	1,000.00			1,000.00
Colaneri, Michael	Board of Assessors	1,000.00			1,000.00
McFarland, Maria	Board of Assessors	1,000.00			1,000.00
Jones, Virginia	Planning Board	1,000.00			1,000.00
Jones, Virginia	Elections	50.00			50.00
Merry, Mathew	Planning Board	1,000.00			1,000.00
Phear, Beatrice	Planning Board	1,000.00			1,000.00
Silva, Susan	Planning Board	1,000.00			1,000.00

Name	Department/Position	Wages	Overtime	Paid Details	Total
Smith, Leah	Planning Board	1,000.00			1,000.00
Barnett, Timothy	Board of Health	1,000.00			1,000.00
Lowe, Erik	Board of Health	1,000.00			1,000.00
Scott, Madeline	Fire	800.00			800.00
Merry, David	Board of Health	788.00			788.00
Baker, Leslie	Library	758.64			758.64
Chaves, Jose	Parks & Recreation	615.44			615.44
Haynes, Nathaniel	Fire	600.00			600.00
Kaeka, Elizabeth	Fire	600.00			600.00
Uva, Joseph	Fire	600.00			600.00
Schwab, David	Inspector	535.00			535.00
Wilson, Julianne	Parks & Recreation	531.44			531.44
Dickson, Nelson	Fire	510.00			510.00
Baldwin, Benoit	Parks & Recreation	373.66			373.66
Waters, Daniel	Moderator	370.00			370.00
Gongola, Matthew	Fire	306.00			306.00
Montrowl, Dionis	Elections	269.50			269.50
Drogin, Caroline	Library	261.60			261.60
Conner, Rebecca	Parks & Recreation	238.40			238.40
Wojnowski, Alexandra	Parks & Recreation	227.76			227.76
Van Nes, Hans	Board of Health	212.00			212.00
Vanderwekken, Lisa	Parks & Recreation	207.00			207.00
Clements, Mark	Fire	200.00			200.00
Kaeka, Dwight	Fire	200.00			200.00
Pate, Peter	Fire	200.00			200.00
Post, Michael	Fire	200.00			200.00
White, Granville	Fire	200.00			200.00

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department/Position</u>	<u>Wages</u>	<u>Overtime</u>	<u>Paid Details</u>	<u>Total</u>
Gatchell, Kyle	Fire	187.00			187.00
Norris, Lucy	Parks & Recreation	180.31			180.31
Amols, Lisa	Parks & Recreation	166.00			166.00
Bernard, Mark	Parks & Recreation	166.00			166.00
Hammond, Suzanne	Parks & Recreation	166.00			166.00
Lowe, Cheryl	Parks & Recreation	166.00			166.00
Koohy, Dwayne	Fire	153.00			153.00
Tierney, Joseph	Fire	153.00			153.00
Capobianco, Rose	Parks & Recreation	145.75			145.75
Maley, Timothy	Elections	110.00			110.00
Leland, Gregory	Fire	102.00			102.00
Rolston, James	Fire	102.00			102.00
Barnett, Timothy	Elections	88.00			88.00
Perry, Norman	Elections	88.00			88.00
Colaneri, Karen	Elections	80.00			80.00
Nagle, Alexander	Library	67.62			67.62
Haynes, Janice	Elections	50.00			50.00
Powers, Linda	Elections	50.00			50.00
Kirby, Bernice	Board of Registrars	50.00			50.00
Peebles, Rufus	Board of Registrars	50.00			50.00
Rezendes, Antone H.	Board of Registrars	50.00			50.00
Jones, Kenneth	Asst Shellfish Warden	50.00			50.00
Barnett, Elaine	Elections	40.00			40.00
Scanlan, Thalia	Elections	40.00			40.00
Steere, Bonnie	Elections	40.00			40.00

**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
APPROPRIATION ANALYSIS FY 2016**

FY 2016 BUDGET	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2015	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2016	Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2016
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
General Government						
114-5110 Moderator Salary	370.00		370.00	370.00		0.00
114-5700 Moderator Expenses	1,170.00		1,170.00	620.00		550.00
122-5110 Selectmen Salaries	15,000.00		15,000.00	10,000.00		5,000.00
122-5120 Selectmen Pers Serv	154,920.01		154,920.01	153,414.97		1,505.04
122-5700 Selectmen Expenses	13,700.00		13,700.00	12,147.32		1,552.68
131-5120 FinCom Pers Serv	2,683.80		2,683.80	1,901.20		782.60
131-5700 FinCom Expenses	2,225.00		2,225.00	1,262.23		962.77
132-5700 Reserve Fund	46,000.00	(42,407.60)	3,592.40	0.00		3,592.40
133-5300 Annual Audit	12,000.00		12,000.00	12,000.00		0.00
135-5120 Accountant Pers Serv	89,771.51	358.20	90,129.71	90,129.71		(0.00)
135-5700 Accountant Expenses	1,670.00		1,670.00	1,496.13		173.87
141-5110 Assessors Salaries	3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00		0.00
141-5120 Assessors Pers Serv	135,846.81		135,846.81	135,846.29		0.52
141-5305 Assessors Legal	30,000.00		30,000.00	0.00		30,000.00
141-5700 Assessors Expenses	26,950.00		26,950.00	18,773.05		8,176.95
145-5110 Treasurer Salaries	85,309.51		85,309.51	83,982.48		1,327.03
145-5700 Treasurer Expenses	4,720.00		4,720.00	4,720.00		0.00
146-5110 Collector Salaries	86,645.86		86,645.86	86,645.86		0.00
146-5700 Collector Expenses	24,160.00		24,160.00	19,134.09		5,025.91
151-5300 Legal	50,000.00		50,000.00	26,798.07		23,201.93
152-5120 Personnel Bd Pers Serv	10,558.38		10,558.38	3,406.37		7,152.01

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2015	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2016	Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2016
152-5700 Personnel Bd Expenses	800.00		800.00	200.00		600.00
155-5120 Data Proc Pers Serv	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00		0.00
155-5700 Data Proc Expenses	75,613.00		75,613.00	68,429.12	4,498.50	2,685.38
158-5305 Tax Foreclosure Legal	7,500.00		7,500.00	3,884.07		3,615.93
158-5700 Tax Foreclosure	150.00		150.00	0.00		150.00
161-5110 Town Clerk Salaries	53,565.90		53,565.90	53,565.90		0.00
161-5700 Town Clerk Expenses	1,545.00		1,545.00	1,020.62		524.38
162-5120 Elections Pers Serv	2,131.00		2,131.00	995.50		1,135.50
162-5700 Elections Expenses	6,450.00		6,450.00	2,930.54		3,519.46
163-5120 Registrars Salaries	250.00		250.00	250.00		0.00
163-5700 Registrars Expenses	900.00		900.00	791.89		108.11
171-5120 ConCom Pers Serv	45,398.54		45,398.54	44,525.45		873.09
171-5700 ConCom Expenses	3,350.00		3,350.00	2,054.26		1,295.74
175-5110 Planning Bd Salaries	5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00		0.00
175-5120 Planning Bd Pers Serv	48,071.04		48,071.04	43,351.73		4,719.31
175-5700 Planning Bd Expenses	6,245.00		6,245.00	2,215.98		4,029.02
176-5120 ZBA Pers Serv	55,939.04		55,939.04	49,223.02		6,716.02
176-5305 ZBA Legal	4,000.00		4,000.00	547.75		3,452.25
176-5700 ZBA Expenses	3,725.00		3,725.00	1,674.21		2,050.79
177-5600 MV Commission	132,716.00		132,716.00	132,716.00		0.00
179-5120 AH Com Pers Serv	8,907.00		8,907.00	7,526.44		1,380.56
179-5700 AH Com Expenses	1,000.00		1,000.00	77.50		922.50
179-5305 AHC Legal	3,000.00		3,000.00	1,067.38		1,932.62
192-5700 Town Hall Expenses	84,000.00		84,000.00	70,441.76		13,558.24
193-5700 Property Insurance	99,650.00		99,650.00	88,854.76		10,795.24

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2015	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2016	Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2016
195-5700 Town Report Expenses	6,100.00	298.40	6,398.40	6,398.40		0.00
196-5120 Town Clock Pers Serv	250.00		250.00	0.00		250.00
197-5600 DCRHA Administrative	39,406.00		39,406.00	39,406.00		0.00
Sub-total : General Government	1,495,863.40	(41,751.00)	1,454,112.40	1,296,296.05	4,498.50	153,317.85
Public Safety						
210-5120 Police Pers Serv	1,034,788.50	27,500.00	1,062,288.50	1,062,288.50		0.00
210-5700 Police Expenses	125,645.00		125,645.00	124,756.95	888.05	0.00
220-5120 Fire Pers Serv	134,000.00		134,000.00	106,500.00		27,500.00
220-5700 Fire Expenses	189,700.00		189,700.00	175,425.36	8,600.00	5,674.64
231-5600 Tri-Town Ambulance	265,062.04		265,062.04	265,062.04		0.00
241-5120 Bldg Inspect Pers Serv	111,251.12	6,000.00	117,251.12	117,102.60		148.52
241-5700 Bldg Inspect Expenses	13,095.00		13,095.00	10,954.43	2,067.40	73.17
291-5120 Emer Mgt Pers Serv	9,000.00		9,000.00	9,000.00		0.00
291-5700 Emer Mgt Expenses	5,970.00		5,970.00	3,166.75		2,803.25
292-5120 ACO Pers Serv	64,057.05	2,000.00	66,057.05	65,396.09		660.96
292-5700 ACO Expenses	9,400.00		9,400.00	4,699.02		4,700.98
294-5110 Tree Warden Salaries	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00		0.00
294-5120 Tree Warden Pers Serv	704.00		704.00	704.00		0.00
294-5700 Tree Warden Expenses	8,500.00		8,500.00	7,848.30		651.70
297-5700 Insect Pest Control	1,000.00		1,000.00	0.00		1,000.00
298-5120 Shellfish Pers Serv	5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00		0.00
298-5700 Shellfish Expenses	3,650.00		3,650.00	3,649.74		0.26
299-5700 MV Shellfish Group	37,000.00		37,000.00	37,000.00		0.00
Sub-total : Public Safety	2,020,322.71	35,500.00	2,055,822.71	2,001,053.78	11,555.45	43,213.48
Education						
311-5600 Up-Island RSD	6,819,530.78		6,819,530.78	6,819,530.78		0.00

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2015	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2016	Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2016
313-5600 MVRHS District	2,581,929.86		2,581,929.86	2,581,929.86		0.00
Sub-total : Education	9,401,460.64		9,401,460.64	9,401,460.64	0.00	0.00
Public Works						
421-5120 Super Streets Pers Srv	24,500.00		24,500.00	24,500.00		0.00
422-5120 Highway Pers Serv	104,287.85		104,287.85	103,735.79		552.06
422-5700 Highway Expenses	63,000.00		63,000.00	57,770.97	5,229.03	0.00
423-5700 Snow & Ice	50,000.00		50,000.00	78,379.95		(28,379.95)
424-5700 Street Lights	2,300.00	4,530.00	6,830.00	6,280.18		549.82
Sub-total : Public Works	244,087.85	4,530.00	248,617.85	270,666.89	5,229.03	(27,278.07)
Sanitation						
433-5120 Town Landfill Pers Serv	50.00		50.00	0.00		50.00
433-5600 Town Landfill Intergov	46,000.00		46,000.00	19,163.50		26,836.50
433-5700 Town Landfill Expenses	3,400.00		3,400.00	3,399.14		0.86
439-5600 MVRDRRD Intergov	111,531.34		111,531.34	111,531.34		0.00
Sub-total : Sanitation	160,981.34	0.00	160,981.34	134,093.98	0.00	26,887.36
Human Services						
491-5120 Cemeteries Pers Serv	3,200.00		3,200.00	2,608.84		591.16
491-5700 Cemeteries Expenses	16,900.00		16,900.00	12,210.20		4,689.80
510-5110 BOH Salaries	3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00		0.00
510-5120 BOH Pers Serv	87,193.96		87,193.96	86,094.27		1,099.69
510-5700 BOH Expenses	9,065.00		9,065.00	9,056.23		8.77
522-5700 Health Services	17,636.00		17,636.00	9,010.42		8,625.58
525-5600 Vineyard Health Access	37,747.07		37,747.07	37,747.06		0.01
540-5700 Island COA	53,511.11		53,511.11	53,511.11		0.00
541-5120 Upland COA Per Serv	255,775.60		255,775.60	255,774.65		0.95

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2015	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2016	Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2016
541-5700 Upland COA Expense	19,680.00		19,680.00	17,638.15		2,041.85
543-5700 Veterans Benefits	4,000.00		4,000.00	0.00		4,000.00
Sub-total : Human Services	507,708.74	0.00	507,708.74	486,650.93	0.00	21,057.81
Culture & Recreation						
610-5120 Library Pers Serv	441,255.55		441,255.55	428,349.73		12,905.82
610-5700 Library Expenses	245,250.00		245,250.00	240,428.26	4,821.74	(0.00)
620-5110 P&R Com Salaries	830.00		830.00	664.00		166.00
620-5120 P&R Pers Serv	20,703.36		20,703.36	20,703.25		0.11
620-5700 P&R Expenses	1,450.00		1,450.00	1,028.23		421.77
632-5120 Beaches Pers Serv	79,496.71		79,496.71	78,318.64		1,178.07
632-5700 Beaches Expenses	19,325.00		19,325.00	13,481.75		5,843.25
640-5120 Rec Programs Pers Serv	10,273.68		10,273.68	8,148.74		2,124.94
640-5700 Rec Programs Expenses	8,650.00		8,650.00	8,344.27		305.73
650-5700 Town Grounds	7,750.00		7,750.00	7,569.75		180.25
690-5700 Historic District	500.00		500.00	112.00		388.00
691-5700 Historical Commission	350.00		350.00	0.00		350.00
692-5600 Cultural Council	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00		0.00
Sub-total : Culture & Recreation	838,334.30	0.00	838,334.30	809,648.62	4,821.74	23,863.94
Debt Service						
710-5910 Principal-Long Term	644,000.00		644,000.00	644,000.00		0.00
751-5915 Interest-Long Term	249,101.00		249,101.00	244,726.01		4,374.99
752-7925 Interest-Short Term	1,250.00		1,250.00	0.00		1,250.00
Sub-total : Debt Service	894,351.00	0.00	894,351.00	888,726.01	0.00	5,624.99
Benefits						
911-5170 County Retirement	385,607.00		385,607.00	378,544.00		7,063.00

