

# Annual Town Report Blandford, Massachusetts 2022

*For the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022*



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## GOVERNMENTAL DISTRICTS

Updated March 2023

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Springfield Office  
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### Legislators in Massachusetts General Court

Representative: Nicholas Boldyga (R) 3rd Hampden District	
<b>State House</b>	<b>District Office</b>
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State House	454 College Highway
Boston, MA 02133	Southwick, MA 01077
Tel: (617) 722-2810	Tel: (413) - 569-3137 ext. 103
Fax: ((617)) 722-2846	
Email: <a href="mailto:Nicholas.Boldyga@mahouse.gov">Nicholas.Boldyga@mahouse.gov</a>	

Senator: Paul Mark (D) Berkshire, Hampden, Franklin and Hampshire	
<b>State House</b>	<b>District Office</b>
Room 70	773 Tyler St.
Boston, MA 02133	Pittsfield, MA 01201
Tel: (617) 722-1625	Tel: (413)-464-5635
Fax: (617) 722-1523	
Email: <a href="mailto:Paul.Mark@masenate.gov">Paul.Mark@masenate.gov</a>	

Please see the state's website for more information: [www.mass.gov](http://www.mass.gov)

### District Attorney

Anthony Gulluni  
Hampden County District Attorney  
50 State Street  
Springfield, MA 01102  
Tel: (413)-747-1000

## Representatives in United States Congress

### U.S. Senators

**Edward J. Markey (D)**  
975 JFK Federal Building  
15 New Sudbury Street  
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617-565-8519

1550 Main Street, 4th Floor  
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15 New Sudbury Street  
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372 Cannon House Office Building  
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78 Center St.  
Pittsfield, MA 01201  
(413)-442-0946  
Fax: (413)-443-2792



## ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Title, Term	Expires
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**Assessor (3 years)**

David Hopson	2025
vacant	2024
	2023

**Cemetery Commission (3 years)**

TJ Cousineau	2025
Stephen Jemiolo	2024
Peter Sparks	2023

**Fence Viewer (3 years)**

Eric McVey	2025
VACANT	2022

**Field Driver (3 years)**

Vacant	2022
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**Health, Board of (3 years)**

Jennifer Girard	2025
Bret Hartley	2024
David Chaffee	2023

**Library Trustee (3 years)**

Charles Benson	2025
Mary Kronholm	2024
Byam Stevens	2023

**Moderator (3 years)**

David Hopson	2024
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**Municipal Light Plant Board (3 years)**

Peter Langmore	2023
Kim Bergland	2024
June Masse	2025

Title, Term	Expires
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**Planning Board (5 years)**

2 vacabcies	
Edna Wilander	2024
Sarah Simpson	2023
Paul Martin	2024

**School Committee (3 years)**

Keri Morawiec	2024
Terri Garfield	2023

**Selectmen (3 years)**

Jeffrey Allen	2025
Cara Letendre	2023
Theodore J. Cousineau	2024

**Town Clerk (3 years)**

Doris Jemiolo	2023
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**Tree Warden (3 years)**

Mark Boomsma	2024
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**Water Commissioner (3 years)**

Michael Keier	2023
Bradley Curry	2025
Peter Thayer	2024

If you have any interest in being appointed to fill one of the vacancies on any of the boards, you are encouraged to attend their meeting(s), speak with their board members, and submit a letter of interest to both the board of your interest and the Board of Selectmen.

## APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

**Animal Control Officer** (1 year)  
Teresa Donovan

**Agricultural Commission** (3 years)  
Eileen Gates 2025  
Dick Gates 2025  
David Hopson 2025  
Leon Ripley 2025  
vacant

**Arts Council** (3 years)  
Mary Kronholm 2024  
Nicole Daviau 2025  
Sue Racine 2025  
Peter Curro 2025

**Building Inspector**  
Jason Forge 2023

**Burial Agent** (by BoH)  
TJ Cousineau

**Chief procurement Officer** (1 year)  
Vacant

**Conservation Commission** (3 years)  
Dick Gates Chair 2024  
Colleen Doyle 2024  
Jon Letendre 2022  
John Piper 2024  
Nate Maynard 2023

**Council on Aging** (3 years)  
Margit Mikuski, Director  
Barbara Langmore 2025  
Heidi Taberman 2025  
Pat Lombardo 2025  
Joann Martin 2024  
Bob Twyman 2024

**Election Warden** (1 year)  
vacant

**Deputy Election Warden**  
Jennifer Girard

**Electrical Wiring Inspector** (1 year)  
John VanHeynigen 2023

**Emergency Management**  
Dave Waldron 2023  
Adam Dolby 2023  
Jennifer Girard 2023  
Jennifer Dubiel 2023  
Christopher Dunne 2023

**Finance Committee** (3 years)  
Janet Lombarado, 2024  
Deb Brodie 2024  
Kevin Green 2024  
Vacant – two positions

**Highway Department Sup.**  
Dave Waldron 2023

**Historical Commission**  
Jo-Anne Auclair 2023  
Don Carpenter 2023  
Mick Brennan 2023  
Katy Milford 2025  
Linda Barnard 2025  
Vacant 2

**Information Technology Specialist**  
Novus

**Inspector of Animals and Slaughter**  
Teresa Donovan 2023

**Inspector of Veteran's Graves**  
Douglas Emo 2026

**Measurer of Bark and Wood** (1 year)  
Mark Boomsma

**Pest Control** (3 years)  
Mark Boomsma 2024

**Pioneer Valley Planning Comm.** (1 year)  
Theodore J. Cousineau *Alternate*

**Plumbing and Gas Inspector** (1 year)  
Aaron Poteat

**Plumbing and Gas Inspector Asst.**  
(1 year)  
Nicholas Chiusano

**Police Chief** (3 years)  
Jennifer Dubiel 2023

**Records Access Officer**  
Doris Jemiolo

**Recreation Committee** (3 years)  
Chuck Benson 2024  
Keri Morawiec 2025  
Joann Martin 2024  
Justin LaFrance 2024  
Vacant

**Registrars of Voters** (3 years)  
Co Cousineau 2024  
Robert Twyman 2022  
Margit Mikuski 2022

**Tax Collector**  
Sara Hunter  
**Asst. Tax Collector**  
Lynn Kane

**Town Accountant**  
Eric Kinsherf

**Town Administrator**  
Christopher Dunner

**Town Counsel**  
KP-Law P.C.

**Treasurer**  
Sara Hunter  
**Asst. Treasurer**  
Lynn Kane

**Veteran's Agent** (1 year)  
Joseph Henning 2023

**Watson Park Superintendent** (1 year)  
Douglas Emo

**Zoning Board of Appeals** (3 years)  
Kim Bergland  
Until other members appointed, Select Board acts as ZBA per MGL

Unless otherwise noted, appointments are made by the Board of Selectmen.

If you have any interest in serving on any of the boards, you are encouraged to attend their meeting(s), speak with their board members, and submit a letter of interest to both the board of your interest and the Board of Selectmen.



## **SELECT BOARD**

The year 2021-2022 has been one of change and progress. Town Administrator Christopher Dunne has contributed to our progress.

The Town has worked with Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) on Local Rapid Recovery Planning efforts to develop a set of short-term actionable objectives for post-pandemic transition that reflect the needs and priorities of local businesses and residents. We have distributed the American Rescue Plan Act funds to local businesses and supported projects that will help economic development and use of Town properties, for example the playground area at the town hall, the ongoing building committee efforts to a Highway/Fire Department building and grant efforts to make the town hall an emergency shelter.

We continue to look forward to the configuration of walking areas at the Town Commons.

We are continuing our efforts to resolve ongoing issues associated with Springfield Water and Sewer Commission security gates on Cobble Mountain Road.

In October, 2021 our Town Administrator and Highway Superintendent's efforts were rewarded with a \$999,000 grant from the MASSWorks Infrastructure Program to support the North Blandford Road improvement project.

Christopher Dunne has been instrumental in the effectiveness of the building committee for the Fire/Highway structure and their regular meetings. He has applied for a grant to aid the planning process and we have been awarded a grant for the digital town crier, thanks to his efforts.

The Select Board thanks all the volunteers, committee members and board members for their time and commitment to our wonderful town. Without them, none of the progress listed above would have been possible.

Cara Letendre, Chair, T.J. Cousineau and Jeffrey Allen

### **Town Administrator**

On behalf of the Town, under the direction of the Select Board, I submit to you this short summary as your Town Administrator. Near the outset of Fiscal Year 2022, Joshua Garcia, took leave to run for Mayor of Holyoke. Wendy Foxmyn was hired on an interim basis to fill the role. With Garcia's election, Foxmyn stayed on with the Town through the process of drafting a job description for the next Town Administrator and Caleb Mitchell was hired to serve in this role until a candidate was selected.

During this transitional period, the Town allocated \$170,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to Town departments, local businesses, and nonprofits. Additionally, the efforts of Garcia and former Highway Superintendent Rene Senecal to secure state funding for the reconstruction of North Blandford Road paid off with a nearly \$1 million MassWorks grant. The Town continued to advance local public works and placemaking priorities such as the Town Common rehabilitation, a Local Rapid Recovery Plan (LRRP) focused on façade improvements and beautification of public spaces, and issuance of an RFQ for designer services for the proposed Fire and Highway facilities.

Since the start of my tenure in March 2022, I endeavored to knock down the pins set up by the previous permanent and interim Town Administrators. In May, I coordinated with Highway Superintendent David Waldron to issue an RFP and award a contract for the North Blandford Road repaving effort. I oversaw the application process for local entities to receive a share of the \$60,000 the Town was awarded in Regional Economic Development Organization (REDO) funds by the Western Massachusetts Economic Development Council (EDC) as a direct result of the LRRP process.

At the suggestion of Select Board Chair Cara Letendre, an Education Stabilization Fund was established through an article at Annual Town Meeting and the budget was shaped to begin implementation of wage and salary recommendations gleaned from the Collins Center Classification and Compensation Study for the Town. Efforts continuing into Fiscal Year 2023 included an application for funding from Commonwealth Places for a patio space on the front of Porter Memorial Library, advancement of the Town's first Capital Improvement Plan with support from the Collins Center, and continued distribution of ARPA funds to local entities.

Christopher E. Dunne, MPA

## **The Following Reports are in Alphabetical Order**

### **ACCOUNTANT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and citizens of Blandford, I submit to you the following Annual Financial Report. Our mission is to ensure that the appropriate financial and auditing controls within the Town are maintained in an efficient, cost-effective and responsive manner. We oversee all departmental appropriations assuring that departments operate within their annual budget. In addition, we are responsible for maintaining all financial records and that they are in compliance with federal, state and local laws and regulations.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Eric A. Kinsherf".

Eric A. Kinsherf, CPA [www.erickinsherfcpa.com](http://www.erickinsherfcpa.com)  
Town Accountant



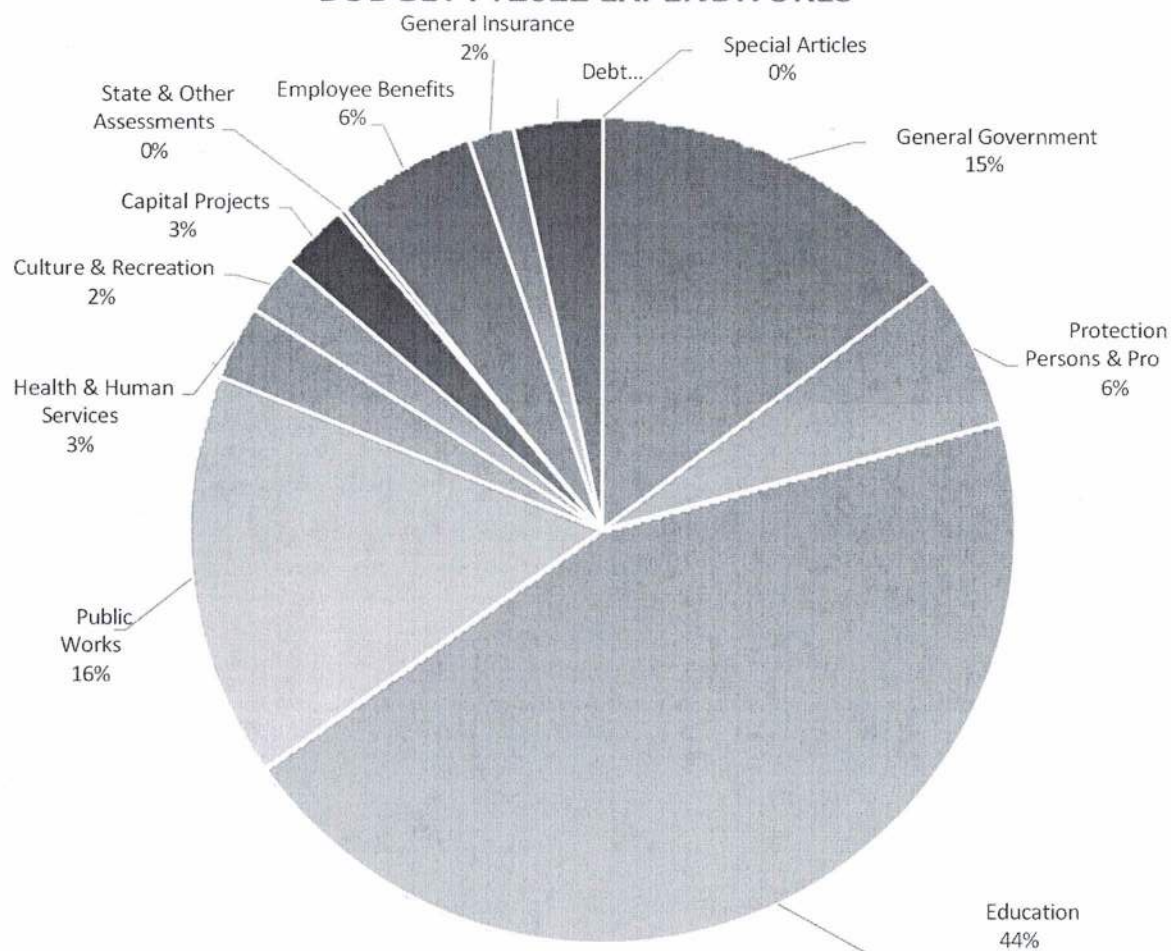
**TOWN OF BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups**  
as of June 30, 2022  
(Unaudited)

