

***TOWN OF BLANDFORD  
MASSACHUSETTS***

***ANNUAL REPORT  
2006-2007***

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## *Dedication*

We dedicate this Annual Town report to two special individuals

### *JAMES SWOL*



We admire and appreciate:

His devotion to his family; Julie, Samantha, Charlotte, and Sierra,

His devotion to the Marine Corps which he proudly served,

His tireless energy serving the Blandford Fire Department,

His running the apparatus at the horse and oxen pulls at the Blandford Fair every year,

His devotion to the American Legion by serving as an honor guard at ceremonies, etc.,

His planting the flowers and mowing the lawn all summer long in Veterans Park,

His taking care of the flags in the park all year long.

His devotion to Memorial Day handling of the band refreshments for the marchers,

His help building the Sugar House for the Historical Society at the Blandford Fairground,

And, all the "little" things he did for friends and/or neighbors along the way.

Thank you, Jim.

## *ROSEMARY ARNOLD*



Rosemary and her husband Fran moved to Blandford in 1974 and currently reside on Herrick Road in an older home that they have remodeled over the years.

Rosemary and her husband own and operate Conklin Office Services in Springfield. Additionally, Rosemary has worked as a substitute teacher in the Gateway School District and as a supervisor of student teachers at Westfield State College.

Over the years, Rosemary's has made many contributions to the Town and the region. She has been a member of the Conservation Commission since 1983 and became Chairperson in 1993.

Some of her accomplishments follow:

- One of the founders of the Blandford Food Cooperative, which has operated since 1978
- Establishment of the Arbor Day program at the Blandford Elementary School
- Member of the Board of Directors of the Valley Land Fund and the Winding River Land Conservancy, where she is actively working to preserve area farms and open space
- Acquisition by Blandford of 234 acres of forest land surrounding Long Pond Reservoir
- Acquisition by Blandford 252 acres of fields and forest land of the Knittel Farm for passive recreational use by town residents
- Acquisition by the Town of several other substantial parcels of land that is currently underway.

Thank you Rosemary, for the many years of leadership that you have provided as Chairperson of the Conservation Commission and your efforts in preserving open space in our Town.

## GLOSSARY

- APPROPRIATION:** An authorization granted by a Town Meeting to make expenditures and to incur obligations for specific purposes. 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 reserved.
- 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 cash, 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")
- 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

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Also, Please check out the Massachusetts website for more information: [www.state.ma.us](http://www.state.ma.us)

**ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS**  
**May 8, 2005-May 14, 2006**  
**(In Alphabetical Order)**

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
<b>Assessors (3 years)</b>		<b>Cemetery Commissioners (3 years)</b>	
Julie Mueller	2009	T.J. Cousineau	2009
Frank Burkott	2008	Vacant	2007
Laura Lee Bertram	2007	Vacant	2008
<b>Fence Viewer (3 years)</b>		<b>Field Driver (3 years)</b>	
George Reichert	2009	George Reichert	2009
Andy Iglesias	2008		
<b>Health, Board of (3 years)</b>		<b>Library Trustees (3 years)</b>	
Mike Wojcik	2009	Chris Keenan	2009
Kate Kletcher	2008	Mary Kronholm	2008
Vacant	2007	Chuck Benson	2007
<b>Moderator (3 years)</b>		<b>Planning Board (5 years)</b>	
David Hopson	2009	John Bianco	2011
		Greg Garfield	2010
<b>School Committee (3 years)</b>		Juliana Mueller	2009
LeeAnn Thompson	2009	Opal Poteat	2008
Frances Jensen	2008	John Caswell	2007
<b>Selectmen (3 years)</b>		<b>Tax Collector (3 years)</b>	
Stephen Jemiolo	2009	Lee Ann Thompson	2008
Tony van Werkhoven	2008		
Chet Broughton	2007	<b>Treasurer (3 years)</b>	
<b>Town Clerk (3 years)</b>		Anne Holliday	2007
Staci Iglesias	2008	<b>Water Commissioners (3 years)</b>	
<b>Tree Warden (3 years)</b>		Vacant	2009
Michael Wojcik	2009	Rick Bertram	2008
		Darlene Horne	2007

**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS**  
**June 30, 2005 – July 1, 2006**  
**(In Alphabetical Order)**

<b>Aging Council on (3 years)</b>		<b>Arts Council (2 years)</b>	
Summer Robbins	2007	Joan Levakis	2007
Jo Taudel	2007	Mary Martin	2007
Linda VanWerkhoven	2007	Pamela Darrow	2007
		Rosa Benson	2007
		Vacant	2007
<b>Building Inspector (1 year)</b>		<b>Building Inspector, Assistant (1 yr)</b>	
Thomas Lago	2007	Vacant	2007
		<b>Burial Agent, Asst. (1 year)</b>	
<b>Burial Agent (1 year)</b>		Vacant	2007
T. J. Cousineau	2007		
		<b>Constables (3 years)</b>	
<b>Chief Procurement Officer (1 yr)</b>		John Haight	2009
Chet Broughton	2007	Andrew Iglesias	2008
		Tate Walker	2009
<b>Conservation Commission (3 yrs)</b>		Rick Bertram	2008
Pete Sutherland	2009		
Laura Scalise Kadzik	2009	<b>Dog Officer, Assistant (1 year)</b>	
Robin Stevens	2008	Vacant	2007
Rosemary Arnold	2008		
John Caswell	2008	<b>Election Officers (1 year)</b>	
		Pamela Darrow	2007
<b>Dog Officer (1 year)</b>	2007	Sandra Wyman	2007
Brenda Blood		Kim Blanchette	2007
		Jo Taudel	2007
<b>Election Clerk (1 year)</b>		Mary Kronholm	2007
Cheryl Hopson	2007		
		<b>Election Warden, Alternate (1 yr)</b>	
<b>Election Warden (1 year)</b>		Pamela Darrow	2007
Kim Blanchette	2007		
		<b>Finance Committee (3 years)</b>	
<b>Emergency Mgmt Co-Dirs (1 yr)</b>		Theodore Jensen	2009
Don Carpenter	2007	Vacant	2009
Brad Curry	2007	Sue Racine	2007
		Co Cousineau	2008
<b>Fire Chief &amp; Forest Wdn (3 yrs)</b>		John Kelly	2008
Don Carpenter	2008		
		<b>Highway Superintendent (1 year)</b>	
<b>Hazardous Waste Coord. (1 yr)</b>		Brad Curry	2007
Don Carpenter	2008		
		<b>Insp. of Animals &amp; Slaughter (1 yr)</b>	
<b>Historical Commission (3 years)</b>		Brenda Blood	2007
Peter Milford	2009		
Becky Macavoy	2009	<b>Insp. of Servicemen's Graves (1 yr)</b>	
Julie Mueller	2007	Michael Wojcik	2007
LeeAnn Thompson	2007		
Katy Milford	2008		
Rosemary Arnold	2008		
Terri Garfield	2008		



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**June 30, 2005 – July 1, 2007**  
**(In Alphabetical Order)**

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
<b>Measurer of Wood &amp; Bark (1 yr)</b> Michael Wojcik	2007	<b>Pest Control Officer (1 year)</b> Michael Wojcik	2007
<b>Pioneer Valley Plan. Comm (1 yr)</b> Julianna Mueller	2007	<b>PVPC, Alternate (1 year)</b> Opal Poteat	2007
<b>Plumbing &amp; Gas Inspector (1 yr)</b> Robert Gardner	2007	<b>Plumbing &amp; Gas Insp., Asst, (1yr)</b> David Ritchie	2007
<b>Police Chief (3 years)</b> Ronald Brown	2007	<b>Police Officers (3 years)</b> Vacant	2007
<b>Police Officer, Special (1 year)</b> Vacant	2007	Vacant	2007
		Scott King	2008
<b>Registrars of Voters (1 year)</b> Pamela Darrow	2007	<b>Recreation Committee (3 years)</b> Vacant	2007
Jo Taudel	2007	Sammatha Domingoes	2007
Mary Kronholm	2007	Staci Iglesias	2007
Kim Blanchette	2007	Mark Blanchette	2008
Sandy Wyman	2007	Vacant	2008
<b>Town Accountant (1 year)</b> Staci Iglesias	2007	<b>Town Counsel (1 year)</b> Kopelman & Paige	2007
<b>Veteran's Agent (1 year)</b> Robert Messier	2007	<b>Watson Park Super. (1 year)</b> Jack Hooper	2007
<b>Wiring Inspector (1 year)</b> Edward LaPlante	2007	<b>Wiring Inspector, Assistant (1 yr)</b> Michael Dintzner	2007
<b>Zoning Board of Appeals (3 years)</b> Don Brainerd	2007		
Summer Robbins	2007		
James Kronholm	2008		

**THE FOLLOWING REPORTS ARE IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER BY DEPARTMENT**

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**

Blandford's Agricultural Commission is in the process of getting established to meet the mission set forth at the 2006 Annual Town Meeting--"represent the Town's farming and forestry community both internally and externally" and "encourage, promote and support the pursuit of farming and forestry in the Town both as a business and as a community resource." Commission members Robert Fontaine, David Hopson, Robert Costello, Frank Burkott, Steven Poteat, and John Kelly were appointed by the selectboard this winter.

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

For the current fiscal year the Board of Assessors consists of Laura Lee Bertram, Chairman, Frank Burkott, Juliana Mueller and Assessor Assistant Alyshia Horvath.

Our office hours are Mondays 4pm to 9pm and every other Saturday from 8am to 11am as well as by appointment. The Board meets a minimum of twice per month. We post our meetings at the Town Hall at least 48 hours prior to every meeting. If you would like to meet with the Board contact our office at 413-848-2791 to schedule an appointment. To better make our data available to you, our record cards are available online at [www.TownofBlandford.org](http://www.TownofBlandford.org).

The Board completed its three year recertification program for fiscal 2007 with the Department of Revenue this year to insure all properties are assessed at their full and fair market value.

We regret the resignation of Joanne Grybosh as Assessor Assistant.

The Board would like to send a very special thank you to Alyshia for all her hard work this past year. She has proven to be an invaluable asset to our department. Alyshia attended the Massachusetts Association of Assessing Officers (MAAO) school located at UMAS last August and successfully completed course 200; Principals of Assessing Procedures. Alyshia will continue her assessing education this year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura Lee Bertram, Chairman  
Frank Burkott, Member  
Juliana Mueller, Member  
Alyshia Horvath, Assessor Assistant

**REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR**

A total of 31 permits were issued this past fiscal year. The following are the number and types of permits that were issued this year:

- 8 new single family structures
- 6 new barns/storage sheds
- 3 additions to homes
- 2 pools
- 12 miscellaneous (siding, roofing, window replacement, etc)

Total Permit Fees - \$6,101.75

Throughout the year, in addition to permit inspections, the Building Department conducted state required inspections, re-inspections, site visits, court appearances, and handled dozens of inquiries and complaints.

The Building Department works closely with state and local officials in carrying out our growing responsibilities, which include the implementation of the new Version 7 of the Mass State Building Code, CMR780. Other responsibilities include the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinances, Town Ordinances, Licensing Enforcement, Abandon Vehicles Laws, Architectural Access Laws (Handicap Regulations), State 106 inspections, and checking for Energy Code Requirements (both residential and the newer commercial codes). As the enforcement officer for the Town for non-criminal offenses, I have been taking appropriate action and filing for legal remedies with Hampden Housing Court to insure the public safety, health, and welfare of the town.

