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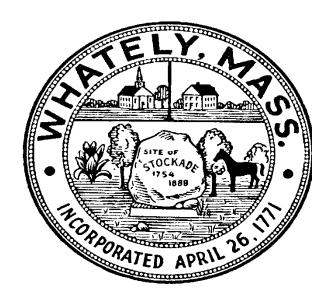
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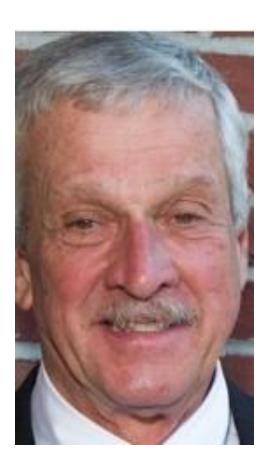
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TOWN OF WHATELY



For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020

James Ross



This year the Whately Annual Town Report is dedicated to James Ross for his longtime dedicated service to the Town of Whately. Jim has been a resident of Whately since 1978 after graduating from Northampton High School and UMASS School of Business. Jim is married to Katherine Ross (Farrell) and has two sons, James (JD) and Alex who live in Whately, and two daughters, Jodi and Maggie who live in West Medford and Greenfield. He is the grandfather of five children, Bailey, John, Jack, Tucker, and Henry.

Jim is a military veteran serving in the U.S. Air Force stationed in Korea during the Vietnam War working with communications radios.

He was a salesman and owner of the Whately General Store before pursuing his career as a building contractor as a partner in JDR Builders until his retirement in 2006.

He has been very active in several town committees which have benefitted greatly from his construction experience. Some of these include Library Trustee, Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program Representative for almost 20 years, chairman of the Conservation Commission for 20 years, a Voter Registrar, and Veterans Memorial activities.

As a Library Trustee for over ten years, he has been instrumental in managing and helping to maintain the physical condition of the Library and promoting the usage and availability of Library resources. This has included upgrades to the ventilation system, exterior maintenance, and most recently handicap accessibility improvements. He has been eager to volunteer and seek outside help in developing improvements with architects and local contractors in efforts to maintain and implement the improvement plan for the Library.

Jim has been very active in town veteran's activities, especially the annual Memorial Day Celebration and the development of an updated and aesthetically pleasing Veterans Memorial in the center of town. He participates annually in these activities and has been working with area veterans to continue maintaining a veteran's organization and presence in the town. He has worked with local designers, landscapers, and contractors to develop various options for updating and improving the Veterans Memorial site to make it a showcase for future years and to foster a continued presence of veteran's activities in Whately.

Jim has been active in many other town activities and participates frequently in town meetings and town functions. He continues to be active in the annual lighting of the Library Christmas Tree and active in the Hale-Clapp Veterans Post. His major hobby is restoring his 1956 Thunderbird vehicle. He is eager to offer construction experience to anyone and is very pleasant to converse with. A fine, respectful, and much appreciated dedicated Whately resident

It is with great honor and appreciation that this Town Report is dedicated to James Ross.

Frederick P. Orloski, Chairman Selectboard

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SELECTBOARD REPORT

This has been a very challenging and exciting year, so much happening with remote meetings due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Town government has continued to function and accomplish things that have been under development in the past, have initiated continued board and commission activities, and pursued future activities. Whately is fortunate to have a dedicated group of individuals, both employees and volunteers, who continue to make Whately a great and prosperous community to live in. I would like to thank the administrative staff Lynn, Janet, and Amy for their invaluable service to the town and for their unending support of our Town Administrator, Brian Domina.

A special thanks to our Town Administrator for his dedication and leadership to the town during this difficult and challenging time to keep the town functioning.

What was accomplished in 2020

Fire Station residing was completed to preserve the building which had numerous deteriorating and rusty exterior walls and minimal insulation.

Chestnut Plain Road was resurfaced, crosswalks were identified and signed, and the old uneven dangerous sidewalks in the center of town were relocated and replaced.

Williamsburg Road bridges were replaced at two locations and the road closure was reopened to traffic. The town was fortunate to receive additional funding to complete this long overdue project through the assistance of the design consultant and the State.

Poplar Hill road was reconstructed and another section paved with financial assistance from Smith College.

A softball field was constructed at Herlihy Park on existing property with the assistance of Deerfield Academy.

Manganese filters were installed by the Water Department at the town's public water system.

Christian Lane Railroad grade crossing improvements were made to provide a smoother and less noisy crossing surface through coordinated efforts of our Highway Department, the railroad, and local representatives.

The Santa Holiday Parade has continued for the third year due to efforts of the Fire, Police, and Highway Departments. The town appreciates and enjoys it.

What is Underway

The Water Department merger with the Water District in the center of town is still being designed with the project being advertised for bids soon. Some preliminary work for the connector and the pump house location was completed.

The Center School Reuse Study is still being considered with a final report received from the Center School Visioning Committee. A survey was developed and completed with public input received on options to consider on uses and ownership of the property. A Request For Interest (RFI) will be advertised soon to determine local developer interest and to assess the financial impact on the town.

Haydenville Road reconstruction is programmed for year 2025 with preliminary design work ongoing. Meetings have been held with the Town of Williamsburg and the City of Northampton as initiated by the design consultant and FRCOG to assure timely construction even though four years away. State bond funds from previous years will finance the majority of this project supplemented with minimal town funds for completed design and right of way purchases.

Municipal Vulnerability Plan development and public meetings are still underway with assistance from FRCOG. Hazardous and dangerous town infrastructure and environmental extremes affecting town residence and town government have been identified and measures to mitigate and lessen impacts have been discussed. This plan will enable the town to apply and receive additional state funds to plan for these activities in future years.

Housing Needs analysis and a Housing Plan are being developed with assistance from FRCOG. Participation in the Small Town Housing Working Group is ongoing with support for a housing task force and housing choice zoning reforms being addressed.

S. White Dickinson Memorial Library handicapped improvement design project will be implemented soon. A design has been approved and construction will start soon for both interior and exterior handicapped access improvements and accommodations.

Speed limit studies on Chestnut Plain Road and Christian Lane were completed by FRCOG and the results are being used by our Police Department to improve traffic monitoring. Moveable speed limit signs and electronic advance warning signs have been procured and will be used to monitor and establish appropriate speed limits in town.

Veterans Memorial upgrades and landscape improvements are being designed by the town veteran's organization to provide an updated history and more pleasing landscape at the same location. Cost estimates have been obtained from several local companies with implementation expected soon.

The Selectboard would like to thank all the committees, boards, and commissions who have made this year productive in making improvements and continuing to make Whately a progressive, safe, and exciting community to live in despite the impacts of dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. The perseverance and dedication of these groups and the public support has been very encouraging and very much appreciated.

The status of these accomplishments and activities can be found on the town's website (www.whately.org) for important and current notices and updates and for other important projects happening in town.

WHATELY TOWN OFFICIALS – ELECTED OFFICIALS

SELECTBOARD

Frederick Orloski, Chair Term Expires 2021
Jonathan Edwards Term Expires 2022
Joyce Palmer Fortune Term Expires 2023

TOWN CLERK

Lynn Sibley Term Expires 2022

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Frederick Orloski, Chair Term Expires 2021
Cathleen Grady Term Expires 2022
Melanie Chorak Term Expires 2023

BOARD OF HEALTH

Francis Fortino, Chair Term Expires 2021
Michael Archbald Term Expires 2022
Rebecca Jones Term Expires 2023

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Katie Edwards, Chair

Bethany Reilly

Maureen Nichols

Resigned 2020

Appointed until next Election

Term Expires 2023

Term Expires 2021

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

William J. Smith Term Expires 2021

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Robert Smith, Chair

James Ross

Term Expires 2022

Term Expires 2021

Lawrence Ashman

Term Expires 2021

Sheila Powers

Cynthia W. Allen

Term Expires 2023

Term Expires 2023

Term Expires 2023

Term Expires 2023

Term Expires 2022

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Darcy TozierTerm Expires 2021Neal AbrahamsTerm Expires 2022Ryan BrownTerm Expires 2023

MODERATOR

Nathanael A. Fortune Term Expires 2021

CONSTABLES

Edwin Zaniewski Term Expires 2022
Thomas Mahar Term Expires 2022

ELECTOR TO THE WILL OF OLIVER SMITH

Adelia Bardwell Term Expires 2021

WATER COMMISSIONERS

George Bucala, Jr., Chair

Paul M. Fleuriel, Jr.