	Governmental Fund Types			Proprietary Funds		Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Groups		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise			Trust and Agency	Long-term Debt	
<b>ASSETS</b>									
Cash and cash equivalents	1,358,987.49	162,120.04	1,612,193.86	540,495.49		2,317,936.19			5,991,733.07
Receivables:									
Personal property taxes	81,054.85								81,054.85
Real estate taxes	484,808.58								484,808.58
Allowance for abatelements and exemptions	(22,356.67)								(22,356.67)
Rollback Taxes	1,670.66								1,670.66
Tax liens	71,868.77								71,868.77
Tax Foreclosures	70,789.69								70,789.69
Motor vehicle excise	32,159.81								32,159.81
User fees				151,274.54					151,274.54
Utility liens added to taxes				50,536.57					50,536.57
Departmental									0.00
Other Receivables	88,884.56								88,884.56
Due from other governments	2,538.00								2,538.00
Working deposit									0.00
Amounts to be provided - payment of bonds									
Total Assets	2,170,405.74	162,120.04	1,612,193.86	742,306.60		2,317,936.19		3,190,457.38	3,190,457.38
									10,195,419.81
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>									
Liabilities:									
Other liabilities									0.00
Agency Funds						19,325.67			19,325.67
Deferred revenue:									
Real and personal property taxes	545,177.42								545,177.42
Tax liens	71,868.77								71,868.77
Tax Foreclosures	70,789.69								70,789.69
Motor vehicle excise	32,159.81								32,159.81
User fees				19,757.53					19,757.53
Utility liens added to taxes				50,536.57					50,536.57
Departmental									0.00
Other Receivables	88,125.00								88,125.00
Due from other governments	44,605.97								44,605.97
Due to other governments									0.00
Bonds payable			3,648,999.00						3,648,999.00
Notes payable									0.00
Total Liabilities	852,726.66	0.00	3,648,999.00	70,294.10		19,325.67		3,190,457.38	3,190,457.38
									7,781,802.81
Fund Equity:									
Reserved for encumbrances	79,983.22								79,983.22
Reserved for expenditures	377,859.00								377,859.00
Reserved for continuing appropriations	27,709.92								27,709.92
Reserved for appropriation deficit	0.00								0.00
Undesignated fund balance	832,126.94	162,120.04	(2,036,805.14)	391,078.80		2,298,610.52			1,647,131.16
Total Fund Equity	1,317,679.08	162,120.04	(2,036,805.14)	672,012.50		2,298,610.52		0.00	2,413,617.00
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	2,170,405.74	162,120.04	1,612,193.86	742,306.60		2,317,936.19		3,190,457.38	10,195,419.81

**TOWN OF BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -  
BUDGETARY BASIS - (NON-GAAP) -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

		Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Amounts	Variance with
	Carry Forward	Original Budget	Final Budget	Budgetary Basis	Carried Forward to Next Year	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Property Taxes	\$ -	\$ 3,308,663.86	\$ 3,308,663.86	\$ 3,343,174.27	\$ -	\$ 34,510.41
Sale of Tax Foreclosure	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Excise & Other Taxes	\$ -	\$ 209,000.00	\$ 209,000.00	\$ 263,709.46	\$ -	\$ 54,709.46
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	\$ -	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 67,886.53	\$ -	\$ (22,113.47)
Charges for Services - Trash Disposal	\$ -	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 24,596.42	\$ -	\$ 17,896.42
Licenses, Permits & Fees	\$ -	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 70,814.02	\$ -	\$ 33,814.02
Other	\$ -	\$ 277,658.00	\$ 277,658.00	\$ 363,274.62	\$ -	\$ 85,616.62
Fines & Forfeits	\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 27,095.17	\$ -	\$ 15,095.17
Interest from Investments	\$ -	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 1,654.73	\$ -	\$ (1,245.27)
Intergovernmental-Comm. of Mass.	\$ -	\$ 217,662.00	\$ 217,662.00	\$ 228,777.00	\$ -	\$ 11,115.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ -	\$ 4,161,583.86	\$ 4,161,583.86	\$ 4,390,982.22	\$ -	\$ 229,398.36
<b>Expenditures:</b>						
Current Fiscal Year:						
General Government	\$ -	\$ 699,469.36	\$ 654,240.04	\$ 566,419.46	\$ 22,335.09	\$ 65,485.49
Protection of Persons & Property	\$ -	\$ 220,598.30	\$ 236,840.62	\$ 234,219.44	\$ -	\$ 2,621.18
Education	\$ -	\$ 1,798,075.00	\$ 1,728,021.00	\$ 1,707,770.85	\$ -	\$ 20,250.15
Public Works	\$ -	\$ 640,625.65	\$ 691,870.65	\$ 611,340.86	\$ 24,077.70	\$ 56,452.09
Health & Human Services	\$ -	\$ 133,604.00	\$ 133,604.00	\$ 111,959.63	\$ 4,526.13	\$ 17,118.24
Culture & Recreation	\$ -	\$ 91,273.08	\$ 93,823.08	\$ 87,297.00	\$ -	\$ 6,526.08
State & Other Assessments	\$ -	\$ 8,822.26	\$ 8,822.26	\$ 9,882.26	\$ -	\$ (1,060.00)
Employee Benefits	\$ -	\$ 296,783.97	\$ 271,975.97	\$ 212,797.23	\$ -	\$ 59,178.74
Capital Projects	\$ -	\$ 310,900.00	\$ 310,900.00	\$ 104,494.35	\$ 1,334.38	\$ 205,071.27
General Insurance	\$ -	\$ 70,062.00	\$ 70,062.00	\$ 68,062.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
Debt Service:						
Principal	\$ -	\$ 110,400.00	\$ 110,400.00	\$ 110,400.00	\$ -	\$ -
Interest and Fiscal Charges	\$ -	\$ 24,355.40	\$ 24,355.40	\$ 24,356.39	\$ -	\$ (0.99)
Special Articles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Current Fiscal Year Expenditures</b>	\$ -	\$ 4,404,969.02	\$ 4,334,915.02	\$ 3,848,999.47	\$ 52,273.30	\$ 433,642.25
<b>Other Expenditures:</b>						
Prior Year Articles	\$ 117,993.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90,283.08	\$ 27,709.92	\$ -
Prior Year Encumbrances	\$ 40,779.62	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38,272.36	\$ -	\$ 2,507.26
<b>Total Other Expenditures</b>	\$ 158,772.62	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 128,555.44	\$ 27,709.92	\$ 2,507.26
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	\$ 158,772.62	\$ 4,404,969.02	\$ 4,334,915.02	\$ 3,977,554.91	\$ 79,983.22	\$ 436,149.51
<b>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	\$ (158,772.62)	\$ (243,385.16)	\$ (173,331.16)	\$ 413,427.31	\$ (79,983.22)	\$ 665,547.87
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>						
Operating Transfers In	\$ -	\$ 38,747.85	\$ 38,747.85	\$ 38,747.85	\$ -	\$ -
Operating Transfers (Out)	\$ -	\$ 305,034.00	\$ 375,088.00	\$ 375,088.00	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	\$ -	\$ (266,286.15)	\$ (336,340.15)	\$ (336,340.15)	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</b>	\$ (158,772.62)	\$ (509,671.31)	\$ (509,671.31)	\$ 77,087.16	\$ (79,983.22)	\$ 665,547.87
<b>Audit Adjustments</b>				\$ (127.47)		
<b>Fund Balances, Beginning of Year</b>		\$ 1,240,719.39	\$ 1,240,719.39	\$ 1,240,719.39	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Fund Balances, End of Year</b>	\$ (158,772.62)	\$ 731,048.08	\$ 731,048.08	\$ 1,317,679.08	\$ (79,983.22)	\$ 665,547.87

## BUDGET FY2022 EXPENDITURES



- |                           |                                    |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| ■ General Government      | ■ Protection of Persons & Property |
| ■ Education               | ■ Public Works                     |
| ■ Health & Human Services | ■ Culture & Recreation             |
| ■ Capital Projects        | ■ State & Other Assessments        |
| ■ Employee Benefits       | ■ General Insurance                |
| ■ Debt                    | ■ Special Articles                 |



TOWN OF BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS  
GENERAL FUND EXPENSE REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Account Number	Description	Balance Forward	Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Expended	Balance	Closed	Carry Forward
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>									
015114.000	Moderator's Salary	\$	125.00		\$	125.00	\$	-	
015122.000	Selectmen's Salaries	\$	6,650.00	\$ (610.00)	\$	6,040.00	\$	40.00	
015122.001	Selectmen's Sec Salary	\$	15,869.00	\$ 1,610.00	\$	17,479.00	\$	7.43	
015122.002	Selectmen's Expense	\$	5,238.50	\$ (1,470.00)	\$	3,768.50	\$	4.70	
015196.000	Town Administrator/Secretary Salary	\$	70,048.92	\$ 470.00	\$	70,518.92	\$	5.93	
015131.000	Finance Committee	\$	200.00		\$	200.00	\$	65.00	
015132.000	Reserve Account	\$	41,000.00	\$ (39,076.00)	\$	1,924.00	\$	1,924.00	
015137.000	Accounting Consultant	\$	30,000.00		\$	30,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
015199.000	Audit Services - Town Records	\$	21,000.00	\$ (20,000.00)	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	
015141.000	Assessor's Salary	\$	6,650.00	\$ (20.00)	\$	6,630.00	\$	928.00	
015141.001	Assessor's Expense	\$	1,000.00	\$ (105.00)	\$	895.00	\$	7.23	
015141.002	Assessor's Clerk Salary	\$	1,000.00	\$ 125.00	\$	1,125.00	\$	-	
015141.003	Assessor's Dues, Membership Fees	\$	250.00		\$	250.00	\$	210.00	
015141.004	Assessor's Education & Training	\$	800.00		\$	800.00	\$	800.00	
015141.005	Assessor's Mileage	\$	-		\$	-	\$	-	
015141.006	Assessor's Registry of Deeds	\$	100.00		\$	100.00	\$	100.00	
015141.007	Assessor's Legal Notices	\$	150.00		\$	150.00	\$	150.00	
015141.009	Assessor's Misc Expenses	\$	600.00		\$	600.00	\$	-	
015142.000	Assessor's Contract Service	\$	65,000.00		\$	65,000.00	\$	6,372.94	
015145.001	Treasurer's Clerk	\$	15,493.94		\$	15,493.94	\$	733.89	
015145.002	Treasurer's Expense	\$	18,000.00	\$ (700.00)	\$	17,300.00	\$	6,822.52	\$ 3,383.06
015145.003	Assistant Treasurer & Tax Collector	\$	35,949.00	\$ 700.00	\$	36,649.00	\$	38.75	
015145.004	Treasurer's Clerk (2)	\$	14,820.00		\$	14,820.00	\$	230.00	
015145.005	Tax Title Legal Fees	\$	30,000.00		\$	30,000.00	\$	23,212.64	
015145.008	Treasurer/Coll Prof Services	\$	90,180.00		\$	90,180.00	\$	15,982.31	\$ 7,230.33
015151.000	Town Counsel	\$	30,000.00		\$	30,000.00	\$	2,304.00	
015161.000	Town Clerk Stipend	\$	22,833.45		\$	22,833.45	\$	15,116.32	\$ 1,102.04
015161.001	Town Clerk's Expense	\$	2,075.78	\$ 697.00	\$	2,772.78	\$	236.73	
015161.002	Street & Dog List Salary	\$	791.00		\$	791.00	\$	-	
015161.003	Street & Dog List Expense	\$	700.00	\$ (556.87)	\$	143.13	\$	-	
015161.004	Vital Statistics Salary	\$	51.00		\$	51.00	\$	-	
015161.005	Bylaw Change Advertising	\$	800.00	\$ (800.00)	\$	-	\$	-	
015161.009	Town Clerk Assistant	\$	3,261.77		\$	3,261.77	\$	21.43	
015162.000	Election & Registrars Salary	\$	3,138.00	\$ 1,369.87	\$	4,507.87	\$	2.16	\$ 3,050.00
015171.000	Conservation Commission	\$	5,000.00		\$	5,000.00	\$	4,686.54	\$ 42.48
015175.000	Planning Board	\$	10,000.00		\$	10,000.00	\$	1,472.28	
015176.000	Zoning Board of Appeals	\$	1,350.00		\$	1,350.00	\$	1,350.00	
015177.000	Zoning Secretary	\$	500.00		\$	500.00	\$	455.00	
015182.000	Town Consultant Ser Econ Dev	\$	-		\$	-	\$	-	
015191.000	Town Office Supplies (all)	\$	4,000.00		\$	4,000.00	\$	132.99	\$ 332.27
015192.004	External IT Support / Computer, Soft	\$	57,016.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$	60,016.00	\$	1,310.07	
015192.001	New Town Hall Maint & Repairs	\$	9,000.00		\$	9,000.00	\$	108.09	
015192.002	Town Hall Utilities	\$	21,000.00	\$ 2,900.00	\$	23,900.00	\$	1,428.12	\$ 892.33
015192.003	Town Hall Misc. Exp (incl mowing)	\$	10,296.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$	16,296.00	\$	1,004.61	\$ 1,192.98
015192.005	Town Hall - Fuel	\$	13,000.00	\$ 823.34	\$	13,823.34	\$	599.31	
015192.010	Town Hall - Labor	\$	15,100.00		\$	15,100.00	\$	1,876.36	
015192.011	Town Water Bills	\$	12,903.00		\$	12,903.00	\$	1,435.64	
015193.000	Old Town Hall Expenses	\$	5,000.00	\$ 1,123.34	\$	6,123.34	\$	152.36	\$ 109.60