I point out that building permits are required for most work over \$1000. on any structure including basic work such as roofing, window replacement and siding. Permits and subsequent inspections ensure all work is done properly and that it will stand the test of time. The permit process also serves as Consumer Protection. Building Inspectors are required to check Licenses and Workmen's Comp Certificates of all builders before work begins.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Lagodich  
Building Inspector/Enforcement Officer

### REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

This past year the Blandford Conservation Commission has undergone some changes. After 24 years of dedicated service to our town, Rosemary Arnold decided to step down as Chairperson. She is now an Associate Member helping guide us through our transition. We are now in the process of restructuring and will be electing officers soon..

We have had 3 new members join our team. Mary Elizabeth Martin stepped in as a voting member to fill Rosemary's vacancy, Patti O'Neil has become an Associate Member and has worked tirelessly to keep us organized. Chuck Benson, who served on Conservation previously, has rejoined as an Associate Member to spearhead management of Conservation Lands.

These are the activities that Conservation Commission has been involved with:

1. Shepard Hill - Over the past year the Conservation Commission together with the Friends of Shepard Farm have spent over 100 hours of volunteer labor working at the farm located on Route 23. Activities included painting the interior of two meeting rooms, clearing all the pine off one field, planting 100 balsam seedlings for future Christmas trees, scraping and painting the house exterior, clearing brush around the house and outbuildings, and repairing and cleaning the gutters. The Springfield Water and Sewer Commission has demonstrated a willingness to give the buildings and 120 acres of land to the Town of Blandford (if the town is receptive). The land and buildings are currently valued at \$412,000 by the assessors. The tax category is exempt. The farm consists of a large colonial clapboard house, a small barn, open fields, forests and is bounded on one side by a beautiful brook with waterfalls and sculpted rocks. It also includes 4000 feet of frontage on Route 23.
2. Knittel Farm - We are currently working on a Forest Management Plan. Hiking trails are being developed and will be designated on the brochures available at the parking site. Also, permits were issued to 12 hunters for the property.
3. American Elm Tree Project - 24 American elm trees were planted on locations throughout the Town of Blandford.
4. Diesel Spill - Conservation Commission responded to an emergency call from DEP and ENSR to contain a large diesel at the westbound rest stop. Wetlands were contaminated, rectified by extensive cleanup.

Respectfully submitted,

John Caswell, Laura Scalise Kadzik, Robin Stevens  
Pete Sutherland, Mary Elizabeth Martin

### REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging is glad to report another successful year of supplying our town seniors with monthly events. The Lee VNA sponsored blood pressure screenings at our monthly coffee hours held at the school and in November offered flu vaccines to all town residents. We had a wonderful turnout for the latter. We supported the Hilltown Community Health Centers *Community Access Project* as they sought out town residents who might benefit from their outreach services. We hosted a 'meet the town candidates' coffee hour, had an Elder Law speaker talk on Medicaid provisions for seniors, and had a Master Gardener come speak. A wonderful garden party luncheon was held again and a large group enjoyed a summertime picnic held and catered by the Ski Club. A representative from the Hilltown Ambulance Association updated us on their services and Ron Brown, Blandford's new Police Chief spoke on identity theft. A good size group enjoyed our Christmas luncheon at the chapel and our annual pizza luncheon rounded out our year of activities.

A number of our seniors continue to utilize the van services & weekly yoga classes in Huntington that we supplement and enjoy lunch there or at the Blandford school for a nominal fee. Please contact any board member for further information on these and other activities and discounts available to area seniors, including swimming and discounted movie tickets.

The Board members continue to meet the second Tuesday of each month in the Town Hall and representatives also attend the monthly meetings of the Hilltown COA Consortium. A few board members were also involved in the initial emergency management meetings held for the region in preparation for handling area emergencies. Various board members were very instrumental in procuring the wonderful new Town Crier sign that now stands adjacent to the town square.

In closing we would like to thank the school, the Historical Society, the Blandford Church and the Ski Club for their cooperation in hosting various events for us and Fran & Rosemary Arnold for their donation of chairs & a storage cupboard to house our supplies at the school.

Respectfully submitted by  
*Co-chairs*, Jo Taudel & Linda Van Werkhoven  
*Secretary*, Corry Lucia  
*Board members*, Anita Forish, Bernice Rabideau, Pamela Rideout  
Sarah Robbins, Sumner Robbins, Ed Trusty & Kay Walsh  
(Sadly we mourn the loss of Grace Anable)

### REPORT OF THE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Electrical Inspection Year 2006

Please note rough and final Inspection will not Match due to previous years carryover.

New House (Rough Inspections)	6
New House (Final Inspections)	5
Residential Additions (Rough Inspections)	2
Residential Additions (Final Inspections)	6
Residential Services New and Upgrades	20
Misc. Electrical Work	4
Commercial Inspections	5
Pool inspections	3
Remodel (Rough Inspections)	1
Remodel (Final Inspections)	1
In Law Apts. (Rough Inspections)	1
In Law Apts. (Final Inspections)	1
Total Inspections for 2006	55

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward LaPlante  
Wiring Inspector

### REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Working on a budget when the figures keep changing can prove to be very challenging. Insurance costs are spiraling along with fuel and dumping charges. We ask you to vote on a budget based on cherry sheet figures that the legislators will probably change after our budget is completed. So bear with us as we move along with another merry-go-round budget process.

Respectfully submitted,

Blandford Finance Committee  
Co Cousineau  
Ted Jensen  
John Kelly  
Sue Racine

## **REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Blandford Fire Department responded to 95 calls in 2006. We responded to 43 medical calls, 13 fire calls, 7 motor vehicle accident calls, 5 mutual aide calls to other towns, and 28 other types of calls. We trained 50 out of 52 Tuesday nights from 6:30 to 9:00 P.M.

I want to thank the 12 dedicated volunteers of the Blandford Fire Department who gave their time unselfishly to train and respond to emergencies any time of the day or night, making Blandford a safer place to live.

I want to thank Suzette Vautier, who retired this year after 14 years of dedicated service. She was an inspiration to everyone on the department because of her knowledge and leadership skills. We truly miss her.

I want to thank Gordon Avery and the Home Store for their donation of vinyl siding. We were able to side the back of the Fire Station to stop water from running down the inside walls. I also want to thank Tom Piper, Robert Dickinson, Seth and Rich Cook for their help with the siding job and a special thanks to John Piper for his expertise, guidance and use of his equipment. They are members of the Fire Department and without their help it would have been a costly project.

As everyone knows we have started using the Connect - CTY Messaging System so that we can contact everyone in town with a single phone call in case of an emergency. We encourage everyone to get involved in this program. If anyone needs any information about the Connect - CTY service, or needs a form so that we can add a non-pub phone number, cell phone number, or e-mail address to the service data base, please call the Fire Station at 848 - 2874.

In closing I want to mention that we are still finding homes that do not have working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. They are there for your protection. If you do not have smoke and carbon monoxide detectors PLEASE install them and if you do have them please make sure they work.

Respectfully submitted ,

Don Carpenter  
Chief, Blandford Fire Department

## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH**

The Blandford Board of Health has purchased a new waste oil holding tank for the Transfer Station as the old one was no longer usable. A portable sanitation unit was purchased in 05-06 thereby saving the monthly rent that was being expended on it. BBOH has sprayed all of the known plants of Hogweed in the town. We need your help in keeping it under control by reporting any new plants you may have seen. Please contact the board for pictures and more information.

The board meets the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7pm at the town hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Wojcik, Chair  
Kate Fletcher

## **REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

The Highway Department continues to make progress in the areas of road safety and maintenance. Since the summer, we applied approximately 340 tons of asphalt patch to potholes and low-lying areas. In addition, Highway Dept. personnel improved water drainage conditions and performed rough grading on many local roads to prevent further erosion. We replaced ten culverts and have repaired several others. Extensive brush cutting has also been done to improve visibility. As you may recall, there were several ice storms this past winter which resulted in considerable storm damage clean up along the roadways.

This past year, the Town traded in a 2002 Sterling truck for a 2006 Ford F550 dump truck at a cost of \$2,719. The more economical F550 has been used for daily road maintenance as well as for plowing and sanding. We have maintained five trucks through the entire winter season with no major breakdowns.

The Highway Dept. consists of three full time employees and several seasonal part-time employees. In September of 2006 I, Brad Curry, was appointed as Highway Superintendent. Additional staff includes Tate Walker and most recently Mark Boomsma. This past year, we attended a variety of training programs, i.e., chainsaw skills & safety, snow & ice protocol and driveline/airbrake maintenance. Our part-time employees included Bruce Cooley, Barry Ackley and Mike Holmes. We all have worked diligently to develop better communication and a productive working relationship with other Town Departments and Town residents.

To the residents of Blandford, I extend my appreciation for your patience and ideas as we build better roads together.

Respectfully submitted,

Bradley W. Curry  
Highway Superintendent

## REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Historical Commission, according to Massachusetts General Laws, is charged with the responsibility of “preservation, protection, and development of the historical and archeological assets” of Blandford. We have had another active year. The following highlights our major activities.

Our commission continues with our efforts to restore Watson Park. It is a touchstone in the town center for people to enjoy, and we remain committed to returning the park to its former beauty. Several areas of the park have received special attention.

- A focal point of the park is the gazebo, which, though in need of repairs, is an architectural gem. It dates back to the earliest days of the park – almost 100 years – and is one of the few of its vintage, style, and size still remaining in the area. The commission has called in and consulted with historical building preservationists about the repairs, and looks forward to working on this matter with the Selectmen in their role as Trustees of Watson Park.
- We have met with the Superintendent of Watson Park, Jack Hooper, and look forward to working with him in relation to the historical renewal of the trees, plants, and grounds. Our professional arborist has continued restoration work on the shrub beds and perennial plantings. With the help of the Garden Club, further progress has been made in those areas.
- Having several members attend a barn survey workshop in the fall held on the grounds of Storrowtown Village allowed us to make some contacts in this field. We are in the process of investigating having a barn expert confirm the dates and evaluate the condition of the barns at Watson Park. Trying to secure grants for restoration work on these two buildings is also on our agenda.

Related to barns, as is our custom, we donate a book every year to the library. This year’s contribution is *Field Guide to New England Barns and Farm Buildings* by Professor Thomas Visser. It has much information about the building process and history as well as identification of existing structures. Once our town-wide house and landscape inventory survey plan with the state is completed – most likely this year – we hope to begin a barn survey. Blandford has a long and proud agricultural tradition and we expect to find many fine examples of old-time workmanship as we begin this research.