Georgeann Default

Term Expires 2021

Term Expires 2021

Term Expires 2023

SELECTBOARD APPOINTMENTS

ADMINISTRATIVE

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Brian Domina Term Expires 2022

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Amy Schrader Term Expires 2021

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

FRCOG – Dara LaPlante Term Expires 2021

TREASURER/COLLECTOR

Lynn Sibley Term Expires 2023
Janet Scully, Assistant Term Expires 2021

TOWN COUNSEL

Kopelman & Paige Term Expires 2021

PUBLIC SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Keith Bardwell Term Expires 2021

KEEPER OF THE POUND

Daniel G. Denehy Term Expires 2021

TREE WARDEN

Keith Bardwell Term Expires 2021

PUBLIC SAFETY

CHIEF OF POLICE

James Sevigne, Jr. Term Expires 2023

SERGEANT

Donald Bates Term Expires 2021

PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS

Randall Williams Term Expires 2021

James Purcell Marc Bryden

Edwin Zaniewski Raymond Vandoloski

Joshua Thomas Kristjan Viise Adam Zaniewski

Jeffrey Baker, Court Officer

Brandon Lavecchia Zachary Liebenow

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

John S. Hannum Term Expires 2021

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Lynn M. Sibley Term Expires 2021

ASSISTANT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

DIRECTOR

Alan E. Sanderson, Jr. Term Expires 2021

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Richard Adamcek Term Expires 2021

HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

Fran Fortino Term Expires 2021

MUNICIPAL RIGHT TO KNOW COORDINATOR

John S. Hannum Term Expires 2021

INSPECTORS AND INSPECTION SERVICES

FRANKLIN COUNTY COOPERATIVE INSPECTION PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

James Ross Term Expires 2021

FRANKLIN COUNTY COOPERATIVE INSPECTION

PROGRAM

Building Inspector – James D. Hawkins Wiring Inspector – Tom MacDonald

Wiring Inspector - Tom MacDonald Plumbing Inspector – Andy French

Term Expires 2021

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND BARNS

Richard Adamcek Term Expires 2021

WEIGHTS AND MEASURERS

Northampton Coop Auction Term Expires 2021

Janet Land Kim Reardon Samantha Vanos Linda Davenport

FENCE VIEWERS AND FIELD DRIVERS

Ai. S. Annis, Jr. Term Expires 2021

David Chamutka Richard Adamcek

Vacancy

VETERANS SERVICES

VETERAN'S AGENT

Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans District Term Expires 2021

TOWN REPRESENTATIVE TO UPPER PIONEER

VALLEY VETERANS DISTRICT

Donald Sluter Term Expires 2021

VETERANS GRAVES OFFICERS

Raymond Billiel Term Expires 2021

GENERAL GOVERNMENTS

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Cynthia SandersonTerm Expires 2023Amy SchraderTerm Expires 2021Theresa BillielTerm Expires 2023Lynn Sibley, Town ClerkTerm Expires 2022

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Roger Lipton, ChairTerm Expires 2021Debra Carney, Vice-ChairTerm Expires 2023Robert SmithTerm Expires 2022

Alternates

Frederick Orloski Term Expires 2021 Kristin Vevon Term Expires 2021

ADA Coordinator

Brian Domina Term Expires 2021

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Scott Jackson, ChairTerm Expires 2022Montserrat ArchbaldTerm Expires 2023Ann BarkerTerm Expires 2021George OwensTerm Expires 2022Andrew OstrowskiTerm Expires 2023

TRI-TOWN BEACH COMMITTEE

William Skroski, Jr., Chair Term Expires 2022
Susan Monahan Resigned 2020

Vacancy

RECREATION COMMISSION

Justin Davis Term Expires 2021 Jonathan Edwards, Chair Term Expires 2021 Carol Hutkoski Term Expires 2021 Wayne Hutkoski Term Expires 2021 Thomas Sadoski Term Expires 2021 Christopher Skroski Term Expires 2021 Andrew Mihalak Term Expires 2021 Shelley Yagodzinski Term Expires 2021 Megan Wentzel Term Expires 2021

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Donna Wiley, Chair

Alan McArdle

Judy Markland

Susan Baron

Term Expires 2022

Term Expires 2023

Term Expires 2022

Term Expires 2022

Term Expires 2022

Term Expires 2021

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Jonathan Edwards Nathanael Fortune Paul Newlin

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Jonathan Edwards

Paul Newlin

Donna Wiley

Pete Westover

Allison Bell

Perrine Meunier-Jones

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Nancy Talanian, Chair	Term Expires 2023
Adelia Bardwell	Term Expires 2023
Julie Waggoner	Term Expires 2021
Joyce Palmer-Fortune	Term Expires 2023
George Reynold	Term Expires 2021
Riina Viise	Term Expires 2021
Jenny Morrison	Term Expires 2021
Richard Korpiewski	Term Expires 2021

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

Timothy Nourse, Chair	Term Expires 2023
William Obear	Term Expires 2022
David Chamutka	Term Expires 2023
John Devine, Secretary	Term Expires 2022
Margaret Christie	Term Expires 2021
Doug Coldwell	Term Expires 2021
James Golonka	Term Expires 2022

COUNCIL ON AGING

Ruth Leahey	Resigned 2020
Denise Govoni	Resigned 2020
Maryann Sadoski	Term Expires 2023
Kathryn McGrail	Term Expires 2021
Lois Hunt	Term Expires 2021

CABLE TV ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Randy K. Sibley

Joyce Palmer-Fortune

HOUSING COMMITTEE

Frederick Orloski	Term Expires 2021
Catherine Wolkowicz	Term Expires 2021
Richard Tillberg	Term Expires 2021
Fred Baron	Term Expires 2021

HOUSING TRUST

Frederick Orloski	Term Expires 2021
Catherine Wolkowicz	Term Expires 2021
Richard Tillberg	Term Expires 2021
Fred Baron	Term Expires 2021

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTATIVE

Lynn Sibley Term Expires 2021

Brian Domina, Alternate

FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Larry Kutner Term Expires 2021

Quinton Dawson, Alternate Term Expires 2021

FRANKLIN COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Richard Tillberg Resigned 2020 Frederick Orloski Term Expires 2021

MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Adelia Bardwell Virginia Allis Fred Orloski, Chair Judy Markland Anita Husted John Wroblewski Edward Sklepowicz

MODERATOR'S APPOINTMENTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Paul Antaya, Chair
Term Expires 2022
Thomas Mahar
Term Expires 2021
Robert Fydenkevez
Term Expires 2021
Roger Kennedy
Term Expires 2022
James Kirkendall
Term Expires 2020
Joseph Zewinski
Resigned 2019
Fred Baron
Term Expires 2021

Vacant Membership

PLANNING BOARD

Donald Sluter, Chair Term Expires 2021
Sara Cooper Term Expires 2019
Nicholas Jones Resigned 2020
Brant Cheike Appointed 2020
Judy Markland Term Expires 2021
Thomas Litwin Term Expires 2023

OTHER OFFICIALS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Brian Domina, Town Administrator
Frederick Orloski, Selectboard
Katie Edwards, Superintendent Representative
Darcy Tozier, At-Large
Vacancy, At-Large
Roger Kennedy, Finance Committee
Nicholas Jones, Planning Board Rep.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE - CPC

Alan Sanderson, Jr., Chair Andrew Ostrowski Donna Wiley Judy Markland Catherine Wolkowicz Jonathan Edwards Doug Coldwell

Conservation Commission 2019
Historical Commission 2021
Planning Board 2020
Housing Rep. 2020
Recreation Commission 2020
Term Expires 2022

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Joyce Palmer Fortune Keith Bardwell Thomas Mahar Betty Orloski Susan Baron Appt. by Selectboard Elected by Employees Appt. by Finance Committee Appt. by Moderator 2019 Appt. by Moderator 2021

SOUTH COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD OF OVERSIGHT REPRESENTATIVES

Jonathan Edwards Gary Stone

SOUTH COUNTY SENIOR CENTER BOARD OF OVERSIGHT REPRESENTATIVES

Jonathan Edwards Whately Representative

ASSISTANT ASSESSOR

Cynthia Herbert-Ramirez Appt. by Board of Assessors

HEALTH AGENT

Mark Bushee Foothills Health District

WATER SUPERINTENDENT

Wayne Hutkoski Appt. by Water Commissioners

LIBRARIAN

Cyndi Steiner Appt. by Library Trustees

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Robert Halla Appt. by Whately School Committee

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Darius Modestow Appt. by all School Committees

PRINCIPAL OF WHATELY SCHOOLS

Kristina Kirton Appt. by Superintendent of Schools

TRANSFER STATION ATTENDANTS

Quinton Dawson John Leva Megan West Roger Huard, alternate

250TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Joyce Palmer-Fortune Keith Bardwell Fred Baron Susan Baron John S. Hannum Don Sluter

The Town of Whately has many Boards, Committees and Commissions that exist solely because of the selflessness and dedication of the many volunteers. The Town would like to acknowledge and thank these individuals who are currently serving and have worked countless hours to make the Town a great place to live. We thank you! The Selectboard continues to search for volunteers to staff the Town's various Boards and Committees. Serving on one of the Town's Boards, Committees, or Commissions offers a rewarding challenge to share your talents as well as your energy to make our Town a great place to live.

TOWN CLERK

2020 was a busy and crazy year in the Town Clerk's Office. We conducted 4 elections during the calendar year; the March 3 Presidential Primary, June 9 Annual Town Election, September 1 State Primary and the November 3 State Election. The office was also involved in the Annual Town Meeting and 1 Special Town Meeting. For copies of those minutes, please go to the website www.whately.org. The office had been closed to the public for much of 2020 but business was still conducted by appointment.

Due to COVID-19, the Town had to think of creative ways to conduct safe and secure elections and Town Meetings. The March 3rd Primary was just as COVID was making its ugliness show. We conducted that election at the Town Offices as usual but as the disease progressed, we needed to think of other places and ways to conduct a safe election. The Annual Town Election was held at the Elementary school and the September Primary and November State Election were held at the Town Hall. Both of these locations offered the space we needed to socially distance and conduct one-way traffic for the election. Annual Town Meeting was held in the field next to the Elementary School.

The Legislature also expanded options for elections this year by allowing early vote by mail for a longer period of time and allowing ballots to be deposited in Town drop boxes. Unlike Absentee voting this allowed people to vote early without a reason. Many residents took advantage of early vote by mail. Early Voting in person was also conducted and/or expanded for the March, September and November elections.

Whately voters participated at all elections in great numbers but turned out for the November election with a whopping 88.7% turnout which was the 19th best in the State. Thank you for taking voting seriously. I am also happy to report that there were no COVID cases resulting from the elections or Town Meetings. Voters were very cooperative with wearing masks and election workers were tasked with making sure all surfaces were continuously sanitized throughout the day. Everyone got a souvenir pencil at each election if they wished to keep it!