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Account Number		Description	Balance Forward		Budget	Revisions	Revised Budget	£	Balance	Closed	Carry Forward
015195.000		Town Reports Salary	\$	759.00	\$		\$	759.00	\$	-	\$
015195.001		Town Report Expenses	\$	710.00	\$	(710.00)	\$	-	\$	-	\$
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT			\$	699,469.36	\$	(45,229.32)	\$	654,240.04	\$	87,820.58	\$
PUBLIC SAFETY			\$		\$		\$	566,419.46	\$		22,335.09
015210.000		Police Salaries	\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$
015210.001		Police Expense	\$	84,850.00	\$	13,389.00	\$	98,239.00	\$	-	\$
015220.000		Fire Dept Salary - Chief	\$	22,316.00	\$		\$	22,316.00	\$	41.00	\$
015220.001		Fire Dept. Exp.	\$	40,140.00	\$	4,500.00	\$	44,640.00	\$	544.23	\$
015231.000		Hilltown Comm. Ambulance	\$	32,495.63	\$		\$	32,495.63	\$	(0.80)	\$
015232.000		Building Inspector Salary	\$	11,000.00	\$		\$	11,000.00	\$	42.04	\$
015232.001		Building Inspector Expenses	\$	500.00	\$		\$	500.00	\$	389.06	\$
015233.000		Berkshire County Dispatch	\$	1,646.67	\$	(1,646.68)	\$	(0.01)	\$	(0.01)	\$
015249.010		Inspector of Animals	\$	800.00	\$		\$	800.00	\$	400.00	\$
015291.000		Emergency Management	\$	100.00	\$		\$	100.00	\$	100.00	\$
015292.000		Animal Control Salary	\$	3,000.00	\$		\$	3,000.00	\$	11.56	\$
015292.003		Animal Control Expense	\$	2,000.00	\$		\$	2,000.00	\$	899.60	\$
015294.000		Tree Warden Salary	\$	1,250.00	\$		\$	1,250.00	\$	-	\$
015294.001		Tree Warden Expense	\$	500.00	\$		\$	500.00	\$	-	\$
015294.002		Tree Warden Outside Service	\$	20,000.00	\$		\$	20,000.00	\$	194.50	\$
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY			\$	220,598.30	\$	16,242.32	\$	236,840.62	\$	2,621.18	\$
EDUCATION			\$		\$		\$	234,219.44	\$		-
015300.000		Gateway Reg. School Dist.	\$	1,646,875.00	\$	(140,108.00)	\$	1,506,767.00	\$	1,860.80	\$
015301.000		Vocational Education	\$	120,000.00	\$	70,054.00	\$	190,054.00	\$	17,389.35	\$
015302.000		Vocational Transportation	\$	30,200.00	\$		\$	30,200.00	\$	-	\$
015303.000		MARS Consult Serv (school budget)	\$	1,000.00	\$		\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$
TOTAL EDUCATION			\$	1,798,075.00	\$	(70,054.00)	\$	1,728,021.00	\$	20,250.15	\$
PUBLIC WORKS			\$		\$		\$	1,707,770.85	\$		-
015422.000		Highway Salaries	\$	252,354.65	\$		\$	252,354.65	\$	35,080.59	\$
015422.001		Highway Overtime Salary	\$	4,000.00	\$		\$	4,000.00	\$	1,613.82	\$
015422.002		Highway Expenses	\$	30,000.00	\$		\$	30,000.00	\$	1,984.40	\$
015422.003		Highway Expense - Clothing Allowance	\$	3,500.00	\$		\$	3,500.00	\$	68.19	\$
015422.004		Hwy Equipment Repairs - Outside Svc	\$	42,000.00	\$		\$	42,000.00	\$	1,755.35	\$
015422.006		Highway Vehicle Maintenance	\$	10,000.00	\$		\$	10,000.00	\$	2,260.61	\$
015422.008		Highway P/T Salaries	\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$
015422.012		Highway Equip Rental	\$	15,000.00	\$		\$	15,000.00	\$	595.00	\$
015422.013		Highway - Western Mass Mower	\$	1,000.00	\$		\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$
015422.014		Highway - Vehicle Fuel	\$	18,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	23,000.00	\$	1,244.40	\$
015422.015		Highway Garage - Maint & Repairs	\$	5,000.00	\$		\$	5,000.00	\$	4,988.31	\$
015422.016		Highway Garages - Utilities	\$	4,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	9,000.00	\$	11.69	\$
015422.018		Highway Repair New Roads	\$	100,000.00	\$		\$	100,000.00	\$	2,710.16	\$
015422.019		Highway Tree Canopy Work	\$	18,000.00	\$		\$	18,000.00	\$	24,318.77	\$
015422.005		Salt & Sand	\$	55,000.00	\$	51,245.00	\$	106,245.00	\$	20.05	\$
015442.009		Highway Plow Blades/Nuts/Bolts Wnt	\$	15,000.00	\$		\$	15,000.00	\$	1,819.12	\$
015433.010		Highway - Fuel/Oil Winter Exp.	\$	17,000.00	\$	(5,000.00)	\$	12,000.00	\$	263.87	\$
015422.011		Snow & Ice Labor	\$	32,455.00	\$	(5,000.00)	\$	27,455.00	\$	4,874.93	\$
015491.000		Cemetery Commission Expenses	\$	8,500.00	\$	4,428.75	\$	12,928.75	\$	12,019.91	\$
015492.001		Municipal Light Board	\$	9,816.00	\$	(4,428.75)	\$	5,387.25	\$	908.84	\$
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS			\$	640,625.65	\$	51,245.00	\$	691,870.65	\$	80,529.79	\$
HUMAN SERVICES			\$		\$		\$	611,340.86	\$	56,452.09	\$
015510.000		Board of Health Salaries	\$	2,650.00	\$	(1,747.25)	\$	902.75	\$	15.89	\$

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Account Number	Description	Balance Forward	Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Expended	Balance	Closed	Carry Forward
015510.001	BOH Secretary Salary	\$	12,137.00	\$	12,137.00	\$	12,137.00	\$	
015510.003	BOH & Transfer Station Expenses	\$	22,000.00	\$ (550.00)	\$ 21,450.00	\$	21,450.00	\$	8,282.79
015510.010	Transfer Station Salaries	\$	17,727.00	\$ 2,297.25	\$ 20,024.25	\$	19,999.38	\$	24.87
015510.011	Catcage/Tipping	\$	43,000.00	\$	43,000.00	\$	41,981.57	\$	1,018.43
015510.012	Building & Maintenance	\$	15,000.00	\$	15,000.00	\$	14,865.89	\$	134.11
015522.000	Lee Visiting Nurses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
015541.001	Council On Aging Expenses	\$	2,750.00	\$	2,750.00	\$	1,322.76	\$	1,427.24
015541.002	Council on Aging - Admin. Support	\$	2,550.00	\$	2,550.00	\$	2,500.46	\$	49.54
015543.000	Veterans Administration	\$	1,790.00	\$	1,790.00	\$	1,714.50	\$	75.50
015543.001	Veteran's Benefits	\$	14,000.00	\$	14,000.00	\$	3,384.00	\$	10,616.00
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES									
		\$ -	\$ 133,604.00	\$ -	\$ 133,604.00	\$ 111,959.63	\$ 21,644.37	\$ 17,118.24	\$ 4,526.13
CULTURE & RECREATION									
015610.000	Library Salaries	\$	56,880.73	\$	56,880.73	\$	56,835.95	\$	44.78
015610.001	Library Expenses	\$	8,137.73	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 10,687.73	\$	10,687.07	\$	0.66
015610.002	Library Materials	\$	16,254.62	\$	16,254.62	\$	16,254.57	\$	0.05
015630.000	Recreation Committee	\$	3,300.00	\$	3,300.00	\$	2,783.63	\$	516.37
015543.004	Memorial Day	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	705.83	\$	794.17
015651.000	Historical Commission Expense	\$	200.00	\$	200.00	\$	29.95	\$	170.05
015651.002	Historical Consultant	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	-	\$	5,000.00
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION									
		\$ -	\$ 91,273.08	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 93,823.08	\$ 87,297.00	\$ 6,526.08	\$ 6,526.08	\$ -
DEBT									
015751.003	Excluded-Landfill Principal-Long Term	\$	10,400.00	\$	10,400.00	\$	10,400.00	\$	-
015751.102	Road Bond Principal	\$	100,000.00	\$	100,000.00	\$	100,000.00	\$	-
TOTAL PRINCIPAL									
		\$ -	\$ 110,400.00	\$ -	\$ 110,400.00	\$ 110,400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015752.003	Excluded-Landfill Interest-Long Term	\$	1,856.40	\$	1,856.40	\$	1,856.40	\$	-
015752.005	Broadband ST Interest	\$	17,500.00	\$	17,500.00	\$	17,500.00	\$	-
012752.102	Road Bond Interest	\$	4,999.00	\$	4,999.00	\$	4,999.99	\$	(0.99)
TOTAL INTEREST									
		\$ -	\$ 24,355.40	\$ -	\$ 24,355.40	\$ 24,356.39	\$ (0.99)	\$ (0.99)	\$ -
TOTAL DEBT									
		\$ -	\$ 134,755.40	\$ -	\$ 134,755.40	\$ 134,756.39	\$ (0.99)	\$ (0.99)	\$ -
ASSESSMENTS									
015823.000	Pioneer Planning Comm	\$	214.26	\$	214.26	\$	214.26	\$	-
015821.000	RMW Assessment	\$	600.00	\$	600.00	\$	1,660.00	\$	(1,060.00)
015822.000	Air Pollution Assessment	\$	382.00	\$	382.00	\$	382.00	\$	-
015835.000	Regional Transit Charge	\$	2,626.00	\$	2,626.00	\$	2,626.00	\$	-
	School Choice Sending Tuition	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	\$	-
TOTAL ASSESSMENTS									
		\$ -	\$ 8,822.26	\$ -	\$ 8,822.26	\$ 9,882.26	\$ (1,060.00)	\$ (1,060.00)	\$ -
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS									
015911.000	Hampden County Retirement	\$	113,556.00	\$	113,556.00	\$	112,256.00	\$	1,300.00
015912.000	Workers Compensation	\$	9,936.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 10,936.00	\$	10,500.00	\$	436.00
015913.000	Unemployment Compensation	\$	3,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ 2,000.00	\$	780.77	\$	1,219.23
015914.000	Group Insurance (Health)	\$	153,021.97	\$ (24,808.00)	\$ 128,213.97	\$	73,528.25	\$	54,685.72
015192.011	Town Fire & Police Disability Insur	\$	6,270.00	\$	6,270.00	\$	6,270.00	\$	-
015919.000	Medicare - Town Share	\$	11,000.00	\$	11,000.00	\$	9,462.21	\$	1,537.79
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS									
		\$ -	\$ 296,783.97	\$ (24,808.00)	\$ 271,975.97	\$ 212,797.23	\$ 59,178.74	\$ 59,178.74	\$ -
CAPITAL PROJECTS									
015920.000	Capital Projects	\$	310,900.00	\$	310,900.00	\$	104,494.35	\$	206,405.65
TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS									
		\$ -	\$ 310,900.00	\$ -	\$ 310,900.00	\$ 104,494.35	\$ 206,405.65	\$ 205,071.27	\$ 1,334.38
OTHER INSURANCE									
015192.009	Town Insurance	\$	70,062.00	\$	70,062.00	\$	68,062.00	\$	2,000.00
TOTAL OTHER INSURANCE									
		\$ -	\$ 70,062.00	\$ -	\$ 70,062.00	\$ 68,062.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -



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Account Number	Description	Balance Forward	Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Expended	Balance	Closed	Carry Forward
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>		\$ -	\$ 4,404,969.02	\$ (70,054.00)	\$ 4,334,915.02	\$ 3,848,999.47	\$ 485,915.55	\$ 433,642.25	\$ 52,273.30
<b>FY2022 ARTICLES</b>									
	NONE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL ARTICLES</b>		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL FY2021 BUDGET &amp; ARTICLES</b>		\$ -	\$ 4,404,969.02	\$ (70,054.00)	\$ 4,334,915.02	\$ 3,848,999.47	\$ 485,915.55	\$ 433,642.25	\$ 52,273.30
<b>TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS</b>									
015901.000	Transfers to Emergency Stabilization	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015901.002	Transfers to Building Stabilization	\$ -	\$ 180,034.00	\$ -	\$ 180,034.00	\$ 180,034.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015901.003	Transfers to Library Stabilization	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015901.004	Transfers to Education Stabilization	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70,054.00	\$ 70,054.00	\$ 70,054.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS</b>		\$ -	\$ 305,034.00	\$ 70,054.00	\$ 375,088.00	\$ 375,088.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL ALL FY2021 BUDGET &amp; ARTICLES</b>		\$ -	\$ 4,710,003.02	\$ -	\$ 4,710,003.02	\$ 4,224,087.47	\$ 485,915.55	\$ 433,642.25	\$ 52,273.30
<b>PRIOR YEAR ARTICLES CARRIED FORWARD</b>									
015422.910	Highway Garage OPM	\$ 117,993.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 117,993.00	\$ 90,283.08	\$ 27,709.92	\$ -	\$ 27,709.92
<b>TOTAL PRIOR YEAR SPECIAL ARTICLES</b>		\$ 117,993.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 117,993.00	\$ 90,283.08	\$ 27,709.92	\$ -	\$ 27,709.92
<b>PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCES</b>									
015114.000	Moderator Stipend	\$ 125.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015122.002	Selectboard Expense (2)	\$ 63.30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 63.30	\$ 63.30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015137.000	Accounting Consultant	\$ 3,750.65	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,750.65	\$ 3,750.65	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015145.002	Treasurer Expense	\$ 1,219.14	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,219.14	\$ 1,219.14	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015145.005	Tax Title Legal Fees	\$ 8,456.72	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,456.72	\$ 8,456.72	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015192.000	New Town Hall Maint	\$ 1,098.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,098.00	\$ 1,098.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015192.001	Town Hall Utilities (2)	\$ 205.33	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 205.33	\$ 205.33	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015192.002	Town Hall Misc	\$ 636.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 636.00	\$ 636.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015192.004	External IT	\$ 262.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 262.50	\$ 262.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015193.000	Old Town Hall Expenses	\$ 24.98	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24.98	\$ 24.98	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015199.000	Audit	\$ 18,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015220.001	Fire Expenses	\$ 67.11	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 67.11	\$ 67.11	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015232.001	Bldg Expenses	\$ 504.04	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 504.04	\$ 504.04	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015294.000	Tree Warden Stipend	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015422.016	Garage Utilities	\$ 40.05	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40.05	\$ 40.05	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015491.000	Cemetery Expense	\$ 32.98	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32.98	\$ 32.98	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
605700.000	Broadband Expenses	\$ 212.64	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 212.64	\$ 212.64	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015510.003	BOH Transfer Exp	\$ 70.74	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70.74	\$ 70.74	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015610.001	Library Expenses	\$ 97.94	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 97.94	\$ 97.94	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015651.000	Historical Commission	\$ 662.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 662.50	\$ 662.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
015651.002	Historical Consultant	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,492.74	\$ 2,507.26	\$ 2,507.26	\$ -
<b>TOTAL PRIOR FISCAL YEAR ENCUMBRANCES</b>		\$ 40,779.62	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,779.62	\$ 38,272.36	\$ 2,507.26	\$ 2,507.26	\$ -
<b>TOTAL BUDGET, ARTICLES &amp; ENCUMBRANCES</b>		\$ 158,772.62	\$ 4,710,003.02	\$ -	\$ 4,868,775.64	\$ 4,352,642.91	\$ 516,132.73	\$ 436,149.51	\$ 79,983.22