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2015	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2016	Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2016
912-5170 Workers Comp Ins	8,800.00	1,721.00	10,521.00	10,521.00		0.00
913-5170 Unemployment	3,000.00		3,000.00	18.00		2,982.00
914-5170 Health Insurance	698,000.00		698,000.00	646,148.22		51,851.78
915-5170 Life Insurance	2,300.00		2,300.00	1,783.53		516.47
916-5170 Employers Medicare	39,705.00		39,705.00	39,704.93		0.07
945-5740 Public Official Liability	14,700.00		14,700.00	14,191.00		509.00
Sub-total : Benefits	1,152,112.00	1,721.00	1,153,833.00	1,090,910.68	0.00	62,922.32
TOTAL BUDGET ITEMS	16,715,221.98	0.00	16,715,221.98	16,379,507.58	26,104.72	309,609.68
FY 2016 WARRANT ARTICLES						
ATM2016 Facilities Consultant		20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00
ATM2016 Municipal Hearing Officer		2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00		0.00
ATM2016 Building Maintenance		45,000.00	45,000.00	0.00	45,000.00	0.00
ATM2016 Landfill Swale Repair		10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
ATM2016 Tennis Court Maintenance		21,000.00	21,000.00	20,969.24		30.76
ATM2015 Term Emp Reserve	15,000.00		15,000.00	15,000.00		0.00
ATM2015 Assessors Reval	24,000.00		24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00	0.00
ATM2015 Bldg Main Stab	25,000.00		25,000.00	25,000.00		0.00
ATM2015 Fire Truck	375,000.00		375,000.00	375,000.00		0.00
ATM2015 Police Vehicle	39,500.00		39,500.00	39,216.53	283.47	0.00
ATM2015 Highway Bldg Design	50,000.00		50,000.00	24,934.62	25,065.38	0.00
ATM2015 Com Center Upgrade	7,626.66		7,626.66	7,228.33		398.33
ATM2015 School Com Adult E	7,490.00		7,490.00	7,490.00		0.00
ATM2015 Dukes Cty ISC Debt	33,667.20		33,667.20	0.00	33,667.20	0.00
ATM2015 Dukes Cty Health Aging	11,993.94		11,993.94	11,993.94		0.00

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2015	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2016	Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2016
ATM2015 Mill Brook Watershed	6,600.00		6,600.00	1,227.48	5,372.52	0.00
ATM2015 Veteran Memorial	12,000.00		12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	0.00
STM 11-2015 Oakleaf PY Bill		1,741.15	1,741.15	1,741.15		0.00
STM 11-2015 Howes House Repairs		12,500.00	12,500.00	5,200.00	7,300.00	0.00
STM 11-2015 Old County RD		4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	0.00
STM 11-2015 Cemetery Fence Repair		6,000.00	6,000.00	90.10	5,909.90	0.00
TOTAL FY 2016 WARRANT ARTICLES	607,877.80	122,741.15	730,618.95	537,591.39	192,598.47	429.09
PRIOR YEAR BALANCE FORWARDS						
FY2015 Encumbrances						
Cemetery Mapping	81.30		81.30	0.00		81.30
Data Processing Educomp	2,375.00		2,375.00	1,906.25		468.75
Fire Dept Singns Urunker	4,100.00		4,100.00	4,100.00		0.00
Bldg Dept Code Books ICC	412.00		412.00	412.00		0.00
COA Windows Marvin	436.64		436.64	436.64		0.00
Sub-total : FY2015 Encumbrances	7,404.94	0.00	7,404.94	6,854.89	0.00	550.05
Prior Year Warrant Articles						
ATM2014 Assessors Revaluation	24,000.00		24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00	0.00
ATM2014 Personnel Comp Study	2,000.00		2,000.00	950.00	1,050.00	0.00
ATM2014 State Rd Crosswalk	5,000.00		5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00
ATM2015 LC Beach Boardwalk	124.91		124.91	124.91		0.00
ATM2015 TH Bathrooms	7,500.00		7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	0.00
ATM2015 Howes House Repairs	14,500.00		14,500.00	14,500.00		0.00
ATM2013 Police Vehicle	90.47		90.47	90.47		0.00
ATM2013 Assessors Revaluation	22,623.12		22,623.12	4,250.00	18,373.12	0.00

	Appropriations/ Balance Forwards as of 07/01/2015	During FY Appropriations/ Transfers/	Revised Total Appropriations	Expenditures/ Charges	Balance Forward 06/30/2016	Closed to Surplus Revenue 06/30/2016
ATM2014 Watershed Study	15,000.00		15,000.00	15,000.00		0.00
ATM2014 Courthouse Rd Bldg	3,633.87		3,633.87	0.00	3,633.87	0.00
ATM2014 Library Construction	11,027.37		11,027.37	0.00		11,027.37
ATM 2012 Fire Truck Acquisition	5,787.54		5,787.54	0.00	5,787.54	0.00
ATM 2013 Mill Brook Watershed	380.72		380.72	380.72		0.00
STM 11-15-11 Greenlands	1,000.00		1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
Balance of TH Renovation	23,974.54		23,974.54	0.00	23,974.54	0.00
Library Project Balance	8,200.00		8,200.00	0.00	8,200.00	0.00
Police Station Balance	7,680.75		7,680.75	3,575.00	4,105.75	0.00
Road Resurfacing ATM 2012	65,430.03		65,430.03	0.00	65,430.03	0.00
Sub-total : Prior Year Warrant Articles	217,953.32	0.00	217,953.32	38,871.10	168,054.85	11,027.37
TOTAL PRIOR YEAR BALANCE FORWARDS	225,358.26	0.00	225,358.26	45,725.99	168,054.85	11,577.42
Other Budget Items						
Debt Service Int Raised on Recap			0.00			
State Cherry Sheet Assessments	187,766.00		187,766.00	186,156.76		1,609.24
GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND	17,736,224.04	122,741.15	17,858,965.19	17,148,981.72	386,758.04	323,225.43

Town of West Tisbury, Massachusetts
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups
as of 30 June 2016

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Types	General Long-term Obligations	Totals (Memo Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust & Agency		
Assets & Other Debits						
Cash and cash equivalents	2,156,458	1,835,654	972,199	996,898		5,961,209
Property Tax Receivable:						
Real Estate	2294,458	9,423				303,881
Personal	43,126					43,126
Allowance for A/E	(204,161)					(204,161)
Other Receivables						
Motor Vehicle Excise	149,966					149,966
Boat Excise	1,844					1,844
Tax Liens	30,773	955				31,728
Septic Loans		5,310				5,310
Other Assets (Foreclosures)	75,064	258			0	75,322
Bonds Authorized (Memo)						0
Amounts to be provided for retirement of long tem obligations						
Total Assets & Other Debits	2,487,548	1,851,599	972,199	996,898	9,498,500	9,498,500
<u>Liabilities & Fund Equity</u>					9,498,500	15,806,744
Warrants Payable	222,012	4,494	20,829	0		247,335

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust & Agency	General Long-term Obligations	Totals (Memo Only)
Other Liabilities	34,190			63,973		96,163
BAN Payable						0
Deferred Revenue						
Property Tax	73,434	9,423				82,846
Motor Vehicle Excise	149,986					149,986
Boat Excise	1,844					1,844
Tax Liens	30,773	955				31,728
Foreclosures	75,064	258				75,322
Septic Loans		5,310				5,310
Bonds Authorized and Unissued (Memo)					0	0
Landfill Closure & post closure cost					84,000	84,000
BANs Payable					985,500	985,500
Bonds Payable					8,429,000	8,429,000
Total Liabilities	587,292	20,440	20,829	63,973	9,498,500	10,191,034
Fund Balances						
Bonds Authorized-Offset (Memo)						0
Reserved						
Encumbrances & Continuing Articles	386,758	519,173	951,370			1,857,301
Endowments/Non-Expendable				65,333		65,333
Unamortized Bond Premium	24,905					24,905

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust & Agency	General Long-term Obligations	Totals (Memo Only)
Unreserved						
Designated	597,500	1,311,986		368,967		2,278,453
Unprovided Abatement/Exemptions	0	0				0
Appropriation Deficit (Snow & Ice)	(28,380)					(28,380)
Undesignated	919,473			498,624		1,418,097
Total Fund Equity	1,900,256	1,831,159	951,370	932,925	0	5,615,710
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	2,487,548	1,851,599	972,199	996,898	9,498,500	15,806,744

TOWN OF WEST TISBURY
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET BY FUND
as of **June 2016**

GENERAL FUND

Assets/Debit Balances		Liabilities/Fund Equity	
Cash	2,156,458.37	Allowance Abatements & Exemptions	264,160.84
Real Estate Tax Receivables	294,457.97	Warrants Payable/Accounts Payable	134,869.09
Personal Property Tax Receivables	43,126.29	Warrants Payable/Payroll	87,143.22
Tax Liens	30,773.20	Unclaimed Checks	34,190.27
MVE Tax Receivables	149,985.96	Deferred Revenue/Property Taxes	73,423.42
Vessel Tax Receivables	1,843.53	Deferred Revenue/Tax Liens	30,773.20
Tax Foreclosures	75,063.66	Deferred Revenue/Tax Foreclosures	75,063.66
UFB/Appropriation Deficit (Snow)	28,379.95	Deferred Revenue/MVE	149,985.96
		Deferred Revenue/Vessel Excise	1,843.53
		Fund Balance/Encumbrances	26,104.72
		Fund Balance/Continuing Appropriations	360,653.32
		Fund Balance/Reserved for Expenditure	597,500.00
		Fund Balance/Reserved for	
		Unamort Bond Premium	24,905.00
		Undesignated Fund Balance	919,472.70
	<u>2,780,088.93</u>		<u>2,780,088.93</u>

Fund Balance/Library Morse Mem Grant	2,872.54
Fund Balance/Library Branner/Hemberger Grant	151.24
Fund Balance/Comcast Tech Grant	5,739.22
Fund Balance/Sale of Cem.Lots	56,510.65
Fund Balance/Wetlands Protection	30,385.21
Fund Balance/Septic Sys. Repairs	88,970.96
Fund Balance/Library LEED Grant	79,536.92
Fund Balance/Gifts	8,991.52
Fund Balance/Revolving Fund Refuse Dist	0.00
Fund Balance/Revolving Fund BOH	1,406.50
Fund Balance/Revolving Wetland By-Law Fees	850.00
	<u>1,851,599.49</u>

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Cash	972,199.00
Allowance Abatements & Exemptions	205,421.02
Warrants Payable/Accounts Payable	115,231.76
Warrant Payable	20,829.00
Balance Authorized for Highway Building	823,370.00
Balance Authorized for Highway Truck	68,000.00
Balance Authorized for Howes House Repairs	60,000.00
	<u>972,199.00</u>

Cash	NON-EXPENDABLE TRUSTS	
	Fund Balance/Cemetery Funds	59,790.00
	Fund Balance/Library Funds	5,543.45
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		65,333.45
Cash	EXPENENDABLE TRUSTS	
	Warrants Payable	0.00
	Fund Balance/Stabilization	498,624.00
	Fund Balance/Stabilization-Ambulance	55,968.11
	Fund Balance/Stabilization-Bldg Maint	35,880.91
	Fund Balance/Stabilization-Fire Department	3,368.96
	Fund Balance/Terminated Emp Reserve	40,800.96
	Fund Balance/Cemeteries	6,357.57
	Fund Balance/Affordable Housing Trust	154,070.89
	Fund Balance/Libraries	9,785.90
	Fund Balance/Conservation	62,713.99
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		867,571.29
	AGENCY	
Cash	Warrants Payable/Accounts Payable	0.00
	Agency Balance/Payroll	(234.00)
	Agency Balance/Police Details	6,336.00
	Agency Balance/Licenses Town Clerk	0.00
	Agency Balance/Police Firarms to State	687.50
	Agency Balance/Escrow Account	50,187.51

	63,992.99	Agency Balance/Consultants(44-53G)	6,996.03
		Agency Balance/Consultants(44-53G)	19.95
			<u>63,992.99</u>

LONG-TERM DEBT/OBLIGATIONS

Bonds Authorized	.00	Bond Authorized and Unissued	0.00
Amts to be Provided for Retirement of Long Term Obligations	8,513,000.00	Bonds Payable	8,429,000.00
Amts to be Provided for Retirement of Short Term Obligations	985,500.00	Landfill Closure & Post Closure Costs	84,000.00
		BANS Payable	985,500.00

SCHEDULE OF DEBT OUTSTANDING, ISSUED, AND RETIRED
July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

<u>Long Term Debt</u>	Balance 06/30/2015	Issued FY 2016	Retired FY 2016	Balance 06/30/2016	Interest Paid FY 2016
Town Hall Renovation	3,265,000.00		235,000.00	3,030,000.00	97,812.51
Field Gallery Property	88,000.00		64,000.00	24,000.00	1,456.00
Library Renovation	1,400,000.00		100,000.00	1,300,000.00	31,275.00
Reconstruction of Roads	2,040,000.00		160,000.00	1,880,000.00	44,082.50
Police Station Construction	2,320,000.00		125,000.00	2,195,000.00	70,100.00
Total - Long Term Debt	9,113,000.00	0.00	684,000.00	8,429,000.00	244,726.01
<u>Short Term Debt</u>					
None	0.00	985,500.00	0.00	985,500.00	0.00
Total - Short Term Debt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Bonds Authorized and Unissued
None

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS
July 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016

