

TOWN OF BLANDFORD
MASSACHUSETTS

ANNUAL REPORT
2001-2002

DEDICATION

A constant figure walking along Main Street, Sumner Robbins has been a town resident for his entire life. Born in 1925, graduating from the Blandford Grammar School and then Westfield High School, Sumner received his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration in 1960 from Northeastern University. Sumner completed his education by receiving a Master's degree in the same field from Western New England College. Once into his business career, he spent 37 years employed first by American Bausch which then became United Technologies.

From 1990 through 2000, Sumner served the First Congregational Church of Blandford as a Deacon. He currently serves as a Director of the Blandford Historical Society where he also holds the position of Vice President. Most people in town know Sumner through his role on the Zoning Board of Appeals, where he has served for 15 years.

Sumner's work for the White Church restoration spanned countless hours – from attending meetings to overseeing the work of the contractors. Sumner was also active on the Blandford 250th Celebration Committee.

When he is not busy working in some capacity for the town, Sumner's interests include fishing, puttering in the yard, and traveling. He has gone across the country four times and has visited Cape Cod on numerous occasions.

Sumner and his sister, Sally, have always given of their time and energy for the betterment of Blandford. His steady concern for the town is a benefit for us all. We thank Sumner for his tireless effort and dedicate this Town Report to you.

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All of the pictures in this years town report were drawn by the kindergarten class in their new classroom.

GLOSSARY

APPROPRIATION: An authorization granted by a Town Meeting to make expenditures and to incur obligations for specific purposed. An appropriation is usually limited in amount as to the time when it may be expended. Only a Town meeting or the School Committee can authorize money appropriated for one purpose to be used for another. Any amount which is appropriated may be encumbered (see definition).

AVAILABLE FUNDS: Free cash, reserves and unexpended balances available for appropriation.

COLLECTOR: Is responsible for the overall administration of local taxes. The Collector enforces the tax laws to insure a high level of voluntary payment and is responsible for properly maintaining tax records, accounting for taxes received, and paying over all receipts to the Treasurer.

ENCUMBRANCES: Obligations in the form of purchase orders, contracts or salary commitments which are chargeable to the appropriation and for which a part of the appropriation is reserves.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS: Estimate of money to be received by the Town from various sources, such as licenses, state reimbursements, etc. The estimate is deducted by the Assessors from the gross amount to be raised by taxes when the tax rate is set.

EXCESS AND DEFICIENCY: Also called the "surplus revenue" account, this is the amount by which case, accounts receivable and other assets exceed the liabilities and reserves. It is akin to the "stockholders equity" account on a corporation balance sheet. It is not; however, available for appropriation in full because of a portion of the assets listed as "accounts receivable" may be taxes receivable and uncollected. (See "Free Cash")

FINANCIAL DIRECTOR: Functions as the controller of the budget, and is the primary source of periodic reports on the Ton's financial position.

FISCAL YEAR: A twelve-month period commencing July 1 to which the annual budget applies and at the end of which a Town determines its financial position and the results of its operations.

FREE CASH: Certified each July 1 by the Director of Accounts, this is the surplus revenue account (Also called "excess and deficiency") less any uncollected taxes of prior years. It is available for appropriation upon certification. By action of a Special Town Meeting after certification and before setting the tax rate, part or all of any unexpected "free cash" may be applied to reduce the tax rate of the current year. (See also "Excess and Deficiency"). "Free Cash" is also referred to as "Available Funds."

OVERLAY: Amount of money raised by Assessors for purpose of creating a fund to cover abatements and uncollectible taxes.

RESERVE FUND: Amount transferred from Overlay and/or appropriated for unforeseen or emergency purposes. Controlled by the Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen.

ROAD MACHINERY FUND: A fund which is the accumulated town charge for certain uses for town equipment and which may be appropriated for maintenance and repair of that equipment.

SURPLUS REVENUE: The amount by which the cash, accounts receivable and other floating assets exceed the liabilities and reserves.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING: A meeting of the registered voters of a Town called by the Board of Selectmen at their discretion or by written request of 20% of all registered voters in the Town.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT: A written order calling the annual or a special town meeting and containing a list of the subjects to be acted upon. The Selectmen shall insert in the warrant for the annual Town Meeting all subjects which are requested in writing by ten or more registered voters and in the warrant for a Special Town Meeting all subjects requested by 10% of all the Town's voters.

GOVERNMENTAL DISTRICTS

Representatives in Massachusetts General Court

| | | |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Representative: | Daniel F. Keenan (D) P.O. Box 142 Feeding Hills, MA 01030 | 3 rd Hampden District (413) 786-4545 Telephone (413) 786-2919 Fax |
| Senator: | Andrea F. Nuciforo Jr. (D) 8 Bank Row Pittsfield, MA 01201 | Berkshire, Hampden Hampshire & Franklin |

Representatives in United States Congress

| | | |
|---------------|---|--|
| Congressman: | John W. Olver (D) 57 Suffolk St. Suite 310 Holyoke, MA 01040 | 1 st District (413) 532-7010 - Telephone (413) 532-6543 - Fax john.olver@mail.house.gov - E-mail |
| U.S. Senator: | Edward M. Kennedy (D) 2400 J.F.K. Federal Building Boston, MA 02108 | (617) 565-3170 - Telephone |
| U.S. Senator: | John Kerry (D) One Bowdoin Square Tenth Floor Boston, MA 02114 | (617) 565-8519 - Telephone (617) 248-3870 - Fax johnkerry@kerry.senate.gov - E-mail |
| (Or) | One Financial Place 12 th Floor Springfield, MA 01101 | (413) 785-4610 - Telephone (413) 736-1049 - Fax |

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

May 5, 2001-May 3, 2002

(In Alphabetical Order)

| <u>TITLE</u> | <u>TERM EXPIRES</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Assessors | |
| Jared Heeter | 2002 |
| Bill Devin | 2003 |
| LeeAnn Thompson | 2004 |
| Cemetery Commissioners | |
| Donald Brainerd | 2002 |
| T.J. Cousineau | 2003 |
| Vacant | 2004 |
| Fence Viewer | |
| George Reichert | 2003 |
| Field Driver | |
| George Reichert | 2003 |
| Health, Board of | |
| Les Eldridge | 2002 |
| Neil Geary | 2003 |
| Chris Smith | 2004 |
| Library Trustees | |
| Mary Kronholm | 2002 |
| Chris Keenan | 2003 |
| Chuck Benson | 2004 |
| Moderator | |
| David Hopson | 2003 |
| Planning Board | |
| Vacant | 2002 |
| Opal Poteat | 2003 |
| Juliana Mueller | 2004 |
| Mary Brainerd | 2005 |
| Todd Kubik | 2006 |
| School Committee | |
| Mary E. Oleksak | 2003 |
| David Hopson | 2004 |
| Selectmen | |
| Bruce Cooley | 2002 |
| Andy Iglesias | 2003 |
| Chester Broughton | 2004 |
| Tax Collector | |
| Margit Mikuski | 2002 |

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

May 5, 2001-May 3, 2002

Continued

| <u>TITLE</u> | <u>TERM EXPIRES</u> |
|--|----------------------------|
| Town Clerk Staci Iglesias | 2002 |
| Treasurer Anne Holliday | 2004 |
| Tree Warden Michael Wojcik | 2003 |
| Water Commissioners Judith MacKinnon | 2002 |
| Frank Burkott | 2002 |
| Pam Kvitek | 2003 |

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

June 30, 2001 – July 1, 2002

(In Alphabetical Order)

| | |
|--|------|
| Aging. Council on (1 year) Cheryl Hopson | 2002 |
| Sally Robbins | 2002 |
| Summer Robbins | 2002 |
| Arts Council (2 years) Mary Martin | 2002 |
| Darlene Horne | 2002 |
| Robin Stevens | 2002 |
| Mary Jo Litchard | 2002 |
| Nicole Devin | 2003 |
| Building Inspector (1 year) Rick Morawiec | 2002 |
| Building Inspector, Assistant (1 year) Tom Clark | 2002 |
| Burial Agent (1 year) Don Brainerd | 2002 |
| Burial Agent, Asst. (1 year) T. J. Cousineau | 2002 |
| Chief Procurement Officer (1 year) Bruce Cooley | 2002 |
| Co-Emergency Management Directors (1 year) | |

Thomas Ackley
John Panaia

2002
2002

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS
June 30, 2001 – July 1, 2002

Continued

| <u>TITLE</u> | <u>TERM EXPIRES</u> |
|--|---------------------|
| Conservation Commission (3 years) | |
| Rosemary Arnold | 2002 |
| Mary Mangini | 2002 |
| Pete Sutherland | 2003 |
| Laura Scalise Kadzik | 2003 |
| Kim Bergland | 2004 |
| Robin Stevens | 2004 |
| Chuck Benson | 2004 |
| Constables (3 years) | |
| Tate Walker | 2004 |
| John Haight | 2003 |
| Dog Officer (1 year) | |
| Brenda Blood | 2002 |
| Dog Officer, Assistant (1 year) | |
| Vacant | |
| Election Clerk (1 year) | |
| Kim Blanchette | 2002 |
| Election Officers (1 year) | |
| Mary Mangini | 2002 |
| Sandra Wyman | 2002 |
| Kim Blanchette | 2002 |
| Election Warden (1 year) | |
| Mary Kronholm | 2002 |
| Election Warden, Alternate (1 year) | |
| Staci Iglesias | 2002 |
| Finance Committee (3 years) | |
| Sharon Estee | 2002 |
| Michelle Urbanski | 2003 |
| Co Cousineau | 2004 |
| Paula Bilodeau | 2004 |
| Fire Chief & Forest Fire Warden (3 years) | |
| Thomas Ackley | 2002 |
| Hazardous Waste Coordinator (1 year) | |
| Thomas Ackley | 2002 |

Highway Superintendent (1 year)
Mitch Forish

2002

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS
June 30, 2001 – July 1, 2002

Continued

| <u>TITLE</u> | <u>TERM EXPIRES</u> |
|---|----------------------------|
| Historical Commission (3 years) | |
| Mary MacDonnell | 2002 |
| Rosemary Arnold | 2002 |
| Darlene Horne | 2002 |
| Peter Milford | 2003 |
| Michael Urbanski | 2003 |
| Julie Mueller | 2004 |
| LeeAnn Thompson | 2004 |
| Inspector of Animals & Slaughtering (1 year) | |
| Brenda Blood | 2002 |
| Inspector of Servicemen's Graves (1 year) | |
| Michael Wojcik | 2002 |
| Measurer of Wood & Bark (1 year) | |
| Michael Wojcik | 2002 |
| Park & Recreation Committee (3 years) | |
| Julie Fitzgerald | 2003 |
| Christine Kubik | 2003 |
| Mary Martin | 2002 |
| Pest Control Officer (1 year) | |
| Michael Wojcik | 2002 |
| Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (1 year) | |
| Julianna Mueller | 2002 |
| Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, Alternate (1 year) | |
| Opal Poteat | 2002 |
| Plumbing & Gas Inspector (1 year) | |
| Robert Gardner | 2002 |
| Plumbing & Gas Inspector, Assistant | |
| David Ritchie | 2002 |
| Police Chief (3 years) | |
| Robert Maciorowski | 2003 |
| Police Officers (3 years) | |
| Tate Walker | 2004 |

Charles Reed
Sean Cloutier

2004
2002

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

June 30, 2001 – July 1, 2002

Continued

| <u>TITLE</u> | <u>TERM EXPIRES</u> |
|--|----------------------------|
| Police Officer, Special (1 year) Vacant | |
| Registrars of Voters (1 year) Mary Kronholm Staci Iglesias | 2002 2002 |
| Selectmen's Secretary (1 year) Katy Milford | 2002 |
| Town Accountant (1 year) Charlotte Noponen | 2002 |
| Town Counsel (1 year) Kopelman & Paige | 2002 |
| Veteran's Agent (1 year) Katherine Stucenski | 2002 |
| Watson Park Superintendent (1 year) Doug Emo | 2002 |
| Wiring Inspector (1 year) Edward LaPlante | 2002 |
| Wiring Inspector, Assistant (1 year) Vacant | |
| Zoning Board of Appeals (3 years) Summer Robbins Donald Brainerd Theodore Jensen | 2004 2003 2002 |

THE FOLLOWING REPORTS ARE IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER BY DEPARTMENT

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

This year the Board of Assessors consists of Jared Heeter; Chairman, Bill Devin and LeeAnn Thompson with Kim Blanchette as their Clerk. LeeAnn joined us this year after serving on the Board of Selectmen.

The Assessors continue to meet the first and third Thursday of each month at the Town Office at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Blanchette is in the office on Monday and Wednesdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3 p.m.

We are now entering our third year and phase of having the Town measured and listed. This year we will concentrate in the Route 23 area of town. We will again be looking at about 150 homes in the assigned area. With your cooperation this will continue to give us accurate information, which is reflected on your property records cards often referred to as field cards. You are encouraged to come into the office anytime and review your card.

We would like to take this time to thank all of the taxpayers for their complete understanding of the third quarter tax bill error. We are grateful that everyone was courteous and patient while the correction was made. We have made some changes to prevent any such error in the future. All abatement applications will be due to the Board of Assessors within thirty days of the issuance of the fourth quarter tax bills.

Total reimbursements for fiscal year 2001 (to date April 1, 2002) are as follows:

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Real Estate Abatements | \$2,409.41 |
| Personal Property Abatements | 1,057.46 |
| Exemptions (Elderly, Veterans) | 5,450.00 |
| Motor Vehicle Abatements | 4,078.26 |

Again this year has been a trying one. With September 11, the drastic cuts in the state budget have dramatically affected all Towns and their budgets. We can only look forward, and with your continued assistance, we can continue to operate as a unified team, Town and Country.

Respectfully submitted,
Jared Heeter
Bill Devin
LeeAnn Thompson

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

2001 was one of the busiest years that the building department had on record. A total of 8 new houses were started along with the large amount of additions and remodels. As a reminder building permits are required for almost every remodel and addition projects. If you have a question please feel free to contact the building department.

| | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| 8 New Dwellings | \$1,259,000 |
| 2 Garages | 55,000 |
| 2 Sheds | 9,500 |
| 2 Additions | 67,000 |
| 4 Decks | 29,900 |
| 6 Renovations | 115,500 |
| 1 Screen porch | 5,000 |
| 3 Wood stoves | 3,200 |
| 1 Horse barn | 15,000 |
| 1 Cell tower | <u>175,000</u> |
| Total | \$1,734,100 |

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Morawiec

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Blandford Conservation Commission continues to work on the Open Space Plan for the Town of Blandford. Our effort has been encouraged by the Planning Board with hopes for completion by June, 2002.

The BCC has added two new members to our team; Chuck Benson and Pete Sutherland.

During the winter of 2001-2002, the BCC was forced to issue an Enforcement Order to the Blandford Ski Area. The Blandford Ski Area was in violation of the Order of Conditions written by the Blandford Conservation Commission. They were taking water from Nye Brook to make snow when the required height of the flow of water in the brook was not being met. We have been in drought conditions since August 2001. After several meetings with the Blandford Ski Area and concerned town citizens, a new Order of Conditions was written. During these meetings, there was much to be discussed and these sessions proved to be quite encouraging. The Ski Club has plans to meet with townspeople before each season to address any concerns, keeping the lines of communication open.

We continue our efforts to improve as conservation members, by attending workshops and planning sessions for Western Massachusetts.

To celebrate Earth Day, we have made a donation to Scott Gregory's Eagle Scout Project. Scott will be working to improve the Gardens of Watson Park. We also donated booklets on Vernal Pools to the enrichment program at the Gateway Middle School. We find strength in the children of the Hilltowns who support our environment.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemary Arnold
Kim Bergland
Chuck Benson
Laura Scalise Kadzik
Mary Mangini
Robin Stevens
Pete Sutherland

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

The Blandford Council on Aging is slowly picking up steam after a year and a half of inactivity. The Council has assisted with the monthly blood pressure clinics as well as the two flu clinics held in November.