**TOWN OF BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS  
SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL REVENUE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

	Fund Balances June 30, 2022	Opening Balance	Rev	Exp	Balance/Entry
<b>Special Revenue:</b>					
<b>Federal Grants:</b>					
Fire EMPG Grant	\$ (765.49)	\$ (703.92)	\$ 2,536.00	\$ 2,597.57	\$ (765.49)
PVPC Federal Grant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70,835.93	\$ 70,835.93	\$ -
Cares	\$ (7,797.61)	\$ (7,797.61)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (7,797.61)
ARPA	\$ 17,939.32	\$ 65,522.52	\$ 121,593.16	\$ 169,176.36	\$ 17,939.32
ARPA Storm Relief	\$ 39,131.00	\$ -	\$ 39,131.00	\$ -	\$ 39,131.00
COA-HVES	\$ 1,418.66	\$ 1,418.66	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,418.66
<b>State Grants:</b>					
Extended Polling Hours	\$ 3,144.60	\$ 3,144.60	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,144.60
CCP IT Grant	\$ -	\$ 940.00	\$ -	\$ 940.00	\$ -
MA Vulnerable Prep Grant	\$ 16.71	\$ 16.71	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16.71
MVP Master Plan	\$ -	\$ (102,823.00)	\$ 102,823.00	\$ -	\$ -
CCP Wage & Classification Plan	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
FF Safety Equipment Grant	\$ (5,213.99)	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 7,713.99	\$ (5,213.99)
FY21 Fire Safety Equipment Grant	\$ -	\$ (8,453.44)	\$ 8,453.44	\$ -	\$ -
Fire Safety Grant	\$ 5,503.81	\$ 5,503.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,503.81
COA State Grant	\$ 4,154.19	\$ 2,236.02	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,081.83	\$ 4,154.19
COA Sig Grant	\$ (17,595.67)	\$ (17,595.67)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (17,595.67)
COA Better Together	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
COA Field Demonstration Grant	\$ -	\$ (15,939.00)	\$ 15,939.00	\$ -	\$ -
Arts Council	\$ 7,287.45	\$ 9,065.53	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,778.08	\$ 7,287.45
State Aid to Libraries	\$ 14,957.17	\$ 15,669.00	\$ 3,572.46	\$ 4,284.29	\$ 14,957.17
Library ALA Grant	\$ 1,158.59	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,841.41	\$ 1,158.59
Library Covid Remote	\$ -	\$ 2,055.00	\$ -	\$ 2,055.00	\$ -
Green Community Grant	\$ -	\$ (2,080.62)	\$ 2,080.62	\$ -	\$ -
Covid 19 Grant	\$ 656.73	\$ 656.73	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 656.73
EDC Redo Grant	\$ 27,000.00	\$ -	\$ 27,000.00	\$ -	\$ 27,000.00
Employee Covid Relief Pay	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,618.64	\$ 1,618.64	\$ -
<b>Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:</b>					
Transportation Network	\$ 15.20	\$ 14.40	\$ 0.80	\$ -	\$ 15.20
<b>Revolving Funds:</b>					
Wetland Protection	\$ 3,428.27	\$ 3,428.27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,428.27
Conservation Comm.	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75.00
Trust of Reserve Hist	\$ 217.50	\$ 217.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 217.50
Fire Department Revolving	\$ 3,341.48	\$ 3,264.18	\$ 9,615.00	\$ 9,537.70	\$ 3,341.48



**TOWN OF BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS  
SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL REVENUE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

	Fund Balances June 30, 2022	Opening Balance	Rev	Exp	Balance/Entry
Board of Health Revolving	\$ (233.65)	\$ (791.73)	\$ 2,013.08	\$ 1,455.00	\$ (233.65)
Electrical Fee Revolving	\$ 181.00	\$ (424.00)	\$ 3,105.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 181.00
Plumbing Fees Revolving	\$ (2,585.00)	\$ (1,980.00)	\$ 1,340.00	\$ 1,945.00	\$ (2,585.00)
COA Revolving	\$ 9,687.95	\$ 7,552.62	\$ 5,648.20	\$ 3,512.87	\$ 9,687.95
Board of Health Demo Fees	\$ 677.33	\$ -	\$ 677.33	\$ -	\$ 677.33
Arts Council Local Receipts	\$ 235.02	\$ 238	\$ 232.64	\$ -	\$ 235.02
Planning Board-Solar 53G	\$ 556.61	\$ 556.61	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 556.61
Planning Board-Syncarpha 53G	\$ -	\$ 15,198.05	\$ 31.46	\$ 15,229.51	\$ -
Planning Board-G Millard 2 53G	\$ 880.42	\$ 879.97	\$ 0.45	\$ -	\$ 880.42
Planning Board-Otis Stage 53G	\$ 2,824.76	\$ 2,823.35	\$ 1.41	\$ -	\$ 2,824.76
Planning Board-Rolling Potato 53G	\$ 2,293.74	\$ 2,292.60	\$ 1.14	\$ -	\$ 2,293.74
Planning Board-Fleur Marijuana 53G	\$ 2,775.59	\$ 2,765.57	\$ 10.02	\$ -	\$ 2,775.59
Conservation-Fleur Marijuana 53G	\$ 401.62	\$ 401.62	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 401.62
Library Insurance	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ (3,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -
Highway Salt Shed Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 16,500.00	\$ -
Conservation Fund	\$ 1,875.00	\$ 1,875.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,875.00
Extra Police Duty	\$ -	\$ 103.02	\$ (103.02)	\$ -	\$ -
Other Special Revenue:					
Berkshire Trail Riders	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 900.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 50.00
Skating Rink Project	\$ 395.00	\$ 395.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 395.00
Elections CTCL	\$ 31.73	\$ 31.73	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31.73
<b>Total Special Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 162,120.04</b>	<b>\$ 47,516.46</b>	<b>\$ 449,056.76</b>	<b>\$ 334,453.18</b>	<b>\$ 162,120.04</b>

**TOWN OF BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**CAPITAL PROJECTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

	Fund Balances June 30, 2022	Opening Balance	Rev	Exp	Balance/Entry
<b>Capital Projects:</b>					
Chapter 90-State Grant	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 92,205.15	\$ 111,205.15	\$ (19,000.00)
2018 Mack Truck	\$ 185.00	\$ 185.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 185.00
Highway Plow Truck	\$ 2,155.20	\$ 2,155.20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,155.20
Town Road Improvement	\$ (398,799.99)	\$ (498,799.99)	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ (398,799.99)
Broadband	\$ (1,621,345.35)	\$ (1,086,095.40)	\$ 624,767.00	\$ 1,160,016.95	\$ (1,621,345.35)
<b>Total Capital Projects</b>	<b>\$ (2,017,805.14)</b>	<b>\$ (1,582,555.19)</b>	<b>\$ 816,972.15</b>	<b>\$ 1,271,222.10</b>	<b>\$ (2,036,805.14)</b>

**TOWN OF BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -  
BUDGETARY BASIS - (NON-GAAP) -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - WATER ENTERPRISE FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

		Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Amounts	Variance with
	Carry Forward	Original Budget	Final Budget	Budgetary Basis	Carried Forward to Next Year	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Water Usage Revenues	\$ -	\$ 541,782.00	\$ 541,782.00	\$ 466,603.43	\$ -	\$ (75,178.57)
Water Liens Added to Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Penalties & Interest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,981.44	\$ -	\$ 2,981.44
Earnings on Investments	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 83.07	\$ -	\$ (116.93)
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ -	\$ 541,982.00	\$ 541,982.00	\$ 469,667.94	\$ -	\$ (72,314.06)
<b>Expenditures:</b>						
Current Fiscal Year:						
Salaries & Wages	\$ -	\$ 126,300.00	\$ 126,300.00	\$ 94,157.88	\$ -	\$ 32,142.12
Expenses	\$ -	\$ 114,420.00	\$ 114,420.00	\$ 91,764.79	\$ 6,414.21	\$ 16,241.00
Debt Service:						
Debt-Principal	\$ -	\$ 103,509.21	\$ 103,509.21	\$ 103,509.16	\$ -	\$ 0.05
Debt-Interest	\$ -	\$ 143,004.94	\$ 143,004.94	\$ 143,004.94	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Expenses	\$ -	\$ 204,088.00	\$ 204,088.00	\$ 60,566.51	\$ 143,521.49	\$ -
Special Articles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Current Fiscal Year Expenditures</b>	\$ -	\$ 691,322.15	\$ 691,322.15	\$ 493,003.28	\$ 149,935.70	\$ 48,383.17
<b>Other Expenditures:</b>						
Prior Year Articles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Prior Year Encumbrances	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Other Expenditures</b>	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	\$ 134.42	\$ 691,322.15	\$ 691,322.15	\$ 493,137.70	\$ 149,935.70	\$ 48,383.17
<b>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>						
	\$ (134.42)	\$ (149,340.15)	\$ (149,340.15)	\$ (23,469.76)	\$ (149,935.70)	\$ (23,930.89)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>						
Operating Transfers In	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Operating Transfers (Out)	\$ -	\$ 43,747.85	\$ 43,747.85	\$ 43,747.85	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	\$ -	\$ (43,747.85)	\$ (43,747.85)	\$ (43,747.85)	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</b>						
	\$ (134.42)	\$ (193,088.00)	\$ (193,088.00)	\$ (67,217.61)	\$ (149,935.70)	\$ (23,930.89)
<b>Audit Adjustments</b>				\$ 131,517.01		
<b>Fund Balances, Beginning of Year</b>		\$ 324,220.37	\$ 324,220.37	\$ 324,220.37	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Fund Balances, End of Year</b>		\$ (134.42)	\$ 131,132.37	\$ 131,132.37	\$ 388,519.77	\$ (23,930.89)

**WATER EXPENSE REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

Account Number	Description	Balance Forward	Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Expended	Balance	Close	Carry Forward
<b>SALARIES &amp; WAGES</b>									
225450.000	Water Dept. Supt. Salary	\$	38,000.00		\$	16,766.37	\$ 21,233.63	\$	21,233.63
225450.003	Water Dept. Back Up Supt.	\$	36,400.00		\$		\$	\$	-
225450.011	Water Dept. Sec. Salary	\$	10,000.00		\$		\$	\$	893.44
225450.016	Licensed Assistant	\$	13,000.00		\$		\$	\$	829.90
225450.017	Water Commissioner Salary	\$	6,400.00		\$		\$	\$	0.04
225450.020	Water Dept. Other Labor	\$	22,500.00		\$		\$	\$	9,185.11
	<b>TOTAL SALARIES &amp; WAGES</b>	\$ -	\$ 126,300.00	\$ -	\$		\$	\$ 32,142.12	\$ -
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
225450.002	Utilities	\$	35,000.00	\$ 9,820.00	\$		\$	\$	983.75
225450.004	Chemicals	\$	10,000.00	\$ (2,500.00)	\$		\$	\$	2,281.26
225450.005	Breaks & Repairs	\$	30,000.00		\$		\$	\$	6,418.83
225450.006	Testing	\$	4,500.00		\$		\$	\$	1,330.00
225450.009	Dues, Fees, Memberships	\$	1,170.00	\$ (820.00)	\$		\$	\$	-
225450.010	Office Expense	\$	3,200.00	\$ (2,000.00)	\$		\$	\$	479.42
225450.012	Equipment Repairs	\$	2,800.00		\$		\$	\$	1,891.57
225450.019	Education & Training	\$	2,000.00		\$		\$	\$	456.17
225450.028	Maintenance	\$	18,000.00		\$		\$	\$	-
225450.032	Water Waste Removal	\$	850.00		\$		\$	\$	-
225450.033	Water Metering System	\$	6,900.00	\$ (4,500.00)	\$		\$ 2,400.00	\$	2,400.00
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	\$	\$ 114,420.00	\$ -	\$		\$	\$ 16,241.00	\$ 6,414.21
<b>DEBT</b>									
	USDA								
225483.000	Phase 1	\$	31,153.00		\$		\$	\$	-
225483.000	Phase 2	\$	25,697.57		\$		\$	\$	0.05
225483.000	Phase 3	\$	24,042.64		\$		\$	\$	-
225483.000	Phase 4	\$	22,616.00		\$		\$	\$	-
	<b>TOTAL PRINCIPAL</b>	\$ -	\$ 103,509.21	\$ -	\$		\$	\$ 0.05	\$ -
	USDA-All Phases	\$	143,004.94		\$		\$	\$	-
	<b>TOTAL INTEREST</b>	\$ -	\$ 143,004.94	\$ -	\$		\$	\$	-
	<b>TOTAL DEBT</b>	\$ -	\$ 246,514.15	\$ -	\$		\$	\$ 0.05	\$ -
<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>									
225450.029	Capital Projects	\$	204,088.00	\$ -	\$		\$	\$	143,521.49
	<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>	\$ -	\$ 204,088.00	\$ -	\$		\$	\$	143,521.49
	<b>TOTAL FY2020 BUDGET</b>	\$ -	\$ 691,322.15	\$ -	\$		\$	\$ 48,383.17	\$ 149,935.70
<b>TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS</b>									
225450.023	Overhead Costs-Transfer to General Fund	\$	38,747.85	\$ -	\$		\$	\$	-
225991.002	Transfers to Stabilization	\$	5,000.00	\$ -	\$		\$	\$	-
	<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS</b>	\$ -	\$ 43,747.85	\$ -	\$		\$	\$	-
	<b>TOTAL ALL FY2020 BUDGET &amp; TRANSFERS</b>	\$ -	\$ 735,070.00	\$ -	\$		\$ 198,318.87	\$ 48,383.17	\$ 149,935.70



WATER EXPENSE REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

Account Number	Description	Balance Forward	Budget	Budget Revisions	Budget	Revised Budget	Expended	Balance	Close	Carry Forward
225870.902	None	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCES</b>										
225450.807	Water Utilities	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 134.42	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	
	TOTAL PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCES	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 134.42	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	TOTAL BUDGET, ARTICLES & ENCUMBRANCES	\$ 134.42	\$ 735,070.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 735,204.42	\$ 536,885.55	\$ 198,318.87	\$ 48,383.17	\$ 149,935.70