	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Year To Date	Appropriation Balance
FY 2017 BUDGET			
General Government			
114-5110 Moderator Salary	370.00	185.00	185.00
114-5700 Moderator Expenses	1,170.00	300.00	870.00
122-5110 Selectmen Salaries	10,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
122-5120 Selectmen Pers Serv	160,898.99	73,075.23	87,823.76
122-5700 Selectmen Expenses	14,200.00	2,808.14	11,391.86
131-5120 FinCom Pers Serv	2,339.40	834.23	1,505.17
131-5700 FinCom Expenses	2,225.00	155.00	2,070.00
132-5700 Reserve Fund	26,000.00	0.00	26,000.00
133-5300 Annual Audit	12,500.00	0.00	12,500.00
135-5120 Accountant Pers Serv	90,162.98	41,565.16	48,597.82
135-5700 Accountant Expenses	1,720.00	280.76	1,439.24
141-5110 Assessors Salaries	3,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
141-5120 Assessors Pers Serv	142,916.19	66,413.24	76,502.95
141-5305 Assessors Legal	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00
141-5700 Assessors Expenses	25,260.00	7,936.01	17,323.99
145-5120 Treasurer Pers Serv	88,720.58	42,128.19	46,592.39
145-5700 Treasurer Expenses	4,845.00	870.13	3,974.87
146-5110 Collector Salaries	93,112.69	46,556.38	46,556.31
146-5700 Collector Expenses	23,335.00	5,570.77	17,764.23
151-5300 Legal	50,000.00	10,978.20	39,021.80
152-5120 Personnel Bd Pers Serv	10,576.92	1,400.49	9,176.43
152-5700 Personnel Bd Expenses	800.00	279.14	520.86
155-5120 Data Proc Pers Serv	3,500.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
155-5700 Data Proc Expenses	79,685.00	36,115.01	43,569.99
158-5305 Tax Foreclosure Legal	6,750.00	225.00	6,525.00
158-5700 Tax Foreclosure	150.00	0.00	150.00
161-5110 Town Clerk Salaries	57,028.50	28,514.20	28,514.30
161-5700 Town Clerk Expenses	1,445.00	429.00	1,016.00
162-5120 Elections Pers Serv	3,134.00	922.00	2,212.00
162-5700 Elections Expenses	9,600.00	2,338.67	7,261.33
163-5120 Registrars Salaries	250.00	50.00	200.00
163-5700 Registrars Expenses	1,700.00	144.94	1,555.06
171-5120 ConCom Pers Serv	45,480.76	19,884.87	25,595.89
171-5700 ConCom Expenses	3,350.00	556.72	2,793.28
175-5110 Planning Bd Salaries	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
175-5120 Planning Bd Pers Serv	50,448.11	20,975.42	29,472.69
175-5700 Planning Bd Expenses	6,245.00	749.06	5,495.94
176-5120 ZBA Pers Serv	58,861.95	23,675.81	35,186.14
176-5305 ZBA Legal	4,000.00	211.50	3,788.50
176-5700 ZBA Expenses	3,725.00	593.37	3,131.63
177-5600 MV Commission	132,716.00	132,716.00	0.00
179-5120 AH Com Pers Serv	8,955.00	3,477.53	5,477.47
179-5700 AH Com Expenses	1,000.00	385.28	614.72
179-5305 AHC Legal	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00

	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Year To Date	Appropriation Balance
192-5700 Town Hall Expenses	77,500.00	34,217.46	43,282.54
193-5700 Property Insurance	104,632.50	101,532.00	3,100.50
194-5700 Town Electric	38,300.00	21,623.76	16,676.24
195-5700 Town Report Expenses	6,100.00	0.00	6,100.00
196-5120 Town Clock Pers Serv	250.00	0.00	250.00
197-5600 DCRHA Administrative	48,032.00	47,246.35	785.65
Sub-total : General Government	1,554,991.57	788,670.02	766,321.55
Public Safety			
210-5120 Police Pers Serv	1,087,216.24	506,625.26	580,590.98
210-5700 Police Expenses	126,700.00	81,639.49	45,060.51
220-5120 Fire Pers Serv	143,000.00	50,125.01	92,874.99
220-5700 Fire Expenses	167,600.00	66,993.46	100,606.54
231-5600 Tri-Town Ambulance	260,151.74	260,151.74	0.00
241-5120 Bldg Inspect Pers Serv	145,023.04	70,334.89	74,688.15
241-5700 Bldg Inspect Expenses	15,845.00	5,010.86	10,834.14
291-5120 Emer Mgt Pers Serv	13,750.00	6,875.00	6,875.00
291-5700 Emer Mgt Expenses	8,220.00	2,144.39	6,075.61
292-5120 ACO Pers Serv	63,961.15	33,308.03	30,653.12
292-5700 ACO Expenses	9,600.00	3,915.22	5,684.78
294-5110 Tree Warden Salaries	2,500.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
294-5120 Tree Warden Pers Serv	528.00	0.00	528.00
294-5700 Tree Warden Expenses	24,000.00	15,497.77	8,502.23
297-5700 Insect Pest Control	500.00	0.00	500.00
298-5120 Shellfish Pers Serv	5,000.00	2,475.00	2,525.00
298-5700 Shellfish Expenses	3,950.00	3,243.92	706.08
299-5700 MV Shellfish Group	37,000.00	37,000.00	0.00
Sub-total : Public Safety	2,114,545.17	1,146,590.04	967,955.13
Education			
311-5600 Up-Island RSD	7,115,410.50	4,150,656.13	2,964,754.37
313-5600 MVRHS District	2,667,400.79	1,555,983.81	1,111,416.98
Sub-total : Education	9,782,811.29	5,706,639.94	4,076,171.35
Public Works			
421-5120 Super Streets Pers Srv	29,500.00	14,750.00	14,750.00
422-5120 Highway Pers Serv	107,507.90	49,433.30	58,074.60
422-5700 Highway Expenses	63,700.00	19,649.94	44,050.06
423-5700 Snow & Ice	60,000.00	15,930.96	44,069.04
424-5700 Street Lights	700.00	88.98	611.02
Sub-total : Public Works	261,407.90	99,853.18	161,554.72
Sanitation			
433-5120 Town Landfill Pers Serv	50.00	0.00	50.00
433-5600 Town Landfill Intergov	46,000.00	4,125.83	41,874.17
433-5700 Town Landfill Expenses	3,400.00	0.00	3,400.00
439-5600 MVRDRRD Intergov	115,280.08	57,640.04	57,640.04
Sub-total : Sanitation	164,730.08	61,765.87	102,964.21
Human Services			
491-5120 Cemeteries Pers Serv	3,200.00	603.20	2,596.80
491-5700 Cemeteries Expenses	15,750.00	8,159.36	7,590.64

	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Year To Date	Appropriation Balance
510-5110 BOH Salaries	3,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
510-5120 BOH Pers Serv	87,333.50	72,752.04	14,581.46
510-5700 BOH Expenses	10,165.00	2,815.29	7,349.71
522-5700 Health Services	17,636.00	2,365.83	15,270.17
525-5600 Vineyard Health Access	47,002.18	23,101.20	23,900.98
540-5700 MV Center for Living	66,388.26	27,694.07	38,694.19
541-5120 UpIsland COA Per Serv	260,695.76	121,666.45	139,029.31
541-5700 UpIsland COA Expense	19,525.00	7,822.46	11,702.54
543-5700 Veterans Benefits	9,000.00	1,130.60	7,869.40
Sub-total : Human Services	539,695.70	269,610.50	270,085.20
Culture & Recreation			
610-5120 Library Pers Serv	460,835.61	209,432.95	251,402.66
610-5700 Library Expenses	244,750.00	99,318.77	145,431.23
620-5110 P&R Com Salaries	830.00	332.00	498.00
620-5120 P&R Pers Serv	20,818.52	9,574.94	11,243.58
620-5700 P&R Expenses	1,450.00	490.32	959.68
632-5120 Beaches Pers Serv	79,736.69	54,772.57	24,964.12
632-5700 Beaches Expenses	15,375.00	6,315.69	9,059.31
640-5120 Rec Programs Pers Serv	10,273.68	7,489.31	2,784.37
640-5700 Rec Programs Expenses	8,600.00	2,832.18	5,767.82
650-5700 Town Grounds	10,250.00	2,795.50	7,454.50
690-5700 Historic District	500.00	0.00	500.00
691-5700 Historical Commission	350.00	0.00	350.00
692-5600 Cultural Council	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Sub-total : Culture & Recreation	856,269.50	395,854.23	460,415.27
Debt Service			
710-5910 Principal-Long Term	742,000.00	519,000.00	223,000.00
751-5915 Interest-Long Term	230,702.50	118,183.13	112,519.37
752-7925 Interest-Short Term	13,500.00	0.00	13,500.00
Sub-total : Debt Service	986,202.50	637,183.13	349,019.37
Benefits			
911-5170 County Retirement	421,587.00	421,587.00	0.00
912-5170 Workers Comp Ins	10,500.00	9,673.00	827.00
913-5170 Unemployment	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
914-5170 Health Insurance	783,000.00	352,992.51	430,007.49
915-5170 Life Insurance	2,500.00	1,100.19	1,399.81
916-5170 Employers Medicare	44,000.00	21,399.24	22,600.76
945-5740 Public Official Liability	15,435.00	14,199.00	1,236.00
Sub-total : Benefits	1,280,022.00	820,950.94	459,071.06
TOTAL BUDGET ITEMS	17,540,675.71	9,927,117.85	7,613,557.86
FY 2017 STATE CHERRY SHEET ASSESSMENTS			
820-5600 State-Air Pollution	3,237.00	1,620.00	1,617.00
821-5600 State-RTA	117,563.00	58,782.00	58,781.00
824-5600 State Non-Renew MVE	4,180.00	2,572.00	1,608.00
830-5600 County Assessment	65,732.00	32,061.39	33,670.61
TOTAL FY 2017 CHERRY SHEET ASSESSMENTS	190,712.00	95,035.39	95,676.61

	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Year To Date	Appropriation Balance
FY 2017 WARRANT ARTICLES			
ATM2016 Term Employee Fund	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00
ATM2016 Assessors Revaluation	24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00
ATM2016 Police Vehicle	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
ATM2016 Adult Ed Program	15,280.00	15,280.00	0.00
ATM2016 CORE Program	7,600.00	0.00	7,600.00
ATM2016 First Stop	13,292.07	11,563.90	1,728.17
ATM2016 Fire Equip Stab Fund	60,000.00	60,000.00	0.00
STM 11-2016 James Pond Surveying	9,000.00	0.00	9,000.00
STM 11-2016 Highway Dept Chipper	22,000.00	0.00	22,000.00
TOTAL FY 2017 WARRANT ARTICLES	174,172.07	86,843.90	87,328.17
PRIOR YEAR BALANCE FORWARDS			
FY2016 Encumbrances			
Data Processing Educomp	4,498.50	3,676.91	821.59
Police Equipment	888.05	0.00	888.05
Fire Dept Station 1	8,600.00	1,717.81	6,882.19
Bldg Dept Work Area	2,067.40	2,067.40	0.00
Highway Dept Plow	5,229.03	0.00	5,229.03
Library Educomp	4,821.74	4,821.74	0.00
Sub-total : FY2016 Encumbrances	26,104.72	12,283.86	13,820.86
Prior Year Warrant Articles			
ATM2015 Assessors Reval	24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00
ATM2015 Police Vehicle	283.47	0.00	283.47
ATM2015 Highway Bldg Design	25,065.38	4,500.00	20,565.38
ATM2015 Dukes Cty ISC Debt	33,667.20	3,306.60	30,360.60
ATM2015 Mill Brook Watershed	5,372.52	2,397.47	2,975.05
ATM2015 Veteran Memorial	12,000.00	9,980.00	2,020.00
STM 11-2015 Howes House Repairs	7,300.00	0.00	7,300.00
STM 11-2015 Old County Streetlight	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
STM 11-2015 Cemetery Fence Repair	5,909.90	5,909.90	0.00
ATM2016 Facilities Consultant	20,000.00	3,000.00	17,000.00
ATM2016 Building Maintenance	45,000.00	544.54	44,455.46
ATM2016 Landfill Swale Repair	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
ATM2014 Assessors Revaluation	24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00
ATM2014 Personnel Comp Study	1,050.00	0.00	1,050.00
ATM2014 State Rd Crosswalk	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
ATM2015 TH Bathrooms	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00
ATM2013 Assessors Revaluation	18,373.12	562.50	17,810.62
ATM2014 Courthouse Rd Bldg Repairs	3,633.87	0.00	3,633.87
STM 11-15-11 Greenlands	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Balance of TH Renovation	23,974.54	9,600.00	14,374.54
Library Project Balance	8,200.00	0.00	8,200.00
Police Station Balance	4,105.75	1,900.00	2,205.75
Road Resurfacing ATM 2012	65,430.03	0.00	65,430.03
Sub-total : Prior Year Warrant Articles	354,865.78	41,701.01	313,164.77
TOTAL PRIOR YEAR BALANCE FORWARDS	380,970.50	53,984.87	326,985.63

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

JUNE 30, 2016

To the Selectmen and Citizens of West Tisbury:

The Town began the fiscal year with \$9,113,000 in outstanding long-term direct debt, and we retired \$684,000 in principal. So the year ended with \$8,429,000 in outstanding long-term direct debt. We also issued new short-term debt in the amount of \$985,500. In addition, the town shares responsibility for regional debt through entities such as the school and refuse districts. I invite you to review the annual report of the Capital Improvements Planning Committee for a projection of future capital spending, including projected borrowing.

We continued to receive substantial payments on parcels in tax title foreclosure, with a number of taxpayers paying regularly on payment plan agreements. Fifteen parcels were paid off entirely, none were foreclosed or disclaimed, and 9 had new tax liens recorded. So the year began with 13 and ended with 7 parcels with tax liens.