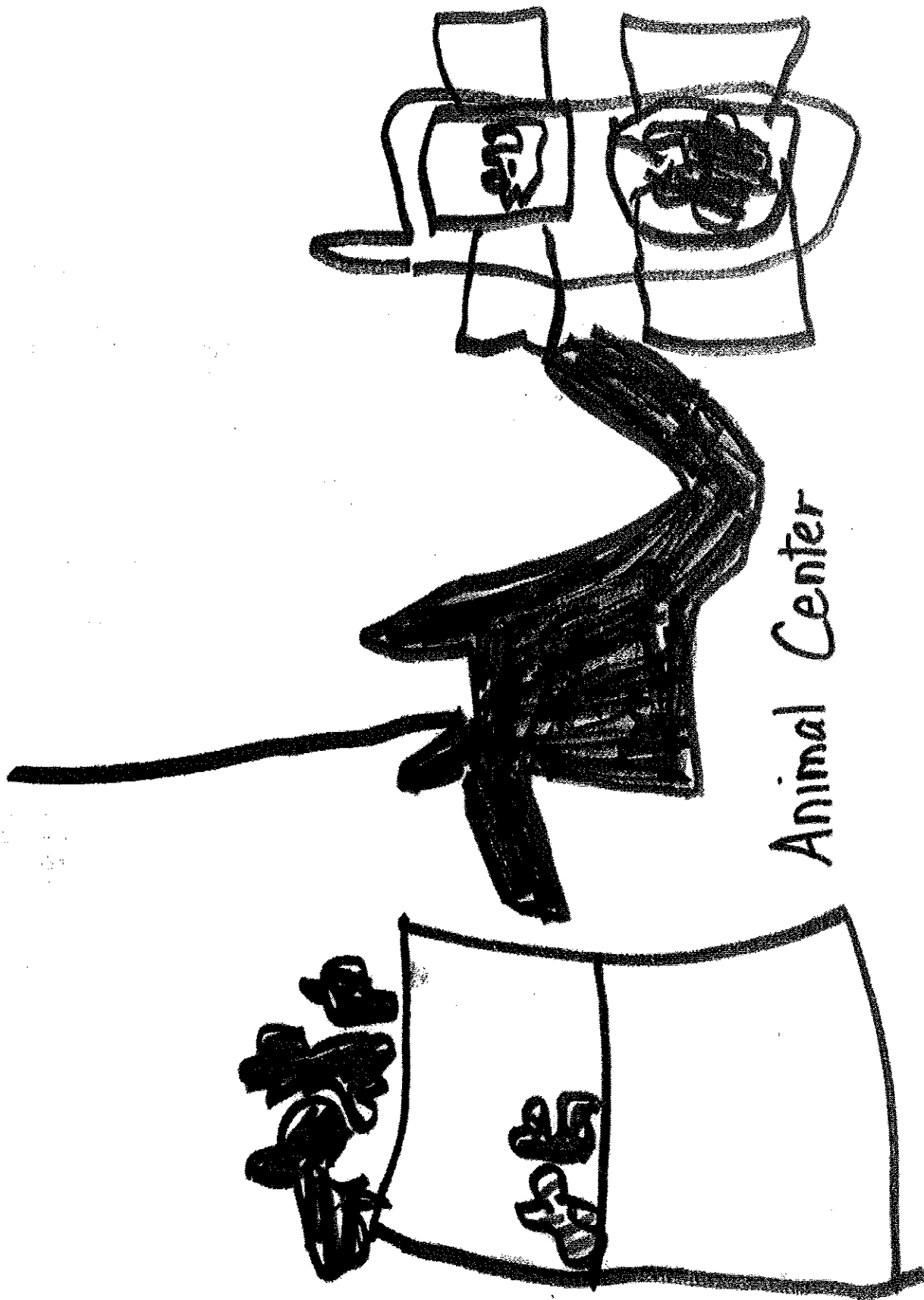
The Council also drafted and sent a survey to all Blandford seniors this past fall to aid in program planning and to determine needs. We are currently interviewing to hire an outreach worker who will perform outreach visits as well as information and referrals.

A holiday luncheon and performance by Patty Carpenter was held in November. Our thanks to the Arts Council for funding the performance. Another luncheon is planned for spring. Weekly card socials continue each Wednesday afternoon in the Town Hall.

The Council welcomes all seniors to assist in planning and directing activities.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Hopson
Sumner Robbins

Sally Robbins
Ben Bragg



Animal Center

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

We'd like to take this opportunity to remind the townspeople of the Finance Committee's role – to meet with departments and the Selectboard in order to make appropriate recommendations regarding town finances. Ultimately, the townspeople have the final vote.

This year proved to be difficult, as will subsequent years. The delay in reimbursement for the school building project has and will present a heavy burden to the town, and will have an impact on our ability to get the town's free cash and stabilization accounts to the level we feel necessary. We encouraged the departments to be especially frugal in their budgets this year, but to be realistic as well, and we found them to be very cooperative. Slowly but surely, we hope to get the town to a financial level that can support new programs, provide needed increased funding for department budgets, and handle unforeseen challenges that arise.

In closing, we'd like to welcome our newest member of the Finance Committee, Paula Bilodeau, and express our commitment to our committee and its duties, and to the town as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Estee
Paula Bilodeau
Co Cousineau
Michelle Urbanski

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

In the past year, the Fire Department responded to 98 requests for assistance. They are as follows:

| | |
|--------------|----|
| Fires | 14 |
| False Alarms | 5 |
| In Service | 7 |
| Brush | 2 |
| EMS | 53 |
| Haz Mat | 2 |
| Mutual Aid | 15 |

We also received mutual aid in the form of help or stand by several times.

Our mettle was tested shortly after 9/11 when we were called for a suspicious white powder substance. Captain Al Vautier and Lieutenant Suzette Vautier both handled themselves in a very professional manner and worked well with the Haz-Mat team. They are an excellent example of the caliber of our volunteers.

We are in the process of working with the new Hilltown Community Ambulance Service. We wish them well. In order to provide the best possible EMS service to everyone, ambulance service has been split between Otis Rescue Squad and the Hilltown Community ambulance. With each service covering one half of the town, we hope to provide everyone in need with prompt ambulance service.

Our thanks to the Police and Highway Departments for their help.

At this time I want to say how proud I am to serve with our volunteer firefighters. They stand ready to "Protect and Serve" the town to the best of their abilities.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Ackley

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

2001 was a busy year for perk tests and construction of new and repair septic systems in the town of Blandford. The board is pleased to report that any complaints relative to the boards' responsibilities were resolved without the need for legal representation.

Some of the new responsibilities for the board included the construction of two McDonalds on the turnpike as well as two Circle K's convenience store a Ben and Jerry's ice cream parlor, Honey Dew Donuts and a Pretzel Shop, requiring monitoring and permitting. With regards to permitting the state has instituted new training requirements for persons conducting inspections and issuing permits for both permanent and temporary food vendors. Les Eldridge has recently completed a four week training course in food service inspection, making him the only certified inspector on the board.

The entire Board of Health would like to thank John Taudel, Albert Flyte and Paul Kvitek for their efforts to maintain and improve the transfer station. Many take the operation for granted when it's running smoothly and only acknowledge its existence when it is closed or broken down. Next time you enter the transfer station to discard your trash please acknowledge the fine job that these men perform with distinction.

Respectfully submitted,
Neil Geary
Les Eldridge
Chris Smith

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Last year was a little hectic, with a lot of learning by a whole new crew, but in all we have weathered the storm pretty well. We lost one of our trucks this winter due to road conditions, not driver error. We had an easy winter which helped save the equipment. We are planning quite a few projects this year. A lot of brush cutting has taken place with more planned, and some of our dirt roads are going to get attention. New guard rails and drainage are a priority on a lot of roads. We hope to get line painting done as well, there will be some black topping done on a few of our roads.

I have state funding to help us with most of our road projects that will take place this year. We also will be picking away at getting the Highway Garage all painted and cleaned up.

I would also like to thank all of the town departments for their help and their knowledge in helping the Highway Department this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mitch Forish

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

At last year's Annual Town Meeting, the townspeople voted to establish a Historical Commission in Blandford. Our seven members have been appointed to carry out the purposes of the Commission which include the following: compiling an inventory of historic places and properties; nominating properties and districts to the Federal and/or State Register of Historic Places/Districts; and seeking grants or matching funds for planning, rehabilitation, or repair of historic structures and sites.

Blandford was one of the last towns in the state to form a Historical Commission, so we have a lot of catching up to do. With the help of the Historical Society and the Library, we have begun to research and compile the historical inventory. A meeting has been scheduled with state Historical Commission representatives. Also, we hope to attend as many state meetings and workshops as time and budget permit. As the Commission gathers more information, we hope to pass along to our fellow townspeople an appreciation for Blandford's historic properties and places we see everyday, but sometimes take for granted.

The Commission welcomes input from other organizations, town boards, and individual residents. We hope to distribute a survey to gather ideas from the public. People may contact us by writing to us at 102 Main Street or by calling us at the Town Offices.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Milford, Chair
LeeAnn Thompson, Vice Chair
Mike Urbanski
Darlene Horne
Rosemary Arnold
Julie Mueller
Mary MacDonnell

REPORT OF THE LEE VISITING NURSES

The following is a report of the services performed in the Town of Blandford during the calendar year 2001:

| HOME VISITS | | VISITS |
|--------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Skilled Nursing | | 24 |
| Physical Therapy | | 10 |
| Maternal Child Health | | 2 |
| HEALTH PROMOTION VISITS/OFFICE | | 3 |
| CLINICS | SESSIONS | ATTENDANCE |
| Blood Pressure | 12 | 105 |
| Flu/pneumonia | 2 | 78/7 |
| Immunization/TB | 2 | 18 |
| Immunization/Hep. B | 2 | 16 |

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The Porter Memorial Library has had another wonderful year. We continue to add to our reference and nonfiction collections to keep information up to date and meet educational needs. As always, we continue to add to our fiction collection for pleasure reading.

This year's Summer Reading Program had an educational, yet fun Medieval theme geared for older readers. The library was converted into a castle with stone walls, banners, and drawings of castles and dragons. Thanks to a grant from the Blandford Cultural Council, Julie Collier of Wingmasters brought in birds that were used during the Medieval period, hawks, falcons, and a golden eagle.

Julie is licensed to rescue birds of prey and rehabilitate them and she explained to the audience how she works with them and also how Medieval people used these type of birds for hunting and for sport. MaryJoe Maichack entertained us with stories and songs significant to the era including Paperbag Princess which included audience participation.

We had a game day which sported banana jousting, archery, and juggling. Thanks must go to Anne Marie Rosberg who helped come up with some ingenious ideas and also to the Cook family who taught us all how to juggle.

Six Fall Evening Programs were offered in September and October. Library Director, Michael Chandler, offered two basic computer training classes. Tom Ricardi from the Mass. Bird of Prey Rehabilitation Facility in Conway presented his Birds of Prey Program to a packed house and kids got to pet some of the birds. Ron Goodrich from Northeast Collectibles discussed how to determine the value of books, stamps, coins, and post cards. Dave Lovejoy gave a beautiful slideshow on Wild Flowers of the Central Rockies. The series ended with a workshop on meditation and stress reduction by Sahaj Marg.

We continued our tradition asking Patrons to make Christmas, Hanukkah, Solstice or Kwanzaa cards for the children at the Shriner's Hospital in Springfield.

Thanks to everyone who has donated materials throughout the year, and to everyone who has given their support to the library.

Circulation Figures for 2001

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| Adult fiction | 1,449 |
| Adult nonfiction | 755 |
| Juv. Fiction | 1,555 |
| Juv. Nonfiction | 481 |
| YA fiction | 130 |
| YA nonfiction | 98 |
| Periodicals | 74 |
| Total print | 4,542 |
| Videos | 5,475 |
| Audios | 287 |
| C.D.s | 109 |
| Total nonprint | 5,871 |
| TOTAL | 10,413 |

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Chandler, Director
Anne Chandler

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

The Porter Memorial Library welcomed a new era in August with the hiring of new director, Michael Chandler. Mr. Chandler is the first male ever to hold this position in the library's 110-year history.

He is working towards his certification as a sub-professional librarian to comply with state requirements, by participating in various workshops and programs sponsored by the Western Regional Massachusetts Library System.

Last year the trustees announced a new policy to purchase a book to commemorate the birth of every new Blandford baby. Last year there were nine new additions to the population, and nine new special children's books on the shelves.

Trustees also approved an Internet Policy, which is available in the library.

The library continues to be the primary educational institution providing collections and services essential to students and those pursuing independent learning interests. It is a major and easily accessible information provider for the needs of the community.

The library is more than just a collection of books waiting for people to use; it is a vital, dynamic part of our town, available to everyone. Materials cover a wide range of subject matter in multi-media.

Our library has enjoyed the services of the bookmobile for many years, and this service is now in jeopardy. The Board of Trustees urge library patrons to contact the town's legislators to ask that they support a budget that will at least maintain these services.

The official building committee for an addition to the library has been formed. LeeAnn Thompson is the chairman. Other members include Jane Rohman Bianco, John Piper and, Linda Broughton. Anyone interested in participating can contact LeeAnn. Chris Keenan is the trustee liaison for the committee, which is in its most early stages. The committee will initially focus on community needs in new construction and will pursue grants.

This year the trustees extend their gratitude to the family of Charles Benson Jr. who asked that donations be made to the library building fund in his memory.

The trustees are responsible for the Utley Fund, a \$10,000 bequest to the library.
Utley Fund interest July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001 \$ 643.76 (restricted)

In October 1999, the trustees began an investment account with Charles Schwab.
From July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001, this account yielded \$383.34 with \$150 expended.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Kronholm, Chairman
Christine Keenan
Charles Benson III, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Although hindered by construction in the elementary school, the Park and Rec. has had a successful year and plans to be back in full swing this upcoming year.

We started in July with a town picnic on the evening of the 3rd. The turnout was wonderful; entertainment was by the Pioneer Valley Fiddlers and Andre Boulay providing balloon art for the youngsters. The picnic was followed by an incredible fireworks display given by anonymous benefactors. The Park and Rec would like to continue to have a town picnic on or around the 4th of July on years that there will be fireworks. On other years, such as 2002, we will have the town picnic following the Memorial Day parade.

Next, in October, was the Halloween celebration. A costume parade was organized in the Town Office parking lot, and the children were provided with glow sticks and escorted by fire engine up the hill to Watson Park where they were given cider and donuts before heading out for trick or treating.

Finally, at the end of March, there was a Spring Fling in the elementary school corridor with games, crafts, face painting and an Easter Egg hunt. When the weather cooperates, we would like to have the Spring celebration outdoors.

As the majority of the Park and Rec. budget is for the lifeguards at Russell Pond we encourage Blandford residents to utilize this beautiful beach.

If anyone is able to assist us at any of these town events, please give a call.

Respectfully submitted,
Cris Kubik
Julie Fitzgerald
Mary Martin

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board is currently working on Executive Order 418 which gives the town \$30,000 in planning services to devise a Community Development Plan. This plan will encompass open space, housing and transportation components. Community participation will be requested and the plan must be completed by June 2003.

The Board signed off on several new homes, additions and out buildings. It also approved several divisions of land. The Attorney General accepted and approved the new Communications Tower By-law, thus giving the town a greater ability to control siting of new towers.

Julie Mueller, Blandford's commissioner to the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, was elected to the Executive Committee of that organization. Opal Poteat was appointed alternate commissioner.

The Board would like to extend a warm welcome to Todd Kubik of North Blandford Road as its newest member. And, good wishes to Mary Brainerd, who is teaching in Ireland for six months. The Board is still not at full capacity and anyone interested in joining should contact the Selectmen or any Planning Board member. It should be an exciting year with great impact for the future of our town.

Respectfully submitted,
Juliana Mueller, Chair
Opal Geanne Poteat, Secretary
Mary Brainerd
Todd Kubik

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING/GAS INSPECTOR

During fiscal year ending June 30, 2001 there were:

16 permits Issued:
7 Plumbing
9 Gas
23 Inspections were made

The fees will remain at their present level until further notice:

\$10.00 Filing Fee
\$30.00 Per Inspection

Nothing in the State code shall be construed as applying to refrigerating, heating, cooling, ventilating, or sprinkler fire protection beyond the point where connections are made with the potable water systems. Such connections shall be made subject to the inspection and approval of the Inspector of Plumbing/Gas.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert W. Gardner

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The past fiscal year has brought new, more demanding, and more exhausting challenges to the Blandford Police Department (BPD). The town police department has been working out of the Town Office for the entire fiscal year, which has dampened the department's efforts in several arenas when the office was moved from the elementary school to the town hall because of the school "upgrade." Although efforts continue with the school, the BPD has recently been relocated back into the department's original location at the school. I would like to thank all town residents for their patience and understanding during this transformation. Frequently, the BPD has been called upon to function as a full-time police department; however, I would like to stress to all town residents that the BPD is "part-time" with the Massachusetts State Police providing full-time public safety coverage. Please remember that the BPD police force performs all public safety duties required of all law enforcement personnel by dedicating their "free" time away from everyday careers. As I stated last year, each officer works 40-plus hours at their regular job and then offers their time, effort, and professionalism to perform the very dangerous task of enforcing public safety laws in Blandford. I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank each officer of the BPD for their hard work, dedication, professionalism, and service to public safety for the town.

On September 11, 2001, the United States was attacked by terrorists and "normalcy," as we all understood and embraced, was changed forever. The effects of those events have been felt even at the BPD level with increased patrols to assist the State Police in "normal" patrol activities because of the overtime burden placed upon State Troopers who protect, among other things, the Cobble Mountain Reservoir. After two personal trips to "ground zero" in the heart of the financial district of New York City (NYC) and talking to several NYC firemen and policemen, I soon realized that the "normal" way of life has taken on a new meaning and we must never forget those tragic events. I would like to take this time to remember all firefighters, police officers, rescue workers, and innocent people who lost their lives on that day.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, (continued)

Over the past fiscal year, the BPD has been able to secure public safety equipment through previous community policing grants from the Executive Office of Public Safety (EOPS) Programs Division in Boston. However, for this fiscal year, the BPD did not secure community policing funding in the form of a grant. During this fiscal year, the previous grants have allowed the department to purchase night vision goggles, a new cordless hand-held radar unit, a camera to aid in firearms licensing, and uniform equipment. The Police

Department, with the help of the Fire Department, held a Christmas party for town children in which many gifts were distributed (this was made possible with the community policing grants). The department also initiated a "ride-along" program in which town residents can ride with the BPD during normal patrols to gain a greater perspective into the workings and functions of a small-town police department. There has been much interest

and I, again, highly encourage town residents to participate in this program (contact the Chief if interested). The department also desires establishing a community policing committee in the near future to enhance the use of grant funds for the purpose of bringing the police force and community together.

The BPD has added a secretary to the department to help with everyday mailings, LTC forms, and other department activities. Also, the BPD has one police recruit presently in the Agawam Academy to replace the loss of one officer.

The past year, as with the previous year, has seen the department perform more duties in the area of summons delivery, investigation duties, and motor vehicle enforcement than previously.

Finally, I would like to thank all town departments, in particular the Fire and Highway Departments, who as always, have continued to provide us with professional assistance when needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert J. Maciorowski

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

This year saw a change in the membership of the Board of Selectmen as Chet Broughton was elected to fill the seat vacated by LeeAnn Thompson. We welcome Chet and the ideas he brings to the table. We thank LeeAnn for her tireless service as a Selectboard member, and feel that the town is fortunate that she still serves in many capacities in Blandford!