**TOWN OF BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES -  
BUDGETARY BASIS - (NON-GAAP) -  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BROADBAND ENTERPRISE FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

		Budgeted Amounts		Actual		Amounts	Variance with
	Carry Forward	Original Budget	Final Budget	Budgetary Basis		Carried Forward to Next Year	Final Budget Positive (Negative)
<b>Revenues:</b>							
Broadband Subscriber Revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 388,238.30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 388,238.30
Earnings on Investments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 388,238.30</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 388,238.30</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>							
Current Fiscal Year:							
Salaries & Wages	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Expenses	\$ -	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 174,745.57	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (104,745.57)
Debt Service:		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Debt-Principal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Debt-Interest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special Articles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Current Fiscal Year Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 174,745.57</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (104,745.57)</b>
<b>Other Expenditures:</b>							
Prior Year Articles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Prior Year Encumbrances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Other Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 174,745.57</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (104,745.57)</b>
<b>Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (70,000.00)</b>	<b>\$ (70,000.00)</b>	<b>\$ 213,492.73</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 283,492.73</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>							
Operating Transfers In	\$ -	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Operating Transfers (Out)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 283,492.73</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 283,492.73</b>
<b>Audit Adjustments</b>				\$ -			
<b>Fund Balances, Beginning of Year</b>		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Fund Balances, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 283,492.73</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 283,492.73</b>

**BROADBAND EXPENSE REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

Account Number	Description	Balance Forward	Budget	Budget Revisions	Revised Budget	Expended	Balance	Close	Carry Forward
<b>SALARIES &amp; WAGES</b>									
225450.000	Water Dept. Supt. Salary	\$	38,000.00	\$	38,000.00	\$	21,233.63	\$	21,233.63
225450.003	Water Dept. Back Up Supt.	\$	36,400.00	\$		\$		\$	-
225450.011	Water Dept. Secr. Salary	\$	10,000.00	\$		\$		\$	893.44
225450.016	Licensed Assistant	\$	13,000.00	\$		\$		\$	829.90
225450.017	Water Commissioner Salary	\$	6,400.00	\$		\$		\$	0.04
225450.020	Water Dept. Other Labor	\$	22,500.00	\$		\$		\$	9,185.11
<b>TOTAL SALARIES &amp; WAGES</b>		\$ -	<b>126,300.00</b>	\$ -		\$		\$	<b>32,142.12</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
225450.002	Utilities	\$	35,000.00	\$	9,820.00	\$		\$	983.75
225450.004	Chemicals	\$	10,000.00	\$	(2,500.00)	\$		\$	2,281.26
225450.005	Breaks & Repairs	\$	30,000.00	\$		\$		\$	6,418.83
225450.006	Testing	\$	4,500.00	\$		\$		\$	1,330.00
225450.009	Dues, Fees, Memberships	\$	1,170.00	\$	(820.00)	\$		\$	-
225450.010	Office Expense	\$	3,200.00	\$	(2,000.00)	\$		\$	479.42
225450.012	Equipment Repairs	\$	2,800.00	\$		\$		\$	1,891.57
225450.019	Education & Training	\$	2,000.00	\$		\$		\$	456.17
225450.028	Maintenance	\$	18,000.00	\$		\$		\$	-
225450.032	Water Waste Removal	\$	850.00	\$		\$		\$	-
225450.033	Water Metering System	\$	6,900.00	\$	(4,500.00)	\$	2,400.00	\$	2,400.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>		\$	<b>114,420.00</b>	\$	<b>-</b>	\$		\$	<b>16,241.00</b>
<b>DEBT</b>									
<b>USDA</b>									
225483.000	Phase 1	\$	31,153.00	\$		\$		\$	-
225483.000	Phase 2	\$	25,697.57	\$		\$		\$	0.05
225483.000	Phase 3	\$	24,042.64	\$		\$		\$	-
225483.000	Phase 4	\$	22,816.00	\$		\$		\$	-
<b>TOTAL PRINCIPAL</b>		\$ -	<b>103,509.21</b>	\$ -		\$		\$	<b>0.05</b>
<b>USDA-All Phases</b>									
225483.000	USDA-All Phases	\$	143,004.94	\$		\$		\$	-
<b>TOTAL INTEREST</b>		\$ -	<b>143,004.94</b>	\$ -		\$		\$	<b>-</b>
<b>TOTAL DEBT</b>		\$ -	<b>246,514.15</b>	\$ -		\$		\$	<b>0.05</b>
<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>									
225450.029	Capital Projects	\$	204,088.00	\$		\$		\$	143,521.49
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>		\$ -	<b>204,088.00</b>	\$ -		\$		\$	<b>143,521.49</b>
<b>TOTAL FY2020 BUDGET</b>		\$ -	<b>691,322.15</b>	\$ -		\$		\$	<b>48,383.17</b>
<b>TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS</b>									
225450.023	Overhead Costs-Transfer to General Fund	\$	38,747.85	\$		\$		\$	-
225991.002	Transfers to Stabilization	\$	5,000.00	\$		\$		\$	-
<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS</b>		\$ -	<b>43,747.85</b>	\$ -		\$		\$	<b>-</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL FY2020 BUDGET &amp; TRANSFERS</b>		\$ -	<b>735,070.00</b>	\$ -		\$	<b>198,318.87</b>	\$	<b>149,935.70</b>

**FY2022 ARTICLES**

**BROADBAND EXPENSE REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

Account Number	Description	Balance Forward	Budget	Budget Revisions	Budget	Revised Budget	Expended	Balance	Close	Carry Forward
225870.902	None	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
<b>PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCES</b>										
225450.807	Water Utilities	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 134.42	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	-
	TOTAL PRIOR YEAR ENCUMBRANCES	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 134.42	\$ 134.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	TOTAL BUDGET, ARTICLES & ENCUMBRANCES	\$ 134.42	\$ 735,070.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 735,204.42	\$ 536,885.55	\$ 198,318.87	\$ 48,383.17	\$ 149,935.70



**TOWN OF BLANDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS  
SCHEDULE OF TRUST FUNDS AND AGENCY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022**

Fund Balances June 30, 2022		Opening Balance	Rev	Exp	Balance/Entry
<b>Trust Funds:</b>					
<i>Non-Expendable:</i>					
Arms Bicentennial	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 14,500.00	\$ -	-	\$ 14,500.00
Watson Dean Park	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -	-	\$ 40,000.00
Cemetery 1 & 2	\$ 10,550.00	\$ 10,550.00	\$ -	-	\$ 10,550.00
Soenburger Cemetery	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	-	\$ 2,500.00
Sarah Robbins	\$ 22,079.00	\$ 22,079.00	\$ -	-	\$ 22,079.00
Cemetery Care	\$ 7,452.00	\$ 7,452.00	\$ -	-	\$ 7,452.00
Taggart School	\$ 4,985.95	\$ 4,985.95	\$ -	-	\$ 4,985.95
Nye School	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	-	\$ 1,000.00
Watson School	\$ 2,965.68	\$ 2,965.68	\$ -	-	\$ 2,965.68
Electa-Watson	\$ 40,051.89	\$ 44,662.87	\$ (4,610.98)	-	\$ 40,051.89
Lot Sale Perpetual Care	\$ 8,350.00	\$ 8,350.00	\$ -	-	\$ 8,350.00
<i>Expendable Trust:</i>					
Cemetery 1 & 2	\$ 3,484.31	\$ 3,810.15	\$ (325.84)	-	\$ 3,484.31
Soenburger Cemetery	\$ (46.35)	\$ 15.65	\$ (62.00)	-	\$ (46.35)
Susan Tiffany Cemetery	\$ 99,662.05	\$ 126,018.59	\$ (23,245.26)	\$ 3,111.28	\$ 99,662.05
Cemetery Care	\$ 3,123.78	\$ 2,700.60	\$ 423.18	-	\$ 3,123.78
Taggart School	\$ 3,498.09	\$ 3,710.57	\$ (212.48)	-	\$ 3,498.09
Nye School	\$ 6,742.64	\$ 6,936.56	\$ (193.92)	-	\$ 6,742.64
Watson School	\$ 1,859.44	\$ 1,980.29	\$ (120.85)	-	\$ 1,859.44
Electa-Watson	\$ 62,080.87	\$ 64,662.89	\$ (2,582.02)	-	\$ 62,080.87
Arms Bicentennial	\$ 9,230.57	\$ 9,886.86	\$ (656.29)	-	\$ 9,230.57
Watson Dean Park	\$ 361,270.21	\$ 465,270.31	\$ (85,176.03)	\$ 18,824.07	\$ 361,270.21
Lot Sale Perpetual Care	\$ 3,768.46	\$ 5,849.14	\$ (447.18)	\$ 1,633.50	\$ 3,768.46
Sarah Robbins	\$ 1,365.74	\$ 1,952.86	\$ (587.12)	-	\$ 1,365.74
OECD Septic Accounts	\$ 22,778.73	\$ 23,726.75	\$ (948.02)	-	\$ 22,778.73
<b>Stabilization Accounts:</b>					
Stabilization	\$ 591,302.66	\$ 503,163.69	\$ 88,138.97	-	\$ 591,302.66
Library Building	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	-	\$ 125,000.00
Building Projects	\$ 665,270.94	\$ 499,714.33	\$ 165,556.61	-	\$ 665,270.94
Wired West	\$ 4,030.07	\$ 74,030.07	\$ -	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 4,030.07
Education	\$ 70,054.00	\$ -	\$ 70,054.00	-	\$ 70,054.00
Water	\$ 109,699.79	\$ 107,413.05	\$ 2,286.74	-	\$ 109,699.79
<b>Agency Funds:</b>					
Employee Withholdings	\$ 5,136.88	\$ 2,748.76	\$ 3,773.12	\$ 1,385.00	\$ 5,136.88
Police Dept Firearms Fund	\$ 11,761.50	\$ 10,624.00	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 3,612.50	\$ 11,761.50
Deputy Collector Fees	\$ 839.26	\$ 84.26	\$ 3,420.00	\$ 2,665.00	\$ 839.26
Town Clerk's Fees	\$ 1,007.60	\$ 699.60	\$ 3,055.00	\$ 2,747.00	\$ 1,007.60
Conservation Fees	\$ 275.00	\$ 275.00	\$ -	-	\$ 275.00
Southern Hilltown	\$ 305.43	\$ 105.43	\$ 200.00	-	\$ 305.43
<b>Total Trust &amp; Agency Funds</b>	<b>\$ 2,317,936.19</b>	<b>\$ 2,174,424.91</b>	<b>\$ 247,489.63</b>	<b>\$ 103,978.35</b>	<b>\$ 2,317,936.19</b>

## AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

*No report submitted*

### ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Blandford July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

3 Home kennels were inspected prior to licensure.

Calls to ACO were as follows: 3- livestock complaint; 3-dog "at large"; 3-possible neglect; 5-wildlife calls

4-miscellaneous information calls

Terry Donovan ACO/Animal Inspector

### BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Assessors Office continues in its efforts to obtain accurate and fair assessments of all taxable property located in town. Property assessment data for Blandford is available online at <https://townofblandford.com/town-departments/assessors/>.

The Board of Assessors hopes that the following information will shed some light on what they do and the various assessing-related procedures:

The Assessors are required to value all property in their community annually at market value as of January first of each year. This is done by reviewing the sale prices of land and residences and comparing them against the existing assessed values. Our goal is to value real estate at 100% of the market value to ensure that all taxpayers are assessed fairly and pay their fair share of the property tax burden.

We are obligated to view all property in town every ten years to ensure the maintenance of accurate property inventory data. During the normal course of work the assessing office performs routine inspections. While there is no statutory requirement that you allow the assessors inside, if you choose to not allow an interior inspection it may result in inaccurate data concerning your property and it may prevent you from appealing your assessment.

After receiving the first actual bill for the fiscal year, you may seek an abatement by filing with our office. The abatement applications are located outside of the Assessors' office and you must file by the deadline date indicated on your tax bill. The Assessors are prohibited by law and therefore have no authority to act on untimely applications so please understand we cannot waive those requirements. If you are dissatisfied with the Assessors' decision on your abatement you may appeal to the Massachusetts State Appellate Tax Board (ATB). More information how to do this is provided on the abatement form.

FY2023's tax rate decreased to \$13.66 and the town's total valuation increased to \$261,156,956.00

Below is a summary of figures taken from the FY2023 Tax Recapitulation Sheet along with data from previous year:

FISCAL YEAR	FY2022	FY2023
Appropriations from Town Meetings	\$5,736,703.57	\$5,937,685.55
Cherry Sheet Offsets	\$3,586.00	\$4,297.00
Overlay Deficits	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cherry Sheet Charges	\$8,608.00	\$9,366.00
Overlay Allowance:	\$25,025.64	\$25,630.47
<b>TOTAL AMT. TO BE RAISED:</b>	<b>\$5,776,251.90</b>	<b>\$5,976,979.26</b>
Total Local Receipts:	\$635,258.00	\$622,270.00
Cherry Sheet State Receipts:	\$221,248.00	\$235,245.00
Free Cash:	\$512,000.00	\$331,973.02
Other available funds:	\$196,410.67	\$255,238.66
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>\$2,442,562.40</b>	<b>\$2,409,575.24</b>
<b>TAX LEVY:</b>	<b>\$3,333,689.50</b>	<b>\$3,567,404.02</b>
<i>Town Valuations By Class:</i>		
Residential	\$162,862,960.00	\$184,410,790.00
Open Space	\$0.00	\$0.00
Commercial	\$7,572,226.00	\$8,390,221.00
Industrial	\$3,668,100.00	\$4,276,200.00
Personal Property	\$51,298,303.00	\$64,079,745.00
Exempt Property	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Growth	\$555,853	\$23,381
Tax Rate ( <i>per thousand</i> )	\$14.79	\$13.66

Certain elderly and veterans may qualify for a reduction in their real estate taxes if they meet specific age, income and resi-



dency criteria set by law. The qualifications are complex and varied and we suggest that you speak with a member of the assessing staff to determine if you may qualify. Please be prepared to provide personal information such as income tax returns, bank statements, birth certificates as all are needed to determine qualification. This information is also kept strictly confidential.