My reports on Receipts and Expenditures and on Assets follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Logue
Treasurer

BALANCE IN CASH AND INVESTMENT

ACCOUNTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2015:	\$4,591,128.47
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RECEIPTS:

Total Receipts	\$18,024,771.72
(including taxes, interest and other investment income, bond proceeds, and departmental and miscellaneous receipts)	

EXPENDITURES:

Orders of Selectmen	(\$16,703,384.41)	
Less Voided Checks	\$48,693.39	
Net Expenditures:		(\$16,654,691.02)

BALANCE IN CASH AND INVESTMENT

ACCOUNTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2016:	\$5,961,209.17
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**REPORT OF ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2016**

CASH/CHECKS IN OFFICE:	\$0.00
CHECKING ACCOUNT:	(\$190,926.04)*
SAVINGS/NOW ACCOUNTS:	
Library Postage	\$250.63
SUBTOTAL, SAVINGS/NOW ACCOUNTS:	\$150.63
MONEY MARKET AND OTHER INVESTMENTS:	
Affordable Housing Trust Fund	\$156,463.95
Ambulance Stabilization Fund	55,968.11
Bond Proceeds	97,395.82
Building Maintenance Stabilization Fund	35,880.91
Capital Projects (Short-Term Borrowing)	972,264.77
Community Preservation Fund	1,430,862.87
Conservation Fund	63,713.99
Escrow Account (Projects)	50,178.49
Fire Equipment Stabilization Fund	3,368.96
Floss E. Mayhew Fund (Cemetery)	1,151.93
ICS Investment	2,036,766.20
Jessie C. Martin Fund (Library)	274.59
Library Gift Fund	13,897.74
M. V. Regional Cultural Council	41,486.66
Perpetual Care (Cemetery)	60,900.97
Priscilla Hancock Fund (Library)	7,289.35
Project Review/53G Account	7,000.02
Stabilization Fund (Undesignated)	498,624.00
Sweep/Investment Money Market	568,360.06
Tax Revenue Lockbox	0.00
Terminated Employees Compensated Absence	45,444.78
William T. Rotch Fund (Cemetery)	4,590.41
SUBTOTAL, INVESTMENTS:	\$6,151,884.58
TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS:	\$5,961,209.17

*This balance assumes no checks are outstanding; as they clear, checks are covered by a nightly sweep from the investment accounts, so the balance is never actually negative.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Hello Again,

Another year complete, with just a few, normal issues regarding the trees.. Over and above the norm, there were 27 trees that died ‘suddenly’ in August. The reasons include previous defoliation from caterpillars, the new gall wasp and serious drought. It is sad, but a part of life.

The local utility crews have also been marking trees for removal; you may have seen the blue tape or dots along the roads. While most of those trees are not currently dead, they are declining and will have to go eventually. I have no objection to them being removed now by the utility companies, especially when the town will not have to pay for it.

This past year my work included the following:

- 39 dead trees removed from the sides of town roads
- 22 phone calls from town residents with questions or concern
- 13 site visits
- 4 days of pruning work

Thanks as always to Jen, Jesse, Richie, and all who help. Thank you Josh and Nick for your time. A special thanks to the WTPD who always provide a safe detail for the crews working on the sides of the road.

And as always, I am happy to serve.

Sincerely,

Jeremiah Brown
Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE TRI-TOWN AMBULANCE

To the Honorable Board of Selectman
and Residents of the Town of West Tisbury:

Tri-Town Ambulance is proudly staffed by a team of dedicated and well trained Emergency Medical Technicians (at the Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, and Paramedic levels) who are committed to serving their island community. Tri-Town Ambulance continues to change and adapt to the changing needs of its community, as well as its residents. The volunteers, that make up the majority of Tri-Town Ambulance, are dedicated to providing top notch care to both summer and year round residents, and without them Tri-Town Ambulance would not be able to function.

There are several significant changes that have occurred over the past year.

- We are happy to welcome Traci Cooney (West Tisbury) and Eamonn Solway (West Tisbury) as new full time Paramedics to our service. In addition we would like to welcome EMTS Sam Neubauer (Chilmark), Phil Hollinger (Chilmark), Jonathan Brudnick (Chilmark), Amanda Gonsalves (Oak Bluffs), and Connor Chisholm (Vineyard Haven) to the service. They are wonderful additions to our squad.
- Haley Krauss, Belinda Booker, and Dawn Gompert have continued their journey through the Paramedic Program, and have had continued success and excellence within the program. We eagerly await their completion.
- In August, we purchased new stair chairs. This piece of equipment allows us to easily and safely help remove a patient from their home, while helping to eliminate the potential of injuries to the squad. This purchase was met with extreme happiness and support from the squad.
- Matthew Montanile was appointed as the Deputy Chief of Tri-Town Ambulance. He has been a member of the squad for many years, and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the position. We are incredibly lucky to have him.
- During October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the Tri-Town Ambulance Benevolent Association supported the fight for breast cancer by modifying our uniforms to include the breast cancer ribbon.

This year remained a busy year, below are the reported runs for the year ending December 31, 2016:

Total Ambulance Runs: **407**

- West Tisbury: **226** Ambulance Runs (55.52% of total ambulance runs)
 - Medical Emergencies: **196**
 - Motor Vehicle Accidents: **25**
 - Fire Standby: **5**

- Chilmark: **111** Ambulance Runs (27.27%)
 - Medical Emergencies: **104**
 - Motor Vehicle Accidents: **6**
 - Fire Standby: **1**
- Aquinnah: **49** ambulance runs (12.03%)
 - Medical Emergencies: **47**
 - Motor Vehicle Accidents: **0**
 - Fire Standby: **2**
- Mutual Aid to Tisbury: **13** Ambulance Runs (3.19%)

Tri-Town Ambulance would like to thank its Committee members for their continued service and guidance. The committee is comprised of one selectman from each of the three towns as well the medical director from MVH. The committee members are as follows:

- West Tisbury- Selectman Richard Knable
- Chilmark- Selectman Warren Doty
- Aquinnah- Selectman James Newman (Chairperson)
- Medical Control- Dr. Karen Casper

We would like to thank the following organizations/people for their continued support over the past year. Without these organizations, we would not be able to provide the highest level of patient care to the people of Tri-Town.

- West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah Fire Departments
- West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah Police Departments
- The Dukes County Sheriff's Department:
Communication Center Dispatchers
- Tisbury, Oak Bluffs and Edgartown Ambulance Services
- Martha's Vineyard Hospital –
Emergency Department Personnel, Pharmacy Personnel
- Bardwell Electronics
- The Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah)
- SBS

Without the members of the squad, Tri-Town Ambulance would not function. These EMTs make themselves available year round to ensure that the people of their community receive high quality medical care in a timely manner. Please join us in our deep admiration and gratitude for the following:

Full Time Staff:

Benjamin Retmier-Chief
 Matthew Montanile-Deputy Chief
 Jason Blandini
 Traci Cooney
 Eamonn Solway
 Allison Graczykowski-Admin Assistant

EMT-Basics:

Randhi Belain
 Belinda Booker
 Robyn Bollin
 Simon Bollin
 Jonathan Brudnick
 Connor Chisholm
 Roger Cook
 Diane Demoe

EMT-Paramedics:

Hadley Antik
Brenden Cooney
Christpopher Cowan
Kyle Gatchell
Christopher Greim
Myriah Hallinan
Tracey Jones
Jeff Pratt
Jason Hallett
Max Moreis
Heather McElhinney

EMT-Intermediates:

Peter Tennant

Rebecca Cournoyer
Alan Ganapol
Dawn Gompert
Amanda Gonsalves
Ruby Antik
Pierce Harrer
Bruce Haynes
Jennifer Haynes
Phil Hollinger
Jeffrey "Skipper" Manter
Paul Manning
Sam Neubauer
Jim Osmundsen
Farley Pedley
Katherine Smith
Luke Sudarsky
Garrison Vieira
Cindy West
Nisa Webster
Adam Wilson
Gary Robinson

Respectfully submitted,

Benjamin Retmier
Ambulance Chief

REPORT OF THE UP-ISLAND COUNCIL ON AGING CENTER

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Up-Island Council on Aging (UPICOA) and Senior Center is a branch of municipal government of the Towns of West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah. We are responsible for the administration, development and coordination of elder programs. We are committed to expanding our programs to meet the ever-changing interests and needs of elders. Funding sources include local tax dollars, grants from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs and the Friends of the Up-Island Council on Aging. The Senior Center is open for both scheduled and drop-in activities from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday - Friday; and is home to a variety of social/cultural, educational and health programs. These programs resulted in the utilization of the senior center for an average of 180 hours per month in 2016.

The proportion of Massachusetts's population that is 60 & older is growing more rapidly than other components of the population. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that more than 25% of Massachusetts's population will be 60 & older by the year 2030.

Service Indicator Highlights

January 1 – December 31, 2016

Unduplicated Count

Approximately 974 up-island residents (seasonal & year-round) sixty years of age and older and 62 individuals under the age of sixty received services and/or participated in our programs in 2016.

Social, Recreational & Cultural Programs

355 individuals participated in the following:

Day Trips (theatre, museums, symphony)

Recreational games (bridge, Mah Jong)

Lobster Picnic

Annual Cookout

Holiday Events

Off-Island Shopping Trips

Direct Service Programs

445 seniors received direct services in the following areas:

Surplus Food Distribution

Fuel Assistance

File of Life (medical info. cards)

Notary Public Services

Housing Assistance

Health Insurance Counseling

Transportation

Home Repair Program

Case Management

Telephone Reassurance Calls

Legal Assistance

Respite Care

Lifeline

Food Stamps

Client Support (assistance with errands, companionship & socialization)
FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Association)

In-Kind Services and Goods

	Durable Medical Equipment
Fish (M.V. Bluefish Derby)	DVDS/Books on Tape
Reusable Shopping bags (Cronig's Market)	
Fresh Vegetables (Island Gleaners)	

Educational Programs

286 people participated in the following educational programs:

Community Education Talks	Writing Group
Watercolor Classes	Discussion Group

Nutrition Programs

60 individuals participated in the following nutrition programs:

Congregate Lunch
Home Delivered Meals (holiday meals included)

Health & Fitness Programs

290 individuals received and /or participated in the following:

Podiatry Services	Strength Training Class
T'ai Chi Chih	Parkinson's Support Group
Yoga Class	Pilates
Qi Gong	
Balletics	
Smile Program (Free dental checks & cleanings)	
Chair Massage	Freestyle Dance

Health Programs Sponsored by the Up-Island Boards of Health:

30 elders received the following services and/or participated in the following:

Monthly Blood Pressure Checks & Nursing Clinics
Health Promotion Visits (In-home health assessment conducted by a R.N.)

Outreach Program

The Outreach Program provides for individual case management. The Outreach Worker's primary role is to ensure that basic needs for housing, food, mobility, socialization and access to health care are being met. Emphasis is placed on those who are isolated and/or homebound by assisting them in defining their needs, and to facilitate access to meet those needs. The Outreach Worker assists elders in navigating through the seemingly endless amount of paperwork required to participate in state and federal service programs. Outreach services range from reassurance calls to crisis intervention. These services are especially helpful to families of elders who are acting as caregivers for at-risk family members. The Outreach Program served 96 elders in 2016.

UPICOA Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is appointed by the Boards of Selectmen representing the Towns of West Tisbury, Chilmark and Aquinnah. The Board consists of nine voting members, three each from the participating towns.

Volunteers

25 volunteers contributed approximately 382 hours in 2016. We estimate the fair market value of their services to exceed \$5,000.00

Watercolor Instruction	Writing Group Facilitator
Lunch Servers	Special Event Organizers
Meals on Wheel Drivers	Community Education Speakers
Tax Preparers	Fish Baggers
General Office Assistance	Discussion Group Leader

Formula Grants

Formula Grant funding is provided by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs. The Up-Island Council on Aging applied for and received \$14,609 for the following:

Defray utility costs (oil heat & telephone)
Internet Services
Provide for meeting/conference attendance
Defray transportation costs to off-island meetings
Office, equipment & furnishings
New carpeting for office area
Purchase and installation of main entrance door with automatic assist buttons

Friends of the Up-Island Council on Aging

Friends of the Up-Island Council on Aging (FOUICOA) is a non-profit support agency formed in 1987 to raise funds for the benefit of the Up-Island Council on Aging and Senior Center. The Friends enable the COA to provide services and programs beyond those that can be afforded through tax and grant income. The Friends generously contributed over \$20,000 in 2016 for the following:

Grounds Maintenance
Special Program Support Monthly Cell Phone Service
&
Friends' Gift Fund

Many of our seniors are especially vulnerable and are struggling to put food on the table, pay for heating bills, purchase prescription drugs, along with other everyday expenses. The Friends, concerned about the welfare of our elderly population on fixed incomes, established a Gift Fund to provide assistance paying for heating costs and food. Forty- three households received a total of \$12,000 to pay for heat and food. The Gift Fund is administered by the COA Director and Outreach Worker.

In closing, I would like to thank the tax payers for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Albertine, Director

COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY
VINEYARD HEALTH CARE ACCESS PROGRAM
ANNUAL REPORT, FY 2016: July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

Client Client Services: The Access Program's core service is connecting the Island residents with affordable health insurance and helping them to retain this coverage. We provide health care program and insurance application, enrollment and retention services; information, referral and advocacy; referrals to medical providers; make doctor's appointments and help clients manage medical debt; and we facilitate access to services like specialty care, dental care, vision care and prescription medication assistance. The Senior Assistance Program provides application assistance, benefits counseling and program navigation for low-income Island seniors. We are also a liaison agency for other public benefits including Food Stamps (SNAP), emergency cash assistance, and Social Security disability claims.

In FY2016, the Access Program provided application and enrollment assistance for 2,767 individuals of all ages for MassHealth and Health Connector affordable insurance programs; Medicare, Medicare Part D and Prescription Advantage; the MassHealth Long Term Care and Frail Elder Waiver programs; Food Stamps and/or emergency cash assistance and Social Security Disability. We completed health insurance, medical, dental, prescription and referral assistance 6,490 times.

The Access Program is one of 15 programs in the Commonwealth to be part of the Massachusetts Health Connector's **Navigators Program**. The Navigator program is an outreach, education and enrollment assistance program required by the federal Affordable Care Act and is administered by the Massachusetts Health Connector. The Access Program's enrollment staff must participate in extensive training and pass an exam to become certified Navigators. As a result, we have the most up to date information about enrollment programs and systems in order to facilitate insurance enrollment for our community.