And speaking of books, we enjoyed a first time experience with the school children in connection with last year’s donation to the library entitled *Stone Wall Secrets* by Robert and Kristine Thorson, a children’s book that gives the account of a boy and his grandfather mending the stonewalls on the old man’s farm. Throughout their morning walk around the fields on the farm, the boy learns what a stone can reveal about past eras. Using Watson Park and the surrounding area as our workshop, members of the commission met with Miss Lis’s fourth grade class and talked about the history of stonewalls. A “stonewall briefcase” to accompany the story, prepared by The Stonewall Initiative at UConn, was available to the commission for use in class. Examining the various area stonewalls with magnifying glasses, taking notes, and making drawings of what they saw, the children were very responsive. In commenting about the activity, one fourth grader said, “I never knew that rocks had so much to tell.” We hope to continue the program in the future as we feel that it is important for youngsters to learn about the historical significance of things in our town since many of them will be the ones involved in preserving Blandford’s history in the future.

Lastly, as potentially one of the oldest buildings in Blandford, the Shepard Farm property requires more specific research, following initial discussions with the Historical Society about its history. We have participated with a group of other interested parties in making improvements to the property.

- The volunteers scraped and painted portions of the building and brush was cut around the house and in the fields, among other things.
- Both the former and current Building Inspector and the Fire Chief have toured the building.
- The “Friends of Shepard Farm” Advisory Committee has submitted to the Board of Selectmen a preliminary list of potential uses and suggested ways to make the site self-supporting. In addition, there is interest by statewide organizations in rental of the building.

- Not only does the property provide an important historic link to our town's past, it has the potential of providing income and being a recreation site organized by the Conservation Commission for residents of Blandford.

The commission believes strongly that this extremely important structure needs to be brought up to its full potential. We plan to consult with historic preservation experts regarding the age and structural condition of the building.

The Blandford Historical Commission continues to seek outside funds for the benefit of the town. In the past, to the distress of many people, some historically significant old town buildings have been torn down. It is our hope that state and federal funding can prevent anything further along those lines. We welcome suggestions and input from town residents and encourage folks to get involved. It is our respect for history that binds us together.

Respectfully submitted,  
 LeeAnn Thompson, Peter Milford, Julie Mueller  
 Rosemary Arnold, Katy Milford, Terri Garfield  
 Becky McAvoy

### REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The Porter Memorial Library continues to serve and support the Blandford community. We spent the past year adding to our collection of nonfiction, fiction, reference and children's books, as well as our growing collection of classic and popular movies on DVD.

The library staff—Pamela Darrow, Cindy Montanaro, Michele Crane, Mary Martin and Heidi Taberman—are to be commended for their unwavering support and desire to help our many patrons no matter what the topic may be. And I would be remiss without noting our devoted patrons themselves, who offer plenty of suggestions and requests for making and keeping our collection a vital, relevant reflection of the varied tastes of Blandford.

Our involvement with the Western Massachusetts Regional Library system has resulted in our recent acquisition of a satellite dish and wireless router, offering our patrons free high-speed internet access. The system is on twenty-four hours a day, so it is possible for anyone with a wireless card in their laptop to access the network outside the building even when it is closed.

Future projects on the horizon for next year include renewing the library's Friends group, and working on programming for the summer and beyond. We are also looking into spiffing up the outside of the building—perhaps providing some picnic tables for laptop users to sit at on nice days.

Thanks to everyone who has donated or suggested materials this year, as well as those who continue to support Blandford's library.

#### Circulation Statistics:

Adult Fiction:	1,534
Adult Nonfiction:	952
Juvenile Fiction:	1,680
Juvenile Nonfiction:	318
YA Fiction:	252
YA Nonfiction:	174
Periodicals:	118

TOTAL PRINT:	5,028
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Videos:	1,252
DVDs:	3,378
Audios:	216
CDs:	132

TOTAL NONPRINT:	4,978
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TOTAL CIRCULATION:	10,006
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Respectfully Submitted,  
 Mary Jo Place, Director

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

The Porter Memorial Library continues to provide multiple services to the town as a resource for any and all information. There are two internet - linked computers and the library recently acquired wireless access as an additional benefit. That means patrons can visit the library with their own laptop computers and access the internet free of cost.

In order to serve the community better, if there are special programs you would like the library to present, please let us know.

The trustees advocate for library services at the local and state levels by supporting and attending library legislative breakfasts in the area.

Thank you to all who have generously donated library materials.

The Porter Memorial Library is fortunate to have a loyal and dedicated staff for the community. The library is, after all, the heart of the community.

Library Director Mary Jo Place is a member of the Western Massachusetts Regional Library Service Small Library Committee which is investigating shared resources, writing grants for services for the region and is working to preserve the bookmobile among other things. The four county region is the only area in the state that has a bookmobile.

The library is fortunate to have the continued community support.

Mary Kronholm, Chair  
Charles Benson, Treasurer  
Christine Keenan, Secretary

## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

This was a productive year for the Planning Board and the Zoning Review Committee. Some new bylaws were created to encourage types of development which preserve open space and the Town's rural character.

The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) submitted a draft of its regional planning strategy called Valley Vision 2, and we submitted commentary which represented the specific interests and concerns we face in Blandford and in the hilltowns in general. Our input was incorporated into a chapter in VV2 relating specifically to the needs of small towns like ours.

The Highland Communities Initiative (HCI) gave a grant to tighten up our Subdivision Control Regulations and we were able to hire experienced land use Attorney Paul Bobrowski to work on the revisions with us.

We recommended that a Town-owned 4.9 acre parcel on Maple Lane which abuts Watson Park and the Fairgrounds be withheld from public auction in August to give the Town time to investigate possibilities for the site. We are still gathering proposals, one of which is a senior center.

We were sorry to lose Greg Garfield as a member, and thank him for his service. We are happy to have T.J. Cousineau as a new member.

Thanks also to the volunteers who worked on the Zoning Bylaw Review Committee:

Laura Lee Bertram, T.J. Cousineau, Nina Dawe, Mary Kronholm, Alyssa Lovell, Sumner Robbins and Pete Sutherland.

Thanks also to Gordon Avery and Frank Burkott for their interest and involvement.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Mueller, Chair  
John Bianco  
John Caswell  
T.J. Cousineau  
Opal Poteat



## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Since taking over as Chief on March 1, 2007, I have made it my priority to evaluate the entire department and determine any shortfalls. My goal is to have police officers able to respond within a reasonable period of time when situations arise in town; and to provide a strong presence to deter crimes in our neighborhood. I also believe it is important to make sure the officers are well-trained and well-equipped in order to perform their duties in the most efficient and professional manner.

So far, at the Selectboard's request, I have made arrangements to have at least one patrol per week to increase police presence in town. I have inventoried all equipment on hand, and am still compiling a list of essential equipment that we will need to purchase including a new police cruiser, a computer terminal to aid in Firearms License issuing, and new radio systems.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald C. Brown, Jr.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Elaine Kelly completed her term of office, and we thank her for her contributions to the town. We also thank all town employees, elected officers, and appointed officials. Steve Jemiolo was elected to the Board of Selectmen and we look forward to his involvement on the board. We also welcomed Joanne Grybosh as our new Selectmen's Secretary.

At this time, we would like to take a moment to thank Katy Milford for her years of dedicated work as the Selectmen's Secretary. She has proven time and time again to be a terrific asset to this department and will be missed. Again, thank you Katy.

In our continuing efforts to update our computer capabilities, we have hired a company to assist in creating a web page for the town. We hope to complete that project this year. In an effort to cut town expenses, we have changed service providers for the high speed internet service at the town hall. We are also looking into high speed internet service for the Highway Dept, Police Dept, Fire Dept and the Town library. This should help to save time for everyone.

We will continue to move forward in trying to form a better working relationship with Springfield Water and Sewer Commission. They are still working with the Board of Selectmen to help resolve several issues such as the Beech Hill Road upgrade.

We are very close to hiring a part-time Town Administrator. The Board still believes the hiring of a part-time Town Administrator who has a good working knowledge of state government to help coordinate operations between town departments and write grants would help the town immensely. With the continuing changes in state and federal regulations to deal with, and with part time workers, it is difficult to keep up on new developments. The town is missing out on opportunities that would benefit every resident. Having a part-time administrator will be an improvement and will allow more service to townspeople.

As always, we continue to actively seek ways to increase revenues coming into the town. Back taxes owed to the town are being collected regularly and investigation proceeds into ways to receive our fair share of state monies.

We encourage residents to get involved with town government. We wish more people would volunteer to share the burden. Just ask how you can help, and if you cannot take an active role, be supportive of your town officials.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chet Broughton, Chair  
Tony van Werkhoven, Clerk  
Steve Jemiolo, Member

**REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR**

**MOTOR VEHICLE Y-T-D- TOTAL REPORT**  
Total Represent Posting Activity to 6/30/2006

Net Amounts	Debit	Credit	Outstanding Balance
Taxes	105,826.25	85,454.02	
Interest	1.49	1.49	
Abatements	0.00	1,487.29	
Exemptions	0.00	0.00	
Adjustments	0.00	0.00	
Credits	0.00	0.00	
Demand	0.00	0.00	
Warrant	0.00	0.00	
Other Charges	0.00	0.00	
Refunds Issued	72.75	0.00	
Refunds Poss.	0.75	0.00	
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>105,901.24</b>	<b>86,942.80</b>	<b>18,958.44</b>

**WATER/SEWER BILLING Y-T-D TOTAL REPORT**  
Total Represent Posting Activity to 6/30/2006

Net Amounts	Debit	Credit	Outstanding Balance
Taxes	337,462.95	266,218.73	
Interest	3,455.61	3,455.61	
Abatements	0.00	0.00	
Exemptions	0.00	0.00	
Adjustments	0.00	0.00	
Credits	0.00	0.00	
Demand	0.00	0.00	
Warrant	0.00	0.00	
Other Charges	35.00	35.00	
Refunds Issued	0.00	0.00	
Refunds Possible	42.82	0.00	
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>340,996.38</b>	<b>269,709.34</b>	<b>71,287.04</b>

**PERSONAL PROPERTY Y-T-D TOTAL REPORT**  
Total Represent Posting Activity to 6/30/2006

Net Amount	Debit	Credits	Outstanding Balance
Taxes	95,961.50	85,482.85	
Interest	12.15	12.15	
Abatements	0.00	3,202.	
Exemptions	0.00	0.00	
Adjustments	0.00	0.00	
Credits	0.00	0.00	
Demand	0.00	0.00	
Warrant	0.00	0.00	
Other Charges	0.00	0.00	
Refunds Issued	0.00	0.00	
Refunds Possible	183.00	0.00	
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>96,156.65</b>	<b>88,697.00</b>	<b>7,459.65</b>

**REAL ESTATE Y-T-D TOTAL REPORT**  
Total Represent Posting Activity to 6/30/2006

Net Amount	Debit	Credit	Outstanding Balance
Taxes	1,368,062.02	1,255,171.36	
Interest	3,798.56	3,798.56	
Beferments/liens	28,590.89	15,129.08	
Committed Int.	2,790.02	1,438.28	
Abatements	0.00	28,482.35	
Exemptions	0.00	8,950.	
Adjustments	0.00	0.00	
Credits	0.00	0.00	
Demand	0.00	0.00	
Warrant	0.00	0.00	
Other Charges	45.00	45.00	
Refunds Issued	21,378.00	0.00	
Refunds Possible	13,608.11	0.00	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,438,272.60</b>	<b>1,313,014.63</b>	<b>125,257.97</b>

PERSONAL FARM ANIMAL Y-T-D TOTAL REPORT  
Total Represent Posting Activity to 6/30/2006