There were other changes in personnel as well. With the reinstatement of the Town Accountant position voted at Town Meeting, Margit Mikuski completed her financial appointment. We thank her for her involvement with the town. Jeni Masiuk stepped in to serve as Acting Town Accountant for almost a year, and we thank her for her willingness to assist us. In April, Charlotte Noponen was appointed Town Accountant and will work with her partner, Linda Sanders, of Oxford Agency, in that position. They have a wealth of municipal finance knowledge and we look forward to working with them. The Highway Department gained three new employees, and we thank Tate Walker, John Panaia, and Charlie Krzkowski for their work for the town. We welcomed Mitch Forish, Sean Cloutier, and Don Wojcik to that department. The Council on Aging is becoming active again and is exploring many new initiatives, continuing in the fine tradition set by Barbara Lederman who served as Director for many years. The newly created Historical Commission, voted to be established at last year's Annual Town Meeting, has its seven members in place, and is investigating potential grants for which the town might apply.

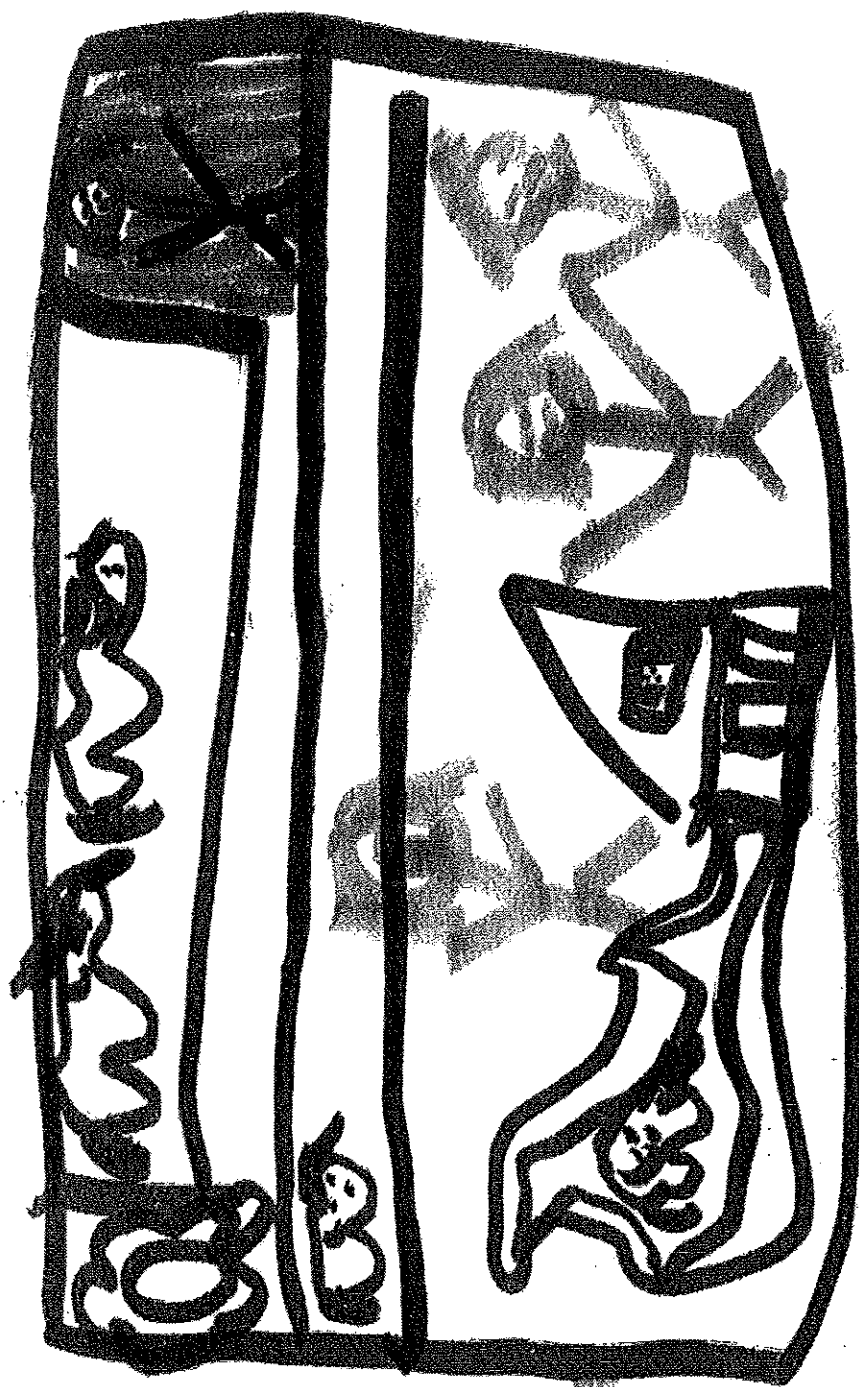
We appreciate the continued support of Watson Park by the Boy Scout Troop, including work on the picnic tables and benches, the ball field drainage and fencing, and the upcoming Eagle Scout project of restoration of the gardens around the gazebo. It is wonderful to see the Town's young people involved in the improvement of Blandford.

The town entered into an agreement with the newly formed Hilltown Community Ambulance Association, created to replace the service that for years was provided by the Huntington Lions Club. Our thanks to Linda Smith, Tom Ackley, and the HCAA Board of Directors for their work on this important area, and to the Huntington Lions Club for their service in the past.

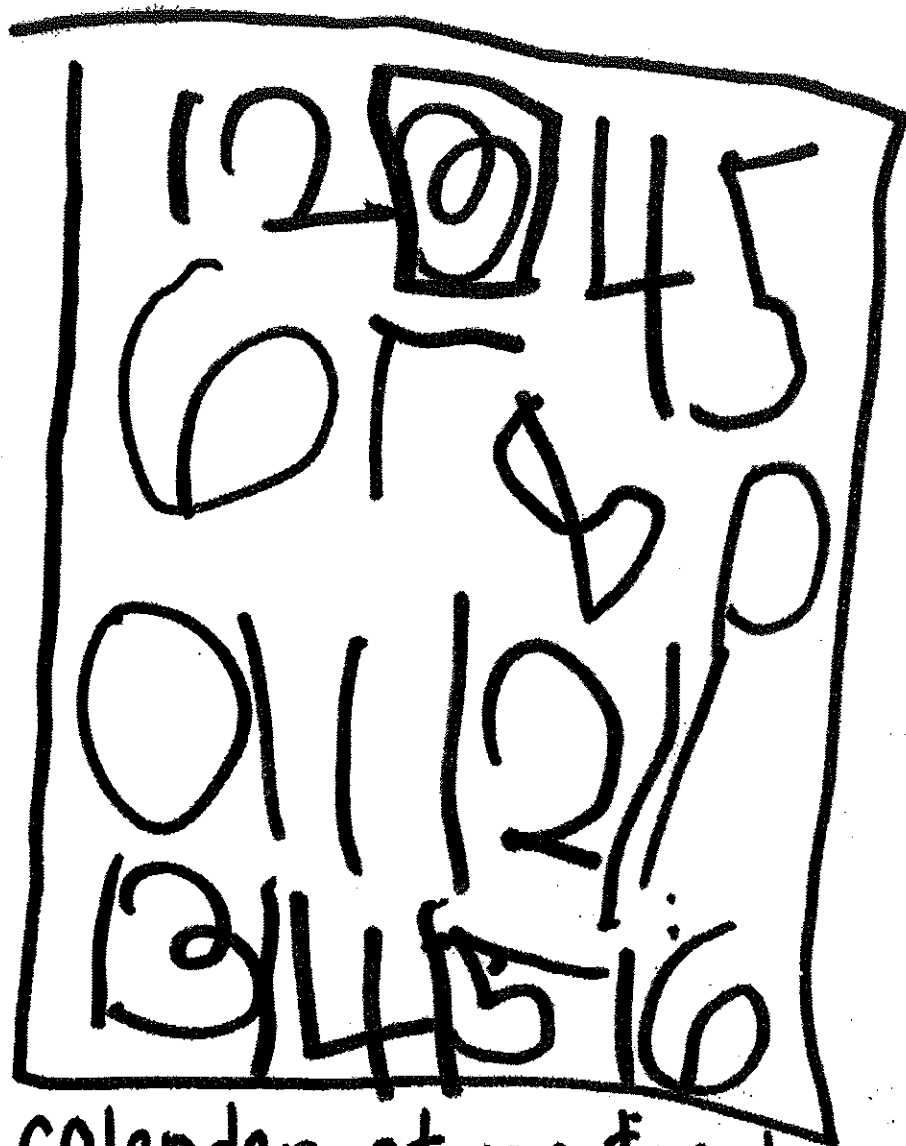
With the newly created office space in part of the main room at the Town Offices, we are looking for all boards to do an inventory to discard unusable items. The All Boards meetings held every few months have increased communication among departments and have led to the sharing of information as well as materials in some cases. We encourage townspeople to stay informed about issues relating to the various boards and departments.

We again thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make Blandford a better community. It is with the selfless help of so many that we are able to accomplish good things in our town.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Cooley, Chair
Andy Iglesias, Clerk
Chet Broughton, Member



Animal Center



calendar at meeting time

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

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FY2001 Expenses Report (All Entries) - General Fund

| Expense Category / Account | Previous Year's Balance | Original Budget | Budget Revisions | Revised Budget | Actual Expended | Balance | % Exp |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------|
| GENERAL GOVERNMENT | | | | | | | |
| Moderator's Salary 015114-000 | | 45.00 | | 45.00 | 45.00 | | 100 |
| Moderator Expenses 015114-001 | | 25.00 | | 25.00 | | 25.00 | 0 |
| Selectmen's Salaries 015122-000 | | 4,000.00 | | 4,000.00 | 3,652.00 | 348.00 | 91 |
| Selectmen's Secretary 015122-001 | | 3,100.00 | 1,500.00 | 4,600.00 | 4,600.00 | | 100 |
| Selectmen's Expense 015122-002 | | 2,692.12 | (358.56) | 2,333.56 | 2,333.56 | | 100 |
| Finance Committee 015131-000 | | 150.00 | | 150.00 | 29.40 | 120.60 | 20 |
| Reserve Account 015132-000 | | 16,177.42 | (14,243.84) | 1,933.58 | | 1,933.58 | 0 |
| Town Accountant Salary 015135-000 | | 7,175.00 | | 7,175.00 | 7,175.00 | | 100 |
| Town Accountant's Expe 015135-001 | | 1,330.00 | | 1,330.00 | 1,278.76 | 51.24 | 96 |
| Assessor's Salaries 015141-000 | | 3,000.00 | | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | | 100 |
| Assessor's Expense 015141-001 | | 3,525.00 | | 3,525.00 | 3,432.53 | 92.47 | 97 |
| Assessor's Clerk Salar 015141-002 | | 7,600.00 | | 7,600.00 | 6,345.00 | 1,255.00 | 83 |
| ASSESSOR'S TITLE RESEA 015141-004 | | 4,000.00 | | 4,000.00 | 2,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 63 |
| Assessors Contract Ser 015142-000 | | 21,000.00 | | 21,000.00 | 21,215.00 | (215.00) | 101 |
| Treasurer's Salary 015145-000 | | 6,600.00 | | 6,600.00 | 6,600.00 | | 100 |
| Treasurer's Expense 015145-002 | | 1,710.00 | | 1,710.00 | 1,692.01 | 17.99 | 99 |
| Tax Collector's Salary 015146-000 | | 11,787.50 | | 11,787.50 | 11,787.50 | | 100 |
| Tax Collector's Expense 015146-001 | | 8,050.00 | | 8,050.00 | 7,757.06 | 292.94 | 96 |
| Town Counsel 015151-000 | | 36,992.22 | (8,496.11) | 28,496.11 | 28,496.11 | | 100 |
| PRIOR YEAR TOWN COUNSE 015152-000 | | 1,903.06 | | 1,903.06 | 1,903.06 | | 100 |
| Town Clerk's Salary 015161-000 | | 3,000.00 | | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | | 100 |
| Town Clerk's Expense 015161-001 | | 900.00 | | 900.00 | 650.06 | 249.94 | 72 |
| Street & Dog List Sala 015161-002 | | 475.00 | | 475.00 | 475.00 | | 100 |
| Street & Dog List Expe 015161-003 | | 200.00 | | 200.00 | 187.00 | 13.00 | 94 |
| Vital Statistics Salar 015161-004 | | 25.00 | | 25.00 | 25.00 | | 100 |
| Election & Registratio 015162-000 | | 1,450.00 | | 1,450.00 | 1,020.62 | 429.38 | 70 |
| Bd of Registrars Salar 015163-000 | | 50.00 | | 50.00 | 50.00 | | 100 |
| Conservation Commissio 015171-000 | | 1,810.00 | | 1,810.00 | 1,100.55 | 709.45 | 61 |
| CONSERVATION FUND 015172-000 | | 850.00 | (850.00) | | | | 0 |
| CONSERVATION MAPS 015173-000 | | 250.00 | | 250.00 | | 250.00 | 0 |
| Planning Board 015175-000 | | 320.00 | | 320.00 | 172.23 | 147.77 | 54 |
| Zoning Board of Appeal 015176-000 | | 340.39 | | 340.39 | 272.90 | 67.49 | 80 |
| Town Office Expense 015192-000 | | 8,800.00 | | 8,800.00 | 8,474.37 | 325.63 | 96 |
| TOWN HALL SIGN 015192-006 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 0 |
| Town Insurance 015192-009 | | 18,078.00 | (539.00) | 17,539.00 | 17,539.00 | | 100 |
| Town Reports Salary 015195-000 | | 575.00 | | 575.00 | 575.00 | | 100 |
| Town Reports Expenses 015195-001 | | 1,500.00 | (250.00) | 1,350.00 | 1,350.00 | | 100 |
| Audit - Town Records 015199-000 | | 7,500.00 | | 7,500.00 | | 7,500.00 | 0 |
| TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT | 0.00 | 188,085.71 | (23,237.51) | 164,848.20 | 148,733.72 | 16,114.48 | 90 |
| PROTECT. PERSONS & PROPERTY | | | | | | | |
| Police Salaries 015210-000 | | 5,300.00 | | 5,300.00 | 4,792.50 | 507.50 | 90 |
| Police Expense 015210-001 | | 2,310.00 | | 2,310.00 | 990.67 | 1,319.33 | 43 |
| Cruiser Maintenance 015210-002 | | 2,000.00 | | 2,000.00 | 890.62 | 1,109.38 | 45 |
| Police Uniforms 015210-005 | | 900.00 | | 900.00 | 232.80 | 667.20 | 26 |
| Police Dept. Court Tim 015211-001 | | 900.00 | | 900.00 | 210.00 | 690.00 | 23 |

| Expense Category / Account | Previous Year's Balance | Original Budget | Budget Revisions | Revised Budget | Actual Expended | Balance | \$ Exp |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------|
| Fire Chief Salary 015220-000 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | | 100 |
| Forest Warden Salary 015220-002 | | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 500.00 | | 100 |
| Fire Dept. Utilities 015220-003 | | 3,600.00 | | 3,600.00 | 4,076.55 | (476.55) | 113 |
| Equipment Maint. Repai 015220-004 | | 3,300.00 | | 3,300.00 | 2,067.71 | 1,232.29 | 63 |
| Radio Maintenance 015220-005 | | 3,000.00 | | 3,000.00 | 1,039.98 | 1,960.02 | 35 |
| DISPATCH 911 015220-007 | | 3,385.00 | | 3,385.00 | 3,385.00 | | 100 |
| Fire Training/Supplies 015220-008 | | 9,700.00 | | 9,700.00 | 7,537.01 | 2,162.99 | 78 |
| Fire Gas/Oil 015220-009 | | 700.00 | | 700.00 | 240.60 | 459.40 | 34 |
| FIRE DEPT. TRUCK 015220-012 | | 50,000.00 | | 50,000.00 | 49,947.11 | 52.89 | 100 |
| PRIOR YEAR FIRE GAS/OI 015220-014 | | 414.13 | | 414.13 | 414.13 | | 100 |
| Huntington Lions Club 015231-000 | | 1,899.00 | 494.50 | 2,392.50 | 2,392.50 | | 100 |
| Otis Ambulance Service 015232-000 | | 1,500.00 | | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | | 100 |
| Building Insp. Salary 015241-000 | | 1,200.00 | | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | | 100 |
| Building Insp. Fees 015241-001 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 805.00 | 195.00 | 81 |
| Plumbing Insp Salary 015243-000 | | 50.00 | | 50.00 | 50.00 | | 100 |
| Plumbing Insp Fees 015243-001 | | 973.70 | (236.85) | 736.85 | 736.85 | | 100 |
| Electrical Insp Salary 015245-000 | | 50.00 | | 50.00 | 50.00 | | 100 |
| Electrical Insp Fees 015245-001 | | 1,460.00 | (130.00) | 1,330.00 | 1,330.00 | | 100 |
| Inspector of Animals 015249-010 | | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 500.00 | | 100 |
| Civil Defense 015291-000 | | 1,000.00 | (412.50) | 587.50 | 500.00 | 87.50 | 85 |
| Dog Officer Salary 015292-000 | | 715.00 | | 715.00 | 715.00 | | 100 |
| Dog Officer Expense 015292-003 | | 522.80 | (161.40) | 361.40 | 361.40 | | 100 |
| Tree Warden Salary 015294-000 | | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 500.00 | | 100 |
| Tree Warden Expense 015294-001 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 257.82 | 742.18 | 26 |
| Tree Warden Outside Sv 015294-002 | | 5,400.00 | | 5,400.00 | 6,052.50 | (652.50) | 112 |
| TOTAL PROTECT. PERSONS & PROPERTY | 0.00 | 104,778.63 | (446.25) | 104,332.38 | 94,275.75 | 10,056.63 | 90 |
| EDUCATION | | | | | | | |
| Gateway Reg School Dis 015300-000 | | 915,588.00 | | 915,588.00 | 915,587.00 | 1.00 | 100 |
| TOTAL EDUCATION | 0.00 | 915,588.00 | 0.00 | 915,588.00 | 915,587.00 | 1.00 | 100 |
| PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES | | | | | | | |
| Highway Salaries 015422-000 | | 87,560.00 | | 87,560.00 | 87,115.00 | 445.00 | 99 |
| Highway Overtime Salar 015422-001 | | 4,000.00 | | 4,000.00 | 1,850.66 | 2,149.34 | 46 |
| Highway Expenses 015422-002 | | 3,500.00 | | 3,500.00 | 2,431.46 | 1,068.54 | 69 |
| Highway Utilities 015422-003 | | 6,500.00 | | 6,500.00 | 3,905.54 | 2,594.46 | 60 |
| Hwy Equipment/Maint 015422-004 | | 32,000.00 | | 32,000.00 | 24,249.43 | 7,750.57 | 76 |
| Salt & Sand 015422-005 | | 24,000.00 | | 24,000.00 | 25,025.12 | (1,025.12) | 104 |
| Highway Gas & Oil 015422-006 | | 15,000.00 | | 15,000.00 | 14,591.12 | 408.88 | 97 |
| Road Maintenance 015422-007 | | 16,000.00 | | 16,000.00 | 11,592.23 | 4,407.77 | 72 |
| Highway P/T Salaries 015422-008 | | 4,500.00 | | 4,500.00 | 1,885.00 | 2,615.00 | 42 |
| Snow & Ice Labor 015422-011 | | 23,138.00 | | 23,138.00 | 22,491.09 | 646.91 | 97 |
| PRIOR YEAR HWY GAS/OIL 015422-015 | | 804.73 | | 804.73 | 804.73 | | 100 |
| HIGHWAY BUILDING 015422-016 | | 1,541.47 | | 1,541.47 | 1,144.30 | 397.17 | 74 |
| Highway Tires 015422-017 | | 705.34 | | 705.34 | 650.36 | 54.98 | 92 |
| HIGHWAY P/U TRUCK 015422-019 | | 3,660.15 | | 3,660.15 | 2,991.44 | 668.71 | 82 |