The Assessors are also responsible for valuing certain non-real estate property called "Personal Property" in assessing par-lance. While full-time residents are generally exempt from this tax, certain items are taxable. If you own a tractor (not a lawn mower), machinery, golf carts or other such equipment you are required to inform the Assessors annually of such property by filing a document known as a "Form of List" with our office. These forms are also available outside the Assessors' office. If you own a business or have a residence in Hinsdale that is not your primary residence, you most likely have taxable personal property and should file a Form of List with our office. Again, you have the opportunity to appeal the value established for any of your personal property through abatement procedures.

Should you trade in, sell, junk or total your automobile and cancel/transfer your registration, you may be entitled to have a portion of the excise tax on that vehicle credited to you. No excise tax less than \$5.00 can be abated. If you divest yourself of your vehicle, we suggest you file an Excise Abatement form (again available outside of the Assessors' office and online) along with the required documentation and the assessing staff will process your request as soon as possible.

There are state programs covering forest, farm and recreational land that value the affected land at a specified amount or percentage set by the state. There are many restrictions, obligations and potential penalties associated with these programs and they vary depending on the use of the land. More information concerning these programs can be found in this document: <https://masswoods.org/sites/masswoods.net/files/Ch61-v2.pdf> and on the following websites: [www.masswoods.net](http://www.masswoods.net) and [www.extension.umass.edu/nrec/](http://www.extension.umass.edu/nrec/).

Please feel free to talk to us if you have any questions about any of your tax issues. The Blandford Select Board has contracted with **Regional Resource Group (RRG)** to provide Assessing services. RRG contracts with several other towns in the Berkshires and across the state to provide these services. An employee-owned business, RRG staff members now work with Blandford officials and staff to provide residents with helpful, high-quality assistance and service.

Your interaction with **RRG** staff members can be done through the Virtual Assessor portal, via live-video-link. The **RRG** staff is available each weekday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. To connect with an RRG representative, click the CHAT button on the Assessors Webpage ([www.townofblandford.com/town-departments/assessors](http://www.townofblandford.com/town-departments/assessors)) and **RRG's** live-via-video office staff will appear on your screen to provide personal assistance. You can also leave voicemail at 413-848-4270 ext. 200 or email the Assessors at [assessors@townofblandford.com](mailto:assessors@townofblandford.com).

The Board generally holds a meeting on the First week of the month unless otherwise posted.  
Dr. David Hopson Chair, Amie McLaughlin and Eric McVey Members

## **BUILDING COMMISSIONER**

Fifty two permits were issued by the building department during FY2022 which is slightly above average of the previous few years. There were no permits for new single family dwellings, although 10 were for major home renovations, additions, or large garage/barn projects. Despite the continued impacts of the pandemic as well as the continued effects of inflation, the number of permits is promising for the continued improvement and growth in the town.

Nineteen energy conservations permits pulled this year including solar installations, window/ replacements, and insulation and air sealing upgrades. Ten permits were also issued for wood or pellet stoves. Please note that the installation of any solid-fuel burning appliance (wood stoves, pellet stoves, etc.) requires a permit, regardless of the installer. The fee for this permit is reasonable, required by all home insurance companies, and important to the safety of the inhabitants of the structure. If you have already installed one of these devices, you can still apply for a permit and have a quick inspection.

A large thank you goes out to all of the other town departments and boards for their assistance and cooperation when requested. The dedication of these numerous, primarily volunteer, individuals is greatly appreciated and a testament to their commitment to the betterment of our town.

I am readily available to meet with you in the office, at your home, or at the jobsite as needed. As a hill town resident myself, I am consistently in the area so please feel free to reach out to me anytime at (413)-205-6504. Copies of each type of building permit application are located on the website for you to access at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jason Forge, Building Commissioner

## **CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS**

We had four burials this past year. We hired LBS Property Maintenance to do the mowing and ground maintenance at all three cemeteries.

Tree work was done at hill cemetery, by Liberty Hill Tree Care. Also the big pine tree across from the White Church was taken down, because of tree rot.

The lower entrance of Hill Cemetery off of North Blandford Rd. Was repaired with millings. By Cooper Excavating and Trucking.

LMC Contracting repaired three old head stones in the old cemetery across from the Historical Building. Some of the old head stones in Hill Cemetery were also reset by Neil MacKinnon.

TJ Cousineau and the Cemetery Board of Commissioners members Peter Sparks and Stephen Jemiolo

## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

The Blandford Conservation Commission (BCC) has continued to administer the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and provide oversight of Town owned conservation land under its control. The current Commission members are Dick Gates (Chair), John Piper, Colleen Doyle and Nathan Maynard. We would welcome a new member to round out this five member Commission.

The BCC has continued to work with Mass DEP Wetlands staff to resolve violations that occurred at two large scale solar development projects. Mass DEP continues to be heavily involved with the solar project at North Blandford Road (Park Avenue So-



lar).

An Administrative Consent Order (including fines) was issued by DEP to the developers of the Otis Stage Road (Nextera) solar site due to significant wetland violations. The BCC also has continued to work diligently with the developers of the Belle Fleur Marijuana Cultivation facility on Otis Stage Road as there have been significant changes in that project's scope over time. The BCC has worked very closely with Belle Fleur to ensure compliance with the Wetlands Protection Act since site work began.

Other activities of the BCC related to the Wetlands Protection Act have included reviewing Requests for Determination, issuing Determinations of Applicability, reviewing projects, issuing Orders of Conditions (Permits) for those projects, issuing amended Orders of Conditions and Extensions of Orders. Additional activities include reviewing local building permits and issuing hunting permits for the Knittel, Shephard Farm, and Long Pond Conservation Areas.

In conjunction with updating the Town's Open Space and Recreation Plan, the longer term-goals of the BCC are to develop more passive recreational use of the Town owned Conservation Properties, and this would include improved parking areas and hiking trail development at Long Pond and hopefully Shephard Farm. The BCC has also been working with the Springfield Water and Sewer Commission to locate parking areas and kiosks at Public Access Areas within their Watershed properties.

Dick Gates, Chair Blandford Conservation Commission

## **COUNCIL ON AGING**

As we are finding our way out of all the restrictions that COVID has thrown in our way, the Blandford Council on Aging is back to serving our seniors with all the functions from the past years. The transportation program has continued to grow and thanks to the generosity of our Blandford residents, we are able to maintain the cost of repairs when they arise.

Our monthly breakfast and lunches, with homemade meals, is back in full swing. Having our own Chef Joann has made a difference. The number of people attending continues to grow.

The Monday morning exercise class, led by Heidi Taberman, is also very popular. A steady group of people attend some from out of town. We are lucky to have Heidi.

In the fall, we were able to, once again, hold a flu clinic inside the Town Hall, as well as our very popular Veteran's Dinner.

Valerie George and her husband Randy Gilman once again provided our seniors with many fresh grown vegetables planted in our community garden.

-We continue to help our senior population with any issues that may arise. Please call 413-848-4279, ext. 400. If we don't have the answer, we will research it.

Margit Mikuski, Director; Joann Martin, Chairperson; Barbara Langmore, Bob Twyman, Heidi Taberman, Board Members

## **CULTURAL COUNCIL**

The Blandford Cultural Council is funded by an annual appropriation from the Massachusetts Cultural Council. Our mandate is to re-grant those funds to underwrite events that bring community members together to enjoy cultural programming.

The BCC's grant award process will still be guided by the following priorities:

- 1) Providing direct cultural programming for the citizens of Blandford
- 2) Using MCC funds to support Blandford cultural organizations
- 3) Supporting cultural programming for the children in the Gateway District

In keeping with those priorities, the BCC has awarded \$5125 in F/Y 2023 in support of: the Blandford Historical Society's Summer Concert Series at the White Church, the Blandford Fair Art Show, and cultural programming at Gateway Regional that includes in-house concerts and workshops by visiting performers and a trip to Mass MOCA. The BCC also awarded grants for Becket Art Center and Chester Theater; both have been historically funded by our Council as they attract many residents of Blandford. Free Creative Movement classes for children at the Hilltown Community Center and well-reviewed performers including The Highwayman are being funded for the first time. Additionally, \$336 of the MCC funding has been retained by the Council to support special projects, including the third annual art show at the Blandford Club to coincide with the annual Bel Canto Opera Concert.

Janet Strausberg has replaced Nicole Daviau as a council member; she brings her previous BCC experience and background as an artist and educator to the BCC. In October Nicole Daviau was officially voted in as Chair following Byam Stevens, whose term as chair ended. Daviau hopes to expand the presence of the BCC in the community and work to bring new, diverse voices and talents into Blandford. The Council would like to thank him for his years of leadership and guidance which helped the BCC become a more organized and cohesive group while developing well received community events, strengthening our mission, and working tirelessly to curate cultural opportunities for Blandford.

Nicole Daviau, Chair; Susan Racine, Secretary; Mary Kronholm, Treasurer; Janet Strausberg and Peter Curro, Members

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The Finance Committee has continued its work with all departments and Town Administrator Christopher Dunne to craft a budget for Fiscal Year 2024 which we believe is adequate to meet the needs of the town and its residents.

We have taken into consideration the inflation increase, an increase in the Gateway Regional School District's assessment for which we were prepared with the education stabilization fund, which has given us some flexibility.

The Finance Committee is prepared and ready to provide increased oversight and communication to all town officials, department, boards and committees to work more closely together to achieve town goals.

Janet Lombardo, Chair; Deb Brodie, Kevin Green, members

## **BLANDFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The pandemic that so greatly impacted the town and the fire department continued to have significant impacts on our operations. With Chief David Mottor's retirement, Adam Dolby has been named Interim Fire Chief. The department continues to work on plans for a new facility.



## **BOARD OF HEALTH**

The board of health has come a long way these past few years despite the pandemic. We have a great team that works together to get our job done for our Blandford residents. We continue to work on implementing a better home health care program for our residents. This has not been an easy task but we are making progress. It is our hope that by the end of 2022 we will have a nurse and wellness person to help assist residents.

Our transfer station continues to provide excellent services to our residents. New this year is our waste oil drop off program. Please reach out to one of the members to find out more about how best to use this service.

In addition, the board of health has continued serving the public with title V inspections, food, environmental and housing inspections.

Our board will continue to protect the public health through enforcement of health codes and regulations while promoting a healthy community. We encourage our residents to come to our meetings and discover the various services we provide and work together for a safe and healthy community.

Respectfully Submitted

Bret Harley, Chair; Jennifer Girard, Secretary; David Chaffee, Clerk

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

2022 activities brimmed with routine road maintenance, snow and ice control, , grading gravel roads, drainage repair, asphalt patching and tree canopy work.

The Highway Department was able to complete the North Blandford Road project. Nineteen culvert pipes were removed and installed on Nyebrook , Beech Hill Road as well as North Blandford Road.

Herrick Road and Beech Hill Road both had drainage work done along with the culverts being replaced.

The tree canopy was opened up on Chester Road, unfortunately due to the cost only a half a mile could be addressed and hoping to do more this year.

I want to recognize the Highway Department employees James Start, Matthew Perry, Andrew Shannon and Ray Hultay, their dedication makes all this possible.

I would like to thank the following for their commitment to the Highway Department. Joanne Martin Admin. Assistant, Chris Dunne, Town Administrator, the Select Board and Finance Committee, working together we are able to keep moving the town forward.

We appreciate all the support we have had from the residents of Blandford and look forward to making Blandford a better place to live.

Residents with concerns are always welcome to call the Highway Department Monday through Friday 7 A.M. to 3 P.M. at 413-848-1421

Respectfully submitted

David Waldron, Highway Superintendent

## **HILLTOWN COMMUNITY AMBULANCE**

Hilltown Community Ambulance Association, Inc. (HCAA) is the primary ambulance service provider for the Town of Blandford. The other towns located within our primary service area include Chester, Huntington, Montgomery, Russell, and Worthington.

We are also assisted with back up by our neighboring cities of Westfield and Northampton, when the need arises.

HCAA is a 24/7 service and is staffed at the paramedic level 82% of the time. Our fleet consists of 2 ambulances that are in service and, when a second crew is available, both ambulances are able to respond to calls.

In addition to being the primary provider of ambulance services, we also provide standby at the annual Blandford Fair for the entire duration of the event. This allows us the opportunity to interact with our neighbors and friends firsthand and answer any questions that may arise.

HCAA also provides services and training that are available to the community. Keep an eye open for upcoming classes and blood pressure drives on our website and social media.

Under the supervision of our new Service Director, Bailey Jones, HCAA has seen great improvements in overall service and staffing, as of 5/25/22. For the year 2022, HCAA responded to a total of 64 calls in the Town of Blandford with 72% of responses being at the paramedic level. HCAA was aided by the Blandford Fire Department for the majority of these calls and would like to greatly thank them for their service and support.

Jade Rice, Chief Financial Officer

## **Historical Commission**

Along with our ongoing attention for restoration and maintenance of historic Watson Park and for historic Shepard Farm, our main focus recently has been the continuing effort on the town-wide inventory forms for all properties in Blandford. Shannon Walsh, historic preservationist at Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, finished her work on the forms for the buildings and landscapes in the center of town which may lead to the creation of a historic district. These forms are submitted to the Massachusetts Historical Commission, and Walsh believes the center of town may be eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Our budget includes funding set aside for work on further inventory forms by Walsh.

Each year, our commission is donating another book to Porter Memorial Library connected to a historical topic. We have enjoyed collaborating with the library's director, Nicole Daviau, on related projects such as the Story Walk in historic Watson Park. There is information along the pathway there about key features of this important park, donated by Dr. Deane in memory of town resident Electa B. Watson.

Our board suffered a shock and were saddened at the unexpected loss of our colleague and friend Peter Milford, the last



remaining original member of the Historical Commission after 20 years of service. In addition to being elected Water Commissioner, serving on the Conservation Commission and on the Board of Directors of the Blandford Historical Society, and assisting with the Blandford 250<sup>th</sup> celebration – all in the 1980s, he provided volunteer repair work on the Art Building at the Fair and was a member of the town's first Tree Committee in the 2000s. Peter worked tirelessly at Watson Park for over 35 years on the two barns, the gazebo, the plantings, and the trees. He loved being in nature, so the park was significant to him. He saw the value of saving and honoring the early history and culture of the town through his efforts there and at the Shepard Farm property, among others. That commitment and labor was often done behind the scenes, wanting to make Blandford a better place. He will be missed and remembered for his knowledge and quiet leadership while his legacy will continue to be felt through his lasting contributions to the town.