Net Amount	Debit	Credits	Outstanding Balance
Taxes	1,601.00	1,300.65	
Interest	0.00	0.00	
Abatements	0.00	352.55	
Exemptions	0.00	0.00	
Adjustments	0.00	0.00	
Credits	0.00	0.00	
Demand	0.00	0.00	
Warrant	0.00	0.00	
Other Charges	0.00	0.00	
Refunds Issued	0.00	0.00	
Refunds Possible	52.20	0.00	
Grand Totals	1,653.20	1,653.20	0.00

During calendar fiscal year 2006 the Collectors Office aggressively pursued collecting all forms of back taxes. The following are the totals collected for

Outstanding Real Estate	\$ 80,984.50
Outstanding Motor Vehicle:	\$ 42,635.33
Outstanding Personal Property	\$ 1,364.74
Outstanding Water	\$ 49,767.02
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$174,751.59</b>

Respectfully Submitted,

LeeAnn Thompson

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

04/18/07

Town of Blandford  
 GENERAL FUND FY2006  
 BALANCE SHEET

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ASSETS

Cash Unrestricted Checkng	603,182.28	
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Subtotal Cash		603,182.28
Personal Property Tax Receivable:	33,582.91	
Real Estate Tax Receivable:	265,536.82	
Allowance for Abatements:	-119,684.85	
Tax Titles and Possessions:	65,895.83	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Receivable:	55,324.46	
Boat Excise Tax Receivable:	-52.20	
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Subtotal Taxes		300,602.97
Departmental Receivables		471.29
Tax Possessions		52,053.20
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Total Assets		956,309.74
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LIABILITIES

Def Rev Real & Prop. Tax	-179,434.88	
Def Rev Tax Liens	-65,895.83	
Def Rev Tax Foreclosures	-52,053.20	
Def Rev Motor Vehicle Ex	-55,324.46	
Def Rev Departmental	-471.29	
Def Rev Farm Animal	52.20	
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Subtotal Liabilities		-353,127.46
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FUND BALANCE

FB Res for Encumbrances	-55,594.39	
FB Undesignated Fund Bal	-480,726.83	
FB Unres Approp Deficits	11,232.10	
FB Res. for Snow & Ice	12,808.34	
F/B RESERVED FOR SCH DEBT	-90,901.50	
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Subtotal Fund Balance		-603,182.28
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Total Liabilities/Fund Balance		-956,309.74
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Town of Blandford  
OTHER FUNDS FY2006  
BALANCE SHEET

## FUND 22

## ASSETS

Cash	271,774.11
Water Rates 2002	194.48
Water Rates 2003	1,951.79
Water Rates 2004	17,836.70
Water Rates 2005	14,338.85
Water Rates 2006	71,254.52
Water Liens - 2001	1,926.83
Water Liens - 2002	853.01
Water Liens - 2004	3,117.55
Water Liens - 2005	10,793.59
Water Liens - 2006	14,353.10
Total Assets	408,394.53

## LIABILITIES

WD COLLECTOR'S FEES	-1,054.57
Def Revenue Water Rates	-105,576.34
Def Revenue Water Liens	-31,044.08
Subtotal Liabilities	-137,674.99

## FUND BALANCE

FB Undesignated	-270,719.54
Subtotal Fund Balance	-270,719.54
Total Liabilities/Fund Balance	-408,394.53

## FUND 23

## ASSETS

Pooled Cash	-274,004.35
Chapter 246B	134,903.00
Chapter 291	483,755.32
Chapter 291B	160,754.00
Total Assets	505,407.97

## LIABILITIES

Def Rev Highway	-779,412.32
Temporary Loan	-250,000.00
Subtotal Liabilities	-1,029,412.32

## FUND BALANCE

FB CHAPTER 246B	134,903.00
FB CHAPTER 291	389,101.35
Subtotal Fund Balance	524,004.35

Total Liabilities/Fund Balance	-505,407.97
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FUND 24	
ASSETS	
Pooled Cash	-137,701.85
Total Assets	-137,701.85
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FUND BALANCE	
Library Building	-560.78
FB FEMA Snow Grant	-8,621.22
FB Arts Council	-2,404.77
FB Sale of Lots	-9,654.49
EOCD SEPTIC	-35,013.89
FB State Aid to Libraries	-10,491.54
FB Council on Aging	-6,388.33
FB Friends of Library	-87.16
FB Bequeath C. Keene	-2,199.51
FB Wetland Protection	-1,258.27
FB Conservation Fund	-987.50
FIRE SAFETY GRANT FUND BA	-151.40
FB EXTENDED POLLING HRS	-72.00
FB OPEN SPACE GRANT	-500.00
FB Comm. Policing Grant	-27,632.89
TRUST OF RESERV HIST GRNT	-217.50
FB FIRE DEPT REVOLVING	-2,456.90
KNITTEL PURCHASE	246,400.00
Subtotal Fund Balance	137,701.85
Total Liabilities/Fund Balance	137,701.85
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FUND 31	
ASSETS	
CASH WATER IMPROV.PROJECT	12,381.43
Total Assets	12,381.43
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LIABILITIES	
TEMPORARY LOAN	-1,300,000.00
Subtotal Liabilities	-1,300,000.00
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FUND BALANCE	
FB WATER IMP.CAPITAL PROJ	1,287,618.57
Subtotal Fund Balance	1,287,618.57
Total Liabilities/Fund Balance	-12,381.43
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FUND 82	
ASSETS	
Cash Trust Funds	261,399.95

Utley Library Investments	2,604.59
Total Assets	----- 264,004.54 =====
FUND BALANCE	
FB Exp. Cemetery 1 & 2	-198.01
FB Exp. Soenburger Cem.	-1,662.02
FB Exp. Susan Tiffany Cem	-31,811.82
FB Cemetery Care	-959.66
FB Utley Library	-5,704.85
FB Exp. Taggart School	-2,676.39
FB Nye School	-6,164.53
FB Exp. Watson School	-3,037.43
FB Exp. Electa-Watson	-19,603.04
FB Exp. Arms Bicentennial	-34,906.17
Exp. Watson Dean Park	-25,302.74
FB Stabilization	-127,820.03
FB Exp. Library Building	-2,918.00
FB Exp Lot Sale Perp Care	-1,239.85
Subtotal Fund Balance	----- -264,004.54 -----
Total Liabilities/Fund Balance	----- -264,004.54 =====
FUND 83	
ASSETS	
Trust Fund Cash Non-Exp.	35,490.25
Trust Fund Investments	502,563.44
Total Assets	----- 538,053.69 =====
FUND BALANCE	
Nonexp. Arms Bicentennial	-14,500.00
Nonexp. Watson Dean Park	-214,434.12
FB Nonexp. Cemetery 1&2	-10,550.00
FB Nonexp. Soenburger Cem	-2,500.00
FB Nonexp. Susan Tiffany	-228,559.43
FB Nonexp. Cemetery Care	-7,452.00
FB 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	-32,042.53
FB Nonexp Lot Sales PCare	-7,975.00
Subtotal Fund Balance	----- -538,053.69 -----
Total Liabilities/Fund Balance	----- -538,053.69 =====
FUND 89	
ASSETS	
Pooled Cash	8,785.48
Total Assets	----- 8,785.48 =====

LIABILITIES

MV REG MARK FEES	-1,540.00
Deputy Collector's Fees	-1,406.00
Collector's Fees	502.98
Town Clerk's Fees	-215.21
Police Dept Firearms Fund	-1,275.00
Conservation Fees	-20.00
Federal Withhold.	-1,705.00
FICA Withhold.	-1,260.58
State Withhold.	-1,095.41
Retirement Withhld.	-1,064.59
Grp. Ins. Withhld.	305.33
Other Payroll With.	-12.00
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Subtotal Liabilities	-8,785.48
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Total Liabilities/Fund Balance	-8,785.48
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FUND 90

ASSETS

LOANS AUTHORIZED	4,447,861.05
LOANS AUTHORIZED & UNISSU	-4,447,861.05
Amounts to be provided	2,686,805.21
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Total Assets	2,686,805.21
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LIABILITIES

LANDFILL CAP BOND PAYABLE	-187,200.00
WATER BON PAYABLE	-2,499,605.21
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Subtotal Liabilities	-2,686,805.21
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Total Liabilities/Fund Balance	-2,686,805.21
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Expense Category / Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance	% Exp
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>							
Moderator's Salary 015114-000		46.00		46.00	46.00		100
Selectmen's Salaries 015122-000		4,326.00		4,326.00	3,875.34	450.66	90
Selectmen's Secretary 015122-001		6,180.00		6,180.00	6,180.00		100
Selectmen's Expense 015122-002		1,800.00	( 731.50)	1,068.50	549.43	519.07	51
Finance Committee 015131-000		245.00		245.00	115.00	130.00	47
Reserve Account 015132-000			10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00		100
Town Accountant Salary 015135-000		8,640.00		8,640.00	8,640.00		100
Town Accountant's Expe 015135-001		1,330.00		1,330.00	1,053.52	276.48	79
Town Accountants Compu 015135-002			2,500.00	2,500.00	2,243.82	256.18	90
Assessor's Salaries 015141-000		3,801.00		3,801.00	2,955.33	845.67	78
Assessor's Expense 015141-001		5,000.00		5,000.00	3,340.46	1,659.54	67
Assessor's Clerk Salar 015141-002		10,659.00		10,659.00	9,220.00	1,439.00	86
Assessors Salary FY05 015141-999			200.00	200.00	200.00		100
Assessors Contract Ser 015142-000		19,500.00		19,500.00	18,500.00	1,000.00	95
Treasurer's Salary 015145-000		7,387.00		7,387.00	7,387.00		100
Treasurer's Clerk 015145-001		794.00		794.00	711.00	83.00	90
Treasurer's Expense 015145-002		2,203.00		2,203.00	2,060.23	142.77	94
Tax Title Legal Fees 015145-005		10,250.00	( 9,500.00)	750.00	300.00	450.00	40
Tax Collector's Salary 015146-000		12,270.00		12,270.00	12,270.00		100
Tax Collector's Expens 015146-001		12,000.00		12,000.00	8,975.10	3,024.90	75
TC TAX TITLE PURPOSES 015146-003		9,300.00		9,300.00		9,300.00	0
Town Counsel 015151-000		10,000.00	9,500.00	19,500.00	18,361.94	1,138.06	94
Town Clerk's Salary 015161-000		3,090.00		3,090.00	3,090.00		100
Town Clerk's Expense 015161-001		769.00		769.00	487.91	281.09	63
Street & Dog List Sala 015161-002		489.00		489.00	489.00		100
Street & Dog List Expe 015161-003		256.00		256.00	256.00		100
Vital Statistics Salar 015161-004		26.00		26.00	26.00		100
Election & Registratio 015162-000		1,486.00		1,486.00	411.20	1,074.80	28
Bd of Registrars Salar 015163-000		51.00		51.00	51.00		100
Conservation Commissio 015171-000		1,600.00		1,600.00	1,478.38	121.62	92
Conservation Maps 015173-000		250.00		250.00		250.00	0
Planning Board 015175-000		320.00		320.00	251.45	68.55	79
Zoning Board of Appeal 015176-000		350.00		350.00	225.93	124.07	65
Town Office Expense 015192-000		8,815.00		8,815.00	8,053.67	761.33	91
Town Insurance 015192-009		27,000.00		27,000.00	25,297.00	1,703.00	94
Town Reports Salary 015195-000		592.00		592.00	592.00		100
Town Reports Expenses 015195-001		700.00		700.00	304.97	395.03	44
TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN EX 015195-002		1,500.00		1,500.00	60.00	1,440.00	4
Audit - Town Records 015199-000		14,000.00		14,000.00	13,840.00	160.00	99
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TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	0.00	187,025.00	11,968.50	198,993.50	171,898.68	27,094.82	86
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<u>PROTECT. PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</u>							
Police Salaries 015210-000		5,173.00		5,173.00	4,861.25	311.75	94
Police Expense 015210-001		2,051.00		2,051.00	308.32	1,742.68	15
Cruiser Maintenance 015210-002		1,000.00		1,000.00	103.99	896.01	10
Police Dept. Utilities 015210-003		675.00		675.00	159.91	515.09	24