| Expense Category / Account | Previous Year's Balance | Original Budget | Budget Revisions | Revised Budget | Actual Expended | Balance | % Exp |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|----------|
| HIGHWAY DUMP TRUCK 015422-020 | | 115,000.00 | | 115,000.00 | 86,501.60 | 28,498.40 | 75 |
| Street Lights 015424-000 | | 3,500.00 | | 3,500.00 | 3,412.78 | 87.22 | 98 |
| Transfer Station Salar 015433-000 | | 6,500.00 | | 6,500.00 | 4,504.07 | 1,995.93 | 69 |
| Cartage/Tipping 015433-001 | | 50,000.00 | | 50,000.00 | 58,433.52 | (8,433.52) | 117 |
| Transfer St Expenses 015433-002 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 240.00 | 760.00 | 24 |
| Transfer St Utilities 015433-004 | | 1,500.00 | | 1,500.00 | 1,367.48 | 132.52 | 91 |
| Hazardous Waste 015433-005 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 0 |
| Transfer St Gen. Maint 015439-000 | | 5,000.00 | | 5,000.00 | 1,640.00 | 3,360.00 | 33 |
| Landfill Capping 015439-002 | | | | | 11,919.52 | (11,919.52) | 0 |
| WATER IMPRO. PROJECT 015451-000 | | | | | 60,000.00 | (60,000.00) | 0 |
| Cemetery Commission 015491-000 | | 2,500.00 | | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 | | 100 |
| MAIN ST. CEMETERY 015492-000 | | 4,600.00 | | 4,600.00 | 4,098.00 | 502.00 | 89 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES | 0.00 | 413,509.69 | 0.00 | 413,509.69 | 435,344.45 | (21,834.76) | 105 |
| <u>HUMAN SERVICES</u> | | | | | | | |
| Board of Health Salari 015510-000 | | 1,550.00 | | 1,550.00 | 1,050.00 | 500.00 | 68 |
| Bd of Health Sec. Sala 015510-001 | | 2,500.00 | | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 | | 100 |
| BOH Contracted Service 015510-002 | | 8,000.00 | | 8,000.00 | 8,121.36 | (121.36) | 102 |
| BOH Expenses 015510-003 | | 800.00 | | 800.00 | 465.93 | 334.07 | 58 |
| Perce Tests 015510-004 | | 1,500.00 | | 1,500.00 | 50.00 | 1,450.00 | 3 |
| Lee Visiting Nurses 015522-000 | | 4,000.00 | | 4,000.00 | 3,700.00 | 300.00 | 93 |
| Council on Aging 015541-000 | | 1,600.00 | | 1,600.00 | 430.84 | 1,169.16 | 27 |
| Veterans Administratio 015543-000 | | 300.00 | | 300.00 | 300.00 | | 100 |
| Veteran's Benefits 015543-001 | | 300.00 | | 300.00 | | 300.00 | 0 |
| Memorial Day 015543-004 | | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 650.90 | (150.90) | 130 |
| TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES | 0.00 | 21,050.00 | 0.00 | 21,050.00 | 17,269.03 | 3,780.97 | 82 |
| <u>CULTURE AND RECREATION</u> | | | | | | | |
| Library Salaries 015610-000 | | 15,934.00 | | 15,934.00 | 15,934.00 | | 100 |
| Library Expenses 015610-001 | | 2,547.09 | | 2,547.09 | 2,547.09 | | 100 |
| Library Outside Svcs. 015610-002 | | 2,255.00 | | 2,255.00 | 2,255.00 | | 100 |
| Library Utilities 015610-003 | | 2,149.36 | | 2,149.36 | 2,149.36 | | 100 |
| Library Books & Videos 015610-004 | | 7,248.09 | | 7,248.09 | 7,248.09 | | 100 |
| Summer Reading Program 015610-005 | | 496.47 | | 496.47 | 496.47 | | 100 |
| LIBRARY BUILDING 015610-007 | | 2,100.00 | | 2,100.00 | 2,100.00 | | 100 |
| Park & Recreation 015630-000 | | 3,500.00 | | 3,500.00 | 3,229.15 | 270.85 | 92 |
| Town Common 015650-000 | | 450.00 | | 450.00 | 450.00 | | 100 |
| TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION | 0.00 | 36,680.01 | 0.00 | 36,680.01 | 36,409.16 | 270.85 | 99 |
| <u>DEBT SERVICE</u> | | | | | | | |
| Long Term Debt Interes 015751-000 | | | 64,783.43 | 64,783.43 | 21,569.43 | 43,214.00 | 33 |
| Temporary Loan Interes 015752-000 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 0 |
| TOTAL DEBT SERVICE | 0.00 | 1,000.00 | 64,783.43 | 65,783.43 | 21,569.43 | 44,214.00 | 33 |

| Expense Category / Account | Previous Year's Balance | Original Budget | Budget Revisions | Revised Budget | Actual Expended | Balance | Exp |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|
| INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENSES | | | | | | | |
| St Assmnt MV Ex Tax Bi 015821-000 | | | | | 220.00 | (220.00) | 0 |
| St Assmnt Air Pollutio 015822-000 | | | 286.00 | 286.00 | 286.00 | | 100 |
| PIONEER PLANNING COMM 015823-000 | | | 178.05 | 178.05 | 178.05 | | 100 |
| ST. ASSESSMENT REG. FL 015824-000 | | | 480.00 | 480.00 | 110.00 | 370.00 | 23 |
| Cnty Assmnt Count Tax 015830-000 | | | 7,597.00 | 7,597.00 | 7,597.00 | | 100 |
| TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENSES | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8,541.05 | 8,541.05 | 8,391.05 | 150.00 | 98 |
| MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES | | | | | | | |
| Hampden County Retirem 015911-000 | | 12,537.00 | | 12,537.00 | 12,537.00 | | 100 |
| Worker's Compensation 015912-000 | | 3,200.00 | | 3,200.00 | 2,240.00 | 960.00 | 70 |
| Unemployment Compensat 015913-000 | | 400.00 | | 400.00 | 323.00 | 77.00 | 81 |
| Group Insurance 015914-000 | | 16,500.00 | | 16,500.00 | 21,115.23 | (4,615.23) | 128 |
| FICA - Town Share 015919-000 | | 10,000.00 | | 10,000.00 | 12,277.33 | (2,277.33) | 123 |
| TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES | 0.00 | 42,637.00 | 0.00 | 42,637.00 | 48,492.56 | (5,855.56) | 114 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES: | 0.00 | 1,723,329.04 | 49,640.72 | 1,772,969.76 | 1,726,072.15 | 46,897.61 | 97 |

FY2001 Expenses Report (All Entries) - Other Funds

| Fund Number / Expense Account | Previous Year's Balance | Original Budget | Budget Revisions | Revised Budget | Actual Expended | Balance |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| FUND 22 | | | | | | |
| Water Dept Supt Salary 225450-000 | | 7,800.00 | | 7,800.00 | 7,800.00 | |
| Water Dept Clerk Salary 225450-001 | | 600.00 | | 600.00 | 600.00 | |
| Water Dept. Utilities 225450-002 | | 7,000.00 | | 7,000.00 | 4,864.54 | 2,135.46 |
| Water Dept Chemicals 225450-004 | | 6,000.00 | | 6,000.00 | 2,477.22 | 3,522.78 |
| Water Dept Breaks 225450-005 | | 21,515.16 | 8,258.00 | 29,773.16 | 31,160.99 | (1,387.83) |
| Water Dept Testing 225450-006 | | 5,000.00 | | 5,000.00 | 4,059.00 | 941.00 |
| Water Dept System Upgrade 225450-007 | | 36,248.28 | | 36,248.28 | 36,248.28 | |
| Water Dept. Loan 225450-008 | | 8,402.00 | | 8,402.00 | 8,402.00 | |
| Water Dept. Expenses 225450-010 | | 5,733.84 | | 5,733.84 | 5,733.84 | |
| Water Dept. Secr. Salary 225450-011 | | 600.00 | | 600.00 | 600.00 | |
| EARTHQUAKE 225450-013 | | 13,147.72 | | 13,147.72 | 13,147.72 | |
| TOTAL FUND 22: | 0.00 | 112,047.00 | 8,258.00 | 120,305.00 | 115,093.59 | 5,211.41 |
| FUND 23 | | | | | | |
| Chapter 113 235422-003 | | | | | 2,822.40 | (2,822.40) |
| Chapter 53A 235422-005 | | | | | 85,814.29 | (85,814.29) |
| TOTAL FUND 23: | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88,636.69 | (88,636.69) |
| TTL OTHER FUND EXPENSES: | 0.00 | 112,047.00 | 8,258.00 | 120,305.00 | 203,730.28 | (83,425.28) |

Town of Blandford

FY2001 Revenue Report (All Entries) - Other Funds

| Fund Number / Revenue Account | Estimated Revenue | Revenue Revisions | Revised Estimated Rev. | Actual Revenue | Balance |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| FUND 22 | | | | | |
| Water Rates (22-4-120-000) | | | | 115,580.12 | (115,580.12) |
| Water Liens Redeemed (22-4-142-000) | | | | 7,638.49 | (7,638.49) |
| Penalty & Int. on Water (22-4-170-000) | | | | 1,642.81 | (1,642.81) |
| Water Usage charges (22-4-211-000) | | | | 389.54 | (389.54) |
| EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS (22-4-820-000) | | | | 1,417.88 | (1,417.88) |
| TOTAL FUND 22: | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 126,668.84 | (126,668.84) |
| TTL OTHER FUND BALANCES: | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 126,668.84 | (126,668.84) |

| Revenue Category / Account | Estimated Revenue | Revenue Revisions | Revised Estimated Rev. | Actual Revenue | Balance | % Rec |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------|
| TAXES and EXCISES | | | | | | |
| Personal Property Taxes (01-4-110-000) | | | | 85,503.65 | (85,503.65) | 0 |
| Real Estate Taxes (01-4-120-000) | | | | 1,017,309.78 | (1,017,309.78) | 0 |
| Tax Liens Redeemed (01-4-142-000) | | | | 49,003.92 | (49,003.92) | 0 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise (01-4-150-000) | 65,500.00 | | 65,500.00 | 174,175.29 | (108,675.29) | 266 |
| Penalty & Int. on Taxes (01-4-171-000) | 13,000.00 | | 13,000.00 | 17,938.30 | (4,938.30) | 138 |
| Penalty & Int. Excise (01-4-172-000) | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 1,117.08 | (117.08) | 112 |
| Penalty & Int Tax liens (01-4-173-000) | | | | 3,549.88 | (3,549.88) | 0 |
| In Lieu of Taxes (01-4-180-000) | 96,735.00 | | 96,735.00 | 99,178.50 | (2,443.50) | 103 |
| TOTAL TAXES and EXCISES: | 176,235.00 | 0.00 | 176,235.00 | 1,447,776.40 | (1,271,541.40) | 822 |
| DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE | | | | | | |
| M.V. FLAGGINGS (01-4-320-001) | | | | 590.00 | (590.00) | 0 |
| Dump Stickers (01-4-324-000) | 14,000.00 | | 14,000.00 | 23,020.00 | (9,020.00) | 164 |
| Fees - Health Board (01-4-325-000) | | | | 1,195.00 | (1,195.00) | 0 |
| Fees - Planning Board (01-4-327-000) | | | | 40.00 | (40.00) | 0 |
| Fees - Zoning Board (01-4-330-000) | | | | 285.00 | (285.00) | 0 |
| Rentals (01-4-360-000) | 8,400.00 | | 8,400.00 | 8,400.00 | | 100 |
| Other Departmental Rev. (01-4-370-000) | 2,000.00 | | 2,000.00 | 1,596.58 | (403.42) | 80 |
| Liquor Licenses (01-4-410-000) | 1,200.00 | | 1,200.00 | 1,250.00 | (50.00) | 104 |
| Licenses - Other (01-4-442-000) | | | | 282.00 | (282.00) | 0 |
| Permits - Building Dept. (01-4-450-000) | 3,000.00 | | 3,000.00 | 4,779.00 | (1,779.00) | 159 |
| Permits - Police Dept. (01-4-451-000) | 400.00 | | 400.00 | 375.00 | (25.00) | 94 |
| Permits - Plumbing (01-4-452-000) | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 890.00 | (390.00) | 178 |
| Permits - Wiring (01-4-453-000) | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 1,750.00 | (750.00) | 175 |
| Permits - Other (01-4-454-000) | 400.00 | | 400.00 | 715.00 | (315.00) | 179 |
| TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE: | 30,900.00 | 0.00 | 30,900.00 | 45,167.58 | (14,267.58) | 146 |
| STATE REVENUE | | | | | | |
| Abatements to the Elderly (01-4-616-000) | | | | 2,518.00 | (2,518.00) | 0 |
| Lottery Aid (01-4-661-000) | | | | 131,219.00 | (131,219.00) | 0 |
| Add'l Highway Assistance (01-4-663-000) | | | | 50,355.00 | (50,355.00) | 0 |
| Other State Revenue (01-4-680-000) | | | | 13,371.00 | (13,371.00) | 0 |
| TOTAL STATE REVENUE: | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 197,463.00 | (197,463.00) | 0 |
| OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV | | | | | | |
| Fines - District Court (01-4-771-000) | 9,600.00 | | 9,600.00 | 8,465.00 | 1,135.00 | 88 |
| TOTAL OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV: | 9,600.00 | 0.00 | 9,600.00 | 8,465.00 | 1,135.00 | 88 |
| MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES | | | | | | |
| Earnings of Investments (01-4-820-000) | 15,000.00 | 371.21 | 15,371.21 | 28,497.13 | (13,125.92) | 185 |
| Miscellaneous Revenue (01-4-840-000) | | | | 719.50 | (719.50) | 0 |
| TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES: | 15,000.00 | 371.21 | 15,371.21 | 29,216.63 | (13,845.42) | 190 |
| TOTAL REVENUES: | 231,735.00 | 371.21 | 232,106.21 | 1,728,088.61 | (1,495,982.40) | 745 |

ASSETS

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Cash Unrestricted Checkng | 532,629.76 | |
| | ----- | |
| Subtotal Cash | | 532,629.76 |
| Personal Property Tax Receivable: | 8,372.59 | |
| Real Estate Tax Receivable: | 98,819.57 | |
| Allowance for Abatements: | -116,315.56 | |
| Tax Titles and Possessions: | 123,806.35 | |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Receivable: | 25,932.23 | |
| | ----- | |
| Subtotal Taxes | | 140,615.18 |
| Departmental Receivables | | 471.29 |
| Tax Possessions | | 1,848.95 |
| | | ----- |
| Total Assets | | 675,565.18 |
| | | ===== |

LIABILITIES

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------------|--|
| Warrants Payable | -15,217.54 | |
| Def Rev Real & Prop. Tax | 9,123.40 | |
| Def Rev Tax Liens | -125,655.30 | |
| Def Rev Motor Vehicle Ex | -25,932.23 | |
| Def Rev Departmental | -471.29 | |
| Bond Anticipation Note | -417,641.00 | |
| | ----- | |
| Subtotal Liabilities | -575,793.96 | |
| | ----- | |

FUND BALANCE

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--|
| FB Res for Encumbrances | -15,339.50 | |
| FB Res for Expenditures | -85,000.00 | |
| Undesignated Fund Balance | -447,399.75 | |
| FB Unres. O/U Assessments | 440.00 | |
| FB Unres Approp Deficits | 16,942.39 | |
| FB Front-End Loader | 38,441.18 | |
| FB Landfill Capping | 222,338.34 | |
| FB Res. for Snow & Ice | 1,025.12 | |
| FB WATER PROJECT/FIRE TRK | 168,781.00 | |
| | ----- | |
| Subtotal Fund Balance | -99,771.22 | |
| | ----- | |
| Total Liabilities/Fund Balance | -675,565.18 | |
| | ===== | |