In addition, the commission saw Mick Brennan and Janet Strausberg step off the board following many years of service. We thank them for their valuable assistance with our work, especially at Shepard Farm and for the inventory forms. We also appreciated their humor and enthusiasm!

Our upcoming plans include working with the Conservation Commission on the Shepard Farm property, continuing to support the ongoing project of filing the inventory forms with the Mass Historical Commission. These efforts are done in response to our commission's charge by the state to preserve and protect the town's historical and archeological resources, buildings, and landscapes.

Jo-Anne Auclair, Secretary

## **DIRECTOR, PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

Over the past year, Porter Memorial Library has continued to provide patrons with excellent service and access to a variety of valuable resources. Led by Director Daviau, the staff of four library techs and archivist Sam Stevens, have increased foot traffic, circulation, programming, and patron registration.

The library had 49 new patrons register for library cards in 2022, which is an increase from 2021 and brings the total number of registered borrowers to 481. In 2022 the Library checked out 7,364 items to patrons, an 18% increase over the previous year. The value of the materials owned by Porter Memorial Library that have been checked out is \$80,720. The value of the materials that our residents borrowed from the other libraries in the network is \$36,952. We remain a net lender (we loan out more items than we borrow) of materials in the CWMars consortium where we circulated 3,429 items to other libraries in the network.

In 2022 the Library was visited 2,466 times which is a 28% increase. Library programs for adults have returned to pre-Covid levels and now include a monthly adult book club that has become very well attended. Our Cookbook Club has also restarted and kicked off with a Blueberry Brunch in August and continued with a Pumpkin themed event in October. Our annual Cookie Social brought together neighbors and was enjoyed by all. The library also hosted our second annual Holiday Photo program, run by Michele Crane. This event was very popular in 2021 and patrons had requested that the library repeat it annually. The Library received a grant to fund a performance by folk musician Bernice Lewis.

The library has hosted monthly elementary children's events and full vacation week programming, providing families with something to do every day of school vacations in December, February, and April. We have heard from parents that this has had a significant impact on their children's school break - giving parents the ability to do something fun and educational with their kids that is both easy to get to and free. In addition to the vacation programming the library hosted one event for elementary students every month.

The weekly preschool program, "Book Squirms" has been an important part of getting our youngest community members and parents into the library, reading, and socializing. We have had a lot of positive feedback from both parents and kids about the connections they are making and the value of the storytime on their little ones development. Attendance has increased steadily over the past year.

The 2022 summer reading program was camp themed, featuring nine weeks of programming. With the funding of a grant from the Blandford Cultural Council to host a kick off program featuring Motoko for Folktales from Asia which drew a crowd of both kids and adults. Additionally town resident Gale LaScala provided two classes for adults summer reading program, one about backyard helpful herbs and another very popular program on cordial making at home. The grand finale of the kids summer program was a campfire at the library with the fire department and a Scholastic Book Fair to redeem their tickets earned by attending programs and completing activities. This event was very popular with kids and parents!

The Watson Park StoryWalk continues to draw people into the library and also provides a way to access literacy building activities outside the library. The books have been swapped out regularly and there were 10 different books featured in 2022.

Connecting with the community has been a top priority for the library this year. Director Daviau has had monthly meetings with Hilltown Libraries as well as other literacy stakeholders in the area, including the Hilltown Community Center. These meetings have helped to streamline the promotion process for events as well as bring new opportunities to our town residents. Through this partnership the library now hosts community health navigators that are able to assist anyone who needs it in filling out MassHealth and food assistance as well as troubleshooting for assistance issues. This has been something that has brought new people into the library and helps support the community in providing information that normally residents would have to travel to have access to.

In conclusion, The Porter Memorial Library has made 2022 a year of historic growth and noticeable improvements. We are grateful for the support of the town and look forward to continuing to improve and serve the community over the next year.

Nicole Daviau, Director

## **LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

In October of 2016, the Trustees of Porter Memorial Library announced a Long Range Plan to expand both the physical plant of the Library and the delivery of services to Library patrons. The plan was conceived to be executed in three phases: 1) Catalogue Conversion, 2) Reconfiguration & Renovation, 3) Expansion.

The Catalogue Conversion made it possible for PML to become a member of the CW/MARS (Central and Western Massachusetts Automated Resource Sharing) network, giving PML patrons access to over 9 million items in the collections of 144 member libraries.

The Reconfiguration & Renovation phase is in its final stages, with masonry repair to the foundation and chimney scheduled for Spring 2023, and replacement of cedar shakes on the building's gable ends. The R&R phase saw installation of new lighting, car-



peting, wifi, furnace, and air conditioning, expansion of the parking lot and repairs to the roof, gutters and bulkhead.

With the R&R phase coming to a close, the Expansion phase is already underway. The Trustees commissioned a survey of the PML plot, completed by Salvini Associates, that will serve as a baseline and guide for coming projects.

The first expansion project will be a Terrace on the North (Route 23) side of the Library, funded by a grant from the Regional Economic Development Organization (REDO). In addition to creating an outdoor space under the trees for Summer Reading programs and Library gatherings, the grant will underwrite regrading of the topsoil to prevent "ponding" that is causing foundation damage. The project is slated for completion in Spring/Summer of 2023.

A much bigger project will be the addition of an atrium currently proposed for the southeast corner of the Library. Currently, PML is not in compliance with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) guidelines or Fire Code regulations. Fire Code calls for two entry/egress points and currently the PML only has the main entrance facing Route 23. Further, there is no at-grade entrance or ramp to the building or ADA compliant bathroom. The new Atrium will serve as a connector to the planned expansion while providing at-grade access from the parking lot, a unisex ADA compliant bathroom and a new home for the circulation desk.

Director Nicole Daviau has had an busy and productive year – she is currently serving as the Vice President of the Western Massachusetts Library Association, was a presenter at the Massachusetts Library Association Conference and in December graduated with a Master's Degree in Library Science from Simmons University. Under her dynamic leadership, the dedicated and talented PML Staff provide an amazing array of programming geared to every constituency in Blandford, from toddlers to senior citizens. There is literally something for everyone at PML.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kronholm, Chair; Charles Benson, Treasurer; Byam Stevens

### **BLANDFORD MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT**

The Fiber to the Home (FTTH) project is finally complete! Service connections to Blandford homes began in the Spring of 2021. The network is owned by Blandford. Westfield Gas & Electric (Whip City Fiber) will be the Internet Service Provider (ISP), and Network Operator (NO). There are 52.8 miles of fiber installed.

It has taken several years to first design the network and then make the utility poles ready to install fiber network. Many poles had to be replaced and throughout the town existing electric and telephone lines had to be moved to allow room for fiber to be attached to the poles. Several areas such as turnpike crossings required custom engineering solutions and special permissions. Sertex began the actual construction on November 30, 2020. Constructing the fiber network was a 3 step process: Installing steel strand on poles, lashing Fiber to the strand, and finally installing Multi Service Terminals. The Town is divided into five (5) Fiber Service Areas (FSA's).

The Network Hub is located at 4 North Blandford Rd, and includes a Hut, generator and propane backup. We currently have 2 gigs of service into the Town. As of this writing, there have been no interruptions in the service.

If you are new to town, or have not yet done so, sign-ups can be done online through the website: [www.whipcityfiber.com/blandford](http://www.whipcityfiber.com/blandford) or by going to the Town of Blandford website. If you do not have a computer, and wish to sign up for a "cold drop", please contact Peter at 413-505-9086.

The Blandford MLP wishes to thank all of you for the tremendous support you have given to this project!

We are currently partnering with our ISP and the Towns of Otis, Becket and Washington (Southern Cluster) to create a redundant network. This will insure that, in the event of an outage into any one town, the network will automatically switch to another circuit. With this redundancy, to service to the Town will be increased to 10 gigs.

Respectfully Submitted, Peter Langmore, Manager Kim Bergland and June Massee, Members

### **PLANNING BOARD**

As part of our responsibilities, the Planning Board approved the Town's Master Plan as well as the Open Space and Recreation Plan. We were also very involved in updating a number of bylaws and expanding protection to the Long Pond Watershed District which was presented and approved at the Annual Town Meeting.

The Town continues to benefit financially by more than \$200,000.00 annually from the three operating solar fields as a result of the pilot fees and increased land property taxes. There is another solar field project pending which could commence this coming fiscal year.

The special permit for the Belle Fleur marijuana growing facility has been delayed due to significant material, construction cost increases and shortages as well as difficulties in complying with wetlands requirements. They are working on a new plan for the coming year. This project will also benefit the Town financially from property taxes and other fees.

Another host agreement has been issued by the Select Board for a micro-marijuana growing facility which will require a special permit in the next fiscal year.

Paul Martin, Chair, Planning Board

### **CHESTER-BLANDFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Chester-Blandford Police Department saw some new faces in 2022. With the departure of Chief Tammy Weidhaas in August, we gained a new Police Chief, Jen Dubiel, who has 14 years of experience in law enforcement. We did lose a couple officers but gained 2 new officers at the end of the year, bringing our total number of sworn personnel to 6. The hope is that 2023 will bring us a Sergeant as well as 2-3 more officers so we can have close to 16 hours a day of coverage during our peak times.

The department was awarded 2 grants in 2022. One for bulletproof vests and one for traffic enforcement. The town also allowed the department to utilize some funding from an IT grant so we could update the laptops in the cruisers. We are already working on several funding opportunities for 2023.

Calls for the year totaled 926. The goal is to double that call volume for 2023. Each patrol shift, officers not only respond to 911 calls, but they also do several property checks, motor vehicle stops, community service calls, investigations, and many more important functions to protect our communities.



By June 30, 2023 all of our officers will be POST certified with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which means, they will have met the new standard of training and certification to function as a police officer in Mass. The process requires background checks, added training of 200 hours for a bridge academy, including emergency vehicle operations, firearms qualifications, defensive techniques, several exams and a requirement to complete 2400 hours of patrol time. This is all in addition to the annual requirements of specialized training that all officers must complete. Beyond the requirements, officers are able to attend extra training opportunities throughout the year, most of the time free of charge to the department.

We are looking forward to what 2023 will bring for the Chester-Blandford Police Department and meeting as many of you as possible through special events, patrols or in passing. We look forward to continuing to serve the communities and encourage everyone to reach out to us at any time either through our email or by phone. You can also check us out on our Facebook page, which we will begin utilizing more and more.

Thank you for all the support we receive, we truly do appreciate it.  
Chief Jen Dubiel

## **RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**Halloween Party 2022:** The Recreation Committee was pleased to be able to have our annual Halloween Party again this year. The Committee was extra pleased at the attendance. So many folks joined us for Trunk-Or-Treat and we enjoyed a bonfire, lots of home-made treats, Hot Cocoa and Cider, an extra treat presented by the Porter Memorial Library who set up a Story Walk in Watson Park. We had goodie bags, lots of food and games. We look forward to Memorial Day 2023.

Keri Morawiec, Chair

## **TOWN CLERK**

The Town Clerk's office does a great deal more than birth certificates, death certificates and marriage licenses. This office is responsible for the direction, administration, and operation of maintaining town records; coordination and administration of elections; conducting the annual census; and other duties in accordance with 73 chapters and 451 sections of the Massachusetts General Laws.

This is a very demanding and comprehensive position, and works with all boards, committees, commissions state agencies and most important, residents. The position is responsible to the electorate and takes direction from the Attorney General and the Secretary of State.

There were 13 births, 12 deaths and 2 marriages in 2022.

There are 1029 registered voters and 691 households and there are 1196 people living in Blandford.

The majority of them, 641, are over, 50 and there are 60 citizens who are 80-years-old or more. There are 41 people aged 10 and under. The largest group, by decade, are those between age 60 and 70 number 237.

The younger the group the fewer the people.

Doris Jemiolo, Town Clerk

## **TREASURER/COLLECTOR**

Town Debt

Landfill Cap- \$249,600 Financed by State House Note for 24 years beginning FY2001 @ 5.9%

Interest Paid FY22 \$1,856.40 Principal Paid in FY22 \$10,400.00

Remaining Balance \$20,800.00

Permanent Bond for Phase I Granted by Rural Development \$1,183,803 @ 4.375%

For 38 years issued 6/8/2004

Interest Paid FY22 \$28,621.34 Principal paid in FY22 \$31,153.00

Remaining \$623,049.00

Permanent Bond for Phase II Granted by Rural Development \$1,288,697 @ 4.5%

For 39 years issued 6/8/2004

Interest Paid FY22 \$ 45,000.48 Principal paid in FY22 \$25,697.52

Remaining \$974,313.48

Permanent Bond for Phase III Granted by Rural Development \$1,300,623 @ 4.375%

For 38 years issued 6/8/2004

Interest Paid FY22 \$46,061.36 Principal paid in FY22 \$24,042.64

Remaining \$1,029,534.36

Permanent Bond for Phase IV Granted by Rural Development \$882,000 @ 4.125%

For 39 years issued 6/8/2004

Interest Paid FY22 \$23,321.76 Principal paid in FY22 \$22,616.00

Remaining \$542,760.00

Short Term Bond Anticipation Note issued on 8/2022 for Broadband \$1,650,000.00

Short Term Bond Anticipation Note issued on 8/2022 for Road Repair/Reconstruction \$297,140.00

Short Term Bond Anticipation Note issued on 8/2022 for Fiber Optic Construction \$500,000.00

Short Term State Aid Anticipation Note issued on 6/29/2022 for \$999,000.00

## **Securities Trusts and other Funds**

See Accounting Report

Uteley Library Fund – In custody of Library Trustees

Delinquent properties have been advertised in FY22. Tax Titles through FY21 completed on July 5, 2022 Water liens were added to

Quarter 3 and 4 of FY22 real estate taxes.  
Bank Reconciliations are accomplished monthly with no backlog.  
Sara Hunter, Treasurer/Collector

### **WATER COMMISSIONERS**

This year the Water Department has had to complete consent orders from the DEP when updating and upgrading at the Plant, Pump house and Town Hall. The Department re-sanded filter #4 this year by obtaining ARPA grant funding in the sum of \$15,000 starting us on our filter maintenance program.

The SCADA upgrade process is in its final stages and ready to bid this year. Funding through the state revolving fund for \$840,000 was approved at Town Meeting for the Plant updates and upgrades needed and required per the DEP consent order. There were also two larger projects completed and still in process as well.