Town of Blandford  
FY2006 Expense Report (All Entries) - General Fund

Expense Category / Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance	% Exp
Police Fair Duty 015211-000		950.00		950.00		950.00	0
Police Dept. Court Tim 015211-001		500.00		500.00		500.00	0
Fire Chief Salary 015220-000		1,030.00	( 1,029.00)	1.00		1.00	0
Forest Warden Salary 015220-002		515.00	( 514.00)	1.00		1.00	0
Fire Dept. Utilities 015220-003		4,500.00	1,543.00	6,043.00	6,043.00		100
Fire Dept. Maint/Repai 015220-004		6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00		100
Radio Maintenance 015220-005		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		100
Dispatch 911 015220-007		4,500.00		4,500.00	4,500.00		100
Fire Training/Supplies 015220-008		8,625.00		8,625.00	8,625.00		100
Fire Gas/Oil 015220-009		1,000.00		1,000.00	980.74	19.26	98
ENCUMB. FIRE DEPT 015220-999	615.24			615.24	615.24		100
Hilltown Comm. Ambulan 015231-000		10,212.00		10,212.00	10,212.24	( 0.24)	100
Building Insp. Salary 015241-000		1,236.00		1,236.00	618.00	618.00	50
Building Insp. Fees 015241-001		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,052.29	447.71	70
Plumbing Insp Salary 015243-000		51.00		51.00	51.00		100
Plumbing Insp Fees 015243-001		750.00		750.00	670.10	79.90	89
Electrical Insp Salary 015245-000		51.00		51.00	51.00		100
Electrical Insp Fees 015245-001		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,090.00	410.00	73
Inspector of Animals 015249-010		500.00		500.00	500.00		100
Emergency Management 015291-000		100.00		100.00	100.00		100
Dog Officer Salary 015292-000		772.00		772.00	750.00	22.00	97
Dog Officer Expense 015292-003		200.00		200.00	168.00	32.00	84
Tree Warden Salary 015294-000		1,030.00		1,030.00	1,030.00		100
Tree Warden Expense 015294-001		400.00		400.00	393.85	6.15	98
Tree Warden Outside Sv 015294-002		8,000.00		8,000.00	7,987.50	12.50	100
<b>TOTAL PROTECT. PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</b>	<b>615.24</b>	<b>63,821.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>64,436.24</b>	<b>57,871.43</b>	<b>6,564.81</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>EDUCATION</b>							
GATEWAY REG SCHOOL DIS 015300-000		1,311,735.00	( 67,242.00)	1,244,493.00	1,205,505.71	38,987.29	97
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION 015301-000		74,610.00	( 7,758.00)	66,852.00	58,648.86	8,203.14	88
<b>TOTAL EDUCATION</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,386,345.00</b>	<b>( 75,000.00)</b>	<b>1,311,345.00</b>	<b>1,264,154.57</b>	<b>47,190.43</b>	<b>96</b>
<b>PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES</b>							
Highway Salaries 015422-000		87,375.00	3,845.25	91,220.25	91,219.88	0.37	100
Highway Overtime Salar 015422-001		3,280.00	1,449.75	4,729.75	4,729.75		100
Highway Expenses 015422-002		( 20,000.00)	44,705.00	24,705.00	24,705.00		100
Highway Utilities 015422-003		8,550.00		8,550.00	8,550.00		100
Hwy Equipment/Maint 015422-004		20,000.00	30,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00		100
Salt & Sand 015422-005		25,000.00		25,000.00	36,742.00	( 11,742.00)	147
Highway Gas & Oil 015422-006		15,000.00		15,000.00	19,660.24	( 4,660.24)	131
Road Maintenance 015422-007		20,000.00		20,000.00	20,000.00		100
Highway P/T Salaries 015422-008		5,000.00		5,000.00	1,036.50	3,963.50	21
Snow & Ice Labor 015422-011		20,000.00	4,000.00	24,000.00	25,066.34	( 1,066.34)	104
Highway Building 015422-016		500.00		500.00	500.00		100
Street Lights 015424-000		3,500.00	549.40	4,049.40	4,049.40		100
Transfer Station Salar 015433-000		5,374.00	956.67	6,330.67	6,330.67		100

Expense Category / Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance	% Exp
Cartage/Tipping 015433-001		34,000.00	20,043.33	54,043.33	47,687.26	6,356.07	88
Transfer St Expenses 015433-002		3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00		100
Transfer St Utilities 015433-004		2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		100
Hazardous Waste 015433-005		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		100
Transfer St Gen. Maint 015439-000		1,000.00		1,000.00	917.08	82.92	92
Cemetery Commission 015491-000		2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00		100
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>237,079.00</b>	<b>105,549.40</b>	<b>342,628.40</b>	<b>349,694.12</b>	<b>( 7,065.72)</b>	<b>102</b>
<b>HUMAN SERVICES</b>							
Board of Health Salari 015510-000		1,637.00		1,637.00	1,637.00		100
Bd of Health Sec. Sala 015510-001		2,638.00		2,638.00	2,291.67	346.33	87
BOH Contracted Service 015510-002		950.00	8,175.00	9,125.00	8,820.82	304.18	97
BOH Expenses 015510-003		1,050.00		1,050.00	1,050.00		100
Perc Tests 015510-004		1,500.00		1,500.00	825.00	675.00	55
Lee Visiting Nurses 015522-000		3,700.00		3,700.00	3,700.00		100
Council on Aging Serv. 015541-000		1,100.00		1,100.00	371.62	728.38	34
Council on Aging Expen 015541-001		500.00		500.00	381.56	118.44	76
Veterans Administratio 015543-000		300.00		300.00	300.00		100
Veteran's Benefits 015543-001		300.00		300.00	75.00	225.00	25
Memorial Day 015543-004		600.00		600.00	600.00		100
<b>TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>14,275.00</b>	<b>8,175.00</b>	<b>22,450.00</b>	<b>20,052.67</b>	<b>2,397.33</b>	<b>89</b>
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>							
Library Salaries 015610-000		19,010.00		19,010.00	19,694.00	( 684.00)	104
Library Expenses 015610-001		2,996.00		2,996.00	2,884.54	111.46	96
Library Outside Svcs. 015610-002		2,500.00		2,500.00	185.00	2,315.00	7
Library Utilities 015610-003		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,723.43	276.57	91
Library Books & Videos 015610-004		7,889.00		7,889.00	7,295.63	593.37	92
LIBRARY EXP. ENCUMBERE 015610-999	400.00			400.00	400.00		100
Park & Recreation 015630-000		500.00		500.00	64.02	435.98	13
Town Common 015650-000		300.00		300.00	300.00		100
Historical Commission 015651-000		750.00		750.00	765.76	( 15.76)	102
ENCUMBER HISTORICAL CO 015651-999	467.30			467.30	467.30		100
<b>TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>	<b>867.30</b>	<b>36,945.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>37,812.30</b>	<b>34,779.68</b>	<b>3,032.62</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>							
Long Term Debt Interes 015751-000		22,157.00		22,157.00	21,847.80	309.20	99
Temporary Loan Interes 015752-000					5,871.86	( 5,871.86)	0
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>22,157.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>22,157.00</b>	<b>27,719.66</b>	<b>( 5,562.66)</b>	<b>125</b>
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENSES</b>							
St Assmnt MV Ex Tax Bi 015821-000		600.00		600.00	180.00	420.00	30
St Assmnt Air Pollutio 015822-000		285.00		285.00	285.00		100
PIONEER PLANNING COMM 015823-000			182.10	182.10	182.10		100

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Expense Category / Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance	% Exp
St. Assmt. Reg. Transi 015835-000		1,546.00		1,546.00	1,546.00		100
STRAP REPAY 015840-000		7,574.00		7,574.00	7,574.00		100
<b>TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>10,005.00</b>	<b>182.10</b>	<b>10,187.10</b>	<b>9,767.10</b>	<b>420.00</b>	<b>96</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES</b>							
Misc. Exp. 015902-000			13,478.67	13,478.67	13,478.67		100
Hampden County Retirem 015911-000		21,685.00		21,685.00	21,685.00		100
Worker's Compensation 015912-000		6,000.00		6,000.00	1,691.00	4,309.00	28
Unemployment Compensat 015913-000		500.00		500.00	272.00	228.00	54
Group Insurance 015914-000		38,000.00		38,000.00	31,353.77	6,646.23	83
FICA - Town Share 015919-000		14,000.00		14,000.00	11,187.44	2,812.56	80
<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>80,185.00</b>	<b>13,478.67</b>	<b>93,663.67</b>	<b>79,667.88</b>	<b>13,995.79</b>	<b>85</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>1,482.54</b>	<b>2,037,837.00</b>	<b>64,353.67</b>	<b>2,103,673.21</b>	<b>2,015,605.79</b>	<b>88,067.42</b>	<b>96</b>