The **David Kurth Memorial Fund** provides emergency financial assistance to Islanders with medical-related expenses that they cannot afford, primarily prescription medication. We also assist with medical transportation assistance for people under age 60 with medical appointments off-Island. ***In FY2016, we assisted uninsured or underinsured Islanders to get prescription medications and related assistance by providing \$4,954 in financial assistance.*** Contributions to the fund in FY2016 came from the Elizabeth and Peter Tower Foundation; the United Methodist Church; individual donors, and local businesses. This fund has provided over \$60,000 in financial assistance to help Islanders get needed medications and medical transportation since its inception.

Vineyard Smiles provides school-based mobile dental services and dental education for children in grades K-12; monthly dental hygiene clinics for seniors; and care facilitation for adults with unmet oral health needs. ***In FY 2016, 231 children received dental care including exams, cleanings, fluoride treatment, sealants and fillings.*** Dental hygiene clinics for low-income adults were held once per month on average at senior centers and Island Elderly Housing. In FY2016 ***91 low income adults, including elderly and disabled patients, received services.*** These services are made possible by funding from the Town Boards of Health for health promotion services.

In FY2016 we assisted in the development of additional social services for Islanders. The County succeeded in securing funding for a part time Social Services Caseworker, and the Housing Assistance Corp. agreed to hire a part time Housing and Homeless Prevention Counselor. These services provide support for the Island's economically and socially disadvantaged residents.

Access Program employees have been involved in a number of additional health care initiatives including:

- The Dukes County Health Council
- The MassHealth Training Forum
- The Healthy Aging Task Force
- Elder Care Providers Work Group

Technical Assistance and Training: The Access Program provides trainings including and MassHealth program updates and overviews to staff at MV Community Services and MV Hospital. We also offer a seminar titled "Understanding Medicare" via ACE MV.

Funding: The County maintains a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with each of the six Island Towns for the ongoing funding of the Access Program. This MOU describes the Access Program's governance structure; the County's role and services provided; Town obligations; Municipal Membership Assessments; and Indemnification and Insurance.

Our total FY16 budget was \$413,818.

By having agreements in place with each town, the Access Program's funding is secured and not subject to service cuts if grant funding is reduced. When the program succeeds in obtaining grants, these will offset the Town funding in the following year. Town funding for FY16 was \$339,054.

Other FY16 funding sources included Island Health Care via the US Health Services Resources Administration, the Massachusetts Health Connector Authority, the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation, United Way of Cape Cod and the Islands, and local funders including Martha's Vineyard Hospital, the Peter and Elizabeth C. Tower Foundation, local businesses and individual donors.

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REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

To the Board of Selectman:

The Zoning Board of Appeals heard the following cases in 2016.

Case 2016-01 February 18

John & Marsha Gullo; 6 North Vine Ln.; Map 31, Lot 70.23; RU District;
Request for a Special Permit to address a Violation Order of the
Zoning/Building Inspector. The Board allowed a light fixture mounted higher
than the eave line of the structure provided that the light would only be used
while unloading and loading horses, hay and shavings.

Case 2016-02 February 18 continued to March 3

Kevin G. & Ginger Chavers; 15 Pond Rd; Map 30, Lot 2.82; RU District;
Request for a Special Permit for a 10' by 50' in-ground pool with an associated
12'x24' pool cabana, fence and equipment was allowed with conditions.

Case 2016-03 February 18

Mary Elizabeth Keenan; 320 State Rd; Map 11, Lot 61; RU District
Request for a Special Permit to convert the second floor of her Cape style
house to an accessory apartment was allowed with conditions.

Case 2016-04 March 3

Stephen J. Hart; 6 Pine Ln; Map 10, Lot 53; RU District Request for a Special
Permit to construct a 36'x 36' workshop with a 12'x36' shed overhang was
granted with conditions.

Case 2016-05 March 10

Shelia Morse agent for Carolyn & Philip Wallis; 11 Mill Rd; Map 32, Lot 49;
VR District
Request for a Special Permit for setback relief to build a 14'x 18' shed on a pre-
existing, non-conforming lot was granted with standard conditions.

Case 2016-06 March 10

Town of West Tisbury-Richard Olsen-agent (Highway Department); 454 State
Rd; Map 16, Lot 97; RU District Request for a Special Permit to construct a
50'x 62' garage with setback relief was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-07 March 10

Daniel R. & Jane Rossi; 39 Rustling Oaks Rd; Map 37, Lot 85.7; RU District
Request for a Special Permit to construct an accessory apartment was granted
with conditions.

Case 2016-08 April 7

Scott F. Bermudes & Cynthia L. Cornwell; 22 Flint Hill; Map 15, Lot 31.4; RU
District
The applicant filed an appeal on March 3, 2016, from a Violation Order of the
Zoning/Building Inspector, requiring the removal of fence posts along Rogers

Farm Path within a Special Way Zone. The applicant is seeking to keep the fence posts along the special way (Rogers Farm Path). The Zoning Board of Appeals voted unanimously to uphold the decision of the Zoning/Building Inspector.

Case 2016-09 April 7

Town of West Tisbury-Chief Manuel Estrella-agent; 551 Edgartown Rd; Map 31, Lot 35; RU District

Request for a Special Permit for the installation of a business sign on said property was allowed.

Case 2016-10 April 28

Elizabeth Braudis, Trustee; 83 Norton Farm Rd; Map 1, Lot 32; RU District

Request for a Special Permit for a 20'x45' in-ground swimming pool, 8'x8' spa with associated equipment shed was allowed with conditions.

Case 2016-11 May 12, 2106 — Continued to May 19, June 16 and June 23, 2016.

Trademark Services agent for Luiz Oliveira; Map 16 Lot 61, 560 State Road, RU District

Request for Special Permit for setback relief to construct a 30'x 40' storage building and for a home business the application was withdrawn without prejudice.

Case 2016-12 May 12, 2016

Eben Armer; Map 31 Lot 53, 51 New Lane, RU District Request for Special Permit for a 22' x 32' non-habitable accessory structure (shed) for personal storage and setback relief was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-13 May 19

John Brissette; State Rd; Map 11, Lot 57.1; RU District

Request for a Special Permit to amend permit #2015-17, to allow construction of a separate 800 sq. ft. residence and eliminate a 768 sq. ft. owner/occupied one bedroom accessory apartment and a 348 sq. ft. one car garage originally permitted from the service building was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-14 May 19

Ruth A. Barron & Jennifer Leaning; 95 Christiantown Rd; Map 12, Lot 36; RU District

Request for a Special Permit to allow height relief of 2 feet 4 inches from mean average grade above the 24 foot pitched roof height was granted.

Case 2016-15 June 2

Geoffrey C. Berresford; 101 Courthouse Rd; Map 22, Lot 24; RU District

Request for a Special Permit to amend permit # 2014-24 to allow a plumbing in a previously permitted pool house was granted.

Case 2016-16 June 16 and continued to June 23

Rex Jarrell; 82 Panhandle Road, Map 25 Lot 18.7; RU District Request for a special permit for a home occupation (yoga & bodywork business) was denied by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Case 2016-17 March 12, 2015

John V. & Catherine M. Brannen; 18 Dolphine Merry Rd; Map 11, Lot 30; RU District

Request for a Special Permit for setback relief for a 368 sq. ft. detached bedroom was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-18 June 30

Keith A. & Lara W. Maciel; 8 Beaten Path; Map 8, Lot 26.5; RU District

Request for a Special Permit for a marine service business under section 8.5-2, 3.1-1 & 9.2-2 of the Zoning Bylaws was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-19 July 14

Dan Imbrogno; 56 Indian Hill Rd; Map 16, Lot 82; MI District Request for a Special Permit for setback relief to install a 12,000 gallon water tank (accessory structure), under section 4.2-2D & 4.3-3D of the Zoning Bylaws was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-20 September 1

Mitchell Gordon; 554 State Rd; Map 16, Lot 64; RU District Request for a Special Permit for setback relief for the replacement of a demolished shed/bunk house with a 432 sq. ft. non-habitable accessory structure (artist studio/storage shed) was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-21 September 1

Jennifer Epstein & William H. Keravuori; 75 Naushon Rd; Map 1, Lot 35.2; RU District

Request for a Special Permit for the construction of a 12' x 75' in-ground swimming lap pool with associated equipment was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-22 October 6

John M. Mansfield & Donna M. Paulnock; 180 Longview Rd; Map 7, Lot 151; RU District

Request for a Special Permit for setback relief for the construction of a 780 sq. ft. addition to an existing structure was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-23 October 6

David Z. & Elizabeth Hirsch-Trustee of the David Z. Hirsch Rev. Trust; 12 Brook Hollow Rd; Map 3, Lot 66.2; RU District Request for a Special Permit for installation of a 39'x15' in-ground swimming pool and associated pool equipment was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-24 October 6

Robert L. & Nancy L. Dole-Trustees ML & SC Dole Nom Trust; 29 Onkokemmy Rd; Map 22, Lot 12 RU District

Request for a Special Permit for the installation of an 18' x 36' in-ground swimming pool and associated pool equipment was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-25 October 27 cont'd to November 10

The application was referred to the MV Commission on October 6, 2016, by the West Tisbury Building Inspector. MY Commission approved the application on November 3, 2016.

County of Dukes County; MV Airport Commission; 54 Airport Rd Ext.; Map 28, Lot 100.10; RU District

Request for a Special Permit to allow the construction of a 21,055 sq. ft., modular steel framed building to replace the ARFF/SRE building located at the Martha's Vineyard Airport was allowed.

Case 2016-26 October 27

Dan Imbrogno; Beardog Trust, LLC; 56 Indian Hill Rd; Map 16, Lot 82; MI District

Request to amend Special Permit #2014-11 for modification to the landscape plan as detailed on the signed plan dated 10/27/2016; under section 9.3.3 of the Zoning Bylaws was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-27 November 3

Martin Klotz & Nancy Kilson; 20 Cardinal Way; Map 16, Lot 95; RU District
Request for a Special Permit to install a 8' black deer fence within the property line, detailed on the signed plan dated November 3, 2016, section 4.2-2D(4) of the Zoning Bylaws was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-28 November 17

Christine P. Wiley; 22 Old Stage Rd; Map 16, Lot 235.1; RU District

Request for a Special Permit for setback relief to relocate and place a non-habitable 12'6"x18'4" shed, for storage purposes only was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-29 November 17

Gary Blodgett; 79 Oak Lane; Map 17, Lot 62; RU District
Request for a Special Permit to install a single pole mounted dual-axis solar photovoltaic tracker containing 24 modules, taller than twelve feet was granted with conditions.

Case 2016- 30 November 17

Martha's Vineyard Preservation Trust; 1041 State Rd; Map 32, Lots 58 and 58.2; VR District

Request to amend Special Permit 2008-12 to allow the Martha's Vineyard Preservation Trust to sublease the "Farm Stand" located at Alley's General Store to a collaborative of artisans so named "Island Made Holidays at Alley's Farm Stand" on an annual basis (Thanksgiving to Christmas), was allowed with conditions.

Case 2016-31 November 17

Jarrett Brissette; State Rd; Map 11 Lot 57.1; RU District

Request to amend Special Permit #2015-17, to permanently place a 30'x25'x13' accessory structure (hoop building) in the designated limit of the work area was allowed with conditions.

Case 2016-32 December 8

Kristen E. Kinser; 632 State Rd; Map 22, Lot 47; RU District
Request for a Special Permit to alter and extend the use of a seasonal farm stand, known as Hillside Farm to include the sale of agricultural food product and related dry goods (as noted in the narrative dated November 11, 2016), was granted with conditions.

Case 2016-33 December 22

Luiz Oliveira; 560 State Road, Map 16 Lot 61, RU District. Request from Trademark Services, agent for Luiz Oliveira, setback relief for an accessory structure over 676 sq. ft. on a non-conforming lot. The application was withdrawn without prejudice.

Case 2016-34 December 22

Sail Martha's Vineyard; 79 Merry Farm Road, Map 8 Lot 26.1, RU District Request for recreation/educational business and employee dormitory the application was withdrawn without prejudice.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Cole, Chairman

Lawrence Schubert, Vice Chairman

Antoni M. Cohen

Anthony Higgins, Jr.

Julius B. Lowe

Robert M Schwier, II — Associate Member

Roger W. Hubbell, Jr — Associate Member

TOWN OF WEST TISBURY TOWN MEETING PROCEDURES

The Moderator regulates the conduct of the Town Meetings, decides all questions of order, and declares the result of all votes. No one may address the meeting without recognition by the Moderator and all statements are to be addressed to the Moderator; the purpose of this is to eliminate personal debate across the arena of the meeting.

The Moderator may alter the order in which articles are brought to the floor, may reword an article for purposes of clarity, and has the duty of maintaining order by any or all of the means provided by the statutes. It is the duty of the Moderator to assist any citizen of the Town before or during the meeting as to procedure, the writing of articles to be submitted by petition, the writing of amendments to articles in the warrant, or on any other matter pertaining to the meeting.

Motions

An article is brought to the floor by a motion and a second. The motion is best made for the passage of the article since negative motions often lead to great misunderstanding during the voting process. If a negative motion is made which is likely to lead to such misunderstanding, the Moderator may decline to accept it.

Amendments to Motions

Any voter may offer an amendment to the motion under discussion provided the amendment does not enlarge or significantly alter the scope of the original motion. In articles carrying an appropriation, this leeway is 20 to 25 percent in either direction. This also holds for line items in the budget article. The amendments are required to be seconded and require a majority to be carried. Only one amendment will be considered at a time, and in the interest of clarity, voters are encouraged to submit amendments in writing. Assistance in framing amendments may be secured before the meeting from the Moderator or the Selectmen; if the issue is of importance, the meeting may be recessed briefly for this purpose.