I would also like to thank my election workers that braved the conditions to help on the elections. I had many new volunteers come forward as many of the previous workers fell into high-risk categories and preferred not to participate at this time.

As a reminder to all the hunters and fishermen out there, you may obtain your licenses locally at Dick's Sporting Goods, Walmart or online at http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dfg/licensing/.

Vital Records and Dog Licenses may be purchased online, by mail, or in the office. If your dog has been registered in Whately before and has a valid rabies certificate on file with the Town Clerk, you may use the online service. For Vital Records, it is a good idea to call first just to make sure we have the record that you are seeking. To pay online, just go to www.whately.org and go to Pay Bills then click on Whately Town Clerk and follow the

instructions. You can pay with your bank account with a fee of .25 cents or with a Master Card, Visa or Discover card with considerably higher fees depending on the price of the purchase.

Due to COVID the Town Clerk's office is presently closed but we can make an appointment to conduct business. We would appreciate most business to be conducted by phone, email or the town's After-hours box which is located in the front of the building. Dog licenses and vital records can be ordered through the pay bills option on the town's website, www.whately.org.

The following is a summary of the activities of the Town Clerk's Office for the year 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn M. Sibley, Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
9	6	14	18	10	14	14
MARRIAGES						
2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
13	7	13	10	7	5	8
			DEAT	HS		
2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
17	10	6	18	12	13	18

2020 DOG LICENSES

12	Male Dogs @ \$15.00	\$ 180.00
156	Neutered Male Dogs @ \$10.00	1,560.00
24	Female Dogs @ \$15.00	360.00
<u>151</u>	Spayed Female Dogs @ \$10.00	<u>1,510.00</u>
366		\$3,610.00
	Licenses for 2019 paid in 2020	180.00
	Plus Fines Charged for Late Licensing	550.00
	Total Turned Over to Treasurer	\$4,340.00

OTHER FEES COLLECTED BY TOWN CLERK

Zoning Board – Appeals		1,900.00	Planning Board
– ANR – Other Filings	575.00		
Sale of Street Listing		7.00	
Gas Renewal Permits		200.00	
Vitals		880.00	
Business Certificates		280.00	
Notice of Intent & Wetla	nd Fees	1,262.50	
Miscellaneous		236.38	
Sale of Zoning Bylaws		7.00	
Copying		20.50	
Raffle		10.00	
Total Other Fees Paid to			

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

A very, very different year indeed! We made no interior home inspections because of COVID-19 but using drive-by inspections and building permits we were able to assess new growth fairly well. Sales analyses showed that our assessments needed to be raised town wide so a three percent increase was added throughout to the value of the first acre (building or potential building site). We also made a slight upward adjustment to values put on kitchens and bathrooms in all styles of house construction. The tax rate was set at \$14.92 per thousand for fiscal year 2021. The state-mandated five-year recertification process will begin in January 2021. Town valuation by class is as follows:

Residential	\$229,403,978
Open Space (Ch 61,A,B)	2,653,539
Commercial	23,221,502
Industrial	21,913,300
Personal	13,272,472
Total	\$290,464,791

Currently all town offices are closed but residents may call Tuesdays and Wednesdays to speak with the assistant assessor. We may be able to resume inspections during the summer. Postcards are always sent to owners of property to be visited a week before the inspection.

Frederick P. Orloski, chairman

Melanie A. Chorak

Cathleen C. Grady

Cynthia C. Herbert, Assistant Assessor

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

TOWN OF WHATELY, MA BANK ACCOUNTS – FY 2020

BANK	BALANCE 6/30/2019	BALANCE 6/30/2020
PEOPLE'S UNITED		
GENERAL CASH	\$163,958.03	\$106,897.28
PAYROLL ACCT	\$27.63	\$5,103.40
SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT	\$17,594.75	\$19,702.81
UNIBANK		
ONLINE COLLECTIONS	\$766,436.24	\$178,756.06
AMBULANCE FUND	\$65,193.70	\$65,513.24
UNIBANK TOWN CLERK	\$3,875.06	\$5,405.05
GENERAL REVENUE ACCT	\$354,124.76	\$156,040.24
SCHOOL ACCOUNT	\$196,978.66	\$256,884.39
DEBIT CARD	\$673.18	\$674.62
RECREATION	\$35.18	\$35.25
DEPUTY COLLECTOR	\$35,223.84	\$50,690.51
ADAMS BANK		
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACCT.	\$231,608.22	\$235,322.83
CITIZEN'S BANK		
GENERAL CHECKING	\$1,181.14	\$1,181.26
EASTHAMPTON SAVINGS BANK		
CULTURAL COUNCIL	\$2,673.32	\$2,678.70
GENERAL FUND	\$9,248.87	\$9,267.51
GENERAL CHECKING	\$642,819.91	\$2,077,588.73
MMDT		
GENERAL REVENUE	\$22,925.62	\$23,311.02

BARNARD FUND CHURCH S. WHITE AGED PERS FUND A/C DAVENPORT POOR FUND AMBULANCE REPLACE FUND WHATELY GRANGE FUND	\$1,065.59 \$9,070.60 \$3,030.70 \$150.52 \$71.61	\$1,083.25 \$9,222.97 \$3,081.81 \$153.16 \$71.67
PEOPLES BANK		
SCHOOL VENDOR ACCT	\$18.40	\$18.40
BARTHOLOMEW		
AMB CAP STABILIZATION	\$879.38	\$896.82
GEN CAP STABILIZATION	\$186,062.10	\$189,746.18
VEHICLE STABILIZATION	\$51,421.66	\$62,447.77
SEPTIC	\$16,683.39	\$17,013.70
CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE	\$58,633.71	\$59,794.67
STABILIZATION	\$364,877.46	\$285,032.85
ENA CANE LIBRARY	\$4,151.58	\$4,233.77
OLIVE K DAMON LIBRARY	\$12,028.65	\$12,266.85
ANNIE DANFORTH LIBRARY	\$753.06	\$767.99
S.WHITE DICKINSON LIBRARY	\$90,645.87	\$92,440.69
PAUL F FIELD LIBRARY	\$5,127.68	\$5,229.20
JAMES FILIPKOWSKI	\$1,677.18	\$1,710.41
S & S FILIPKOWSKI LIBRARY	\$5,425.31	\$5,532.70
LOUIS KANDZ LIBRARY	\$1,203.19	\$1,227.00
J & J MAIEWSKI LIBRARY	\$3,058.46	\$3,119.02
ALICE RYAN ROBINSON	\$3,618.46	\$3,690.14
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$117,300.64	\$119,623.26
OPEB	\$134,099.06	\$163,604.01
CHECKS OUTSTANDING	(\$645,747.96)	(\$82,486.83)
PETTY CASH	<u>\$600.00</u>	\$600.00
TOTAL FUNDS	\$2,940,732.56	\$4,155,174.36

REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR

JULY 1, 2019 - JUNE 30, 2020

YEAR	TYPE OF TAX	COMMITTED OR BALANCE FORWARD	B/L OR TAX PAID	ABATEMENTS EXEMPTIONS	REFUNDS	TAX TITLES OR LIENED	OUTSTANDING 6/30/2020
2020	REAL ESTATE	4,183,280.55	4058950.82	18125.63	12110.59		118,314.69
	CPA/WATER	92,466.87	89291.46				3,175.41
	PERSONAL PROPERTY	182,381.67	176245.48	97.09	23.45		6,062.55
	MOTOR VEHICLE	345,153.10	320426.55	2902.79	1937.32		23,761.08
	WATER	147,983.90	138580.41	176.76			9,226.73
	FARM ANIMAL	8,739.13	7819.31				919.82
2019	REAL ESTATE	69,157.28	57,427.21		11.77	6,194.74	5,547.10
	CPA/WATER	1,143.38	1,026.85				116.53
	PERSONAL PROPERTY	5,327.31	259.04				5,068.27
	MOTOR VEHICLE	54,629.90	46,585.10	3,367.06	1,127.20		5,804.94
	WATER	5,611.33	3,616.07	46.50	39.72	1,988.84	-0.36
	FARM ANIMAL	242.50					242.50
2018	REAL ESTATE	10,668.75	10,542.32	3,372.56	3,372.56		126.43
	COMMUNITY PRES ACT	193.36	189.56				3.80
	PERSONAL PROPERTY	2,598.60					2,598.60
	MOTOR VEHICLE	3,203.75	2,150.62				1,053.13
	FARM ANIMAL	185.00					185.00

2017	REAL ESTATE COMMUNITY PRES ACT PERSONAL PROPERTY MOTOR VEHICLE WATER FARM ANIMAL	4,765.39 64.36 3,143.15 708.07 -1.68 210.25	1,059.99 28.13	3,705.40 64.36 3,143.15 679.94 -1.68 210.25
2016	REAL ESTATE COMMUNITY PRES ACT PERSONAL PROPERTY MOTOR VEHICLE FARM ANIMAL	3,456.52 58.85 2,747.99 725.43 150.25		3,456.52 58.85 2,747.99 725.43 150.25
2015	REAL ESTATE COMMUNITY PRES ACT PERSONAL PROPERTY MOTOR VEHICLE FARM ANIMAL	3,709.82 62.78 9,161.54 1,075.00 188.25		3,709.82 62.78 9,161.54 1,075.00 188.25
2014	REAL ESTATE COMMUNITY PRES ACT PERSONAL PROPERTY MOTOR VEHICLE	3,618.05 61.23 2,777.16 667.19	53.75	3,618.05 61.23 2,777.16 613.44
2013	REAL ESTATE COMMUNITY PRES ACT PERSONAL PROPERTY MOTOR VEHICLE	3,429.33 56.68 3,096.94 856.25	53.75	3,429.33 56.68 3,096.94 802.50
2012	PERSONAL PROPERTY MOTOR VEHICLE	2,560.01 1,842.94	\$26.88	2,560.01 1,816.06