Fund Number / Expense Account	Previous Year's Balance	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Actual Expended	Balance
<b>FUND 22</b>						
Water Dept Supt Salary 225450-000		27,000.00		27,000.00	27,000.00	
Water Dept Clerk 225450-001		4,000.00		4,000.00	4,000.00	
Water Dept Utilities 225450-002		9,500.00		9,500.00	9,500.00	
Water Dept Chemicals 225450-004		14,000.00	( 7,000.00)	7,000.00	6,644.94	355.06
Water Dept Breaks 225450-005			33,000.00	33,000.00	22,869.18	10,130.82
Water Dept Testing 225450-006		10,000.00		10,000.00	9,399.43	600.57
Water Dept System Upgrade 225450-007		30,000.00		30,000.00	30,000.00	
Water Dept Loan 225450-008		8,402.00		8,402.00	8,402.00	
Water Dept. Expenses 225450-010		4,000.00		4,000.00	4,000.00	
Water Dept. Secr. Salary 225450-011		6,000.00	700.00	6,700.00	6,699.82	0.18
Software/Support 225450-015		1,500.00	1,000.00	2,500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
Water Commissioner Salary 225450-017		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,583.34	416.66
Water Education & Train. 225450-018		2,000.00	( 1,000.00)	1,000.00	600.00	400.00
Water Dept. Supplies 225450-019		1,000.00		1,000.00	692.05	307.95
Water Dept. Other Labor 225450-020		2,000.00		2,000.00		2,000.00
Water Dept. Audit 225450-021			2,500.00	2,500.00		2,500.00
Water Dept Pump Station 225450-023			47,479.00	47,479.00	32,843.62	14,635.38
Water Proj Short Term Int 225460-000		32,000.00		32,000.00		32,000.00
WATER PROJ LOAN PHASE ONE 225470-000		82,000.00		82,000.00	81,581.43	418.57
WATER LOAN PHASE TWO 225480-000		70,698.00		70,698.00	70,698.00	
<b>TOTAL FUND 22:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>307,100.00</b>	<b>76,679.00</b>	<b>383,779.00</b>	<b>319,013.81</b>	<b>64,765.19</b>
<b>FUND 24</b>						
<b>TOTAL FUND 24:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>FUND 31</b>						
WATER ENG.SERV.PHASE I 315110-101	2,831,929.52		1,600,000.00	4,431,929.52		4,431,929.52
WATER ENG.SERV.PHASE 2 315110-201					850,014.89	( 850,014.89)
WATER ENG. SERV. PHASE 3 315110-301					1,251,031.26	(1,251,031.26)
<b>TOTAL FUND 31:</b>	<b>2,831,929.52</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,600,000.00</b>	<b>4,431,929.52</b>	<b>2,101,046.15</b>	<b>2,330,883.37</b>
<b>TTL OTHER FUND EXPENSES:</b>	<b>2,831,929.52</b>	<b>307,100.00</b>	<b>1,676,679.00</b>	<b>4,815,708.52</b>	<b>2,420,059.96</b>	<b>2,395,648.56</b>

Revenue Category / Account	Estimated Revenue	Revenue Revisions	Revised Estimated Rev.	Actual Revenue	Balance	% Rec
<u>TAXES and EXCISES</u>						
Personal Property Taxes (01-4-110-000)				87,001.89	( 87,001.89)	0
Real Estate Taxes (01-4-120-000)				1,318,764.51	( 1,318,764.51)	0
Motor Vehicle Excise (01-4-150-000)				124,919.67	( 124,919.67)	0
Penalty & Int. on Taxes (01-4-171-000)				34,220.77	( 34,220.77)	0
Penalty & Int. Excise (01-4-172-000)				1,967.77	( 1,967.77)	0
Penalty & Int Tax liens (01-4-173-000)				699.54	( 699.54)	0
In Lieu of Taxes (01-4-180-000)				125,025.06	( 125,025.06)	0
<b>TOTAL TAXES and EXCISES:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,692,599.21</b>	<b>( 1,692,599.21)</b>	<b>0</b>
<u>DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE</u>						
Fees - Fire Dept. (01-4-321-000)				2,225.00	( 2,225.00)	0
Fees - Assessors (01-4-323-000)				41.00	( 41.00)	0
Fees - Dump Stickers (01-4-324-000)				31,910.00	( 31,910.00)	0
Fees - Health Board (01-4-325-000)				9,331.13	( 9,331.13)	0
Fees - Planning Board (01-4-327-000)				707.50	( 707.50)	0
Fees - Conservation Comm. (01-4-328-000)				350.50	( 350.50)	0
Fees - Town Clerk (01-4-329-000)				919.00	( 919.00)	0
Fees - Zoning Board (01-4-330-000)				300.00	( 300.00)	0
Police Revolving Surcharg (01-4-331-000)				3,450.00	( 3,450.00)	0
Rentals (01-4-360-000)				10,685.46	( 10,685.46)	0
Other Departmental Rev. (01-4-370-000)				347.95	( 347.95)	0
Licenses - Liquor (01-4-410-000)				750.00	( 750.00)	0
Permits - Building Dept. (01-4-450-000)				4,899.75	( 4,899.75)	0
Permits - Police Dept. (01-4-451-000)				2,050.00	( 2,050.00)	0
Permits - Plumbing (01-4-452-000)				1,572.84	( 1,572.84)	0
Permits - Wiring (01-4-453-000)				1,960.00	( 1,960.00)	0
<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>71,500.13</b>	<b>( 71,500.13)</b>	<b>0</b>
<u>STATE REVENUE</u>						
Abatements Vets, Blind, S.S (01-4-615-000)	1,150.00		1,150.00	1,225.00	( 75.00)	107
Abatements to the Elderly (01-4-616-000)	2,514.00		2,514.00	2,518.00	( 4.00)	100
Lottery Aid (01-4-661-000)	121,104.00		121,104.00	121,104.00		100
Chapter 70 School Aid (01-4-662-000)	34,879.00		34,879.00	34,879.00		100
CS STATE OWNED LAND (01-4-664-000)	8,757.00		8,757.00	8,992.00	( 235.00)	103
Assessment School Choice (01-4-665-000)				( 5,000.00)	5,000.00	0
<b>TOTAL STATE REVENUE:</b>	<b>168,404.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>168,404.00</b>	<b>163,718.00</b>	<b>4,686.00</b>	<b>97</b>
<u>OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV</u>						
Fines - District Court (01-4-771-000)				7,859.14	( 7,859.14)	0
<b>TOTAL OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL REV:</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>7,859.14</b>	<b>( 7,859.14)</b>	<b>0</b>
<u>MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES</u>						
Earnings of Investments (01-4-820-000)				15,436.49	( 15,436.49)	0

Revenue Category / Account	Estimated Revenue	Revenue Revisions	Revised Estimated Rev.	Actual Revenue	Balance	% Rec
Miscellaneous Revenue (01-4-840-000)				9,947.88	( 9,947.88)	0
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES:	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,384.37	( 25,384.37)	0
TOTAL REVENUES:	168,404.00	0.00	168,404.00	1,961,060.85	( 1,792,656.85)***	

Town of Blandford  
 FY2006 Revenue Report (All Entries) - Other Funds

Fund Number / Revenue Account	Estimated Revenue	Revenue Revisions	Revised Estimated Rev.	Actual Revenue	Balance
<u>FUND 22</u>					
Water Rates (22-4-120-000)				318,001.08	( 318,001.08)
Penalty & Int. on Water (22-4-170-000)				12,747.86	( 12,747.86)
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS (22-4-820-000)				2,426.33	( 2,426.33)
Misc. Revenue (22-4-840-000)				2,291.00	( 2,291.00)
TOTAL FUND 22:	0.00	0.00	0.00	335,466.27	( 335,466.27)
<u>FUND 24</u>					
State Aid to Libraries (24-4-005-000)	2,367.00		2,367.00		2,367.00
TOTAL FUND 24:	2,367.00	0.00	2,367.00	0.00	2,367.00
<u>FUND 31</u>					
TOTAL FUND 31:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<u>FUND 82</u>					
TOTAL FUND 82:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TTL OTHER FUND BALANCES:	2,367.00	0.00	2,367.00	335,466.27	( 333,099.27)



**REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK**

The following is the birth, deaths and marriages for Blandford in 2006.

**Births:**

February 9	Daughter to Jason & Heather Savage
March 20	Daughter to Benjamin & Kimberly Surprise
March 22	Daughter to Scott & Cara Loomis
July 23	Daughter to James & Latoya LaFleur
November 19	Daughter to Florentino & Tracy Vazquez
December 27	Daughter to Thomas & Lisa Agan

**Deaths:**

January 15	Paulita Stebbins, age 90
January 26	Ronald J. Cinq-Mars, age 41
October 3	William Thomas Whitman, Jr., age 67
October 6	Grace Idora Anable, age 83

**Marriages:**

June 11	Ronald Clifford Brown, Jr. to Karyn Elizabeth Irish
September 30	Robert Eugene Dickinson to Maureen Elizabeth Scagni
October 14	Justin Andrew Hamel to Jennifer Jeanne Feldman
December 31	Jonathan Lee Mayotte to Christine Louise Lapierre

The total population in Blandford as of December 31, 2006 was 1213. This consists of 721 active voters, 129 inactive voters, and 363 non voters.

Respectfully submitted,  
Staci Iglesias

## REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

CASH ON HAND 07-01-2005	\$	456,570.48	PAYMENTS 7/1/05-6/30/06	\$6,975,929.64
RECEIPTS FY 2006		6,690,942.56	CASH ON HAND 06-30-06	171,683.40

### TOWN DEBT

WATER LOAN for CONSTRUCTION OF CHLORINE CT REACTION PIPE  
 FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION BOND \$129,000.00 @4.875% FOR 29 YEARS  
 PAYMENT #12 DUE FY 2008 PRINCIPAL \$3,567.32 INTEREST \$4,834.68

LANDFILL CAP-\$249,600 FINANCED BY STATE HOUSE NOTES FOR 24 YEARS BEGINNING FY2001@ 5.95%  
 INTEREST DUE FY 2008 \$10,519.60 -- PRINCIPAL REDUCTION \$10,400.00

#### WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

- APPROVED AMOUNT AT TOWN MEETING \$6,531,060. ADDITIONAL AMOUNT APPROVED 1,600,000
- RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS RECEIVED AT THIS TIME \$2,757,937.00.

- AS OF 4/10/07 TWO SHORT TERM BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES HAVE BEEN ISSUED IN FY 2007  
 \$1,300,000 @ 3.83% TOTAL INTEREST PAID \$9,681.39  
 \$ 882,000 @ 3.85 % TOTAL INTEREST DUE \$9,809.80

- PERMANENT BOND FOR PHASE 1, GRANTED BY RURAL DEVELOPMENT \$1,183,803 @ 4.375% FOR 38 YEARS  
 FOURTH PAYMENT DUE 6/8/2008 \$47,702.55 INTEREST, \$31,153.00 PRINCIPAL

PERMANENT BOND FOR PHASE 2 GRANTED BY RURAL DEVELOPMENT \$1,288,697 @ 4.5% FOR 39 YEARS  
 THIRD PAYMENT DUE 12/16/07 \$13,875.96 PRINCIPAL, \$56,822.04 INTEREST

PERMANENT BOND FOR PHASE 3 GRANTED BY RURAL DEVELOPMENT \$1,300,623 @ 4.375% FOR 38 YEARS  
 FIRST PAYMENT DUE 8/27/07 \$13,201.74 PRINCIPAL, \$56,902.26 INTEREST

### SECURITIES, TRUST FUNDS AND OTHER FUNDS

Library Building Fund	4,567.76	Taggart School Fund	7,662.34
Robert A. Arms Bicentennial Park Fund	49,559.92	Watson School Fund	4,351.58
Susan Tiffany Stock Dividend Fund	62,381.98	Nye School Fund	7,164.53
Electa Watson Stock Dividend Fund	22,094.04	Somberger Cemetery Fund	1,672.14
Watson Park Dividend Fund	27,529.95	Stabilization Fund	117,794.87
Cemetery 1 & 2 Fund	998.49	Cemetery Care Fund	967.95
Water Department Enterprise Fund	283,278.53	Lot Sale Perpetual Care Fund	1,132.70
Septic Repair Grant Fund	35,013.89		
Wallace Dean Watson Fund - Fleet Bank, Trustees Book Value as of 6/30/05			214,434.12
Utlely Library Fund - In Custody of Library Trustees			