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BALANCE SHEET

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FUND 22

ASSETS

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Cash | 42,983.18 |
| Water Rates 2001 | 7,915.88 |
| Water Rates 2002 | -824.58 |
| Water Liens Added to Tax | 2,441.88 |
| | ----- |
| Total Assets | 52,516.36 |
| | ===== |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Warrants Payable | -1,314.82 |
| WD COLLECTOR'S FEES | 10.00 |
| Def Revenue Water Rates | -7,091.30 |
| Def Revenue Water Liens | -2,441.88 |
| | ----- |
| Subtotal Liabilities | -10,838.00 |
| | ----- |

FUND BALANCE

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| FB Undesignated | -43,066.19 |
| APPROPRIATION DEFICIT | 1,387.83 |
| | ----- |
| Subtotal Fund Balance | -41,678.36 |
| | ----- |
| Total Liabilities/Fund Balance | -52,516.36 |
| | ===== |

FUND 23

ASSETS

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Pooled Cash | -23,892.09 |
| Chapter 85 A/R | 11,522.56 |
| Chapte 11 A/R | 207,088.00 |
| CHAPTER 53A A/R | 68,373.80 |
| | ----- |
| Total Assets | 263,092.27 |
| | ===== |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Warrants Payable | -34,194.00 |
| Def Rev Highway | -286,984.36 |
| | ----- |
| Subtotal Liabilities | -321,178.36 |
| | ----- |

FUND BALANCE

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| FB Highway Chapter 113 | 4,163.01 |
| FB Comm. Policing Grant | -20,692.21 |
| FB "WATCH YOUR CAR" POLICE | -675.00 |
| FB FIRE SAFETY GRANT | -10,524.00 |
| FB CHAPTER 53A | 85,814.29 |
| | ----- |
| Subtotal Fund Balance | 58,086.09 |
| | ----- |
| Total Liabilities/Fund Balance | -263,092.27 |
| | ===== |

FUND 24

ASSETS

Pooled Cash

38,052.92

Total Assets

38,052.92

LIABILITIES

Warrants Payable

-466.50

Subtotal Liabilities

-466.50

FUND BALANCE

State St Collections

-1,718.00

Police

-48.00

FB Arts Council

-3,563.61

FB Sale of Lots

-5,862.58

EOCD SEPTIC

-8,777.13

FB State Aid to Libraries

-6,218.39

FB Road Machinery Earning

-1,859.00

FB Council on Aging

-5,580.54

FB Friends of Library

-87.16

FB Bequeath C. Keene

-2,199.51

FB Wetland Protection

-822.50

FB Conservation Fund

-850.00

Subtotal Fund Balance

-37,586.42

Total Liabilities/Fund Balance

-38,052.92

FUND 82

ASSETS

Cash Trust Funds

145,252.73

Utley Library Investments

2,604.59

Total Assets

147,857.32

LIABILITIES

Warrants Payable

-1,636.51

Subtotal Liabilities

-1,636.51

FUND BALANCE

FB Exp. Cemetery 1 & 2

-2,693.93

FB Exp. Soenburger Cem.

-1,239.48

FB Exp. Susan Tiffany Cem

-10,747.44

FB Cemetery Care

-814.18

FB Utley Library

-5,704.85

FB Stabilization

-361.36

FB Exp. Taggart School

-1,873.84

FB Nye School

-5,486.19

FB Exp. Watson School

-1,131.50

FB Exp. Electa-Watson

-11,530.56

FB Exp. Arms Bicentennial

-30,798.79

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OTHER FUNDS FY2001 BALANCE SHEET CONTINUED

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| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Exp. Watson Dean Park | -25,753.91 |
| FB Stabilization | -47,716.34 |
| FB Exp. Library Building | -242.94 |
| FB Exp Lot Sale Perp Care | -125.50 |
| | ----- |
| Subtotal Fund Balance | -146,220.81 |
| | ----- |
| Total Liabilities/Fund Balance | -147,857.32 |
| | ===== |

FUND 83

ASSETS

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Trust Fund Cash Non-Exp. | 88,527.64 |
| Trust Fund Investments | 479,445.01 |
| | ----- |
| Total Assets | 567,972.65 |
| | ===== |

FUND BALANCE

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Nonexp. Arms Bicentennial | -14,500.00 |
| Nonexp. Watson Dean Park | -183,261.03 |
| FB Nonexp. Cemetery 1&2 | -10,550.00 |
| FB Nonexp. Soenburger Cem | -2,500.00 |
| FB Nonexp. Susan Tiffany | -277,821.90 |
| FB Nonexp. Cemetery Care | -7,452.00 |
| Nonexp. Utley Library | -10,000.00 |
| FB Nonexp. Library Bldg. | -1,088.98 |
| FB Nonexp. Taggart School | -4,985.95 |
| FB Nonexp. Nye School | -1,000.00 |
| FB Nonexp. Watson School | -2,965.68 |
| FB Nonexp. Electa-Watson | -47,972.11 |
| FB Nonexp Lot Sales PCare | -3,875.00 |
| | ----- |
| Subtotal Fund Balance | -567,972.65 |
| | ----- |
| Total Liabilities/Fund Balance | -567,972.65 |
| | ===== |

FUND 89

ASSETS

| | |
|--------------|----------|
| Pooled Cash | 1,472.16 |
| | ----- |
| Total Assets | 1,472.16 |
| | ===== |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Warrants Payable | 1,780.76 |
| Deputy Collector's Fees | -298.00 |
| Collector's Fees | -115.00 |
| Federal Withhold. | -976.00 |
| FICA Withhold. | -584.97 |
| State Withhold. | -533.74 |
| Retirement Withhld. | -1,209.45 |
| Grp. Ins. Withhld. | 525.87 |
| Other Payroll With. | -61.63 |
| | ----- |
| Subtotal Liabilities | -1,472.16 |
| | ----- |

Total Liabilities/Fund Balance

-1,472.16

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FUND 90

ASSETS

Amounts to be provided

117,352.09

Total Assets

117,352.09

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LIABILITIES

BONDS PAYABLE WATER BOND

-117,352.09

Subtotal Liabilities

-117,352.09

Total Liabilities/Fund Balance

-117,352.09

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REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

In the year 2001 elections and town affairs were at a lot slower than usual. The annual street listing/census results were as follows:

| Age | Population |
|-------------|------------|
| 0-16 | 181 |
| 17-25 | 152 |
| 26-65 | 726 |
| 66 and over | <u>125</u> |
| Total | 1184 |

Births:

January 19

Daughter born of Michael and Michelle Urbanski

March 27

Son born of Aaron and Amanda LaBrecque

April 14

Son born of Darryl and Jennifer Cloutier

May 17

Son born of Gary and Cynthia Bradshaw

June 23

Daughter born of John and Michelle Crane

August 2

Son born of Kevin and LeeAnn Thompson

August 15

Daughter born of Lance and Maria Legrys

August 25

Daughter born of George and Sharon Estee

September 17

Son born of Brian and Rebecca Watson

Deaths:

January 2

Adam Jacob Blanchette

February 9

Robert Francis Lucas

March 12

James Hoey

April 12

Tyler Jay Roberts

April 14

Ruth Louise Forish

August 11

Edward Breslin Gurley

August 27

Jason Carl Buss

August 31

Richard Revere Iacovelli

October 21

Marguerite Stone

December 14

Charles Edward Benson, Jr.

Marriages:

June 14

Deborah R. Leonard to David A. Lovejoy

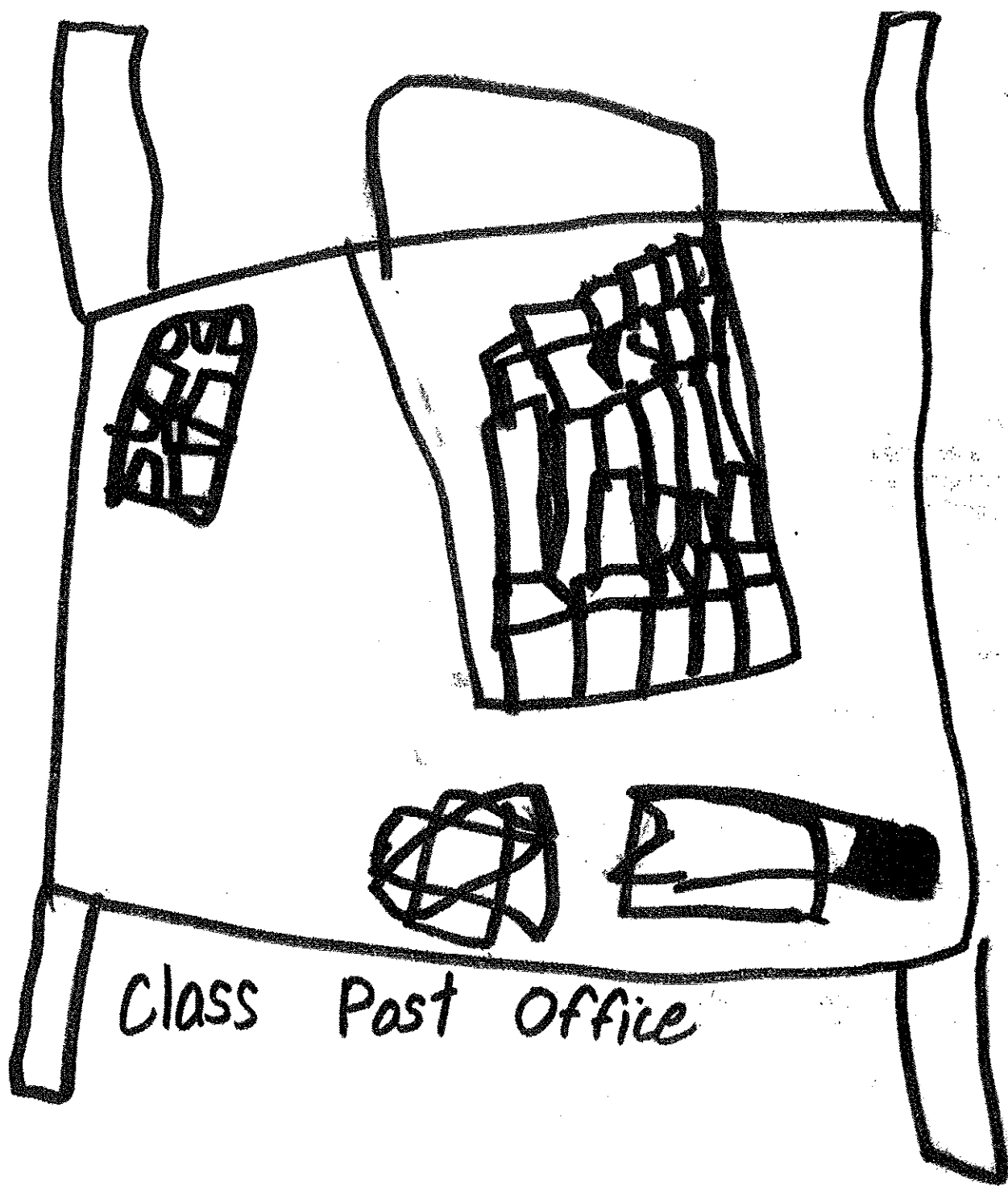
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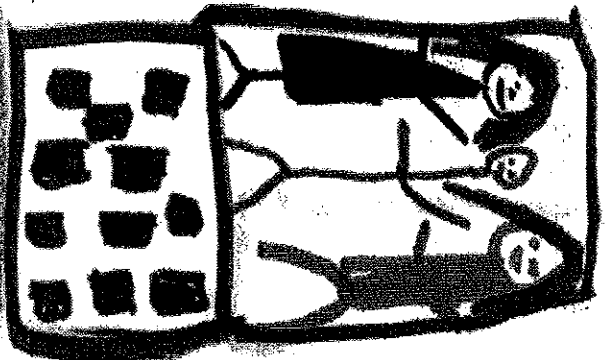
Theresa Young to Jack L. Hooper

November 17

Lynn Marie Carpenter to Joseph Paul Coach, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,
Staci Iglesias





Computer Area



REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

| | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| CASH ON HAND 07-01-2000 | \$ 580336.49 | PAYMENTS 7/1/00-6/30/01 | \$2,139,623.55 |
| RECEIPTS FY 2001 | 2,108,229.87 | CASH ON HAND 06-30-01 | 549,942.81 |

TOWN DEBT

WATER LOAN for CONSTRUCTION OF CHLORINE CT REACTION PIPE
 FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION BOND \$129,000.00 @4.875% FOR 29 YEARS
 PAYMENT #7 DUE FY 2003 PRINCIPAL \$2,811.79 INTEREST \$5,590.21
 FIRE TRUCK LOAN - CURRENTLY FINANCED WITH A ONE YEAR REFUNDING LOAN
 \$60,000 @ 2.27% - INTEREST DUE FY2003 \$1,358.27 - ANTICIPATED REDUCTION IN PRINCIPAL \$20,000.00
 LOADER - CURRENTLY FINANCED WITH ONE YEAR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE
 \$38,441.00 @3.41% INTEREST DUE FY2002 \$1,310.83- PRINCIPAL REDUCTION \$12,814.00
 LANDFILL CAP-\$249,600 FINANCED BY STATE HOUSE NOTES FOR 24 YEARS BEGINNING FY2001@ 5.95%
 INTEREST DUE FY 2003 \$13,613.60 - PRINCIPAL REDUCTION \$10,400.00
 LAND PURCHASE - FINANCED WITH ONE YEAR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE - \$60,000.00 @3.41%
 INTEREST DUE FY 2002 \$2046.01

SECURITIES, TRUSTS AND OTHER FUNDS

CEMETARY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS:

| <u>ACCOUNT</u> | <u>DEPOSIT</u> | <u>ACCOUNT</u> | <u>DEPOSIT</u> |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Sarah Shepard | 100.00 | Camilla A. Tiffany | 1,000.00 |
| Frank Terrel | 100.00 | Julette Lloyd | 200.00 |
| O.B. Brockett & Maria Knox | 100.00 | Henry Blair | 100.00 |
| C. Hall, Henry or H.C. Moore | 150.00 | Electa B. Watson | 1,000.00 |
| Susan & Belle Tiffany | 1,000.00 | George D. Lloyd | 100.00 |
| James Babb | 102.00 | Percy Shurtleff | 50.00 |
| Maria Sennet | 100.00 | Edna Lloyd | 500.00 |
| Lester Moore | 100.00 | Hattie Herrick Brockett | 100.00 |
| Sylvester Peebles | 100.00 | Katherine Loomis Keene | 100.00 |
| Noah Nye | 100.00 | Anna & Amos Loomis, Sr. | 100.00 |
| Alman W. Lloyd | 500.00 | Frederick Ebel | 100.00 |
| John B. Riley | 100.00 | Jackson & Robert Kraushar | 200.00 |
| William Bates | 100.00 | Irving Bryan | 100.00 |
| Elisha Walker Shepard | 1,000.00 | Sven & Mae Anderson | 200.00 |
| Seymour Babb | 100.00 | Vernon & Florence Bodurtha | 200.00 |
| Wallace Heady | 100.00 | Howard & Christine Wyman | 100.00 |
| Franklin J. Hall | 100.00 | North Blandford Old Home Day | |
| George B.S. Lloyd | 100.00 | and Lorinda Gibbs | 100.00 |
| Lester W. Lloyd | 50.00 | Mildred H. Mason | 500.00 |
| Grace E. Raymond | 100.00 | Harold G. & Hazel I. Wyman | 300.00 |
| Dennison Loomis | 100.00 | Mr. & Mrs. Howard Waite | 300.00 |
| Taggart Prentice | 200.00 | Ester & David Ripley | 100.00 |
| Payette E. Sheldon | 100.00 | Mark B. Cloutier | 200.00 |
| H.L. Hayden | 300.00 | Pauline S. Kuznicki | 100.00 |
| Berta E. Cross | 200.00 | Sarah H. Robbins | 100.00 |
| Albert D. Snow | 50.00 | Harold Gibbs | 500.00 |
| Winifred D. Healy | 150.00 | Ernest C. & Ruby J. Wyman | 250.00 |
| Nora Babb | 100.00 | Elwin W. & Ruth E. Wyman | 250.00 |
| C.R. Ripley | 200.00 | Milton Ripley | 500.00 |
| Mordecai Babb | 300.00 | Richard Robinson | 500.00 |
| C.W. Bates | 100.00 | John & Thelma Lathrop | 200.00 |
| Anna M. Hiland | 100.00 | Winifred Arms | 2,500.00 |
| Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Weed | 50.00 | Total (Cemetery 1&2) | \$10,550.00 |
| M.D. & B.T. Somborger | 300.00 | | |
| Charles W. Shepard | 100.00 | Mr. & Mrs. L.M. Somborger | 2,500.00 |
| Achsah Shepard | 100.00 | | |
| Frank B. Cook | 100.00 | | |
| Percy Richard | 100.00 | Susan B. Tiffany | 1,826.00 |
| William Keene | 100.00 | | |
| Leslie A. & Anna S. Miller | 200.00 | Lot Sale Perpetual Care Principal | 3,875.00 |
| Charles D. & Barbara R. Wilson | 100.00 | | |
| Total (Cemetery Care) | \$ 7,452.00 | | |

SECURITIES, TRUST FUNDS AND OTHER FUNDS

| | | | |
|---|-----------|------------------------------|------------|
| Library Building Fund | 1,331.92 | Taggart School Fund | 6,859.79 |
| Robert A. Arms Bicentennial Park Fund | 45,383.79 | Watson School Fund | 3,893.20 |
| Susan Tiffany Stock Dividend Fund | 36,265.03 | Nye School Fund | 6,486.19 |
| Electa Watson Stock Dividend Fund | 14,141.88 | Sornberger Cemetery Fund | 1,239.48 |
| Watson Park Dividend Fund | 26,555.12 | Stabilization Fund | 58,077.70 |
| Cemetery 1 & 2 Fund | 2,693.93 | Cemetery Care Fund | 1,506.02 |
| Water Department Enterprise Fund | 22,223.56 | Lot Sale Perpetual Care Fund | 345.49 |
| Septic Repair Grant Fund | 8,777.13 | | |
| Wallace Dean Watson Fund - Fleet Bank, Trustees Value as of 6/30/01 | | | 183,261.03 |

Utley Library Fund - In Custody of Library Trustees

ELECTA WATSON SCHOOL FUND-STOCKS:

| | |
|-----|---|
| 403 | Shares SBC |
| 216 | Shares Bellsouth Corporation |
| 12 | Shares Avaya |
| 85 | Shares Qwest (formerly US West) |
| 168 | Shares Verizon (formerly Bell Atlantic) |
| 223 | Shares AT&T (includes former Media 1 Group) |
| 120 | Shares Vodaphone |
| 7 | Shares NCR |
| 152 | Shares Lucent Technologies |

Value of Fund \$45,564.77

SUSAN TIFFANY CEMETARY FUND STOCKS:

| | |
|------|---|
| 161 | Shares SBC |
| 100 | Shares AT&T (includes former Media 1 Grp) |
| 88 | Shares Bellsouth |
| 34 | Shares Qwest (formerly US West) |
| 70 | Shares Verizon (formerly Bell Atlantic) |
| 5 | Shares Avaya |
| 147 | Shares J P Morgan Chase |
| 132 | Shares ConectIV |
| 160 | Shares Dynergy |
| 2304 | Shares General Electric |
| 1812 | Shares Citicorp |
| 115 | Shares Dow (formerly Union Carbide) |
| 72 | Shares Praxair |
| 2 | Shares Conesco |
| 50 | Shares Vodaphone (formerly Airtouch) |
| 68 | Shares Lucent Technologies |

Value of Fund \$250,619.21

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne M. Holliday, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

This is a report of the accomplishments by the Tree Warden for the past year. We have cut, trimmed and chipped brush on Second Division Road to help ensure safe travel for those residents and visitors that will be using the ski area. This was the priority project of the past summer. Another section of Cobble Mountain Road has been cut and chipped in the effort to complete the entire road over a period of several years. We have also cut, trimmed, and chipped a portion of Shepard Road due to a new home being built on the remote part of the road. Two half mile sections of Blair road have been cut. This road is currently being worked on.