Postponement

There are various means of interrupting or deferring consideration of an article. Motions "to table" or to "limit debate" require a two-thirds plurality. A motion "to postpone indefinitely" requires a majority and is best used not as a means of keeping the meeting from voting on an article but where it is evident that the article has not addressed itself to the complexities of the issue and should be rewritten for presentation at another town meeting.

Points of Order

If a voter wishes to question the legality or propriety of the proceedings, he may rise, interrupt the speaker and declare that he is rising to a point of order. He must then declare what his point is. If a voter questions the declaration of the Moderator's ruling on a vote taken, he may rise and so state and if six additional citizens also rise, the vote will be repeated.

Process of Voting

The process of voting, whether by voice, by raised hand, by rising, or by written ballot, is determined by the Moderator. But if a fair number of citizens indicate a desire for a written ballot, there is little doubt that the Moderator will so rule even though they are fewer than a majority.

Reconsideration

An article once voted upon does not become the final decision of the meeting until the meeting is dissolved. This means that there may be a motion to reconsider the article at a later period in the meeting, and such reconsideration requires a majority vote. A move to reconsider may not be made simply to have another chance at winning one's point, and therefore can only be made by one who has voted on the winning side of a motion but who later as a result of additional information or further consideration believes that the meeting may change its decision. In meetings which take more than one meeting, an announcement must be made before the meeting is adjourned to another night that a motion to reconsider one or another article will be made. In unusual circumstances when new and substantive information is brought to the attention of the Moderator between meetings, he may make an exception to this rule.

**TOWN OF WEST TISBURY - ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 2017
EXPENDITURES - FY 2016; APPROPRIATIONS - FY 2017;
BUDGET PROPOSAL - FY 2018**

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2016	Revised Appropriations FY 2017	Requested Appropriations FY 2018	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2018
		\$	\$	\$	\$
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
MODERATOR					
114-5110	Elected Official, Salary	370	370	370.00	370.00
114-5700	Expenses	620	1,170	1,170.00	1,170.00
	Total Moderator	990	1,540	1,540.00	1,540.00
BOARD OF SELECTMEN					
122-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 3 @ \$5,000	10,000	10,000	11,080.00	11,080.00
122-5120	Personal Services	153,415	160,899	167,826.90	167,826.90
122-5700	Expenses	7,147	9,200	12,300.00	12,300.00
122-5780	Miscellaneous/ Consultant Expense	5,000	5,000	5,000.00	5,000.00
	Total Board of Selectmen	175,562	185,099	196,206.90	196,206.90
MUNICIPAL HEARING OFFICER					
124-5120	Personal Services			2,500.00	2,500.00
	Total Municipal Hearing Officer			2,500.00	2,500.00
FINANCE COMMITTEE					
131-5120	Personal Services	1,901	2,339	2,983.75	2,983.75
131-5700	Expenses	1,262	2,225	2,225.00	2,225.00
	Total Finance Committee	3,163	4,564	5,208.75	5,208.75
RESERVE FUND					
132-5700	Expenses (Transfers)		46,000	46,000.00	46,000.00
	Total Reserve Fund		46,000	46,000.00	46,000.00
ANNUAL AUDIT					
133-5700	Expenses	12,000	12,500	13,000.00	13,000.00
	Total Annual Audit	12,000	12,500	13,000.00	13,000.00
TOWN ACCOUNTANT					
135-5120	Personal Services	90,130	90,163	92,019.50	92,019.50
135-5700	Expenses	1,496	1,720	1,720.00	1,720.00
	Total Town Accountant	91,626	91,883	93,739.50	93,739.50
BOARD OF ASSESSORS					
141-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 3 @ \$1,000	3,000	3,000	3,000.00	3,000.00
141-5120	Personal Services	135,846	142,916	147,884.36	147,884.36
141-5700	Legal Services	0	30,000	30,000.00	30,000.00
141-5700	Expenses	18,773	25,260	23,750.00	23,750.00
	Total Board of Assessors	157,619	201,176	204,634.36	204,634.36
TOWN TREASURER					
145-5120	Personal Services	83,982	88,721	90,547.40	90,547.40
145-5700	Expenses	4,720	4,845	4,830.00	4,830.00
	Total Town Treasurer	88,702	93,566	95,377.40	95,377.40

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2016	Revised Appropriations FY 2017	Requested Appropriations FY 2018	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2018
TAX COLLECTOR					
146-5110	Elected Official, Salary	86,645	93,113	95,029.94	95,029.94
146-5700	Expenses	19,134	23,335	20,935.00	20,935.00
	Total Tax Collector	105,780	116,448	115,964.94	115,964.94
LEGAL SERVICES					
151-5305	Expenses	26,798	50,000	40,000.00	40,000.00
	Total Legal Services	26,798	50,000	40,000.00	40,000.00
PERSONNEL BOARD					
152-5120	Personal Services	3,406	10,577	10,795.22	10,795.22
152-5700	Expenses	200	800	800.00	800.00
	Total Personnel Board	3,606	11,377	11,595.22	11,595.22
DATA PROCESSING					
155-5120	Personal Services	3,500	3,500	4,000.00	4,000.00
155-5700	Expenses	68,429	79,685	79,565.00	79,565.00
	Total Data Processing	71,929	83,185	83,565.00	83,565.00
TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE					
158-5305	Legal Services	3,884	6,750	6,750.00	6,750.00
158-5700	Expenses	0	150	150.00	150.00
	Total Tax Title Foreclosure	3,884	6,900	6,900.00	6,900.00
TOWN CLERK					
161-5110	Elected Official, Salary	53,566	57,029	58,216.05	58,216.05
161-5700	Expenses	1,021	1,445	1,625.00	1,625.00
	Total Town Clerk	54,587	58,474	59,841.05	59,841.05
ELECTIONS					
162-5120	Personal Services	996	3,134	2,052.00	2,052.00
162-5700	Expenses	2,931	9,600	4,400.00	4,400.00
	Total Elections	3,927	12,734	6,452.00	6,452.00
BOARD OF REGISTRARS					
163-5120	Personal Services	250	250	300.00	300.00
163-5700	Expenses	792	1,700	1,650.00	1,650.00
	Total Board of Registrars	1,042	1,950	1,950.00	1,950.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION					
171-5120	Personal Services	44,525	45,481	46,419.46	46,419.46
171-5700	Expenses	2,054	3,350	3,350.00	3,350.00
	Total				
	Conservation Commission	46,580	48,831	49,769.46	49,769.46
PLANNING BOARD					
175-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 5 @ \$1,000	5,000	5,000	5,000.00	5,000.00
175-5120	Personal Services	43,352	50,448	53,884.14	53,884.14
175-5700	Expenses	2,216	6,245	6,245.00	6,245.00
	Total Planning Board	50,568	61,693	65,129.14	65,129.14
BOARD OF APPEALS					
176-5120	Personal Services	49,223	58,862	57,669.76	57,669.76
176-5305	Legal Services	1,674	4,000	4,000.00	4,000.00
176-5700	Expenses	548	3,725	3,725.00	3,725.00
	Total Board of Appeals	51,445	66,587	65,394.76	65,394.76

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2016	Revised Appropriations FY 2017	Requested Appropriations FY 2018	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2018
MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION					
177-5600	Intergovernmental	132,716	132,716	129,417.00	129,417.00
	Total				
	Martha's Vineyard Comm.	132,716	132,716	129,417.00	129,417.00
AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE					
180-5120	Personal Services	7,526	8,955	10,965.60	10,965.60
180-5305	Legal Services	1,067	3,000	3,000.00	3,000.00
180-5700	Expenses	78	1,000	1,000.00	1,000.00
	Total				
	Affordable Housing Comm.	8,671	12,955	14,965.60	14,965.60
TOWN BUILDINGS					
192-5700	Expenses	65,210	77,500	121,750.00	121,750.00
	Total Town Buildings	65,210	77,500	121,750.00	121,750.00
TOWN PROPERTY INSURANCE					
193-5700	Expenses	88,855	104,633	109,850.00	109,850.00
	Total Property Insurance	88,855	104,633	109,850.00	109,850.00
TOWN ELECTRIC					
194-5700	Expenses	30,936	38,300	43,060.00	43,060.00
	Total Town Electric	30,936	38,300	43,060.00	43,060.00
TOWN REPORTS					
195-5700	Expenses	6,398	6,100	6,500.00	6,500.00
	Total Town Reports	6,398	6,100	6,500.00	6,500.00
TOWN CLOCK					
196-5120	Personal Services	0	250	250.00	250.00
	Total Town Clock	0	250	250.00	250.00
DUKES COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY					
197-5600	Expenses	39,406	48,032	46,370.00	46,370.00
	Total DCRHA	39,406	48,032	46,370.00	46,370.00
TOTAL					
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,322,000	1,574,992	1,636,931.08	1,636,931.08
PUBLIC SAFETY					
POLICE DEPARTMENT					
210-5120	Personal Services	1,062,289	1,087,216	1,135,381.72	1,135,381.72
210-5700	Expenses	124,757	126,700	127,400.00	127,400.00
	Total Police Department	1,187,045	1,213,916	1,262,781.72	1,262,781.72
FIRE DEPARTMENT					
220-5120	Personal Services	106,500	143,000	145,000.00	145,000.00
220-5700	Expenses	165,349	167,600	173,100.00	173,100.00
	Total Fire Department	271,849	310,600	318,100.00	318,100.00
TRI-TOWN AMBULANCE					
231-5600	Intergovernmental	265,062	260,152	275,080.06	275,080.06
	Total Tri-Town Ambulance	265,062	260,152	275,080.06	275,080.06

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2016	Revised Appropriations FY 2017	Requested Appropriations FY 2018	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2018
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS					
241-5120	Personal Services	117,103	145,023	184,070.20	184,070.20
241-5700	Expenses	10,954	15,845	14,200.00	14,200.00
	Total Inspector of Buildings	128,057	160,868	198,270.20	198,270.20
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT					
291-5120	Personal Services	9,000	13,750	17,500.00	17,500.00
291-5700	Expenses	3,167	8,220	8,520.00	8,520.00
	Total Emergency Management	12,167	21,970	26,020.00	26,020.00
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER					
292-5120	Personal Services	65,396	63,961	47,842.10	47,842.10
292-5700	Expenses	4,699	9,600	9,835.00	9,835.00
	Total Animal Control Officer	70,095	73,561	57,677.10	57,677.10
HERRING WARDEN [NEW LINE]					
293-5120	Personal Services			3,000.00	3,000.00
293-5700	Expenses			1,200.00	1,200.00
	Total Animal Control Officer			4,200.00	4,200.00
TREE WARDEN					
294-5110	Elected Official, Salary	2,500	2,500	2,500.00	2,500.00
294-5120	Personal Services	704	528	1,320.00	1,320.00
294-5700	Expenses	7,848	9,000	11,200.00	11,200.00
	Total Tree Warden	11,052	12,028	15,020.00	15,020.00
INSECT PEST CONTROL					
297-5700	Expenses	0	500	500.00	500.00
	Total Insect Pest Control	0	500	500.00	500.00
SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT					
298-5120	Personal Services	5,000	5,000	5,000.00	5,000.00
298-5700	Expenses	3,650	3,950	4,350.00	4,350.00
	Total Shellfish Department	8,650	8,950	9,350.00	9,350.00
MV SHELLFISH GROUP					
299-5700	Expenses	37,000	37,000	37,000.00	37,000.00
	Total M.V. Shellfish Group	37,000	37,000	37,000.00	37,000.00
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		1,990,977	2,099,545	2,203,999.08	2,203,999.08

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2016	Revised Appropriations FY 2017	Requested Appropriations FY 2018	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2018
EDUCATION					
UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST*					
311-5600	Intergovernmental	6,819,531	7,115,411	7,353,198.74	7,353,198.74
	Total Up-Island				
	Reg. School Dist.	6,819,531	7,115,411	7,353,198.74	7,353,198.74
MV REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL					
313-5600	Intergovernmental	2,581,930	2,667,401	2,780,264.00	2,780,264.00
	Total M.V.				
	Regional High School	2,581,930	2,667,401	2,780,264.00	2,780,264.00
TOTAL EDUCATION		9,401,461	9,782,811	10,133,462.74	10,133,462.74

* Additional Up-island Regional School District budget information

	FY'17 Budget	FY'18 Budget	Change FY'17 to FY'18
Total Superintendent			
Shared Services Budget	5,949,895	6,179,902	230,007
Allocation of above			
Supt. Share Services budget			
To: Up-Island District budget	1,366,634	1,436,996	70,362
Other components of total			
Up-Island District budget			
School Committee			
(shared district costs)	1,627,938	1,792,011	164,073
Chilmark Site	1,203,513	1,210,617	7,104
West Tisbury Site	6,475,738	6,622,816	147,078
Debt Service &			
Capital Improvements	457,670	496,278	38,608
Total			
Up-island regional school district	11,131,493	11,558,717	427,224
Net Revenues used to offset budget	621,548	640,055	18,507
Town Assessments:			
West Tisbury	7,115,411	7,353,199	237,788
Chilmark	2,405,090	2,477,236	72,146
Aquinnah	989,444	1,088,228	98,784
Total Net Revenue and Assessments	11,131,493	11,558,717	427,224