**SECURITIES, TRUSTS AND OTHER FUNDS**

**CEMETARY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS:**

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DEPOSIT</u>
Sarah Shepard	100.00
Frank Terrel	100.00
O.B. Brockett & Maria Knox	100.00
C. Hall, Henry or H.C. Moore	150.00
Susan & Belle Tiffany	1,000.00
James Babb	102.00
Maria Sennet	100.00
Lester Moore	100.00
Sylvester Peebles	100.00
Noah Nye	100.00
Alman W. Lloyd	500.00
John B. Riley	100.00
William Bates	100.00
Elisha Walker Shepard	1,000.00
Seymour Babb	100.00
Wallace Heady	100.00
Franklin J. Hall	100.00
George B.S. Lloyd	100.00
Lester W. Lloyd	50.00
Grace E. Raymond	100.00
Dennison Loomis	100.00
Taggart Prentice	200.00
Fayette E. Sheldon	100.00
H.L. Hayden	300.00
Berta E. Cross	200.00
Albert D. Snow	50.00
Winfield D. Healy	150.00
Nora Babb	100.00
C.R. Ripley	200.00
Mordecai Babb	300.00
C.W. Bates	100.00
Anna M. Hiland	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Weed	50.00
M.D. & B.T. Sornborger	300.00
Charles W. Shepard	100.00
Achsah Shepard	100.00
Frank B. Cook	100.00
Percy Richard	100.00
William Keene	100.00
Leslie A. & Anna S. Miller	200.00
Charles D. & Barbara R. Wilson	100.00
Benjamin Scott	150.00
<b>Total (Cemetery Care)</b>	<b>\$ 7,602.00</b>

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DEPOSIT</u>
Camilla A. Tiffany	1,000.00
Julette Lloyd	200.00
Henry Blair	100.00
Electa B. Watson	1,000.00
George D. Lloyd	100.00
Percy Shurtleff	50.00
Edna Lloyd	500.00
Hattie Herrick Brockett	100.00
Katherine Loomis Keene	100.00
Anna & Amos Loomis, Sr.	100.00
Frederick Ebel	100.00
Jackson & Robert Kraushar	200.00
Irving Bryan	100.00
Sven & Mae Anderson	200.00
Vernon & Florence Bodurtha	200.00
Howard & Christine Wyman	100.00
North Blandford Old Home Day and Lorinda Gibbs	100.00
Mildred H. Mason	500.00
Harold G. & Hazel I. Wyman	300.00
Mr. & Mrs. Howard Waite	300.00
Ester & David Ripley	100.00
Mark B. Cloutier	200.00
Pauline S. Kuznicki	100.00
Sarah H. Robbins	100.00
Harold Gibbs	500.00
Ernest C. & Ruby J. Wyman	250.00
Elwin W. & Ruth E. Wyman	250.00
Milton Ripley	500.00
Richard Robinson	500.00
John & Thelma Lathrop	200.00
Winifred Arms	<u>2,500.00</u>
<b>Total (Cemetery 1&amp;2)</b>	<b>\$10,550.00</b>
Mr. & Mrs. L.M. Sornborger	2,500.00
Susan B. Tiffany	1,826.00
Lot Sale Perpetual Care Principal	7,875.00

**ELECTA WATSON SCHOOL FUND-STOCKS:**

403	Shares AT&T (formerly SBC)
216	Shares Bellsouth Corporation
12	Shares Avaya
85	Shares Qwest
168	Shares Verizon
34	Shares AT&T
120	Shares Vodaphone
14	Shares NCR
152	Shares Lucent Technologies
1	Share Agere Class A
72	Shares Comcast (incl AT&T Wireless)

Value of Fund \$32,311.02  
(6/30/06)

**SUSAN TIFFANY CEMETARY FUND STOCKS:**

161	Shares AT&T (formerly SBC)
15	Shares AT&T
88	Shares Bellsouth
34	Shares Qwest
70	Shares Verizon
5	Shares Avaya
147	Shares J P Morgan Chase
112	Shares Pepco
160	Shares Dynergy
2304	Shares General Electric
1812	Shares Citicorp
115	Shares Dow
144	Shares Praxair (split)
50	Shares Vodaphone
68	Shares Lucent Technologies
32	Shares Comcast (incl AT&T Wireless)
102	Shares St. Paul/Travelers

Value of Fund \$202,933.25  
(6/30/06)

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne M. Holliday, Treasurer

Town of Blandford  
Report of Wages Paid  
January 1, 2006 - December 31, 2006

Employee Name	Amount paid
Albert L Flyte	3,463.03
Alyshia J Horvath	9,132.00
Anne M Holliday	8,369.50
Anthony J vanWerkhoven	1,000.00
Barry Ackley	126.50
Bernard J St. Martin	27,120.65
Bradley W Curry	36,480.82
Brenda L Blood	1,250.00
Bruce H Cooley	4,637.75
Charles E Harner	5,092.75
Chester E. Broughton, Jr.	1,647.96
Christopher W Rutola	80.00
Craig C Kowalczyk	120.00
Cynthia A. Montanaro	2,384.00
Darlene F Horne	916.67
David Hopson	46.00
Douglas W Emo	1,150.50
Edward G Forish	3,126.80
Edward J LaPlante	1,131.00
Elaine M Kelly	446.32
Eric R Munson, Jr.	325.00
Frances W Burkott	634.00
Heidi E Taberman	612.00
Jack L Hooper	295.00
Joanne Levakis	1,250.00
Joanne M Grybosh	9,140.00
John D Taudel	3,366.74
Juliana H Mueller	422.33
Karen M Clark	2,932.77
Katherine H Milford	3,090.00
Kathryn B Fletcher	878.80
Keith E Ackley	28,964.25
Kevin M Hennessey	60.00
Laura Lee Drouin-Bertram	832.00
Lee Ann Thompson	26,819.18
Mark R Boomsma	6,165.76
Mary E Martin	1,276.00
Mary J Place	10,776.00
Mary J Provost	704.25
Michael J Holmes	1,030.00
Michael Wojtk	3,297.00
Michele K Crane	692.00
Nathan J Kowalczyk	665.50
Nicole C Wood	120.00
Nicole M Geary	932.75
Pamela V Darrow	5,208.00
Patricia L Lucas	60.00
Richard Mazza	33.00
Richard P Bertram	714.67
Robert C Bolton, Jr.	4,335.50
Robert W. Gardner	1,431.00
Scott M King	320.00
Staci Iglesias	12,045.00
Stephen M Jemiolo	781.06
Tate A. Walker	35,753.11
Thomas A Lagodich	800.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>274,484.92</b>

## REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

The Blandford Water Department has dealt with numerous challenges this year. Most pressing was the setting of water rates. Both water and non-water users have expressed concerns over the future trend of rates after the Filtration Plant goes on line. The Commissioners have had several meetings with DEP and Rural Development as well as various agencies familiar with setting water rates and our system in particular.

As a result, we have developed a dual rate based on the debt charge for the project and actual usage. Since the debt associated with the project represents the bulk of the rate we have appropriated 70% of the debt to the primary user, The Massachusetts Turnpike Authority. This determination was made with the assistance of DEP and Tighe & Bond, the engineering firm that designed the project and determined the percentage of the project directly attributable to the MTA.

In addition we have a surplus of free cash that can be used to finance our priority of replacing the remaining old pipes on the system. This will provide those users with a superior quality of water. In fact when the new plant goes on line May 30 we anticipate the water to be of the highest quality and a vast improvement over the current system.

In order to facilitate the meter reading, we are installing radio sensors which will allow the reading to be taken at the road. This will be far more convenient for the homeowner and more cost-effective for the department.

In summary, we have established an efficient, cost conscious department that is responding to the concerns of the town. We appreciate the patience and support the water users have shown us during this time of transition. Our expectations are that we will all enjoy excellent water at an affordable price.

Finally, we wish to thank Joan Levakis for her unwavering assistance on the board. She has been and will continue to be a source of support beyond her term of office.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Horne, Chairperson  
Rick Bertram, Member

## REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board granted two special permits for businesses. One for a concrete form business and one for a grain store.

The board granted one variance for a shed located less than the required 30 feet setback from the road.

An application by Omnipoint Communications T-Mobile for a special permit to locate a telecommunications facility at 19 Russell Stage Road was withdrawn without prejudice in July. This means that the application could be resubmitted at any time. The application was resubmitted in December 2006 with the outcome still pending because the weather prevented the balloon test.

Respectfully submitted,

Sumner Robbins  
Donald Brainerd  
James Konholm  
Bruce Cooley

Minutes of Special Town Meeting  
March 28, 2006

- Article 1: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$10,000 for the Reserve account  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 2: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$42,378.00 for FY05 line item deficits.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 3: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$9166.94 for Highway Chapter 113 deficit.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 4: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$11,408 for Highway Chapter 53A deficit.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 5: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$12,100 for Highway Chapter 235 deficit  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 6: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$11,573.49 for Highway Strap Grant deficit  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 7: To see if the Town will transfer from water department free cash a sum of \$24,795.02 for Mass Turnpike Grant deficit.  
Passed by majority vote.
- Article 8: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$74,499 to pay down the dump truck debt with was borrowed in 2002.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 9: To see if the Town will transfer from available funds a sum of \$60,000 to the Highway Department to purchase a new 1 ½ ton pickup/dump truck 4x4 diesel to replace the present 1999 F350 pickup.  
Failed by majority vote.
- Article 10: To see if the Town will transfer from water department free cash a sum of \$2,500 to the water department expenses to cover a FY04 single audit for the USDA water project.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 11: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$13,478.67 to cover payments for invoice not paid in FY05.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 12: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of no more than \$2,500 to cover the purchase of a new computer for the Town Accountant's new accounting software.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 13: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$8,175 to Board of Health expenses to cover the cost of the house demolition on Moreau Road.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 14: To see if the Town will transfer \$1,029.00 from Fire Chief Salary account to Fire Department expense.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 15: To see if the Town will transfer \$514.00 from Forest Warden Salary account to Fire Department expense.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 16: Too see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$200.00 to pay Assessors Salary for FY05.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 17: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$30,000 to Highway Department expenses.  
Passed by unanimous vote.

- Article 18: To see if the Town will transfer from free cash a sum of \$100,000 for the Stabilization account.  
Passed by unanimous vote.
- Article 19: To see if the Town will authorized the selectboard to sell or donate the old Canon copier.  
Passed by unanimous vote.