2011	PERSONAL PROPERTY	1,264.30		1,264.30
	MOTOR VEHICLE	531.04		531.04
2010	PERSONAL PROPERTY	613.25		613.25
	MOTOR VEHICLE	188.33		188.33
2009	PERSONAL PROPERTY	1,043.76		1,043.76
2008	PERSONAL PROPERTY	68.44		68.44
	MOTOR VEHICLE	496.04		496.04
2007	MOTOR VEHICLE	448.86		448.86
2006	PERSONAL PROPERTY	31.99		31.99
	MOTOR VEHICLE	511.57	\$37.50	474.07
2005	MOTOR VEHICLE	795.42	\$80.00	715.42
2004	MOTOR VEHICLE	414.06	\$21.88	392.18
2003	MOTOR VEHICLE	333.76		333.76
2002	MOTOR VEHICLE	584.89		584.89

REVENUE REPORT

FY2020 Year to Date

Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
001	Balance Sheet						
4110	Personal Property Taxes						
000	No Fy	182,381.66	0.00	182,381.66	176,141.07	6,240.59	96.58%
4120	Real Estate Taxes						
000	No Fy	4,153,684.34	0.00	4,153,684.34	4,112,857.42	40,826.92	99.02%
4142	Tax Liens Redeemed						
000	No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,045.04	(65,045.04)	0.00%
4150	Motor Vehicle Excise						
000	No Fy	250,000.00	0.00	250,000.00	366,399.64	(116,399.64)	146.56%
4162	Farm Animal Excise						
000	No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,819.32	(7,819.32)	0.00%
4170	Pen & Int on Prop Taxes						
000	No Fy	18,000.00	0.00	18,000.00	14,221.62	3,778.38	79.01%
4171	Pen & Int on Excise Taxes						
000	No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,132.59	(1,132.59)	0.00%
4173	Tax Title Interest						
000	No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	34,484.11	(34,484.11)	0.00%
4180	Pmts In Lieu of Taxes						
000	No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,605.15	(3,605.15)	0.00%
4360	Rentals						
000	No Fy	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	21,925.00	(11,925.00)	219.25%
4610	Reimb for Loss of Taxes						
000	No Fy	31,944.00	0.00	31,944.00	31,944.00	0.00	100.00%
4613	Veterans Abatements						
000	No Fy	7,153.00	0.00	7,153.00	0.00	7,153.00	0.00%
4620	School Aid Chapter 70						
000	No Fy	264,770.00	0.00	264,770.00	261,391.00	3,379.00	98.72%
4622	Meals/Rooms Tax						
000	No Fy	22,000.00	0.00	22,000.00	25,015.82	(3,015.82)	113.71%
4640	School Choice						
000	No Fy	9,756.00	0.00	9,756.00	31,468.00	(21,712.00)	322.55%

4661	Lottery Aid						
000	No Fy	142,507.00	0.00	142,507.00	142,507.00	0.00	100.00%
4665	Veterans Benefits			·			
000	No Fy	568.00	0.00	568.00	70.00	498.00	12.32%
4685	Fines - Court						
000	No Fy	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	18,658.17	(3,658.17)	124.39%
4771	Fines - District Court			·	·		
code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
000	No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,295.00	(1,295.00)	0.00%
4820	Earnings on Investments				,	, ,	
000	No Fy	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	9,430.30	(4,430.30)	188.61%
4840	Miscellaneous Revenue						
000	No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	32,278.55	(32,278.55)	0.00%
4971	Tr Fr Special Revenue						
000	No Fy	53,494.00	0.00	53,494.00	53,494.00	0.00	100.00%
4974	Tr Fr Stabilization						
000	No Fy	97,000.00	0.00	97,000.00	97,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 001	Balance Sheet	5,263,258.00	0.00	5,263,258.00	5,508,182.80	(244,924.80)	104.65%
122	Selectboard						
4410	Alcoholic Beverage Licenses						
000	No Fy	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	8,833.00	(3,833.00)	176.66%
4420	Other Licenses						
000	No Fy	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	2,038.00	2,962.00	40.76%
Total 122	Selectboard	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,871.00	(871.00)	108.71%
145	Treasurer						
4320	Fees						
000	No Fy	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,425.00	(425.00)	<u>142.50%</u>
Total 145	Treasurer	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,425.00	(425.00)	142.50%
146	Collector						
4320	Fees						

000	No Fy	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	4,940.00	60.00	98.80%
Total 146	Collector	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	4,940.00	60.00	98.80%
149 4320 000	Other - Registry Marking Fees No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,903.82	(2,903.82)	0.00%
Total 149	Other - Registry Marking	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,903.82	(2,903.82)	0.00%
161	Clerk						
4320 000	Fees No Fy	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	1,723.11	1,276.89	57.44%
Total 161	Clerk	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	1,723.11	1,276.89	57.44%
171 4320 000	Conservation Commission Fees No Fy	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00%
Total 171	Conservation Commission	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00%
210 4320 000	Police Fees No Fy	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	7,332.25	(2,332.25)	146.65%
Total 210	Police	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	7,332.25	(2,332.25)	146.65%
220 4320 000	Fire Fees No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	980.00	(980.00)	0.00%
Total 220	Fire	0.00	0.00	0.00	980.00	(980.00)	0.00%
422 4450 000	Highway Expenses Permits No Fy	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	(300.00)	0.00%
Total 422	Highway Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	(300.00)	0.00%

433	Transfer Station						
4320	Fees						
000	No Fy	24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00	<u>34,328.00</u>	(10,328.00)	143.03%
Total 433	Transfer Station	24,000.00	0.00	24,000.00	34,328.00	(10,328.00)	143.03%
512	Board of Health						
4320	Fees						
000	No Fy	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	11,445.00	(6,445.00)	228.90%
Total 512	Board of Health	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	11,445.00	(6,445.00)	228.90%
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Report Diffe	rence	5,317,258.00	0.00	5,317,258.00	5,584,430.98	(267,172.98)	105.02%

EXPENSE REPORT

FY2020

Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
114 5400 000	Moderator General Expenses No Fy	150.00	0.00	150.00	27.00	123.00	18.00%
Total 114	Moderator	150.00	0.00	150.00	27.00	123.00	18.00%
122 5400 000	Selectboard General Expenses No Fy	119,702.00	0.00	119,702.00	111,653.64	8,048.36	93.28%
Total 122	Selectboard	119,702.00	0.00	119,702.00	111,653.64	8,048.36	93.28%
131 5400 000	Finance Committee General Expenses No Fy	150.00	0.00	150.00	135.00	<u> 15.00</u>	90.00%
Total 131	Finance Committee	150.00	0.00	150.00	135.00	15.00	90.00%
132 5400 000	Reserve Fund General Expenses No Fy	20,000.00	(14,024.25)	<u>5,975.75</u>	0.00	<u>5,975.75</u>	0.00%
Total 132	Reserve Fund	20,000.00	(14,024.25)	5,975.75	0.00	5,975.75	0.00%
135 5400	Accountant General Expenses						
000 5421	No Fy Accounting Software	21,616.00	0.00	21,616.00	21,115.80	500.20	97.69%
000 5800	No Fy Audit	750.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00	100.00%

000	No Fy	7,500.00	15,500.00	23,000.00	0.00	23,000.00	0.00%
Total 135	Accountant	29,866.00	15,500.00	45,366.00	21,865.80	23,500.20	48.20%
141 5400	Assessors General Expenses						
000	No Fy	38,850.00	850.00	39,700.00	39,692.43	7.57	99.98%
Total 141	Assessors	38,850.00	850.00	39,700.00	39,692.43	7.57	99.98%

Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
145	Treasurer						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	59,675.00	0.00	59,675.00	57,838.00	1,837.00	96.92%
5411	Tax Taking Expenses						
000	No Fy	8,000.00	4,425.26	12,425.26	12,425.26	0.00	100.00%
5423	Harpers Payroll						
000	No Fy	5,200.00	0.00	5,200.00	4,463.01	736.99	<u>85.83%</u>
Total 145	Treasurer	72,875.00	4,425.26	77,300.26	74,726.27	2,573.99	96.67%
151	Legal						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	20,900.00	0.00	20,900.00	12,491.14	<u>8,408.86</u>	<u>59.77%</u>
Total 151	Legal	20,900.00	0.00	20,900.00	12,491.14	8,408.86	59.77%
161	Clerk						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	40,133.00	0.00	40,133.00	37,479.96	2,653.04	93.39%
5424	Education Incentive						
000	No Fy	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	999.96	0.04	100.00%
5857	STM10-24-18 A#4 ARCHIVING, ETC						
000	No Fy	0.00	806.00	806.00	0.00	806.00	0.00%
Total 161	Clerk	41,133.00	806.00	41,939.00	38,479.92	3,459.08	91.75%
171	Conservation Commission						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	500.00	0.00	500.00	162.00	338.00	32.40%
Total 171	Conservation Commission	500.00	0.00	500.00	162.00	338.00	32.40%
172	Agricultural Comm						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00%
Total 172	Agricultural Comm	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00%
175	Planning Board						

Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	2,184.00	0.00	2,184.00	1,595.41	588.59	73.05%
Total 175	Planning Board	2,184.00	0.00	2,184.00	1,595.41	588.59	73.05%
176 5400	Zoning/Appeals Board General Expenses						
000	No Fy	2,385.00	0.00	2,385.00	1,554.55	830.45	65.18%
Total 176	Zoning/Appeals Board	2,385.00	0.00	2,385.00	1,554.55	830.45	65.18%
177	Housing Committee						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00%
Total 177	Housing Committee	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00%
192	Public Buildings						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	84,976.00	0.00	84,976.00	69,246.33	15,729.67	81.49%
5425	Connect Cty						
000	No Fy	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,381.99	118.01	95.28%
5426	Computer Replacement						
000	No Fy	5,250.00	1,224.99	6,474.99	2,885.89	3,589.10	44.57%
5427	Website Update						
000	No Fy	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	3,786.56	213.44	94.66%
5428	Municipal Bldg Comm						
000	No Fy	800.00	0.00	800.00	0.00	800.00	0.00%
5440	Fuel						
000	No Fy	28,000.00	0.00	28,000.00	17,854.88	10,145.12	63.77%
5460	Supplies	2 500 00	0.00	2 500 00	2 272 67	4 227 22	64.020/
000	No Fy	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	2,272.67	1,227.33	64.93%
5804	ATM4-25-17A#11 Twn Off IT	0.00	2 206 76	2 206 76	0.00	2 206 76	0.000/
000	No Fy	0.00	3,386.76	3,386.76	0.00	3,386.76	0.00%
5805	A#25FY17ATM Ren Twn Off Bldg	0.00	04.010.00	04.010.00	701 74	04.010.26	0.040/
000 5807	No Fy STM12-1-16A#10 Twn Off Vault	0.00	94,810.00	94,810.00	791.74	94,018.26	0.84%
000	No Fy	0.00	1,192.27	1,192.27	0.00	1,192.27	0.00%

Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
5841	Design & Constr of Imprvs to Vets Monument near Twn Hall						
000 5848	No Fy ATM4-24-18A#23 Twn Off HVAC	0.00	7,425.00	7,425.00	0.00	7,425.00	0.00%
000	No Fy	0.00	2,977.00	2,977.00	0.00	2,977.00	0.00%
5849 000	ATM4-24-18A#24 Twn Off Roof Rpr No Fy	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	0.00%
Total 192	Public Buildings	129,026.00	114,516.02	243,542.02	99,220.06	144,321.96	40.74%
193 5400	Property Insurance General Expenses						
000	No Fy	75,000.00	0.00	75,000.00	71,619.24	3,380.76	95.49%
Total 193	Property Insurance	75,000.00	0.00	75,000.00	71,619.24	3,380.76	95.49%
195 5400	Town Reports General Expenses						
000	No Fy	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 195	Town Reports	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	100.00%
210 5400	Police General Expenses						
000 5429	No Fy PD Quinn Bill	204,075.00	9,000.00	213,075.00	212,786.49	288.51	99.86%
000 5845	No Fy ATM4-24-18A#18 Police Cruiser	5,424.00	0.00	5,424.00	5,423.76	0.24	100.00%
000	No Fy	0.00	1,249.82	1,249.82	1,249.82	0.00	100.00%
Total 210	Police	209,499.00	10,249.82	219,748.82	219,460.07	288.75	99.87%
220 5400	Fire General Expenses						
000 5808	No Fy ATM4-25-17A#13 Fire Prot Eq	62,933.00	0.00	62,933.00	48,842.35	14,090.65	77.61%
000 5864	No Fy New 5 Fire Hose - ATM 5/19 A#16 6/20 A#16	0.00	7,590.00	7,590.00	0.00	7,590.00	0.00%

Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
000 5866	No Fy Siding/Ext Repairs Fire - ATM 5/19 Article #18	13,750.00	0.00	13,750.00	12,605.00	1,145.00	91.67%
000	No Fy	31,500.00	0.00	31,500.00	31,500.00	0.00	100.00%
5868	Upgrade Pumping Station ATM 5/19 A#21 6/20 A#18	52,655.55	0.00	32,333.33	52,555.55	5.55	200.0076
000	No Fy	87,000.00	0.00	87,000.00	669.00	86,331.00	0.77%
Total 220	Fire	195,183.00	7,590.00	202,773.00	93,616.35	109,156.65	46.17%
232 5400	Emergency Medical Service General Expenses						
000	No Fy	106,080.00	0.00	106,080.00	106,080.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 232	Emergency Medical Service	106,080.00	0.00	106,080.00	106,080.00	0.00	100.00%
291 5400	Civil Defense General Expenses						
000	No Fy	950.00	0.00	950.00	650.00	300.00	68.42%
Total 291	Civil Defense	950.00	0.00	950.00	650.00	300.00	68.42%
292 5400	Animal Control Officer General Expenses						
000	No Fy	4,900.00	0.00	4,900.00	2,862.40	2,037.60	58.42%
Total 292	Animal Control Officer	4,900.00	0.00	4,900.00	2,862.40	2,037.60	58.42%
293 5400	Inspector of Animals General Expenses						
000	No Fy	528.00	0.00	528.00	492.58	35.42	93.29%
Total 293	Inspector of Animals	528.00	0.00	528.00	492.58	35.42	93.29%
294 5400	Tree Service General Expenses						
000	No Fy	5,500.00	0.00	5,500.00	<u>5,461.95</u>	38.05	99.31%
Total 294	Tree Service	5,500.00	0.00	5,500.00	5,461.95	38.05	99.31%

Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
300	Whately Elementary School						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	1,785,184.00	0.00	1,785,184.00	1,621,858.41	163,325.59	90.85%
5499	Encumbered Funds						
000	No Fy	0.00	211,415.25	211,415.25	209,766.24	1,649.01	99.22%
5809	Sprinkler Sys Whately Elem						
000	No Fy	0.00	6,360.17	6,360.17	5,709.06	651.11	89.76%
5810	Emergency Generator Elem Sch						
000	No Fy	0.00	27,028.64	27,028.64	245.00	26,783.64	0.91%
5811	ATM4-25-17A#10 New Comm Sys						
000	No Fy	0.00	695.73	695.73	0.00	695.73	0.00%
5865	Flooring/Rugs Elem School ATM 5/19 Article #17						
000	No Fy	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	11,244.59	8,755.41	56.22%
5867	Mini-splits Elem School ATM 5/19 Article #19						
000	No Fy	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 300	Whately Elementary School	1,820,184.00	245,499.79	2,065,683.79	1,863,823.30	201,860.49	90.23%
310	Regional School						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	926,097.00	0.00	926,097.00	926,097.00	0.00	100.00%
5432	Frontier Reg Trans						
000	No Fy	38,283.00	0.00	38,283.00	38,283.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 310	Regional School	964,380.00	0.00	964,380.00	964,380.00	0.00	100.00%
320	Vocational/Technical Schools						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	167,162.00	1.00	167,163.00	167,163.00	0.00	100.00%
5445	Capital Assessment	•		,	,		
000	No Fy	7,302.00	0.00	7,302.00	7,301.17	0.83	99.99%
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Total 320	Vocational/Technical Schools	174,464.00	1.00	174,465.00	174,464.17	0.83	100.00%
422	Highway Expenses						
5110	Salaries & Wages						
000	No Fy	136,222.00	0.00	136,222.00	133,608.55	2,613.45	98.08%
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Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	79,200.00	0.00	79,200.00	79,200.00	0.00	100.00%
5408	Garage Maintenance	,		,	,		
000	No Fy	8,300.00	0.00	8,300.00	8,216.88	83.12	99.00%
5409	Road Machinery						
000	No Fy	21,000.00	13,000.00	34,000.00	33,958.07	41.93	99.88%
5843	ATM4-24-18A#15 New Plow						
000	No Fy	0.00	1,075.00	1,075.00	0.00	1,075.00	0.00%
5844	ATM4-24-18A#17Highway Garage Roof						
000	No Fy	0.00	2,591.05	2,591.05	1,368.62	1,222.43	52.82%
5858	Highway Garage Furnace						
000	No Fy	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	5,697.02	1,802.98	75.96%
5861	ATM Art#13 04302019 Tires Front End Loader						
000	No Fy	8,000.00	0.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00	100.00%
5862	Used Highway Pickup ATM 4/19 Article #14						
000	No Fy	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00%
5869	Design/Eng of Sidewalks ATM 5/19 Article #24						
000	No Fy	5,000.00	4,000.00	9,000.00	4,200.00	4,800.00	46.67%
Total 422	Highway Expenses	275,222.00	20,666.05	295,888.05	274,249.14	21,638.91	92.69%
423	Snow & Ice Removal						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	132,979.00	0.00	132,979.00	121,557.12	11,421.88	91.41%
Total 423	Snow & Ice Removal	132,979.00	0.00	132,979.00	121,557.12	11,421.88	91.41%
430	Waste Disposal						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	6,540.00	0.00	6,540.00	6,540.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 430	Waste Disposal	6,540.00	0.00	6,540.00	6,540.00	0.00	100.00%
433 5400	Transfer Station General Expenses						

Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
000 5412	No Fy Hazardous Waste Coll	46,541.00	0.00	46,541.00	45,207.71	1,333.29	97.14%
000	No Fy	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,051.00	149.00	87.58%
Total 433	Transfer Station	47,741.00	0.00	47,741.00	46,258.71	1,482.29	96.90%
450 5817	Water Department						
000	Piping Modifications No Fy	0.00	8,600.00	8,600.00	0.00	8,600.00	0.00%
5818 000	STM12-1-16A#3 Wtr Sys Des No Fy	0.00	13,845.00	13,845.00	1,807.00	12,038.00	13.05%
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Total 450	Water Department	0.00	22,445.00	22,445.00	1,807.00	20,638.00	8.05%
491 5400	Cemetery General Expenses						
000	No Fy	8,477.00	0.00	8,477.00	6,906.91	1,570.09	81.48%
5853 000	ATM4-24-18A#27 Cem Lwnmwr No Fy	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	5,505.00	495.00	91.75%
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Total 491	Cemetery	8,477.00	6,000.00	14,477.00	12,411.91	2,065.09	85.74%
510	Health Inspections						
5400 000	General Expenses No Fy	18,155.00	0.00	18,155.00	18,154.74	0.26	100.00%
Total 510	Health Inspections	18,155.00	0.00	18,155.00	18,154.74	0.26	100.00%
512	Board of Health						
5400 000	General Expenses No Fy	2,996.00	46.64	3,042.64	3,042.64	0.00	100.00%
Total 512	Board of Health	2,996.00	46.64	3,042.64	3,042.64	0.00	100.00%
541 5400	Council on Aging General Expenses						
000	No Fy	19,208.00	0.00	19,208.00	19,208.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 541	Council on Aging	19,208.00	0.00	19,208.00	19,208.00	0.00	100.00%