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2016	Revised Appropriations FY 2017	Requested Appropriations FY 2018	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2018
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT					
SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS					
421-5120	Personal Services	24,500	29,500	29,500.00	29,500.00
	Total Superintendent of Streets	24,500	29,500	29,500.00	29,500.00
GENERAL HIGHWAY FUND					
422-5120	Personal Services	103,736	107,508	112,130.01	112,130.01
422-5700	Expenses	57,316	63,700	68,600.00	68,600.00
	Total General Highway Fund	161,051	171,208	180,730.01	180,730.01
SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL					
423-5700	Expenses	78,380	60,000	60,000.00	60,000.00
	Total Snow and Ice Removal	78,380	60,000	60,000.00	60,000.00
STREET LIGHTS					
424-5700	Expenses	5,757	700	600.00	600.00
	Total Street Lights	5,757	700	600.00	600.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT		269,689	261,408	270,830.01	270,830.01
SANITATION					
TOWN LOCAL DROP-OFF					
433-5120	Personal Services	0	50	50.00	50.00
433-5600	Intergovernmental	19,164	46,000	54,000.00	54,000.00
433-5700	Expenses	3,399	3,400	3,700.00	3,700.00
	Total Town Local Drop-Off	22,563	49,450	57,750.00	57,750.00
MARTHA'S VINEYARD REFUSE DISPOSAL AND RESOURCE RECOVERY DISTRICT (MVRDRRD)					
439-5600	Intergovernmental	111,531	115,280	112,339.70	112,339.70
	Total MVRDRRD	111,531	115,280	112,339.70	112,339.70
TOTAL SANITATION		134,094	164,730	170,089.70	170,089.70
HUMAN SERVICES					
CEMETERIES					
491-5120	Personal Services	2,609	3,200	3,000.00	3,000.00
491-5700	Expenses	12,083	15,750	18,200.00	18,200.00
	Total Cemeteries	14,692	18,950	21,200.00	21,200.00
BOARD OF HEALTH					
510-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 3 @ \$1,000	3,000	3,000	3,000.00	3,000.00
510-5120	Personal Services	86,094	87,334	68,449.83	68,449.83
510-5700	Expenses	9,056	10,165	13,242.00	13,242.00
	Total Board of Health	98,151	100,499	84,691.83	84,691.83
HEALTH SERVICES					
522-5700	Expenses	9,010	17,636	17,636.00	17,636.00
	Total Health Services	9,010	17,636	17,636.00	17,636.00

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2016	Revised Appropriations FY 2017	Requested Appropriations FY 2018	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2018
VINEYARD HEALTH CARE ACCESS PROGRAM					
525-5600	Expenses	37,747	47,002	46,853.00	46,853.00
	Total VHCAP	37,747	47,002	46,853.00	46,853.00
MARTHA'S VINEYARD SENIOR SERVICES (MARTHA'S VINEYARD CENTER FOR LIVING)					
540-5700	Expenses	53,511	66,388	68,698.00	68,698.00
	Total MV Center for Living	53,511	66,388	68,698.00	68,698.00
UP-ISLAND COUNCIL ON AGING					
541-5120	Personal Services	255,775	260,696	270,684.70	270,684.70
541-5700	Expenses	16,047	19,525	19,600.00	19,600.00
	Total Up-Island Council on Aging	271,822	280,221	290,284.70	290,284.70
VETERANS' BENEFITS					
543-5700	Expenses	0	4,000	8,000.00	8,000.00
	Total Veterans' Benefits	0	4,000	8,000.00	8,000.00
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES		484,932	534,696	537,363.53	537,363.53
CULTURE AND RECREATION					
PUBLIC LIBRARY					
610-5120	Personal Services	428,350	460,836	474,491.02	474,491.02
610-5700	Expenses	227,496	244,750	238,750.00	238,750.00
	Total Public Library	655,845	705,586	713,241.02	713,241.02
PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE					
620-5110	Elected Officials, Salaries 5 @ \$166	664	830	830.00	830.00
620-5120	Personal Services	20,703	20,819	25,497.84	25,497.84
620-5700	Expenses	1,028	1,450	1,450.00	1,450.00
	Total Park and Rec. Committee	22,395	23,099	27,777.84	27,777.84
LAMBERT'S COVE BEACH AND UNCLE SETH'S POND					
632-5120	Personal Services	78,319	79,737	80,453.22	80,453.22
632-5700	Expenses	13,482	15,375	15,875.00	15,875.00
	Total Lambert's Cove Beach and Uncle Seth's Pond	91,800	95,112	96,328.22	96,328.22
RECREATION PROGRAMS					
640-5120	Personal Services	8,149	10,274	10,625.36	10,625.36
640-5700	Expenses	8,344	8,600	8,600.00	8,600.00
	Total Recreation Programs	16,493	18,874	19,225.36	19,225.36
TOWN GROUNDS					
650-5700	Expenses	7,570	10,250	10,250.00	10,250.00
	Total Town Grounds	7,570	10,250	10,250.00	10,250.00

Line Item	Account	Expenditures FY 2016	Revised Appropriations FY 2017	Requested Appropriations FY 2018	Recommended by Finance Committee FY 2018
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION					
690-5700	Expenses	112	500	500.00	500.00
	Total Historic District Comm.	112	500	500.00	500.00
LOCAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION					
691-5700	Expenses	0	350	350.00	350.00
	Total Local Historical Comm.	0	350	350.00	350.00
MARTHA'S VINEYARD CULTURAL COUNCIL					
691-5700	Expenses	2,500	2,500	3,000.00	3,000.00
	Total MV Cultural Council	2,500	2,500	3,000.00	3,000.00
TOTAL					
	CULTURE AND RECREATION	796,716	856,269	870,672.44	870,672.44
DEBT SERVICE					
710-5910	Principal, Long-Term Debt	644,000	742,000	798,500.00	798,500.00
710-5915	Interest, Long-Term Debt	244,726	230,703	217,001.25	217,001.25
710-5925	Interest, Short-Term Debt	0	13,500	17,337.00	17,337.00
	TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	888,726	986,203	1,032,838.25	1,032,838.25
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS					
911-5170	County Retirement	378,544	421,587	477,434.00	477,434.00
912-5170	Workers' Compensation	10,521	10,500	11,000.00	11,000.00
913-5170	Massachusetts Unemployment	3,978	3,000	3,000.00	3,000.00
914-5170	Health Insurance	646,148	783,000	838,000.00	838,000.00
917-5170	Life Insurance	1,784	2,500	2,500.00	2,500.00
916-5170	Medicare Tax	39,705	44,000	46,200.00	46,200.00
945-5170	Public Officials Liability Ins.	14,191	15,435	15,435.00	15,435.00
	TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,094,871	1,280,022	1,393,569.00	1,393,569.00
	GRAND TOTALS	16,383,466	17,540,676	18,249,755.83	18,249,755.83

Capital Budget - FY 2018

Description			Source of Capital Budget Appropriations				Capital Plan		
Department/Item Requested	Priority	Description/Rationale	Property Tax Levy	Issuance of Town Debt	Aid/ Grants/ Donation	Free Cash	Other Sources (Specify)	2018 Requested	2018 Recommended
Capital Budget Items:									
Animal Control	1	Purchase a new vehicle for Animal Control Department	31,000					31,000	31,000
Fire: New Pumper Truck	1	Request authorization to borrow for new Pumper Fire Truck and use \$60,000 already set aside in stabilization fund		86,000			60,000	146,000	146,000
Police: Vehicle	1	Purchase new police vehicle according to the replacement schedule	27,500					27,500	27,500
Refuse District	1	Bonding authorization for redesign/ expansion of Refuse District facility	36,813					36,813	36,813
Town Buildings	1	Replace roof and skylights on the Field Gallery building; mold eradication in the bump-out section of the Library, other needed repairs as funds allow	100,000					100,000	100,000
Capital Items to be voted into/out of Stabilization Funds (voted separately):									
Fire: New Pumper Truck	1	Withdraw funds set aside for next fire truck (see also above)					(60,000)	(60,000)	(60,000)

Department/Item Requested	Description		Source of Capital Budget Appropriations					Capital Plan	
	Priority	Description/Rationale	Property Tax Levy	Issuance of Town Debt	Aid/ Grants/ Donation	Free Cash	Other Sources (Specify)	2018 Requested	2018 Recommended
Community Preservation Fund (voted separately):									
Affordable Housing	2	Request authorization to borrow for Scott's Grove affordable housing project		57,500				57,500	57,500
Affordable Housing	1	Upgrade fire hydrant at Station #1 due to expanded need at Scott's Grove housing project (CPA/housing 50% portion)•					50,000	50,000	50,000
Total Capital Budget			\$195,313	\$143,500	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$388,813	\$388,813

*The town/fire department 50% portion of this upgrade will be requested in FY2019

WEST TISBURY
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

**WARRANT FOR
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

County of Dukes County, SS
To Either of the Constables of the Town of West Tisbury,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of West Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet in the **West Tisbury School**, Old County Road, in said Town on **Tuesday the Eleventh day of April, Two Thousand Seventeen, at Seven O’Clock** in the evening; then and there to act on the articles of this Warrant.

And to meet again in the West Tisbury Public Safety Building (North Tisbury Fire Station) in said West Tisbury on **Thursday, the Thirteenth Day of April, at Seven O’Clock in the Morning** at the Polling Place, then and there to act on Article 1 of the Warrant by the election of Officers on the Official Ballot.

The polls for voting on the Official Ballot will be **opened at Seven O’Clock in the Morning** and shall be closed **at Eight O’Clock in the Evening**.

ARTICLE 1: To elect the following Officers on the Official Ballot:

- One Moderator for One Year
- One Member of the Board of Selectmen for Three Years
- One Member of the Board of Health for Three Years
- One Member of the Board of Assessors for Three Years
- One Tax Collector for One Year
- One Town Clerk for One Year
- One Tree Warden for One Year
- One Constable for Three Years
- Two Members of the Finance Committee for Three Years
- One Library Trustee for One Year
- One Library Trustee for Two Years
- Two Library Trustees for Three Years
- Two Members of the Planning Board for Five Years
- Two Members of Parks and Recreation for Three Years
- One Land Bank Commissioner for Three Years

QUESTION 1: Are you in favor of eliminating rental mopeds from Martha’s Vineyard?

QUESTION 2: Shall the Town be recorded in favor of the following non-binding resolution: Are you in favor of establishing a regional housing bank, to address the critical housing needs on the Vineyard?

ARTICLE 2: To hear reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges and Expenses for Fiscal Year 2018. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer and Collector to enter into Compensating Balance Agreements during Fiscal Year 2018 as permitted by M.G.L. c.44, §53F. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-law at Sections 26.3 (Pay Schedule Year Round) to reflect a wage adjustment of 2% effective July 1, 2017 **(RECOMMENDED 3-1-1)**

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Twenty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars and Seventy Six Cents (\$29,939.76) to pay the Town's assessed share of the Dukes County debt authorized by Chapter 287 of the Acts of 2014. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to transfer unused balances of Nineteen Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Five Dollars and Thirty Eight Cents (\$19,655.38) from Article 16 and Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) from Article 22 voted at the 2015 Annual Town Meeting, Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) from Article 33 and Three Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Three Dollars and Eighty Seven Cents (\$3,633.87) from Article 17 voted at the 2014 Annual Town Meeting and Sixty Four Thousand Two Hundred Ten Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$64,210.75) from Overlay Surplus for a total sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for repairs and upgrades to town buildings including, but not limited to, replacing the roof and skylights at the Field Gallery and associated repairs; remediating moisture intrusion on the Library's "bump out" section on the north east corner; and other repairs to town buildings as prioritized by the Board of Selectmen in its discretion. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will approve up to \$2,500,000.00 borrowing authorized by vote of the Martha's Vineyard Refuse Disposal and Resource Recovery District for the purpose of financing the cost of capital improvements toward the restructuring of Traffic flow and Residential Drop-Off at the Edgartown Transfer Station, or take any action relative thereto providing all 4 towns vote in the affirmative to do so. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Two Hundred Eighty (\$15,280) to fund the Town of West Tisbury's share of the expense of the All Island School Committee's contract for Adult and Community Education in fiscal year 2018. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize revolving funds previously established by vote of the Town under M.G.L. c.44, §53E1/2, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen, for Fiscal Year 2018, to be credited with receipts from the following revenue sources, to be expended under the authority and direction of the following agencies or officials, for the following stated purposes, not to exceed the following spending limits respectively:

FUND	REVENUE SOURCE	AUTHORITY TO SPEND FUNDS	USE OF FUNDS	SPENDING LIMITS
Wetlands Protection Bylaw Fund	Conservation Commission Bylaw Filing Fees	Conservation Commission	To pay for expenses of the Commission related to the administration of the Bylaw	\$3,000
Refuse District Local Drop-off Fund	Fees collected at local drop-off by MVRDRRD	Board of Health	Expenses related to operation of the Local Drop-off	\$120,000

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars (\$7,839.00) as the Town's proportionate share (14.79%) of Fiscal year 2018 adjusted cost of \$53,000 to fund the CORE (Counseling, Outreach and Referral for the Elderly) program as developed by the Councils on Aging cooperatively with MVCS Island Counseling Center in 2011. The CORE program provides coordinated care to the elderly through a combination of community, office and home-based behavioral health and support services to people 55 years and older.

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will Appropriate Four Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$460,000) to pay costs of purchasing and equipping a new pumper fire truck to replace the current 1987 Ford Pumper fire truck, and that to meet this appropriation, (i) the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000) as permitted by M.G.L. Chapter 44, Sub Section 1 or any other enabling authority, and (ii) the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) shall be transferred from the Fire Equipment Stabilization Fund. It is expected that any funds required beyond this amount for this purpose will be contributed by the West Tisbury Firefighters Civic Association.

(RECOMMENDED 5-0, REQUIRES A 2/3 VOTE)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of Twenty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$27,500.00) to purchase and equip one (1) All Wheel Drive Police Cruiser. This sum of money will be added to the Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000)

appropriated in Article 13 of the 2016 annual town meeting for a total of Forty Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$42,500.00); and to dispose of a 2010 Ford Expedition in the best interest of the town. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of Thirty One Thousand Dollars (\$31,000) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Animal Control Department.

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Eighty Two Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$82,420) for reconstruction work on town roads under the provisions of Section 34 of Chapter 90 of the M.G.L. or any other enabling authority, which amount is the Town's FY2017 state allocation which will be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is therefore considered an available fund.

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Six Dollars (\$12,866.00) as the Town's proportionate share (14.79%) of Fiscal Year 2018 adjusted cost of \$86,990.00 to fund the FirstStop information and resource service as recommended by Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard.

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000) to transfer to the Retired/Separating Employees Compensated Absences Reserve Fund as provided for by M.G.L. c. 40, § 13D.