There being no further business to come before the meeting. Meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

**MINUTE OF MEETING**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**  
**COUNTY OF HAMPDEN, SS.**  
**TOWN OF BLANDFORD**  
May 1, 2006

- Article 1:* To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officials and act thereon.  
***PASSED BY UNAMINIOUS VOTE***
- 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 2007 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.  
***PASSED BY UNAMINIOUS VOTE***
- Article 3:* 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, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007, 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 UNAMINIOUS VOTE***
- Article 4:* To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds such sums of money (\$779,565) as may be necessary, to defray the expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007; or take any other action relative thereto.  
(See Proposed Departmental Budgets.)  
***PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE***
- Article 5:* To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Water Department Funds a sum of money (\$307,100) to operate the Water Department for the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007; or take any other action relative thereto.  
***PASSED BY UNAMINIOUS VOTE***
- Article 6:* To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, including a transfer from FY06 Gateway Regional School Dist. line item for \$38,987.29 and FY06 Vocational Education line item \$8,203.14 as appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting held on May 2, 2005, a sum of money (\$1,297,569.17) for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007  
***PASSED BY UNAMINIOUS VOTE***
- Article 7:* To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money (\$32,500) for the Vocational Education for the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and transfer from free cash \$17,000.  
***PASSED BY UNAMINIOUS VOTE***
- Article 8:* To see if the Town will vote to establish, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, a revolving fund for the Fire Department for the purpose of depositing receipts received in connection with inspections and fees received from the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority for the purpose of paying costs and expenses related to the purchase of gear, equipment, and building maintenance, said sum not to exceed \$10,000 in FY07, said amount to be expended at the direction of the Fire Chief.  
***PASSED BY UNAMINIOUS VOTE***

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Blandford Bylaws, Section IA. Which specifies the date for the Annual Town Meeting, by deleting the words, “Monday” and inserting in place thereof the words, “Saturday” so that the bylaw will read, “The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the first Saturday of May each year”, or take any other action relative thereto.  
*Failed by majority vote*

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Blandford Bylaws by adopting the following bylaw, or take any other action relative thereto:

Agricultural Commission

1. Mission:  
There shall be established an Agricultural Commission the mission of which shall be to:
  1. Represent the Town’s farming and forestry community;
  2. Encourage, promote and support the pursuit of farming and forestry in the Town both as a business and as a community resource.
  
2. Appointment:  
The Agricultural Commission shall consist of five members appointed by the Board of Selectmen. At least three of the members shall be actively engaged in agriculture. Two members shall be appointed for a term of three years; two members shall initially be appointed for a term of two years, and three thereafter; and one member shall initially be appointed for a term of one year, and three thereafter. Vacancies shall be filled by the (appointing committee) Board of Selectmen after consideration of the recommendations of the Agricultural Commission. Any member may be removed by the (appointing committee) Board of Selectmen for cause after a hearing.
  
3. Duties:  
The duties and responsibilities of the Commission shall include, but not be limited to:
  - 1 Serving as representatives, advocates, educators, facilitators and/or mediators on farming and forestry issues both within the Town and externally;
  - 2 Advising the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Board of Assessors, Board of Health and other Town boards, committees, and commissions on all matters pertaining to farming or forestry activities or lands in Town;
  - 3 Engaging in projects and activities, including educational programs and community events, to promote the business, activities and traditions of farming and forestry, as well as farm and forest land stewardship in Town;
  - 4 Developing warrant articles, policies and procedures advocating and promoting agriculture and forestry;
  - 5 Reporting to Town Meeting on its projects and activities on an annual basis.

*Passed by majority for the amendments*  
*Passed by unanimous vote for the whole article*

**Article 11:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Department’s free cash a sum of \$45,000 for the Pump Station Upgrade; or take any other action relative thereto.  
(DEP Mandated)  
*Passed by unanimous vote*

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Department’s free cash a sum of \$2,479 for a (a new motor pump) complete replacement including motor/pump assembly (and installed) or take any other action relative thereto.  
*Passed by unanimous vote as amended*

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Department’s free cash a sum of \$26,000 to the FY06 line item Water Breaks, or take any other action relative thereto.  
*Passed by unanimous vote*

**Article 14:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Department’s free cash a sum of \$700 to the (WD) Secretary’s Salary to complete the CCR report; or take any other action relative thereto.  
*Passed by unanimous vote*



- Article 15:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,000 from the Water Department's FY06 line item Meter Reader to a new line item for Other Labor; or take any other action relative thereto.  
*Passed by unanimous vote*
- Article 16:** To see if the Town vote to will transfer the sum of \$7,000 from the Water Department's FY06 line item Chemicals to line item Water Breaks; or take any other action relative thereto.  
*Passed by unanimous vote*
- Article 17:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of \$1,000 from the Water Department's FY06 line item Education to line item Software Support; or take any other action relative thereto.  
*Passed by unanimous vote*
- Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 1 by the Blandford Special Town Meeting held on December 13, 2005, to delete the property description in said Article 1 and to substitute the following property description, thereby reducing the property to be acquired by the Town: certain property known as the Knittel property at 39 Herrick Road, being the property described in deeds recorded with the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 3648, Page 346 and Book 4420, Page 194, except portions conveyed by deed recorded in said Registry in Book 15648, Page 594, as shown on a plan entitled Plan of tax parcels in Blandford, Massachusetts, made by Cartographic Associates, Inc. dated December 31, 2002, shown as Assessor's Map 414 Parcels 4, 5.1 and 6, less nine acres around the house and outbuildings on the easterly side of Herrick Road, consisting of 252.85 acres, more or less; and further that the Town and the conservation Commission be authorized to convey a perpetual conservation restriction encumbering the property described herein in accordance with M.G.L. c. 184, as may be necessary on behalf of the town of Blandford to affect said purchase. Said conservation restriction may be granted to the Winding River Land Conservancy, Inc. and Springfield Water and Sewer Commission or any other organization qualified and willing to hold such a restriction.  
*Passed by majority vote*

There being no further business to come before the meeting. Meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

Minutes of Special Town Meeting  
August 2, 2006

- Article 1:** To see if the Town will vote to declare a 2002 Sterling truck as surplus Town property and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade in this truck towards the purchase of a new pick-up truck, and further to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of, no more than \$17,000.00 to be applied together with the trade-in value towards the purchase of the new pick-up truck; or to take any action in relation thereto.  
**Passed by majority vote.**

There being no further business to come before the meeting. Meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
MAY 13, 2006**

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.)

\* Caucus Nominee

\*\* Nomination Papers

Assessor for Three Years Vote for One	Vote	Planning Board for Five Years Vote for One	Vote
*JULIE MUELLER, 9 Sunset Rd.	190	*JOHN BIANCO, 47 Blair Rd.	154
Blank	47	*FRANK BURKOTT, 157 Otis Stage Rd.	60
Cemetery Commissioner for Three Years Vote for One		School Committee for Three Years Vote for One	
*T.J. COUSINEAU, 99 Chester Rd.	205	*LEEANN THOMPSON, 14 Kaolin Rd.	204
Blank	32	Blank	33
Cemetery Commissioner for Two Years Vote for One		School Committee for Two Years Vote for One	
Sumner Robbins	3	*FRANCES JENSEN, 51 North St.	179
Others/Blank	234	Blank	58
Cemetery Commissioner for One Year Vote for One		Selectmen for Three Years Vote for One	
Others/Blank	237	**ELAINE KELLY, 61 Gibbs Rd.	30
		**STEPHEN BRAGG, 28 Huntington Rd.	14
		*STEPHEN JEMIOLO, 51 Beech Hill Rd.	102
		*WILLIAM LEVAKIS, 19 Russell Stage Rd.	88
		Blank	3
Fence Viewer for Three Years Vote for One		Tree Warden for Three Years Vote for One	
*GEORGE REICHERT, 75 Blair Rd.	188	*MICHAEL WOJCIK, 4 Beagle Club Rd.	122
Blank	49	**MICHAEL FABER, 6 Julius Hall Rd.	112
		Blank	3
Field Driver for Three Years Vote for One		Water Commission of Two Years Vote for One	
*GEORGE REICHERT, 75 Blair Rd.	182	*RICK BERTRAM, Chester Rd.	170
Blank	55	Blank	66
Board of Health for Three Years Vote for One		Water Commission of One Year Vote for One	
*MICHAEL WOJCIK, 4 Beagle Club Rd.	171	*DARLENE HORNE, 41 North Blandford Rd	184
Blank	65	Blank	52
Library Trustee for Three Years Vote for One			
*CHRIS KEENAN, 71 Main St.	195		
Blank	42		
Moderator for Three Years Vote for One			
*DAVID HOPSON, 55 Woronoco Rd.	198		
Blank	39		

**INFORMATION FOR BLANDFORD RESIDENTS**

**Business Hours of Town Officers and Committees**

Aging, Council on	Second Tuesday of each month 10 a.m. at the Town Office
Assessors, Board of	To be posted
Assessors Clerk	Monday evening 7-9 p.m. Tuesday 9 - 1 p.m.
Conservation Commission	First and Third Thursday of each month 7:30 p.m. at the Town Offices
Finance Committee	To be posted
Fire Department	Every Tuesday 6:30 - 9 p.m. at the Fire Station
Health, Board of	First and Third Wednesday of each month 7:30 p.m. at the Town Offices
Historical Commission	Second Tuesday of each month 7:30 at the Town Offices
Library Trustees	Third Thursday of each month 7:30 p.m. at the Library
Planning Board	First Tuesday of each month 7:00 p.m. at the Town Offices
Police Department	Every Monday 6:30 - 8:30 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	Monday 10 – 2 p.m. and 7-10 p.m. Wednesday 10 - 2 p.m at the Town Offices
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. Saturday, 8 - 12 p.m.
Treasurer	Every Monday 6:30 - 9:00 at the Town Offices
Water Department	To be posted

THE MAY 5, 2007 ANNUAL WARRANT AND BUDGET WAS NOT AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF PRINTING THIS REPORT SO PLEASE PICK ONE UP AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

POSTOFFICE  
BLANDFORD COUNTRY STORE  
TOWN HALL  
LIBRARY

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

### Local Emergency Numbers:

To Report a Fire	911
Fire Department (non-emergency)	848-2874
Police - Local	848-2020
State (Russell)	862-3312
Ambulance - Huntington	667-3277
Hospital - Noble	562-2811

### TOWN SERVICES

Department	Call	Telephone
Accountant	Staci Iglesias	848-0054
Aging, Council of	Jo Taudel	848-2235
Assessors	JoAnne Grybosh	848-2791
Building Inspector	Tom Logadich	246-5551
Conservation Commission	Pat O'Neil	848-2446
Dog Officer	Brenda Blood	848-2888
Electrical Inspector	Edward LaPlante	848-2042
Fire Department	Don Carpenter	848-2874
Gateway Regional	Superintendent's Office	685-1011
Health, Board of	Mike Wojcik	848-2277
Highway Department	Brad Curry	848-2721
Historical Commission	Julie Mueller	848-2802
Pest Control	Mike Wojcik	848-2277
Porter Memorial Library	Librarian	848-2853
Planning Board	Juliana Mueller	848-2802
Plumbing/Gas Inspector	Bob Gardener	562-3617
Post Office	Postmaster	848-2480
Selectmen	Town Offices	848-2782
Tax Collector	LeeAnn Thompson	848-2804
Tax Abatements	Assessors	848-2791
Town Clerk	Staci Iglesias	848-0054
Transfer Station	Mike Wojcik	848-2277
Town Office	General Information	848-2782
Treasurer	Anne Holliday	439-6303
Tree Warden	Mike Wojcik	848-2277
Voting Information	Town Clerk	848-0054
Water Commission	Commissioners	848-2605
Zoning Commission	Sumner Robbins	848-2873

### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday: 5-9 p.m.  
 Tuesday: 1-9 p.m.

Thursday: 1-9 p.m.  
 Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

#### Mini Town Meeting:

Held Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 2007, 7:30 p.m. (Town Hall)

#### Town Meeting:

Held the First Monday in May Annually, 7:30 p.m. (School)

#### Town Elections:

Held the Second Saturday in May Annually. 10a.m. - 4p.m. (School)