I want to thank the Hampden Country House of Correction for their program that enabled us to do more cutting and chipping with our limited budget.

I would also like to thank the Blandford Highway Department, especially the new highway superintendent Mitch Forish, for cooperating with us in our efforts and making the equipment available for our use. He has made himself available to us throughout our cutting and we can't thank him enough for the extra effort.

I would also like to thank Western Mass Electric for cutting and trimming big trees along the power lines to ensure the power stays on throughout the year. This was done at no cost to the town.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Wojcik

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

Although the public water supply is still in crisis, the Water Commission is pleased to report that we are moving forward toward choices of whether to filter our current surface water supply or change over to a groundwater supply. We are currently conducting a preliminary feasibility analysis of a groundwater source. Upon completion of the well drilling and the feasibility report, there will be a town meeting in order that the residents may vote their choice.

Due to a high median household income in the Town of Blandford, the only sources for funding are Rural Development and the State Revolving Fund. We feel very fortunate to have been accepted for a loan and grant program through Rural Development in three phases. Rural Development loans can be paid back over a longer period of time, are more flexible, and may include engineering costs. We will be eligible for a 45% grant, as well. The Town of Blandford is very fortunate to have this funding in place. Over the next five years, 85% of the towns in Massachusetts are planning capital improvements to their water and sewer systems. It will become increasingly difficult to secure funding as a result.

Some of the projects that have been completed in 2002:

- Cross connection survey
- Meter at turnpike
- Leak detection survey
- Emergency shutoff valve at chlorinator
- Drinking Water Emergency Response Plan
- Consumer Confidence Report

We want to thank the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority for the second \$100,000 grant. We also would like to thank the Department of Environmental Protection for their invaluable help.

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT, (continued)

Finally, the Drought Management Task Force has issued a statewide drought advisory for Massachusetts. The drought affects availability of water from private wells and public supplies. The Commissioners would like all residents to voluntarily conserve water:

Some suggestions:

- Be aware of your own water use habits. Take short showers and avoid letting the water run while you brush your teeth or shave.
- Install inexpensive water saving fixtures in your home if you haven't already done so.
- Fix leaky pipes, faucets, and toilets.
- Water grass only when it needs it. Water early in the morning between 4 and 6 a.m. when water demand is low. Use soaker hoses in gardens.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith MacKinnon, Chair
Pamela Kvitek, Member
Frank Burkott

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board processed four applications for special permits, granting all of them. One was for a cell phone tower on Sperry Road adjacent to the Mass Pike.

Respectfully submitted,
Sumner Robbins
Theodore Jensen
Donald Brainerd
James Kronholm, Alternate

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF BLANDFORD
MAY 14, 2001**

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order by Town moderator, David Hopson, May 14, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.. A quorum being declared present, the following matters were acted upon:

- Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officials and act thereon.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001 and ending June 30, 2002, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, section 17.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$40,000 from free cash sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2001 and ending June 30, 2002. (See proposed Departmental Budgets.)
PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE.
- Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer and or Tax Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements as permitted under G.L. c.44, s.53F during Fiscal Year 2001, provided, however, that the Town Treasurer and/or Tax Collector is not so authorized with regard to the Water Department enterprise fund, or to take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$760,034 for Blandford's minimum contribution of the budget for Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002 or take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE.
- Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$117,324 for Blandford's share of the transportation (\$42,062) and debt service (\$10,055 High School Roof, \$65,207 new construction, non-foundation budget) for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002 or take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE.
- Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$116,564 for Blandford's share of the over-minimum contribution to the budget for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002 or take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE.
- Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$131,096 for the Debt Service Reserve Account or take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Water Department Receipts the sum of \$149,142.00 to operate the Water Department for the period of July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

- Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$17,500 for highway building electrical project or take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 11: To see if the town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$20,000 to offset the water department deficit.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$15,000 for the Reserve Account or take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$10,000 for the stabilization account or take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 14: To see if the town will vote to designate the Town Common as "Veteran's Park".
FAILED BY MAJORITY VOTE.
Amended as: To see if the town will vote to designate the Town Common as "Veteran's Park at Town Common".
PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE.
- Article 15: To see if the town will vote to have its elected Treasurer become an appointed Treasurer of the town.
POSTPONED INDEFINATELY.
- Article 16: To see if the town will vote to have its elected Tax Collector become an appointed Tax Collector of the town.
POSTPONED INDEFINATELY.
- Article 17: To Amend the Town of Blandford Bylaws, Section IIG, by substituting the position of Town Accountant for the position of Town Auditor, and furthermore that said Section II of the Bylaws be amended by removing the position of Finance Director, Section IIK; said Town Accountant shall be an officer appointed for a three (3) year term by the Board of Selectmen.
PASSED BY 30 YES, 20 NO.
SUBMITTED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL JUNE 7, 2001,
APPROVED BY ATTORNEY GENERAL SEPTEMBER, 2001
- Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$2,500 for a portable PA system, or take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment of a revolving fund under General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, the funds of which shall be derived from funds received during Fiscal Year 2002 from the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority, to be expended by the Fire Department up to the maximum amount of \$5,000.00 for the purchase of Fire Department equipment.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment of a revolving Wetlands Protection Fund under 801 CMR 4.02, the funds of which will be derived from filing fees in accordance with the DEP wetlands regulations 310 CMR 10.03(7). **POSTPONED INDEFINATELY.**

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 59, Sec. 5K establishing a program for persons over age 60 to provide volunteer services to the town in exchange for reduction in real property tax obligation, effective fiscal year 2003.
PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE.

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to accept G.L. Chap.40, Sec. 8D for the purpose of creating a Historic Commission consisting of [no less than three and no more than 7] members to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen for initial terms of one, two or three years, arranged so that as nearly as possible one third of the members' terms expire each year, and thereafter for three year terms; or take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE.

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to adopt a Water Use Restriction Bylaw as printed in the warrant, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Section 1 **Authority**

This Bylaw is adopted by the Town of Blandford under its police powers to protect public health and welfare and its powers under M.G.L. c.40, s21 et seq. And implements the Town's authority to regulate water use pursuant to M.G.L. c41, s.69B. This bylaw also implements the Town's authority under M.G.L. c40,s41A, conditioned upon a declaration of water supply emergency issued by the Department of Environmental Protection.

Section 2 **Purpose**

The purpose of this bylaw is to protect, preserve and maintain the public health, safety and welfare whenever there is in force a State of Water Supply Conservation or a State of Water Supply Emergency by providing for enforcement of any duly imposed restrictions, requirements, provisions or conditions imposed by the Town or by the Department of Environmental Protection upon the users of water supplied by the Blandford Water Department.

Section 3 **Definitions**

Person shall mean any individual, corporation trust, partnership or association, or other entity.

State of Water Supply Emergency shall mean a State of Water Supply Emergency declared by the Department of Environmental Protection under M.G.L. c21G, s15-17.

State of Water Supply Conservation shall mean a State of Water Supply Conservation declared by the Town of Blandford pursuant to section 4 of this bylaw.

Water Users or Water Consumers shall mean all public and private persons using water supplied by the Town of Blandford's public water system, regardless of who has responsibility for paying the bill for water used at any particular facility.

Section 4 **Declaration of a State of Water Supply Conservation**

The Town, through its Board of Water Commissioners, may declare a State of Water Supply Conservation upon a determination by a majority vote of the Board that a shortage of water exists and conservation measures are appropriate to ensure an adequate supply of water to all water consumers. Public notice of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall be given under section 6 of this bylaw before it may be enforced.

Section 5 **Restricted Water Uses**

A declaration of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall include one or more of the following restrictions, conditions, or requirements limiting the use of water by water users that utilize the Blandford Water

Department's system, as necessary, to protect the public water supply. The applicable restrictions, conditions or requirements shall be included in the public notice required under section 6.

- a) Odd/Even Day Outdoor Watering - Outdoor watering by water users with odd numbered addresses is restricted to odd numbered days. Outdoor watering by water users with even numbered addresses is restricted to even numbered days.
- b) Outdoor Watering Ban - Outdoor watering is prohibited.
- c) Outdoor Watering Hours - Outdoor watering is permitted only during daily periods of low demand, to be specified in the declaration of a State of Water Supply Conservation and public notice thereof.
- d) Filling Swimming Pools - Filling of swimming pools is prohibited.
- e) Automatic Sprinkler Use - The use of automatic sprinkler systems is prohibited.
- f) Automobile and/or Boat Washing - Washing of cars and/or boats is prohibited.

Section 6 Public Notification of a State of water Supply Conservation; Notification of DEP

Notification of any provision, restriction, requirement or condition imposed by the Town as part of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Town, or by such other means reasonably calculated to reach and inform all water users utilizing the Blandford Water Department system of the State of Water Supply Conservation. Any restriction imposed under section 5 shall not be effective until such notification is provided and shall apply to only those utilizing water supplied by the Blandford Water Department system. Notification of the State of Water Supply Conservation shall also be simultaneously provided to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

Section 7 Termination of a State of Water Supply Conservation; Notice

A State of Water Supply Conservation may be terminated by a majority vote of the Board of Water Commissioners, upon a determination that the water supply shortage no longer exists. Public notification of the termination of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall be given in the same manner required by section 6.

Section 8 State of Water Supply Emergency; Compliance with DEP Orders

Upon Notification to the public that a declaration of a State of water Supply Emergency has been issued by the Department of Environmental Protection, no person utilizing the Blandford Water Department system shall violate any provision, restriction, requirement, condition of any order approved or issued by the Department intended to bring about an end to the State of Emergency.

Section 9 Penalties

Any person violating this bylaw shall be liable to the Town in the amount of \$50.00 for the First violation and \$100 for each subsequent violation which shall inure to the Town for such uses Board of Water Commissioners may direct. Fines shall be recovered by indictment, or on complaint before the District Court. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 10 Severability

The invalidity of any portion or provision of this bylaw shall not invalidate any other portion or provision thereof.

PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE.

SUBMITTED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL JUNE 7, 2001

APPROVED BY ATTORNEY GENERAL FEBRUARY 2002

Article 24: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for a special act providing for recall elections in the Town of Blandford, in the following form:

BLANDFORD, TOWN OF ----- RECALL ELECTIONS

An act providing for recall elections in the Town of Blandford. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1: Any holder of an elective office may be recalled therefrom by the registered voters of the town as herein provided.

SECTION 2: One hundred or more qualified voters may make and file with the Town Clerk an affidavit containing the name of the officer sought to be recalled and a statement of the grounds for recall. The Town Clerk shall thereupon deliver to the ten persons first named on such affidavit a sufficient number of petition blanks demanding such recall, copies of which printed forms he shall keep available. Said petition blanks may be completed by printing or typewriter and they shall contain the names of the ten persons to whom they are issued, the name of the person sought to be recalled, the office from which recall is sought, and the grounds for recall as stated in the affidavit. They shall demand the election of a successor to the office and they shall be dated, signed and sealed by the Town Clerk. Said recall petition shall be returned to the office of the Town Clerk not later than three o'clock in the afternoon on or before the first work day following twenty days after the date they are issued, signed by at least twenty-five percent of the total number of qualified persons registered to vote in the town as of the date such affidavit was filed with the Town Clerk. To every signature shall be added the place of residence of the signer, giving the street and number, if any. One of the ten persons to whom the recall petition forms is issued shall make an affidavit on each page that statements therein contained are true, and that each signature appended to the petition is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be.

The Town Clerk shall, within seventy-two hours following the day of such filing with the office of the Town Clerk, submit the recall petition forms to the Board of Registrars of voters which shall, within five work days after the day of receipt, certify in writing thereon the number of signatures which are those of qualified persons registered to vote in the Town as of the date such affidavit was filed with the Town Clerk. The Board of Registrars of voters, upon the completion of their certification, shall return the recall petition forms to the Town Clerk.

SECTION 3: If said recall petition forms shall be certified by the Board of Registrars of voters to contain at least twenty-five percent of the qualified persons registered to vote and if the petition shall be found and certified by the Town Clerk to be sufficient, the Town Clerk shall give notice without delay, in writing, to the elected officer whose recall is sought by sending to said officer a copy of the affidavit and the recall petition form together with notice of the number of qualified voters certified by the Board of Registrars of voters who signed the recall petition forms and the total number of qualified voters in the town as of the most recent town election.

If the officer to whom notice is directed by the Town Clerk does not resign the office within five days following receipt of the aforesaid notice from the Town Clerk, the Town Clerk shall give notice in writing to the Board of Selectmen not later than one work day following the expiration of the foregoing five days. The Board of Selectmen shall order a special election to be held not less than sixty-four nor more than ninety days after the receipt of notice from the Town Clerk as aforesaid. If, however, any other town election is to be held within one hundred days of receipt by the Board of Selectmen of notice from the Town Clerk, the recall election shall be postponed and shall be held at such time and in conjunction with such other election. If a vacancy occurs in the office for any reason after a recall election has been ordered by the Board of Selectmen, the recall election shall nevertheless proceed as provided for herein.

SECTION 4: Any officer sought to be removed may be a candidate to succeed himself, and unless he requests otherwise in writing, the Town Clerk shall place his name on the ballot without nomination. The number of signatures of qualified voters required to place the name of a candidate on the official ballot for use at a recall election shall not be less than twenty-five. The publication of the warrant for the recall election and the conduct

of the recall election shall be in accordance with the General Laws relative to elections, unless otherwise provided in this act.

SECTION 5: The incumbent shall continue to perform the duties of this office until the recall election. If then recalled and reelected pursuant to Section 6, he shall continue in office for the remainder of his unexpired term subject to recall as before, except as provided in this section. If recalled and not reelected in the recall election held pursuant to Section 6, he shall be deemed removed upon the qualification of his successor, who shall hold office during the unexpired term. If the successor fails to qualify within five days after receiving notification of his election, the office shall be deemed vacant.

SECTION 6: The ballots used at the recall election shall submit the following proposition in the order indicated:

For the recall of (name of officer)

☐

Against the recall of (name of officer)

☐

Immediately at the right of each proposition there shall be a square in which the voter, by making a cross mark (x) may vote for either of such propositions. Under the propositions shall appear the word "Candidates" and the directions for the voters required by law, and beneath the word "Candidates" shall be the names of candidates nominated as hereinabove provided.

If a majority of the votes cast is against the recall, the votes for the candidates need not be counted. If a majority of the votes cast is in favor of the recall, the officer shall be deemed to be recalled and the ballots for candidates shall then be counted. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. If the officer is recalled, he shall be deemed removed upon certification of the election results by the Town Clerk. The candidate receiving the highest vote and therefore elected, shall serve for the balance of the unexpired term of the officer removed.

SECTION 7: No recall petition shall be filed against an officer within six months after he takes office nor, in the case of an officer elected in a recall election, until six months after that election. No recall shall be filed against an officer subjected to a recall election, and not recalled thereby, until at least six months after the election at which his recall was submitted to the voters.

SECTION 8: No person who has been recalled from an office, or who has resigned from office while recall proceedings were pending against him, shall be appointed to any town office within one year after such recall or such resignation.