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to act upon the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee to appropriate and set aside for later expenditure from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to Chapter 44B of the Mass. General Laws, FY2018 revenues, in the following amounts to the following:

- a. Open Space reserve \$50,000 (10% of estimated FY2018 Community Preservation Fund revenues)
- b. Historical Resources reserve \$50,000 (10% of estimated FY2018 Community Preservation Fund revenues)
- c. Community Housing reserve \$50,000 (10% of estimated FY2018 Community Preservation Fund revenues)
- d. Undesignated reserve \$325,000 (65% of estimated FY2018 Community Preservation Fund revenues)

And to Appropriate for the Administrative Expenditures the sum of \$25,000 from FY2018 Community Preservation Fund Revenues.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) from the Community Preservation Undesignated

reserve for the purpose of rehabilitating, restoring and refurbishing the basketball court and soccer fields at the West Tisbury School.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) to assist the Island Housing Trust in the development of the Fire Station Lot Affordable Housing Project (Scott's Grove) which consists of a maximum of seven buildings (excluding non-habitable outbuildings), with a maximum of eighteen bedrooms on Town Owned land at 565 Edgartown Road, part of Assessor's Map 31, Lot 36, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under M.G.L. c. 44B, §11 or any other enabling authority, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(RECOMMENDED 3-1-1, REQUIRES A 2/3 VOTE)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate Fifty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$57,500) from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated reserve, to support the debt service, including interest payments, for the Scott's Grove borrowing.

Note: This is the first of a maximum of ten installments.

(RECOMMENDED 3-1-1)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000) from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve to fund the creation of ADA compliant wheelchair pathways, regrading of parking areas and adding handicap signage and designation of additional handicap parking spaces and landscaping as necessary at the Vineyard Baseball Park.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve to support the rental assistance program of the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority for West Tisbury residents.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve to partially fund a fire suppression water tank for the Fire Station Lot Affordable Housing Project (Scott's Grove), located at 565 Edgartown Road.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to amend the language of Article #34 approved at the Annual Town Meeting held on April 14, 2015 to read: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to fund restoration by the Martha's Vineyard Museum of the wood shingled Marine Hospital Roof with \$45,500 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Historic Resources reserve and 4,500 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve. This amendment seeks to approve a change in materials from slate to cedar shingles based on historic data not available at the time of the original Town Meeting vote.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Six Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Three Dollars (\$146, 633) for the purpose of reducing the Up-Island Regional School District's Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Liability. If approved, these funds will be placed in the budget line item Education-Up-Island Regional School District #311-5600 Intergovernmental, of the fiscal year 2017-2018 budget for this purpose, provided however that the other two member towns of the District approve their share of the total \$208,286.

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to fund the cost of a hearing officer who is charged with hearing appeals from violations of the building and fire codes.

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Five Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$575,000) and from Overlay Surplus the sum of Nineteen Thousand Dollars (\$19,000) to reduce the tax levy in Fiscal Year 2018.

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following bylaw:

DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS

1. Purpose. This by-law establishes and authorizes revolving funds for use by town, departments, boards, committees, agencies and officers in connection with the operation of programs or activities that generate fees, charges or other receipts to support all or some of the expenses of those programs or activities. These revolving funds are established under and governed by General Laws Chapter 44, §53E½.

2. Expenditure Limitations.

A department or agency head, board, committee or officer may incur liabilities against and spend monies from a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law without appropriation subject to the following limitations:

A. Fringe benefits of full-time employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund.

B. No liability shall be incurred in excess of the available balance of the fund.

C. The total amount spent during a fiscal year shall not exceed the amount authorized by Annual Town Meeting on or before July 1 of that fiscal year, or any increased amount of that authorization that is later approved during that fiscal year by the Board of Selectmen.

3. Interest. Interest earned on monies credited to a revolving fund established by this by-law shall be credited to the general fund.

4. Procedures and Reports. Except as provided in General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½ and this by-law, the laws, by-laws, rules, regulations, policies or procedures that govern the receipt and custody of town monies and the expenditure and payment of town funds shall apply to the use of a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law. The Town Accountant shall include a

statement on the collections credited to the fund, the encumbrances and expenditures charged to each fund and the balance available for expenditure in the regular report the Town Accountant provides the department, board, committee, agency or officer on appropriations made for its use.

5. Authorized Revolving Funds:

FUND	REVENUE SOURCE	AUTHORITY TO SPEND FUNDS	USE OF FUNDS	FISCAL YEAR
Wetlands Protection Bylaw Fund	Conservation Commission Bylaw Filing Fees	Conservation Commission	To pay for expenses of the Commission related to the administration of the Bylaw	Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent years
Refuse District Local Drop-off Fund	Fees collected at local drop-off by MVRDRRD	Board of Health	Expenses related to operation of the Local Drop-off	Fiscal Year 2019 and subsequent years

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to request the Selectmen to authorize law enforcement and all Town officials to refrain from using Town funds and/or resources to enforce federal immigration laws, *in keeping with current practice*, unless presented with a criminal warrant or other evidence of probable cause, as required by the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution.

(RECOMMENDED 4-1)

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel Bylaw to read as follows, the amended text appearing in **bold print**:

By adding the following new subsections to Section 9 Police Department

9-7 Shift Differential

Full time officers assigned to work evening shifts between the hours of 4pm and 2am shall be paid an additional \$2.00 per hour added to their base pay.

Full time officers assigned to work an overnight shift between the hours of 11pm -8am shall be paid an additional \$2.50 per hour added to their base pay.

This shift differential applies to base pay only and shall be not added to overtime hours.

9-8 Working on Vacation

Full time officers who are on a vacation day for their scheduled shift may work overtime shifts that are being filled on a rotational basis for that day.

Section 16:

16 .0 Family and Medical Leave

Employees that have worked at least 12 months for the town and have actually worked for no less than 1,250 hours over the past 12 months (not counting vacation, sick, injury, personal or any other periods of leave, whether paid or unpaid) may be eligible for up to 12 weeks of job-protected leave in a 12-month period under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA). Relatives of military personnel may have additional rights: An eligible employee who is a covered service member's spouse, child, parent, or next of kin may also take up to 26 weeks of FMLA leave in a single 12-month period to care for the service member with a serious injury or illness.

A poster summarizing employee rights is located at the Town Hall bulletin board.

The following is a good-faith effort to summarize some of the provisions of the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA). **Consultation with the US Department of Labor is recommended for the latest updates. www.dol.gov is that agency's web site.**

16. 1. Coverage. All Full-time employees.

16-2. Policy. Entitlement to Leave: Subject to certification by the appropriate health care provider, an eligible employee shall be entitled to a total of 12 (twelve) unpaid work weeks of leave during any 12 month period for one or more of the following:

- (a) Because of the birth of a child of the employee and in order to care for such child;
- (b) Because of the placement of a child with the employee for adoption or foster care;
- (c) In order to care for the spouse, or a son, daughter, or parent, of the employee, if such spouse, son, daughter, or parent has a serious health condition;
- (d) Because of a serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the functions of the position of such employee.
- (e) For qualifying exigencies related to the foreign deployment of a military member who is the employee's spouse, child or parent.**

16-5. Relationship to Paid Leave. ~~The employee may elect, or the Department Head may require the employee to substitute any of his/her accrued vacation leave or personal leave for any part of the 12 week period of such leave.~~

Employees shall use all available accrued sick leave concurrently with FMLA leave until such time is exhausted. Once an employee's sick leave has been exhausted, paid leave, such as vacation or personal leave shall

then be used while taking FMLA leave. However, the employee may reserve up to one week of vacation time for later use provided that a written request is submitted to the Personnel Board once the employee's sick leave is exhausted. **(RECOMMENDED 3-1-1)**

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to amend the following Town Bylaw in order to make it consistent with the current West Tisbury Personnel Bylaw by deleting the language in bold as indicated and adding new sentence shown in italics:

Pursuant to Chapter 41 Section 108C of the General Laws, there shall be established a Personnel Board consisting of five members ~~who shall be residents of the Town and~~ who shall be responsible for proposing personnel by-laws for voter approval and administering personnel by-laws, and who shall advise the Town of any matters pertaining thereto, in accordance with Chapter 41 Section 108C General Laws.

The Board of Selectmen shall initially appoint one member to serve for one year, two members to serve for two years and two members to serve for three years each; the Board of Selectmen shall in each succeeding year thereafter appoint for terms of three years each as many members are required to replace those members whose term expire in the year during which said appointments shall be made. ~~The Personnel Board shall not include employees, and/or elected or appointed officials of the Town.~~

One of the members shall be a Town employee nominated and elected by the employees and appointed by the Selectmen. **(NOT RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 4.4-3, subsection 1 of the zoning bylaw by striking the following language:

~~*The lot, dwelling and apartment shall be in single ownership. and the owner shall occupy either the principal or accessory unit. The owner must be domiciled year-round in West Tisbury. At no time are both the principal and the accessory units to be rented.*~~

This amendment will allow for an accessory apartment to remain an affordable year-round rental unit regardless of ownership. **(RECOMMENDED 3-1-1)**

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following bylaw: No operator of a diesel truck shall use engine braking (also called exhaust braking or Jake braking) while operating a vehicle on a public way in the Town of West Tisbury. Whoever violates this bylaw shall be punished by a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) for the first offense and Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) for the second and subsequent offenses. The owner of the vehicle may be cited in lieu of the operator. **(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)**

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will amend the existing deadline for warrant articles or subjects now appearing in the Town Bylaws in the part entitled "Annual Town Meeting Date" by deleting the first sentence of the second

paragraph [*“All articles or subjects to be acted upon at the Annual Town Meeting to be held on the second Tuesday of April shall be filed with the Selectmen on or before the first Tuesday in February preceding said second Tuesday of April when the warrant shall be closed.”*] and inserting in place thereof, the following language:

All Articles or subjects to be acted upon at the Annual Town Meeting to be held on the second Tuesday of April shall be filed with the Selectmen on or before the first Tuesday of the January preceding said second Tuesday of April when the warrant shall be closed. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 5 Clause 54, which shall establish a minimum fair cash value for the taxation of Personal Property accounts subject to taxation of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000). **(RECOMMENDED 4-1-0)**

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 57A. Note: this allows once annual billing of personal property tax bills under \$100. **(R E C O M - MENDED 4-1-0)**

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 193 of Chapter 218 of the Acts of 2016. Note: this allows the municipality to opt-in to M.G.L c. 90, §17C, thereby authorizing the Selectmen to reduce the statutory speed limit from 30 mph to 25 mph on any or all city- or town-owned roadways within a thickly settled or business district.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

ARTICLE 39: Should the Town provide childcare for Town Meetings?
(By Petition) (RECOMMENDED 5-0)

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in not less than six (6) public places in West Tisbury fourteen days at least before the holding of such meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 15 Day of March in the Year Two Thousand Seventeen.

Richard R. Knabel
Chair

Jeffrey S. "Skipper" Manter

Cynthia E. Mitchell

WEST TISBURY SELECTMEN

DATE:

I have posted attested copies of the above Warrant in not less than six (6) public places in West Tisbury fourteen (14) days before such meeting.

Timothy A. Barnett
Constable

A true copy, attest:

Tara J. Whiting
Town Clerk



ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
WEST TISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS
APRIL 13, 2017

Tina J. Whiting
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ☐
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

FOR MODERATOR

One Year Vote for ONE

DANIEL A. WATERS
18 Christiantown Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

☐

(Write-in)

FOR SELECTMAN

Three Years Vote for ONE

KENT A. HEALY
1 Farms Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

RICHARD R. KNABEL
70 Panhandle Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

(Write-in)

FOR BOARD OF HEALTH

Three Years Vote for ONE

ERIK B. LOWE
250 Oak Lane Candidate for Re-election

☐

☐

(Write-in)

FOR BOARD OF
ASSESSORS

Three Years Vote for ONE

MARIA G. McFARLAND
45 South Vine Lane Candidate for Re-election

☐

☐

(Write-in)

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

One Year Vote for ONE

BRENT B. TAYLOR
63 Willow Tree Hollow Candidate for Re-election

☐

☐

(Write-in)

FOR TOWN CLERK

One Year Vote for ONE

TARA J. WHITING
488 Edgartown Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

☐

(Write-in)

FOR TREE WARDEN

One Year Vote for ONE

JEREMIAH ARMSTRONG BROWN
2 Holly Lane Candidate for Re-election

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☐

(Write-in)

FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Three Years Vote for TWO

ELAINE MARIE BARNETT
11 Brewster Lane Candidate for Re-election

☐

ROBERT JP HAUCK
34 Stony Hill Lane Candidate for Re-election

☐

WENDY G. NIERENBERG
45 One Bassett Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

(Write-in)

(Write-in)

FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Two Years Vote for ONE

AMY FALVO HOFF
17 Pin Oak Circle Candidate for Re-election

☐

(Write-in)

FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE

One Year Vote for ONE

GINA L. SOLON
34 Penonsgate Woods Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

(Write-in)

FOR FINANCE
COMMITTEE

Three Years Vote for TWO

GARY MONTROWL
39 Tish's Cove Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

KATHERINE TRIANTAFILLOU
48 Vineyard Meadow Farm Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

(Write-in)

(Write-in)

FOR PARKS AND
RECREATION COMMITTEE

Three Years Vote for TWO

SUZANNE HAMMOND
1050 State Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

CHERYL A. LOWE
250 Oak Lane Candidate for Re-election

☐

(Write-in)

(Write-in)

FOR PLANNING BOARD

Five Years Vote for TWO

MATTHEW MERRY
11 Dolphin Merry Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

BEATRICE PHEAR
100 Obed Daggett Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

(Write-in)

(Write-in)

FOR CONSTABLE

Three Years Vote for ONE

JOHN J. POWERS
20 Oak Knoll Road Candidate for Re-election

☐

(Write-in)

FOR LAND BANK
COMMISSIONER

Three Years Vote for ONE

MARY ROBIN RAVITCH
36 Orshella Way Candidate for Re-election

☐

(Write-in)

QUESTIONS

Are you in favor of eliminating rental mopeds from Martha's Vineyard?

YES ☐

NO ☐

Shall the Town be recorded in favor of the following *non-binding resolution*: Are you in favor of establishing a regional housing bank to address the critical housing needs on the Vineyard?

YES ☐

NO ☐

NOTES

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