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543	Veteran's Services						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	8,732.00	0.00	8,732.00	7,148.43	1,583.57	81.86%
5434	Local Council on Aging Exp						
000	No Fy	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00%
Total 543	Veteran's Services	9,232.00	0.00	9,232.00	7,148.43	2,083.57	77.43%
610	Library						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	74,784.00	0.00	74,784.00	68,246.44	6,537.56	91.26%
5859	STM Art#12 4/18 Library Hadicap Improvements						
000	No Fy	35,000.00	0.00	35,000.00	10,395.00	24,605.00	29.70%
Total 610	Library	109,784.00	0.00	109,784.00	78,641.44	31,142.56	71.63%
630	Recreation Activities						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	10,570.00	0.00	10,570.00	2,596.56	7,973.44	24.57%
5444	Tri Town Beach						
000	No Fy	5,174.00	0.00	5,174.00	5,550.40	(376.40)	107.27%
5499	Encumbered Funds						
000	No Fy	0.00	2,876.07	2,876.07	842.51	2,033.56	29.29%
5821	FY20 07/31STM#2 Herlihy Field / FY17ATMA#15 Shed Blue Sch						
000	No Fy	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,799.70	1,200.30	59.99%
5836	Foundation for Dugouts						
000	No Fy	0.00	4,700.00	4,700.00	0.00	4,700.00	0.00%
Total 630	Recreation Activities	15,744.00	10,576.07	26,320.07	10,789.17	15,530.90	40.99%
691	Historical Commission						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	200.00	0.00	200.00	82.39	117.61	41.20%
Total 691	Historical Commission	200.00	0.00	200.00	82.39	117.61	41.20%
692	Celebrations						

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5855	ATM4-24-18A#29 250th Celeb						
000	No Fy	20,000.00	20,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00	0.00%
Total 692	Celebrations	20,000.00	20,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	40,000.00	0.00%
710	Retirement of Debt						
5970	Fire Department Pumper						
000	No Fy	82,619.00	0.00	82,619.00	82,618.20	0.80	100.00%
Total 710	Retirement of Debt	82,619.00	0.00	82,619.00	82,618.20	0.80	100.00%
752	Interest on Short-term Debt						
5900	Int-Maturing Debt						
000	No Fy	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00%
Total 752	Interest on Short-term Debt	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00%
820	State Assessments & Charges						
5631	School Choice						
000	No Fy	99,586.00	0.00	99,586.00	113,578.00	(13,992.00)	114.05%
5640	Air Pollution District						
000	No Fy	528.00	0.00	528.00	484.00	44.00	91.67%
5646	RMV Marking Surchg						
000	No Fy	1,240.00	0.00	1,240.00	1,144.00	96.00	92.26%
5663	Reg Transit Authority						
000	No Fy	7,579.00	0.00	7,579.00	6,952.00	627.00	91.73%
Total 820	State Assessments & Charges	108,933.00	0.00	108,933.00	122,158.00	(13,225.00)	112.14%
830	FRCOG Assessment & Chgs						
5435	Assessment						
000	No Fy	19,586.00	0.00	19,586.00	19,248.00	338.00	98.27%
5436	Inspection						
000	No Fy	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 830	FRCOG Assessment & Chgs	27,086.00	0.00	27,086.00	26,748.00	338.00	98.75%
911 5400	Retirement Contribution General Expenses						

Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
000	No Fy	195,303.00	0.00	195,303.00	191,726.00	3,577.00	98.17%
Total 911	Retirement Contribution	195,303.00	0.00	195,303.00	191,726.00	3,577.00	98.17%
912	Worker's Compensation						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	18,700.00	0.00	18,700.00	18,300.00	400.00	97.86%
Total 912	Worker's Compensation	18,700.00	0.00	18,700.00	18,300.00	400.00	97.86%
913	Unemployment Compensation						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	16,000.00	0.00	16,000.00	0.00	16,000.00	0.00%
Total 913	Unemployment Compensation	16,000.00	0.00	16,000.00	0.00	16,000.00	0.00%
914	Health Insurance						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	25,211.00	0.00	25,211.00	0.00	25,211.00	0.00%
5437	Group Hlth Ins	·		•		•	
000	No Fy	418,789.00	0.00	418,789.00	400,477.21	18,311.79	95.63%
5438	Life Insurance						
000	No Fy	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	852.00	148.00	85.20%
5439	Physicals & Tests						
000	No Fy	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	500.00	66.67%
5441	Police & Fire Ins						
000	No Fy	14,700.00	0.00	14,700.00	9,439.00	5,261.00	64.21%
5446	Health Ins Plan Change Reimbursement						
000	No Fy	4,800.00	0.00	4,800.00	4,163.10	636.90	<u>86.73%</u>
Total 914	Health Insurance	466,000.00	0.00	466,000.00	415,931.31	50,068.69	89.26%
916	Medicare						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	32,500.00	126.61	32,626.61	32,626.61	0.00	100.00%
Total 916	Medicare	32,500.00	126.61	32,626.61	32,626.61	0.00	100.00%

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917	Medicaid						
5400	General Expenses						
000	No Fy	1,800.00	0.00	1,800.00	1,112.68	687.32	61.82%
Total 917	Medicaid	1,800.00	0.00	1,800.00	1,112.68	687.32	61.82%
970	Transfer To						
5961	Transfer to Spec Rev Fnd						
000	No Fy	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	100.00%
5962	Transfer to Stabilization Fund						
000	No Fy	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 970	Transfer To	45,000.00	0.00	45,000.00	45,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Report Diffe	erence	5,697,808.00	465,274.01	6,163,082.01	5,441,124.77	721,957.24	88.29%

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219	Chapter 90 Funds	(167,844.51)	167,852.51	(10,289.92)	(10,281.92)
231	Wetlands Protection Fund	5,475.96	1,775.00	(137.00)	7,113.96
232	Dog Revolving Fund	5,757.33	5,602.00	(641.75)	10,717.58
233	Agriculture Revolving Fund	591.80	0.00	0.00	591.80
235	Recreation Revolving	12,404.90	6,980.00	(9,925.63)	9,459.27
236	Library Fees Revolving Fund	1,867.17	0.00	0.00	1,867.17
237	Firewood Revolving	570.02	1,250.00	0.00	1,820.02
238	Trench Permits Revolving	1,010.00	0.00	0.00	1,010.00
239	Recycling Revolving Fund	6,179.38	629.04	(40.74)	6,767.68
240	Recycling Dvidend Program	9,968.32	5,600.00	(198.20)	15,370.12
241	DPU Assessments from Network Cos	52.80	0.00	0.00	52.80
251	Public Hearing Revolving	243.21	2,057.61	(2,391.76)	(90.94)
252	Yankee Candle Gift Fund	0.00	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
253	Sale of Cemetary Lots	17,130.00	500.00	0.00	17,630.00
258	Road Machinery Fund	9,446.68	0.00	0.00	9,446.68
260	Gen'l Elect State Reimb	400.00	296.07	(400.00)	296.07
261	Rec Don Maj Vote Rec Comm	460.00	3,105.11	0.00	3,565.11
263	Community Compact Grant	125.00	15,000.00	0.00	15,125.00
264	Town Hall Donation Fund	0.00	1,792.11	(1,792.11)	0.00
266	R. Ferrick Gift Acct	45.76	0.00	0.00	45.76
268	WMRLS Grant	1,247.45	0.00	0.00	1,247.45
270	Police Donations	3,545.34	0.00	(1,060.00)	2,485.34

271	PD - Dare Donations	57.02	0.00	0.00	57.02
272	Cruiser Fees for Details	3,923.88	1,165.00	(553.19)	4,535.69
273	Law Enforcement Trust	857.79	0.00	0.00	857.79
274	Fire Dept Donations	1,235.67	16,500.00	(16,769.00)	966.67
275	Vets Tom Leahey Memorial	2,015.00	0.00	0.00	2,015.00
276	Cemetary Kandsz Donation	2,900.00	0.00	0.00	2,900.00
277	Shared Mower Program	31,524.39	3,900.00	(27,180.08)	8,244.31
278	Master Planning Grant	1,834.72	0.00	0.00	1,834.72
279	Strategic Planning Grant	439.47	0.00	0.00	439.47
281	Septic Repair Program	14,662.66	330.31	0.00	14,992.97
282	Library Lions Club Donations	109.13	0.00	0.00	109.13
283	Library General Donations	1,497.25	1,809.32	0.00	3,306.57
284	Summer Reading Program	8.43	0.00	0.00	8.43
285	Hoxie Memorial Garden Fund	2.17	0.00	0.00	2.17
286	Non-Resident Circulation	1,338.45	0.00	0.00	1,338.45
287	Div of Medical Assistance	21,662.75	0.00	0.00	21,662.75
289	Insurance Proceeds	19,100.24	0.00	0.00	19,100.24
291	PEG Access Fund	59,496.00	32,672.23	(26,000.00)	66,168.23
292	PEG Access Capital Fund	44,974.99	1,000.00	(2,495.00)	43,479.99
293	Fire Pager Rebate	1,725.00	0.00	0.00	1,725.00
294	ConCom Escrow	110.01	0.00	0.00	110.01
295	Cemetery Revolving	1,070.03	1,875.00	(2,000.00)	945.03
296	Operation Whately Delivery	899.48	0.00	0.00	899.48
299	FCHCC Medication Grant	2,367.79	0.00	0.00	2,367.79
380	CPA	228,053.46	178,989.05	(152,320.58)	254,721.93