First was the Water Main and Storage Evaluation Project. This was at a cost of \$75,000 funded through an ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) grant. This project includes the preliminary planning and investigations required replacement of 14,000 feet (about 4.27 km) of water main, siting and sizing of a new storage tank, and evaluation of the existing booster station.

Second was the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). This was to develop a comprehensive capital improvement plan focusing on distribution system piping, storage, and pumping facilities to provide solutions to maintain elevated levels of reliability, water quality, and financially sound decision making for town residents. This was funded partially by a state grant of \$27,800. The remaining \$18,200 will come out of capital improvements.

The Following Projects were all funded by the ARPA fund.

- The Water Department replaced the 4 sample pumps \$3,400. These pumps supply water to all our sampling stations and need replacement due to failure.

- The dam and fence line was cleared to comply with state dam safety requirements and some general maintenance \$15,000.

- The Plant needed a storage building for equipment \$8,200.

The Flushing Program has been in process for the full year with improved water quality. All but a few hydrants still need to be redone and we are starting our valve exercising program.

The Blandford Water Department began working along with multiple other towns in starting a pilot program with Gateway Regional School District to help local youths enter the Water/Wastewater fields. Blandford currently has 2 interns for the school year 2023 helping in the Treatment/Distribution system.

PFAS Testing for the past year produced a non-detectable result.

We had to purchase a new printer and computer for the Water Department office and a mower for the plant.

Gordon Avery

Water Superintendent

### **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

*No report submitted*

## **ADDENDA**



# ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

JUNE 11, 2022

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

\* Stephen Jemiolo 79  
51 Beech Hill Road  
Candidate for re-election  
\*David Hopson 110  
55 Woronoco Road  
☐

## Board of Health for three years VOTE FOR ONE

\*Jennifer Girard, 15 Crooks Road 156  
Candidate for re-election  
☐

## Cemetery Commissioner for three years

VOTE FOR ONE

\*Theodore J. Cousineau, 99 Chester Road 158  
Candidate for re-election  
☐

## Fence Viewer for three years VOTE FOR ONE

\*Eric McVey, 41 North Blandford Rd. 150  
☐

## Fence Viewer for two years VOTE FOR ONE

FAILURE TO ELECT

## Field Driver for three years VOTE FOR ONE

FAILURE TO ELECT

## Library Trustee for three years VOTE FOR ONE

\*Charles Benson, 9 Haight Rd. 195  
Candidate for re-election  
☐

## Municipal Light Board for three years VOTE FOR ONE

\*June Massee, 21 Sperry Rd. 105  
Candidate for re-election  
\*Eric McVey, 41 North Blandford Rd. 78  
☐

## Planning Board for five years VOTE FOR ONE

FAILURE TO ELECT

## Select Board for three years VOTE FOR ONE

\*Thomas Ackley, 7 Wyman Rd. 73  
Candidate for re-election  
\*Jeffrey Allen, 100 Main St. 124

## Water Commissioner for Three Years

VOTE FOR ONE

\* Peter Thayer, 40 North Blandford Rd. 115  
\*\* Gordon Avery, 2 Sperry Rd. 70

198 ballots cast



**Certified Minutes  
Annual Town Meeting  
June 6, 2022  
Town of Blandford**

On Monday June 6, 2022, the inhabitants of Blandford qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Blandford Town Hall One Russell Stage Road at 7 P.M. to act on the following matters:

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officials and act thereon; or take any other action relative thereto.

Motion made and seconded;

**ARTICLE 1:** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to create an Education Stabilization Fund pursuant to G.L.c. 4, Sec. 5B for the purpose of funding assessments made by the regional school districts of which the Town is a member community; and to appropriate thereto \$70,054 from the Gateway Regional School District account (account # 015300.000) for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; or take any other action relative thereto

Motion made and seconded;

**ARTICLE 2:** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,537,058 for the Gateway Regional School District assessment as determined using the "Alternative Assessment Method," as set forth in the regional school district agreement, for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends

Motion made and seconded;

**ARTICLE 3:** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote, in the event that as of June 30, 2022 the Gateway Regional School District FY23 assessment is calculated using the Statutory Method, that the amount to be raised and appropriated under Article 3 of the June 6, 2022 Annual Town Meeting for the FY23 Gateway Regional School District assessment will be reduced to the Statutory Method assessment amount of \$1,463,284, and further, that the sum of \$36,887 be raised and appropriated from available funds to the Education Stabilization Fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

Motion made and seconded;

**ARTICLE 4:** Passed unanimously



**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds the sum of \$178,000 for Vocational Education (account #015301.000) for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends

Motion made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 5:** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote transfer from Gateway Regional School budget (account #015300.000) the sum of \$70,054.00 to the Vocational Education account (#015301.000) for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends

Motion made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 6** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds the sum of \$30,950.00 for the transportation expenses (account #015302.000) for Vocational Education for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 7** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash s the sum of \$25,000 to the Building Stabilization Fund (account #015901.002); or take any other action relative thereto

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 8** Passed unanimously

: **ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 44, sec. 4, and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with G.L. c. 44, sec. 17; or take any other action relative thereto.

Motion made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 9** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds the sum of \$2,653,598.41, more or less, to defray the expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023; or take any other action relative thereto. (See proposed Departmental Budgets).

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded: To amend budget amount form \$2,653,598.41 to \$2,675,252.40

**ARTICLE 10** Passed Unanimously



**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$150,000 for the Capital Projects account (#015920.000); or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded

**ARTICLE 11** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$25,000 to the Emergency Stabilization Fund account; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded

**Article 12** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$25,000.00 to be deposited into the Library Building Stabilization Fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded

**Article 13** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$102,859 to pay toward the principal of the road bond debt; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded

**Article 14** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$541,982.00 from Water Department Receipts to operate the Water Department for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023; or take any other action relative thereto. (See proposed departmental budget).

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded

**Article 15** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Department Retained Earnings the sum of \$5,000.00 to the Water Stabilization Fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded

**Article 16** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Department Retained Earnings the sum of \$ 125,998.00 to the Water Department Capital Expenses Account (#225450.028); or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded

**Article 17** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$50,000, more or less, to defray the broadband operating expenses, or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded

**Article 18 Passed Unanimously**

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Clerk to make non-substantive ministerial corrections and revisions only to the grammar, formatting, and numbering of the Town's General Bylaws, or take any other action relative thereto.

Motion made and seconded:

**Article 19 Passed Unanimously**

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to charge for each written demand issued by the Town Treasurer-Collector a fee of \$30.00 to be added to and collected as part of the tax, as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 60, Section 15, effective July 1, 2022.

Finance Committee Recommends:

Motion made and seconded:

**Article 20 Passed Unanimously**

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws, Article XXI of the General Bylaw, Revolving Funds, subsection F, Authorized Revolving Funds, by inserting therein the following language creating an additional revolving fund, said fund to be used by the Recreation Committee:

Recreation Committee Town Hall Gymnasium Rental – costs relative to such program Fees and receipts received in connection with the rental of the gymnasium at Town Hall Recreation Committee And, further, to amend said bylaw by inserting the following therein to establish the following fiscal year spending limit for such fund:

Recreation Committee Town Hall Gymnasium Rental – costs relative to such program Fees and receipts received in connection with the rental of the gymnasium at Town Hall Recreation Committee

And, further, to amend said bylaw by inserting the following therein to establish the following fiscal year spending limit for such fund: Recreation Committee Town Hall Gymnasium Rental \$5,000.

Or take any other action relative thereto

Motion made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 21 Passed Unanimously**

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning By-law SECTION 4.4 LONG POND WATERSHED PROTECTION DISTRICT, to delete the strikethrough language and insert the language in italics, as follows: 4.4.2 INTENT OF DISTRICT The intent of the Watershed Protection District is to include lands lying adjacent to water courses and surface water bodies which create the catchment or drainage areas of such water courses and bodies, as part of their natural drainage system. The district includes all areas designated on the Watershed Protection District Maps for the Town of Blandford, on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, which are hereby made part of the Town Zoning Map(s). The Watershed Protection District is an overlay district and shall be superimposed on the other districts established by this by-law. All regulations of the Town of Blandford Zoning By-laws applicable to such underlying districts shall remain in effect, except that where the Watershed Protection District imposed additional



regulations, such regulations shall prevail.

#### 4.4.4 PERMITTED USES ..

4.4.4.6 (e) All operations shall be conducted in accordance with a cutting plan approved by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management District Forester a Forest Cutting Plan (MGL Chapter 132. Sections 40-46A) and 4 approved by the Service Forester of the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (as provided under 304 CMR 11.04); and a written notice describing the proposed cutting and removal of trees shall be submitted to the Conservation Commission not less than ten days prior to the commencement of operations

4.4.4.6 (f) The removal of the selectively cut trees shall occur only during those periods when the ground is sufficiently dry or otherwise stable to support the equipment used, as determined by the Board of Health or an agent appointed by them.

4.4.4.6 (g) The placement of such, branches and limbs resulting from the cutting and removal operations shall not occur within 25 100 feet of the bank of a water body; and there shall occur no filling, excavation, or other change in the existing topography. After the cutting, the crown area of the remaining trees shall be evenly distributed throughout the site and shall cover no less than 50 percent of the surface area of the site, unless done under forestry cutting plans or joint approval of water department and conservation commission.

4.4.4.7 GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC INSTALLATION – Requires a Special Permit and Site Plan Review issued by the Planning Board in accordance with Section VII and IX

4.4.5 PROHIBITED USES 4.4.5.1 Forestry, i.e., the cutting or removal of trees within 100 yards of the shore of Long Pond from the mean high-water line and 25 200 feet from the bank of all brooks and streams flowing into Long Pond, unless done under forestry cutting plans or joint approval of water department and conservation commission. 4.4.5.3 Any new buildings, structures, land-disturbing activities, or excavations for removal of soil, sand, gravel, rocks, minerals, or any other earthen material within the Watershed Protection District, excluding required Town road maintenance. or take any other relative action thereto.

Planning Board Recommends:

Motion made and seconded

**Article 22:** Passed unanimously

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning By-law SECTION 5.3 TRAILERS, to insert the language in italics, as follows: . . .

5.3.3 Commercial trailer bodies, i.e., moving vans, auto carriers, commercial load bodies excepting farm vehicles are specifically prohibited in the residential and business zoning districts for parking and permanent storage. . . .

5.3.6 A recreational vehicle, including an independent or dependent travel trailer, tent trailer, pickup camper, motor home, converted bus and other equipment, which is eligible to be registered and insured for travel on public ways and is designed to be used as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreational or vacation purposes, are not to be used as a secondary dwelling



unit.”

5.3.7 Recreational vehicles may not be placed on a vacant parcel that has no current use or structure, as per Section 2.6, without a Special Permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Or take any other relative action thereto.

Motion made and accepted

Planning Board recommends

Motion made to table Article 23

Motion made and seconded

**Article 23:** tabled with unanimous vote

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning By-Law SECTION 9.1 SITE PLAN REVIEW AND SPECIAL PERMITS as follows: a. In Section 9.1.2, delete the words “except where noted in Section 6.8.3”, and replace the words “Board of Selectmen” with “Select Board”; b. In Section 9.1.4.3, delete the words “as illustrated further in Section 6.8.5”; c. In Section 9.1.6, replace the words “Board of Selectmen” with “Select Board”; d. Delete the existing language in Section 9.1.8.4 and insert the following language in its place: The location, size and design, building materials, and operating characteristics of the proposed development shall be compatible with abutting properties, the natural and built environments in the area, and the character of the surrounding area. Consideration will be given to the following: (a) Harmony in scale, bulk massing, and density; (b) Historical, cultural, and architectural features of nearby buildings or a master plan or other planning document, or any plan that has been adopted by the Town.

or take any other relative action thereto

Motion made and seconded

**Article 24:** tabled with unanimous vote

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning By-law as follows: 1. Delete SECTION XII SCHEDULE OF USES TABLE, in its entirety, and insert a new SECTION XVI - SCHEDULE OF USES TABLE as set forth on a document placed on file with the offices of the Town Clerk and Planning Board; 2. Renumber SECTION XIII DEFINITIONS, as SECTION XVII DEFINITIONS, renumbering the existing definitions therein as set forth on a document placed on file with the offices of the Town Clerk and Planning Board, and insert the following two new definitions in Section XVII:

**17.4 HOME**

**OCCUPATION:** Customary personal service occupation, activity, or use located in the same building occupied by such person as their residence that is clearly a customary, incidental, and accessory use of a residential dwelling unit and which does not alter the exterior of the building, the property, or character of the neighborhood. Such occupations shall include but are not limited to, architect, hairdresser, art gallery, interior designer, boutique, laundress, craft shop, real estate, dressmaker, carpenter, home manufacturer, painter, plumber, and electrician.

**17.5 HOME PROFESSIONAL OFFICE:** The office of a licensed or recognized professional located in the same building occupied by such person as their residence that is clearly a

customary, incidental, and accessory use of a residential dwelling unit and which does not alter the exterior or the building, the property, or character of the neighborhood. The home professional office of a doctor or dentist shall not include any biological or medical testing laboratory, except as an accessory use in connection with their practice.

3. Insert the following section headings in place of the sections deleted and renumbered as above: SECTION XII Section Reserved.

SECTION XIII Section Reserved. 6 and amend "4.4.4 PERMITTED USES (see Section XII: Schedule of Uses Table)" to read.

"4.4.4 PERMITTED USES (see Section XVI: Schedule of Uses Table)"

or take any other relative action thereto.

Motion made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 25** Passed Unanimously

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,000,000 to fund the construction of a new Highway Department garage, and further to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board to borrow said sum pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 44, sec. 7 or 8 or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, provided that any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with G.L. c. 44, sec. 20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount, or take any other action relative thereto. [LANGUAGE AND FIGURE SERVES AS A PLACEHOLDER. TO BE UPDATED PRIOR TO ANNUAL TOWN MEETING]

The following two Articles 26 and Article 27 were tabled prior being brought to the floor.

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,000,000 to fund the construction of a new Fire Department garage, and further to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board to borrow said sum pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 44, sec. 7 or 8 or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, provided that any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with G.L. c. 44, sec. 20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount, or take any other action relative thereto. [LANGUAGE AND FIGURE SERVES AS A PLACEHOLDER. TO BE UPDATED PRIOR TO ANNUAL TOWN MEETING]

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Doris Jemolo, Town Clerk