SECTION 9: This act shall take effect upon its passage.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

SUBMITTED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL JUNE 7, 2001

HANDED DELIVERIED TO DAN KEENAN JUNE 5, 2001

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to amend the AGREEMENT AMONG THE TOWNS OF HUNTINGTON, MIDDLEFIELD, MONTGOMERY, RUSSELL, WORTHINGTON, CHESTER AND BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS WITH RESPECT TO THE FORMATION OF A REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT by striking the following language which now appears in the Agreement:

(A) Powers, Duties and Composition

The powers and duties of the regional school district shall be vested in and exercised by a regional district school committee, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the Committee. The Committee

shall consist of the following: three members from the Town of Middlefield, two members from the Town of Montgomery, three members from the Town of Russell, two members from the Town of Worthington, three members from the Town of Chester, and two members from the Town of Blandford. Members shall serve until their respective successors are elected or appointed and qualified. As Amended.

(B) Continuation of Members

Until the annual town elections next following the assumption of jurisdiction by the Committee over the pupils in all grades from kindergarten through grade twelve, the members of the Committee shall be appointed and elected and vacancies shall be filled as provided in subsections (C), (D), and (E) of Section I as in effect prior to the adoption of the sixth amendment of this agreement, provided however, that the terms of office of all such members shall terminate upon the election and qualification of successors as provided in subsection (C) of Section I.

As Amended.

(C) Membership

At the annual town elections next following the assumption of jurisdiction by the Committee of pupils in all grades from kindergarten through grade twelve, the towns of Huntington, Russell, and Chester shall each elect three members to serve on the Committee, one for a term of three years; and the towns of Middlefield, Montgomery, Worthington and Blandford shall each elect two members of service on the Committee, one for a term of two years and one for a term of three years. Thereafter, in every year in which the term of office of a member expires, each member town involved shall, at the annual town election, elect one member to serve for a term of three years.

As Amended.

and replacing said language with the following language:

SECTION I THE REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

A. Powers, Duties, and Composition

The powers and duties of the Regional School District shall be vested in and exercised by a Regional District School Committee, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the Committee. The Committee shall consist of two members from each Town pursuant to M.G.L. C.71, s.14E(3) "electing members with residency requirements in district-wide elections to be held at the biennial state elections". Members shall serve until their respective successors are elected or appointed and qualified. As Amended.

Continuation of Members

Until the biennial state election to be held in the fall of 2002 all seventeen (17) members of the current Committee, or in the case of a vacancy or vacancies, by the newly appointed member(s) pursuant to Section I(D) of the Regional Agreement, shall serve as members of the School Committee over the pupils in all grades from pre-kindergarten through grade twelve. The members of the Committee shall be appointed and elected and vacancies shall be filled as provided in subsections (C), (D), and (E) of Section I; provided, however, that the terms of office of all such members shall terminate upon the election and qualification of successors as provided in subsection (C) of Section I.

As Amended.

Membership

At the biennial state election in the fall of the year 2002, there will be district-wide elections with residency requirements for all School Committee vacancies caused by the expiration of a

member's term on the School Committee. Committee members chosen at this election will serve for a term of four (4) years.

At the biennial state election in the fall of the year 2004, all positions which were not filled in the biennial state election in the year 2002 will be considered expired terms of office. There shall be district wide elections with residency requirements for all of these positions. In no event will there be a total of more than two members from each Town.

If there is only one office to be filled in the Town for School Committee Member then the elected member will serve for a term of four (4) years. If there are two offices to be filled in the Town for School Committee Member, then the elected member with the largest number of votes shall serve for a term of four (4) years. The remaining member will serve for a term of two (2) years.

Thereafter all terms of office shall be for a term of four (4) years. If a member leaves office before expiration of his/her term, an appointment to the position shall be made in accordance with Section I(D) of the Regional Agreement for the remaining portion of the term.

As Amended.

PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE.

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to amend the AGREEMENT AMONG THE TOWNS OF HUNTINGTON, MIDDLEFIELD, MONTGOMERY, RUSSELL, WORTHINGTON, CHESTER AND BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS WITH RESPECT TO THE FORMATION OF A REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT by adding the following language which now appears in the Agreement:

Section II "Location of Regional Schools"

Add new paragraph (C) to read as follows:

"In the event that the school committee contemplates the closure or discontinuance of use of an elementary school or discontinuance of an entire grade level, the school committee shall issue four months written notice for kindergarten and six months for grades one through four of the proposed action, with supporting reasons to the selectboard of the affected town or towns, except for an emergency as defined in M.G.L., c.39, s.23A. The discontinuance of an entire grade level would be in effect for one year only, unless the initial notification states otherwise. School Committee actions shall be primarily guided as to what is permitted by law. The school committee shall advertise and hold a public hearing in the affected town or towns to be held no sooner than two months for kindergarten and three months for grades one through four prior to the school committee's meeting, at which it intends to formally vote to close or discontinue use as described above. At the public hearing the school committee shall present the reasons for the proposed action and take public comment both oral and written. Following the public hearing, the school committee shall take additional written comment for a thirty-day period and no vote shall be taken unless the member towns are issued fourteen days notice of the date, time and location of the school committee's meeting, at which it intends to formally vote."

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 10:02 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Total Attendance: 69 people

A True Copy.

ATTEST:

Staci E. Iglesias, Town Clerk

**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
MAY 5, 2001**

TO VOTE FOR A CANDIDATE, MARK A CROSS (X) IN THE SQUARE AT THE RIGHT OF THE NAME.
(Use extra space below candidate's name if you wish to vote for a write-in.)

* Denotes Incumbent

| Selectmen for Three Years <u>Vote for One</u> | | Water Commissioner for Two Years <u>Vote for One</u> | |
|---|----|--|----|
| CHESTER BROUGHTON, 16 Kaolin Rd | 85 | PAM KVITEK, 107 Otis Stage Rd | 81 |
| Doug Emo | 1 | Ted Jensen | 1 |
| Blank | 9 | Blank | 13 |
| Treasurer for Three Years <u>Vote for One</u> | | Cemetery Commissioner for Three Years <u>Vote for One</u> | |
| * ANNE HOLLIDAY, 9 N. Blandford Rd. | 81 | Mike Wojcik | 1 |
| Blank | 14 | Don Brainerd | 1 |
| | | James Swol | 1 |
| | | Frank Verderber | 1 |
| | | Tom Piper | 1 |
| | | Blank | 90 |
| Assessor for Three Years <u>Vote for One</u> | | Planning Board for Five Years <u>Vote for One</u> | |
| LeeAnn Thompson | 21 | LeeAnn Thompson | 1 |
| Jeni Masiuk | 4 | Todd Kubik | 8 |
| Blank | 70 | Blank | 86 |
| School Committee for Three Years <u>Vote for One</u> | | Planning Board for Three Years <u>Vote for One</u> | |
| DAVID HOPSON, 55 Woronoco Rd | 88 | Don Shephard | 1 |
| Blank | 7 | Todd Kubik | 3 |
| | | Blank | 91 |
| Liberty Trustee for Three Years <u>Vote for One</u> | | Board of Health for Three Years <u>Vote for One</u> | |
| CHUCK BENSON, 9 Haight Rd | 86 | * CHRIS SMITH, 56 Chester Rd. | 85 |
| Blank | 9 | Blank | 10 |
| Water Commissioner for Three Years <u>Vote for One</u> | | | |
| Tom Piper | 25 | | |
| Steve Hart | 1 | | |
| William Levikas | 2 | | |
| Blank | 67 | | |

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

August 9, 2001

I, Staci E. Iglesias, Clerk of the Town of Blandford hereby certify that the following is a true and attested copy of Articles at the Special Town meeting on August 9, 2001.

- Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$3,201.00 to the Board of Health to balance the FY 2001 budget.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$4,615.23 to Group Insurance account to balance FY 2001 budget.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$2,277.33 to the FICA account (Town share) to balance the FY 2001 budget.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

A True Copy:

ATTEST:

Staci E. Iglesias
Town Clerk of Blandford

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

SEPTEMBER 18, 2001

I, Staci E. Iglesias, Clerk of the Town of Blandford hereby certify that the following is a true and attested copy of Articles as voted by the at the Special Town meeting held on September 18, 2001.

- Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$6,356,060, or any other sum of money, for the construction of improvements to the Town's water system, including the laying of water mains and the construction and equipping of a new water filtration plant; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY 93 YES, 38 NO
- Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$175,000.00 or any other sum of money, for conducting groundwater inventory and analysis of the Town's water supply, including pump tests and quality tests relating to the development of said groundwater as an additional source of water supply for the Town; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.
PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE

A True Copy:

ATTEST:

Staci E. Iglesias
Town Clerk of Blandford

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

January 7, 2002

I, Staci E. Iglesias, Clerk of the Town of Blandford hereby certify that the following is a true and attested copy of Articles at the Special Town meeting on January 7, 2002.

- Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$9,324.00 as Blandford's share for the purchase of an Ambulance.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 2: To see if the town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$4,125.00 for the operating expenses of the Ambulance Service for Blandford for the period January through June 30, 2002.
Amended to:
To see if the town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$4,408.00 for the operating expenses of the Ambulance Service for Blandford for the period January through June 30, 2002.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 3: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement with a licensed organization to provide Ambulance Service to the Town.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$5,500.00 for the purchase of a new radio repeater for the Town radio system.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Electrical Inspector fees account.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$6,000.00 to the Highway Equipment Maintenance account.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.
- Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$1,000.00 to the Police Department Cruiser Maintenance account.
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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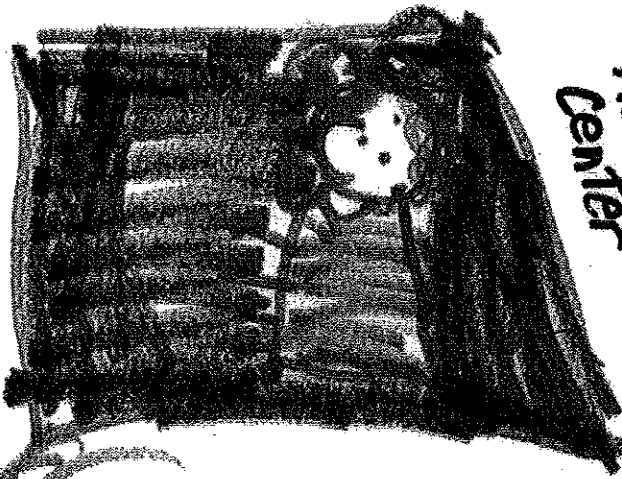
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Staci E. Iglesias
Town Clerk of Blandford

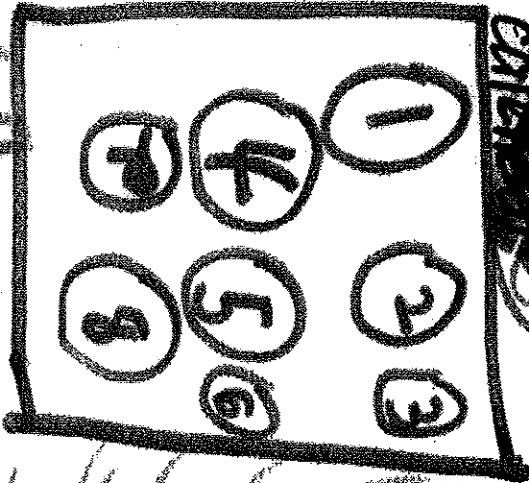


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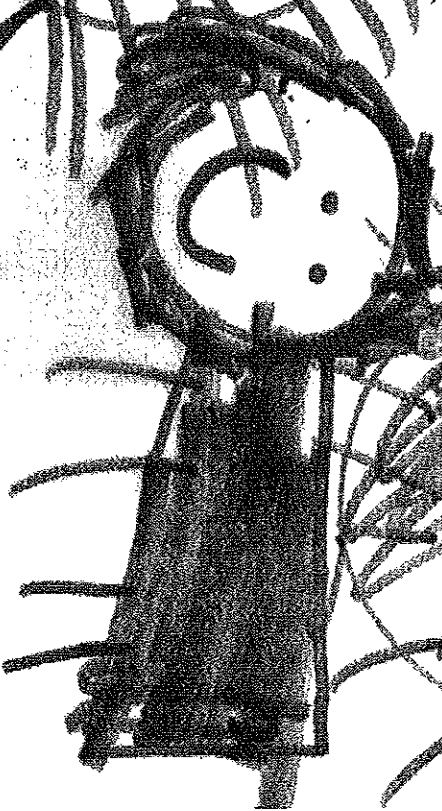
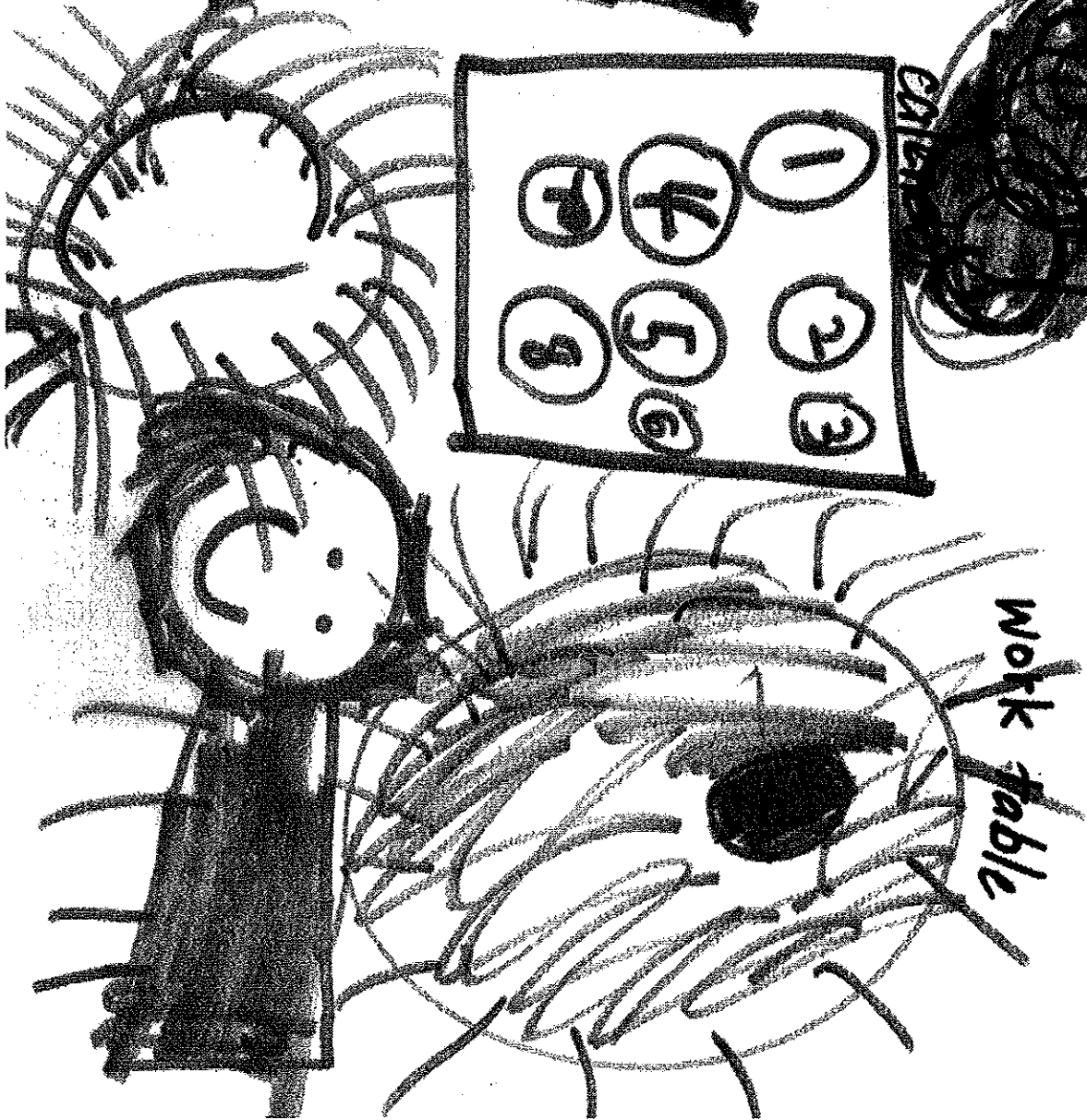
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WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
COUNTY OF HAMPDEN, SS.
TOWN OF BLANDFORD

TO: One of the Constables of the Town of Blandford, in said County and State.

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of Blandford qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs to meet in the First Congregational Church of Blandford on May 13, 2002 next, at 7:30 P.M., then and thereto to act on the following matters:

- Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officials and act thereon.
- Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer and/or Tax Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements during Fiscal Year 2003 as permitted by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, section 53F, except to exempt the Water Department from this article, since the Town voted on October 26, 1987 to accept Mass. General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F½ for the purpose of establishing a separate account classified as an enterprise fund for the operation of the Water Department.
- Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$15,000.00 for the Reserve Account or take any other action relative thereto.
- Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$10,000.00 for the Stabilization Account or take any other action relative thereto.
- Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Water Department Funds the sum of \$142,302.00 to operate the Water Department for the period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003 or take any other action relative thereto.
- Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$82,000.00 for a new highway dump truck or take any other action relative thereto.
- Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32, Section 4, Paragraph (1) O½ which allows a member, eligible to receive a retirement benefit pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, who served as a library trustee for a city or town, in which position he received no compensation, may establish credit for such service by depositing in the annuity savings fund of the system of which he is a member a sum equal to the amount which would have been paid into such fund during such period if such position had been compensated at the rate of \$2,500.00 per year plus regular interest to the date of payment. This paragraph shall apply only to persons who served as library trustees in a city or town that accepts this paragraph in a town by vote of the annual town meeting, or in a city by vote of the city council subject to the provisions of its charter.
- Article 8: To amend the Town of Blandford Bylaws, Section IA: Annual Town Meeting, by substituting "first Monday" for "second Monday", and furthermore that Section IB: Annual Town Elections of the Bylaws be amended by substituting "second Saturday" for "first Saturday".
- Article 9: To amend the Town of Blandford Bylaws, Section III E: Committees, by substituting "Recreation Committee" for "Park and Recreation Committee".

- Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$821,333.00 for Blandford's minimum contribution of the budget for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003.
- Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$59,537.00 for Blandford's share of the transportation and debt service (non-foundation budget) for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003.
- Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$195,965.00 for Blandford's share of the over-minimum contribution to the budget for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, or take any other action thereto, or accept as an over-minimum contribution a sum which is less than \$XXX.00 as certified by the Gateway Regional School District.
- Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum not to exceed \$5,000.00 to be used by the Cemetery Commission to cut and remove pine trees from the Main Street Cemetery and to survey more lots at the North Street Cemetery or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested Copies seven (7) days at least before the time of the meeting in three (3) public places in Blandford. Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Clerk of Said Town at or before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Blandford this _____ day of May, 2002.

A True Copy,

ATTEST: _____

I have served this Warrant as directed.

Constable

Date

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| 1 | Town of Blandford Budget | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | | 2002 Revised Budget | | | 2003 Budget Request | | | 2003 Recommended Budget | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | DEPARTMENT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | | SUB | TOTAL | | SUB | TOTAL | | SUB | TOTAL | | \$Diff. | % |
| 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | GENERAL GOVERNMENT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | Moderator Salary | 45 | | | 45 | | | 45 | | | - | 0% |
| 10 | Moderator's Expense | 25 | | | 25 | | | 25 | | | - | 0% |
| 11 | Selectmen's Salaries | 4,200 | | | 4,200 | | | 4,200 | | | - | 0% |
| 12 | Selectmen's Secretary Salary | 6,000 | | | 6,000 | | | 6,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 13 | Selectmen's Expenses | 1,800 | | | 1,800 | | | 1,800 | | | - | 0% |
| 14 | Finance Committee | 245 | | | 245 | | | 245 | | | - | 0% |
| 15 | Town Accountant Salary | 7,175 | | | 9,000 | | | 7,175 | | | - | 0% |
| 16 | Town Accountant Expenses | 1,330 | | | 1,330 | | | 1,330 | | | - | 0% |
| 17 | Assessor's Salaries | 3,600 | | | 3,700 | | | 3,600 | | | - | 0% |
| 18 | Assessor's Expenses | 5,090 | | | 4,940 | | | 4,940 | | | (150) | -3% |
| 19 | Assessor's Clerk Salary | 7,600 | | | 7,600 | | | 7,600 | | | - | 0% |
| 20 | Assessor's Contract Services | 9,800 | | | 10,300 | | | 10,300 | | | 500 | 5% |
| 21 | Vision Reevaluation | | | | 7,500 | | | 7,500 | | | 7,500 | |
| 22 | Treasurer's Salary | 7,000 | | | 7,350 | | | 7,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 23 | Treasurer's Clerk Salary | 750 | | | 750 | | | 750 | | | - | 0% |
| 24 | Treasurer's Expenses | 2,050 | | | 2,150 | | | 2,150 | | | 100 | 5% |
| 25 | Tax Collector's Salary | 11,788 | | | 11,788 | | | 9,000 | | | (2,788) | -24% |
| 26 | Tax Collector's Expenses | 8,550 | | | 8,550 | | | 8,550 | | | - | 0% |
| 27 | Town Counsel | 14,000 | | | 10,000 | | | 10,000 | | | (4,000) | -29% |
| 28 | Town Clerk's Salary | 3,000 | | | 3,000 | | | 3,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 29 | Town Clerk's Expenses | 900 | | | 900 | | | 900 | | | - | 0% |
| 30 | Street & Dog List Salary | 475 | | | 475 | | | 475 | | | - | 0% |
| 31 | Street & Dog List Expenses | 200 | | | 300 | | | 300 | | | 100 | 50% |
| 32 | Vital Statistics Salary | 25 | | | 25 | | | 25 | | | - | 0% |
| 33 | Election & Registration | 1,450 | | | 1,450 | | | 1,450 | | | - | -0% |
| 34 | Board of Registrars Salary | 50 | | | 50 | | | 50 | | | - | 0% |
| 35 | Conservation Commission | 1,600 | | | 1,600 | | | 1,600 | | | - | 0% |
| 36 | Conservation Maps | 250 | | | 250 | | | 250 | | | - | 0% |
| 37 | Planning Board | 320 | | | 320 | | | 320 | | | - | 0% |
| 38 | Zoning Board of Appeal | 350 | | | 350 | | | 350 | | | - | 0% |
| 39 | Town Office Expense | 8,600 | | | 8,600 | | | 8,600 | | | - | 0% |
| 40 | Town Insurance | 17,000 | | | 17,000 | | | 17,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 41 | Town Reports Salary | 575 | | | 575 | | | 575 | | | - | 0% |
| 42 | Town Reports Expenses | 1,100 | | | 1,100 | | | 1,100 | | | - | 0% |
| 43 | Audit - Town Records | 17,500 | | | 17,500 | | | 17,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 44 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 45 | TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT | | 144,443 | | | 150,768 | | | 145,705 | | 1,262 | 0.87% |
| 46 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 48 | PROTECT, PERSONS & PROPERTY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 49 | Police Salaries | 4,900 | | | 4,900 | | | 4,900 | | | - | 0% |
| 50 | Police Expenses | 2,650 | | | 2,680 | | | 2,680 | | | 30 | 1% |
| 51 | Chrysler Maintenance | 1,200 | | | 2,500 | | | 2,500 | | | 1,300 | 108% |
| 52 | Police New Equipment | 200 | | | 900 | | | 900 | | | 700 | 350% |
| 53 | Police Uniforms | 900 | | | 900 | | | 900 | | | - | 0% |
| 54 | Police Fair Duty | 50 | | | 850 | | | 850 | | | 800 | 1600% |
| 55 | Police Court Time | 1,100 | | | 700 | | | 700 | | | (400) | -36% |
| 56 | Police Secretary Salary | 50 | | | 400 | | | 400 | | | 350 | 700% |
| 57 | Fire Chief Salary | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 58 | Forest Warden Salary | 500 | | | 500 | | | 500 | | | - | 0% |
| 59 | Fire Department Expenses | 18,400 | | | 20,600 | | | 20,600 | | | 2,200 | 12% |
| 60 | Radio Maintenance | 3,000 | | | 3,000 | | | 3,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 61 | Dispatch 911 | 4,000 | | | 4,000 | | | 4,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 62 | Hilltown Ambulance | 1,900 | | | 6,611 | | | 6,611 | | | 4,711 | 248% |
| 63 | Otis Ambulance | 1,500 | | | 1,500 | | | 1,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 64 | Building Inspector Salary | 1,200 | | | 1,200 | | | 1,200 | | | - | 0% |
| 65 | Building Inspector Fees | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 66 | Plumbing Inspector Salary | 50 | | | 50 | | | 50 | | | - | 0% |
| 67 | Plumbing Inspector Fees | 500 | | | 500 | | | 500 | | | - | 0% |
| 68 | Electrical Inspector Salary | 50 | | | 50 | | | 50 | | | - | 0% |
| 69 | Electrical Inspector Fees | 1,370 | | | 1,200 | | | 1,200 | | | (170) | -12% |
| 70 | Inspector of Animals | 500 | | | 500 | | | 500 | | | - | 0% |
| 71 | Emergency Management | 187 | | | 100 | | | 100 | | | (87) | -47% |
| 72 | Dog Officer Salary | 750 | | | 750 | | | 750 | | | - | 0% |
| 73 | Dog Officer Expenses | 200 | | | 200 | | | 200 | | | - | 0% |
| 74 | Tree Warden Salary | 500 | | | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | 500 | 100% |
| 75 | Tree Warden Expenses | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 76 | Tree Warden Outside Services | 6,400 | | | 8,400 | | | 7,400 | | | 1,000 | 16% |
| 77 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 78 | TOTAL PROTECT PERS & PROP | | 55,057 | | | 66,991 | | | 65,991 | | 10,934 | 19.86% |
| 79 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 80 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 81 | PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 82 | Highway Salaries | 90,480 | | | 93,194 | | | 93,194 | | | 2,714 | 3% |
| 83 | Highway Overtime Salaries | 4,200 | | | 4,200 | | | 4,200 | | | - | 0% |

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| 3 | | 2002 Revised Budget | | | 2003 Budget Request | | | 2003 Recommended Budget | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | DEPARTMENT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | | SUB | TOTAL | | SUB | TOTAL | | SUB | TOTAL | | \$Diff. | % |
| 84 | Highway P/T Salaries | 5,500 | | | 6,000 | | | 6,000 | | | 500 | 9% |
| 85 | Snow & Ice Labor | 27,000 | | | 27,000 | | | 27,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 86 | Highway Expenses | 3,500 | | | 3,500 | | | 3,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 87 | Highway Utilities | 7,800 | | | 7,800 | | | 7,800 | | | - | 0% |
| 88 | Highway Equip/Maint | 32,000 | | | 35,000 | | | 32,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 89 | Sand & Salt | 30,000 | | | 30,000 | | | 30,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 90 | Highway Gas & Oil | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 91 | Road Maintenance | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 92 | Street Lights | 4,000 | | | 4,000 | | | 4,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 93 | Transfer Station Salary | 6,500 | | | 7,000 | | | 6,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 94 | Cartage/Tipping | 50,000 | | | 65,000 | | | 60,000 | | | 10,000 | 20% |
| 95 | Transfer Station Expenses | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 96 | Transfer Station Utilities | 1,500 | | | 1,500 | | | 1,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 97 | Hazardous Waste | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 98 | Transfer Station Gen. Maint. | 8,000 | | | 4,000 | | | 4,000 | | | (4,000) | -50% |
| 99 | Cemetery Commission | 2,500 | | | 2,500 | | | 2,600 | | | - | 0% |
| 100 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 101 | TOTAL PUB. WORKS & FAC | | 314,980 | | | 332,694 | | | 324,194 | | 9,214 | 2.93% |
| 102 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 103 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 104 | HUMAN SERVICES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 105 | Board of Health Salaries | 1,550 | | | 1,550 | | | 1,550 | | | - | 0% |
| 106 | BOH Secretary Salary | 2,500 | | | 2,500 | | | 2,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 107 | BOH Contract Services | 5,000 | | | 5,000 | | | 5,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 108 | BOH Expenses | 800 | | | 1,000 | | | 800 | | | - | 0% |
| 109 | Perc Tests | 1,500 | | | 1,500 | | | 1,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 110 | Lee Visiting Nurses | 3,700 | | | 3,700 | | | 3,700 | | | - | 0% |
| 111 | Council on Aging | | | | | | | | | | - | 0% |
| 112 | COA Service Based hours | 1,000 | | | 1,300 | | | 1,300 | | | 300 | 30% |
| 113 | COA Expenses | 200 | | | 300 | | | 300 | | | 100 | 60% |
| 114 | Veterans' Administration | 300 | | | 300 | | | 300 | | | - | 0% |
| 115 | Veterans' Benefits | 300 | | | 300 | | | 300 | | | - | 0% |
| 116 | Memorial Day | 600 | | | 600 | | | 600 | | | - | 0% |
| 117 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 118 | TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES | | 17,450 | | | 18,050 | | | 17,250 | | (200) | 0.87% |
| 119 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 120 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 121 | CULTURE AND RECREATION | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 122 | Library Salaries | 18,967 | | | 18,007 | | | 18,007 | | | 1,040 | 6% |
| 123 | Library Expenses | 7,479 | | | 7,271 | | | 7,271 | | | (208) | -3% |
| 124 | Library Books & Videos | 7,362 | | | 7,570 | | | 7,570 | | | 208 | 3% |
| 125 | Park & Recreation | 3,500 | | | 3,500 | | | 3,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 126 | Town Common | 600 | | | 600 | | | 600 | | | - | 0% |
| 127 | Historical Commission | | | | 750 | | | 750 | | | 750 | |
| 128 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 129 | TOTAL CULTURE & REC | | 35,908 | | | 37,698 | | | 37,698 | | 1,790 | 4.98% |
| 130 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 131 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 132 | MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 133 | Hampden County Retirement | 13,839 | | | 12,279 | | | 12,279 | | | (1,560) | -11% |
| 134 | Worker's Compensation | 3,200 | | | 3,200 | | | 3,200 | | | - | 0% |
| 135 | Unemployment Compensation | 400 | | | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | 600 | 150% |
| 136 | Group Insurance | 28,400 | | | 25,000 | | | 25,000 | | | (3,400) | -12% |
| 137 | FICA - Town Share | 13,500 | | | 13,500 | | | 13,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 138 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 139 | TOTAL MISC. EXPENSES | | 59,339 | | | 54,979 | | | 54,979 | | (4,360) | -7.35% |
| 140 | TOTAL TOWN DEPTS | | 627,177 | | | 661,180 | | | 645,817 | | 18,640 | 2.97% |
| 141 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 142 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 143 | WATER DEPARTMENT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 144 | Water Dept. Supt. Salary | 9,000 | | | 9,000 | | | 9,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 145 | Water Dept. Clerk Salary | 600 | | | 600 | | | 600 | | | - | 0% |
| 146 | Water Dept. Secretary Salary | 600 | | | 2,500 | | | - | | | (600) | -100% |
| 147 | Water Commissioner Salaries | 1,500 | | | 1,500 | | | 1,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 148 | Water Dept. Utilities | 8,400 | | | 8,400 | | | 8,400 | | | - | 0% |
| 149 | Water Dept. Chemicals | 6,000 | | | 6,000 | | | 6,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 150 | Water Dept. Breaks | 23,500 | | | 23,500 | | | 23,500 | | | - | 0% |
| 151 | Water Dept. Testing | 5,000 | | | 5,500 | | | 5,500 | | | 500 | 10% |
| 152 | Water Dept. System Upgrade | 50,000 | | | 50,000 | | | 50,000 | | | - | 0% |
| 153 | Water Dept. Loan | 8,402 | | | 8,402 | | | 8,402 | | | - | 0% |
| 154 | Water Dept. Expenses | 5,100 | | | 4,500 | | | 4,500 | | | (600) | -12% |
| 155 | Software Support | 2,800 | | | 800 | | | 800 | | | (2,000) | -71% |
| 156 | Over Budget Payback | 15,000 | | | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | 5,000 | 33% |
| 157 | Education & Training | | | | 600 | | | 600 | | | 600 | |
| 158 | Supplies | | | | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | | | 1,000 | |
| 159 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 160 | TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT | | 135,902 | | | 142,302 | | | 139,802 | | 3,900 | 2.87% |

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Local Emergency Numbers:

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| To Report a Fire | 911 |
| Police - Local | 848-2020 |
| State (Russell) | 862-3312 |
| Ambulance - Huntington | 667-3033 |
| Hospital - Noble | 562-2811 |

TOWN SERVICES

| Department | Call | Telephone |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Assessors | Kim Blanchette | 848-2791 |
| Dog Officer | Brenda Blood | 848-2888 |
| Conservation Commission | Rosemary Arnold | 848-2782 |
| Gateway Regional | Superintendent's Office | 667-8711 |
| Health, Board of | Neil Geary | 848-2782 |
| Highway Department | Mitch Forish, Superintendent | 848-2721 |
| Porter Memorial Library | Michael Chandler, Librarian | 848-2853 |
| Planning Board | Juliana Mueller | 848-2782 |
| Post Office | | 848-2480 |
| Selectmen | Town Office | 848-2782 |
| Tax Collector | Margit Mikuski | 848-2804 |
| Tax Abatements | Assessors | 848-2791 |
| Town Clerk | Staci Iglesias | 848-0054 |
| Town Office | General Information | 848-2782 |
| Treasurer | Anne Holliday | 848-2782 |
| Voting Information | Town Clerk | 848-0054 |
| Water Superintendent | Paul Kvitek | 848-2108 |

LIBRARY HOURS

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|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Monday: 5-9 p.m. | Thursday: 1-5 p.m. + 7-9 p.m. |
| Tuesday: 1-5 p.m. + 7-9 p.m. | Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. |

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| Town Elections: | Held the First ^{Second} Saturday in May Annually. 10a.m. - 4p.m. |
| Town Meeting: | Held the Second ^{First} Monday in May Annually, 7:30 p.m. |
| Mini Town Meeting: | Held the First Monday in May Annually, 7:30 p.m. |

**PLEASE BRING THIS TOWN REPORT WITH YOU TO THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
BLANDFORD WHITE CHURCH - MAY 13, 2002**

INFORMATION FOR BLANDFORD RESIDENTS
Business Hours of Town Officers and Committees

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| Aging, Council on | To be posted |
| Assessors, Board of | First and Third Thursday of each month 7:00 p.m. at the Town Offices |
| Assessors Clerk | Monday and Wednesday 9 a.m. – 12p.m.; 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. |
| Cemetery Commission | To be posted |
| Conservation Commission | Every Friday or by appointment 9:30 a.m. at the Town Offices |
| Finance Committee | To be posted |
| Fire Department | Every Wednesday 7 p.m. at the Fire Station |
| Health, Board of | First and Third Wednesday of each month 7:30 p.m. at the Town Offices |
| Library Trustees | Third Thursday of each month 7:30 p.m. at the Library |
| Park & Recreation Committee | To be posted |
| Planning Board | First Monday of each month 7:30 p.m. at the Town Offices |
| Police Department | Every Wednesday 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Elementary School |
| Selectmen, Board of | Every Monday - 7:00 p.m. at the Town Offices For an appointment, call 848-2782. |
| Tax Collector | To be posted |
| Town Clerk | Every Monday – 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office and/or by appointment, call 848-0054. |
| Transfer Station | Tuesday: 6 - 8 p.m. Thursday: 6 - 8 p.m. Saturday: 8 - 4 p.m. |
| Treasurer | Every Monday 6:30 - 9:00 at the Town Offices |
| Water Department | Second Tuesday of each month 7:00 p.m. at the Town Offices |