401	Frontier Regional CFCE Grant	0.00	150.00	0.00	150.00
402	Bullet Proof Vest Grant-Police	1,478.00	0.00	(780.00)	698.00
407	Gov Highway Safety Grant	871.12	0.00	0.00	871.12
409	Solarize Whately	671.25	0.00	0.00	671.25
412	Council on Aging Grant	0.00	6,000.00	(6,000.00)	0.00
413	MEMA Emergency Mill River Stab	26,085.46	0.00	(7,467.97)	18,617.49
414	Library State Aid	4,583.72	2,739.07	0.00	7,322.79
415	Cultural Council	2,637.32	4,805.38	(2,282.00)	5,160.70
418	Library Litigation Grant	325.86	0.00	0.00	325.86
420	Fire Dept Senior SAFE Grant	5,607.73	0.00	(2,454.94)	3,152.79
421	Fire Safe Trailer Grant	242.94	0.00	(169.94)	73.00
423	MRF Mini Grant	1,283.16	0.00	0.00	1,283.16
425	Fire School Base SAFE Grant	2,782.89	0.00	0.00	2,782.89
427	Fire Dept SeniorSAFEGrant FY17	427.11	0.00	(427.11)	0.00
428	Wiliamsburg Road Bridge	0.00	0.00	(26,112.50)	(26,112.50)
430	Town Center Veterans Memorial	2,450.00	0.00	(250.00)	2,200.00
431	Mass Hist Grant for Old Town Hall	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
433	Hazardous Mitigation Grant	0.00	3,810.99	(4,086.94)	(275.95)
434	MVP Grant	0.00	20,000.00	(10,020.51)	9,979.49
435	COVID-19 Emergency	0.00	29,619.00	(3,310.30)	26,308.70
436	TNC Rideshare	0.00	75.00	0.00	75.00
502	School Choice	260,273.44	200,435.00	(149,373.87)	311,334.57
503	REAP Grant	820.00	15,778.89	(16,598.89)	0.00
505	SPED Assist	(2,357.15)	23,593.70	(24,674.76)	(3,438.21)
506	Comprehensive School Health Grant	0.00	154.00	(154.00)	0.00
507	Grant Funded Teacher Stipends	(60.00)	1,136.00	(2,326.00)	(1,250.00)

551	Tuition	After School	48,389.71	47,886.18	(62,064.42)	34,211.47
552	Tuition	Early Childhood	42,279.91	69,771.95	(40,616.92)	71,434.94
553		School Lunch	68,635.72	36,664.41	(56,166.97)	49,133.16
554	Classroom	Nature's	163.00	2,368.00	(3,728.00)	(1,197.00)
556	Use	School Building	117.58	0.00	0.00	117.58
557		School Bus Grant	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
558	Leadershi	NEA Learning & p Grant	2,000.00	0.00	(1,655.90)	344.10
559	Communi	Safer School & ties Grant	0.00	24,994.00	(24,994.00)	0.00
570	Fund	Student Council	49.11	0.00	0.00	49.11
571	Fund	Peer Mediator	40.75	0.00	0.00	40.75
573		6th Grade Fund	1,474.53	532.00	(2,450.10)	(443.57)
574		5th Grade Fund	21.19	0.00	0.00	21.19
575		4th Grade Fund	1,288.16	0.00	0.00	1,288.16
610		Water Department	158,214.27	173,660.98	(208,211.40)	123,663.85
716	Truck #2	A#9 ATM Dump	1,077.35	0.00	0.00	1,077.35
717	A#22 Old Twn Hall I		5,244.28	200,000.00	(201,854.52)	3,389.76
718	Project	Manganese Filter	(189,630.80)	360,609.00	(170,978.15)	0.05
811	Expendab	Bernard Church le	65.59	17.66	0.00	83.25
812	Expendab	Davenport School le	2,830.70	51.11	0.00	2,881.81
813	Expendab	Whately Grange lle	21.61	0.06	0.00	21.67
814	Replacem	Ambulance ent Expend	150.52	2.64	0.00	153.16
815	Expendab	Cemetary Trust le	6,658.74	1,160.96	(634.85)	7,184.85
816	Expendab	Filipkowski ole	1,056.66	33.23	0.00	1,089.89
817	Expendab	Dickinson Library lle	11,549.70	1,794.82	(1,180.04)	12,164.48
818	Expendab	Annie Danforth lle	285.13	8.52	0.00	293.65

819	J & J Maiewski Expendable	2,058.46	60.56	0.00	2,119.02
820	Paul Field Expendable	127.68	101.52	0.00	229.20
821	Robinson Trust Expendable	25.02	71.68	0.00	96.70
822	SW Dickinson Aged Expend	4,070.60	152.37	0.00	4,222.97
823	Ena Cane Expendable	2,525.97	82.19	(6.79)	2,601.37
824	Damon Library Expendable	1,704.63	135.88	0.00	1,840.51
825	Kandsz LibraryExpendable	1,173.69	13.58	0.00	1,187.27
830	Stabilization Fund	364,877.46	7,155.39	(87,000.00)	285,032.85
831	Capital Stabilization Fund	186,062.10	3,684.08	0.00	189,746.18
832	Ambulance Stabilization	881.76	17.44	0.00	899.20
833	Vehicle Stabilization	51,421.66	21,026.11	(10,000.00)	62,447.77
840	OPEB Trust Fund	134,099.06	29,504.95	0.00	163,604.01
841	Housing Trust Fund	117,300.64	2,322.62	0.00	119,623.26
850	Barnard Church Non-Exp	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
851	Davenport School Non-Expend	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
852	Whately Grange Non-Expend	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
853	Cemetary Trust Non-Expendable	49,675.05	750.00	0.00	50,425.05
854	Damon Library Non-Expendable	10,324.02	102.32	0.00	10,426.34
855	Kandsz Library Non-Expendable	29.50	10.23	0.00	39.73
856	Dickinson Library Non-Expendab	75,000.00	0.00	0.00	75,000.00
857	A. Danforth Library Non-Expend	420.30	6.41	0.00	426.71
858	J & J Maiewski Non-Expendable	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
859	Paul Field Non-Expendable	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
860	Robinson Trust Non-Expendable	3,080.00	0.00	0.00	3,080.00
861	S.W. Dickinson Aged Non-Expend	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00

862	Non-Expe	S & S Filipkowski nd	5,422.67	107.39	0.00	5,530.06
891	Detail	Off Duty Police	285.60	73,162.50	(73,762.50)	(314.40)
892		Firearm ID Cards	1,437.50	5,125.00	(4,737.50)	1,825.00
893	Decommis	Solar ssing Escow	21,937.50	0.00	0.00	21,937.50
894		Fire Dept Fees	295.00	0.00	0.00	295.00
895	Permits	State Wildlife	31.00	0.00	0.00	31.00
896	Intercept	Ambulance	6,051.14	0.00	0.00	6,051.14
898	Fees	Deputy Collector	(317.36)	2,793.00	(2,836.00)	(360.36)
	Total	Funds	1,872,899.30	1,829,168.13	(1,463,562.75)	2,238,504.68

WHATELY TOWN HALL

Neal Abraham, Steward

Ten different groups and organizations held 48 meetings in Town Hall from January 1, 2020 until the Selectboard closed the building to the public in mid-March. In the summer, the 250th Anniversary Committee used Town Hall for storage and distribution of new stoneware pots made by potter Tom White. Town Hall was used in September for the primary-election-day in-person voting (222 voters) and evening vote counting, and it was used again in November for the election-day in-person voting (464 voters) and evening vote counting in the general election. The building allowed safe and separate entrance and exit routes, handicapped access, and safe ventilation, through the use of the Town's new air purifiers.

Although the Town Hall remained closed, we regularly flushed the toilets and ran faucets to avoid bacterial build-up in stagnant water and to keep the traps filled. We also monitored the settings of the HVAC system to minimize use of electricity during this fallow period.

With support from the Board of Health, the Whately Historical Society received permission from the Selectboard in October to resume limited use of its museum space, following appropriate protocols for social distancing and mask wearing. The Historical Society purchased a high-capacity air purifier, which it operates in the museum when two or more people are there.

Minor improvements this year to Town Hall include spotlights for the auditorium stage to improve lighting at the front of the stage funded by a final gift from the Friends of Town Hall; a donated spotlight for the newly restored Town Safe; posting of the Town Safe history developed by the Historical Commission; repainting the lower portions of the west and north exterior walls where the paint was badly blistered or peeling; and planting eight native flowering shrubs (*Leucothoe fontesiana*), which were donated to the Town. Their red foliage has brightened the building in the winter months. The Town also paid to have ionizers installed in each of the ventilation units to help trap aerosols and dust for added air purification and as a safety precaution against recirculating any COVID virus in the room.

We have also worked with Brian Domina to find appropriately timed evening illumination of the front parking lot that is less expensive and less intrusive to the neighbors than the Eversource street light at the north end of the parking lot which has been turned off for now. We are investigating alternative lighting options for the future. On the exterior, access to Town Hall has been improved by the new sidewalk near the flag pole and new crosswalks on Chestnut Plain Road.

Special thanks to Keith Bardwell and Marc Bussiere for their help.

ANIMAL CONTROL

The Animal Control Officer received 139 calls for service this year. Majority of the calls were for lose or stray dogs. PLEASE follow the state leash law and keep your dog under control at all times, it is also helpful to have your dog tag on your dog so if he/she gets away I can return him to you. If you witness any animal abuse or any animal in distress, please report it to me so I can investigate.

Animal Abuse	9	Sick Skunk	2
Vicious Dog	10	Loose Chicken	6
Loose Cow	13	Woodchuck	5
Loose Horse	4	Beaver	3
Loose Goat	3	Coyote	1
Loose Pea hen	2		
Loose or Stray Dog	20	Total	139
Dogs Taken to Pound	2		
Dog Bites	6		
Stray Cat	7		
Sick Raccoon	4		
Quarantine Issues	14		
Lost Dog	4		
Dog Returned to Owner	3		
Bear	4		
Dog attack livestock	7		
Found cat home	1		
Cat in distress	2		
Sick fox	4		

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Adamcek, Animal Control Officer

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

The Animal Inspector issued 14 quarantines in 2020. Quarantines were for 6 dog bites human and 8 issued for possible rabies exposure/wound of unknown origin. MDAR postponed barn inspections for 2020 due to COVID-19. Hopefully, I will be around next fall to visit all the livestock owners in town.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Adamcek

Animal Inspector

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

2020 was a very challenging year for the Emergency Management Team because of the COVID 19 pandemic.

COVID 19 took up much of my Emergency Management Director time in 2020. Although the Board of Health took the lead on managing the pandemic and making the important decisions to keep people safe, the Emergency Management team was also involved. We sat in on many regional meetings determining the direction that the towns and the region needed to take in keeping our various populations safe. The Senior Center was closed immediately, School children started their remote learning, Town Boards and Committees held their meetings remotely and Staff in the town offices worked from home. Government continued to operate during this difficult time. The tough decisions the Board of Health and other Town Officials had to make during this time were certainly not popular but were necessary to keep the spread at a minimum. We feel that we did manage to keep the cases low and we continue to manage the pandemic with the cooperation of the townspeople. None of us like that we have to wear masks, wash our hands continually and stay away from friends and family that don't live with us but we do it to keep everyone safe. With vaccines available soon, we can see a light at the end of the tunnel. We will get through this.

During 2020 other emergency management items continued to need attention. I again reviewed our Emergency plans for the South Deerfield Water District and the Francis P. Ryan reservoirs and updated Whately's information in those plans. I also started a review of our Community Emergency Management Plan as the template that the Mass. Emergency Management Agency uses changed again and the plan needs to be updated.

I had intended on using my 2019 EMPG grant towards the purchase of message boards for the town but the additional funding to make this purchase did not become available as predicted. However a different grant did come available to purchase the message boards so the 2019 EMPG grant was repurposed and combined with the 2020 EMPG grant towards accessory items for the new radio equipment the town will need when we transfer over to a new radio system in 2021.

I would like to remind people to register their phone numbers and email addresses with Connect CTY, the town's emergency notification system. As many people have eliminated their landlines in favor of cell phones, it is important to add those cell phone numbers to the system. The newly upgraded system allows residents to sign on and register or make changes to their own accounts through our website but if you would rather have the town make those changes, just let me know at 413-665-4400 Option 3. I receive many nice comments about Connect CTY. It is a great mechanism to get the word out to people regarding non-emergency messages as well as emergency notices.

In closing, I would like to thank the emergency personnel here in Whately especially the Board of Health in this trying year. The Fire Department, South County Ambulance, Police, Highway, Board of Health, Selectboard, Town Administrator and emergency volunteers are all experienced staff members that know what needs to be done during an emergency. It is comforting to know that emergencies will be handled efficiently even when key members of the team are not present.

I would also like to thank our residents for their cooperation with this year's challenges. Most everyone is doing their part to put this pandemic behind us by wearing their masks and social distancing. We ask you to "hang in there" a little longer. We will also keep you posted as to when and how you will be able to get the COVID vaccine. By the time you read this, we hope that many of you have already been vaccinated.

Please be careful and stay safe.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Sibley Emergency Management Director

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The officers and members of the Whately Fire Department continue to proudly serve and represent the citizens of our great community. In 2020 the Whately Fire Dept. responded to eighty (80) emergencies calls. The calls included emergency medical services, motor vehicle accidents, rescues, and fire emergencies. Whately continues to be part of the Tri State Fire Mutual Aid which is a valuable system that benefits everyone, there is an endless list of resources available in every emergency situation, and Whately has benefited from this system more than once this year. Dedication, training, planning and knowledge prevail to help with life safety issues and to mitigate potential hazards.

WEAR MASK, WASH HANDS, SOCIAL DISTANCE

Prevent the spread of Covid 19, Stay Safe

I would like to thank the officers and members for a job well done. I would also like to wish all our members a safe and healthy career. All members are listed below, the * indicating certification as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).

DC Keith Bardwell	DC Gary Stone	Capt. Wayne Hutkoski
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Capt. J P Kennedy* Lt. Joshua Clemons * Lt. Jason Clemons

Jeffrey LaValley Peter Hannum John LaSalle

Patrick Mathey Brandon Sevine Alex Ross

Scott Hutkoski Bill Smith Zach Smith

Dylan Uzdavinis Chris Sullivan Brian Belder

Zach Mcneal Megan Ashman Dalton DeForest

Jeff Ashman

The Whately Fire Department is always searching for interested citizens that would like to become involved with any aspect of the Department. The small numbers are critical. If anyone would like to join or has any questions about the Department please contact either me (JSHannum@comcast.net) or one of the officers. The Department has put on three new firefighters and we welcome them. Training this year was impossible with the active pandemic but as soon as possible they will be brought up to speed.

The completed project this year was to improve and upgrade the large diameter hose. All engines have upgraded large diameter hose. This project will flow twice the volume of water to a fire when in need.

Whately Fire Department is committed to the health and safety of our residents. Safety is gained through education, prevention, detection and inspections. Capt. Kennedy is the department Student Awareness of Fire Education (SAFE) coordinator. One of his responsibilities is to educate our children in the school to recognize the dangers of fire and how to be safe. The facts are the average number of fire deaths of children under the age of 18 has fallen by 72% since the start of the SAFE Program in 1995. There is also a Seniors Grant that includes house number signs and smoke detector installation for qualified residents.

Franklin County is keeping the same process of issuing Burning Permits and Whately is part of this system. The system is electronically operated and managed on the internet. The site (www.fcburnpermits.com) is user friendly. This year's Burning Season opens January 15 and closes May 1. Hazardous weather conditions may shorten the season so don't procrastinate; open burning should be completed early in the season.

The Fire Department has instituted a fining system for illegal burning that has been approved by the Select Board. Hopefully this new system will help deter burning without a permit when conditions are not favorable. The ultimate goal of this fining program is to protect the citizens and property in Whately. Outside fires should always be permitted, safe and monitored. The potential for an out-of-control fire is always present.

I would like to remind everyone to report a Fire or Emergency to dial 911, please be clear and concise with your message. Also, answer all the questions that the Dispatcher asks and stay on the line as long as necessary. For other Fire Department, related communications, the Dispatch Center business number is 625-8200.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief John S. Hannum

Whately Fire Dept

SOUTH COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

South County EMS (SoCEMS) is the premier regional EMS service in the state. As a municipal "third-service" that provides only medical-related services, our budget, infrastructure, training focus, and culture is 100% devoted to providing the best emergency medical care possible. In 2020 our department was able to quickly pivot to providing EMS care within the COVID-19 environment and did so without any loss of operational tempo. As we enter 2021, South County EMS continues to be a leader in public health and safety not just locally but within the state and region as well.

Local EMS Responses and Community Outreach

Our agency provides Paramedic level response to Deerfield, Sunderland, and Whately by staffing one transporting ALS ambulance 24/7 by combing full and per diem staff, and by staffing additional per diem responders during the day to meet anticipated demands. Last year SoCEMS responded to 940 calls for people experiencing medical emergencies in our primary coverage area and an additional 59 to neighboring communities. Of the patients we treated, 79% required and received Advanced Life Support (ALS) interventions from our team of providers. In addition to these medical emergencies, SoCEMS also responded to over 60 calls including Fire, Search and Rescue, HAZMAT, and Law Enforcement issues, where we provided both medical support and subject matter expertise. Our full time and per diem staff represent some of the highest and most diversely trained emergency responders in the state.

We also pride ourselves in providing services to our communities that are not just related to emergency response. South County EMS continues to participate in community outreach and education initiatives in all three member towns. As we have done in previous years, department personnel have presented to all age groups at every Union 38 school in our coverage area to promote health and safety and educate on the EMS career paths. South County EMS has educated community members free of charge, including employees of local business and public agencies in "Stop-the-Bleed" training as well as CPR and AED usage to increase survivability in our community during life threatening emergencies.

COVID-19 and South County EMS

The global pandemic has impacted everyone, and with EMS being the discipline tasked with providing emergency medical care with limited resources, we are no exception. Early in 2020 we saw a sharp decrease in 911 calls as people were hesitant to go to hospitals in fear of contracting COVID-19, but our call volume rapidly returned to normal but with the added concerns of COVID attached to every call. Without the benefit of infection control teams or onsite rapid testing that is enjoyed by healthcare facilities, our providers must treat all our patients as potential COVID cases. We've not only treated patients known to be COVID positive at the time of dispatch, but also car accident victims who later

tested positive for COVID at the time. Practically speaking this means there is no distinction between the most benign medical emergencies and the most hazardous. What has always been a challenging and physically demanding job has only become more so through the need for high-level personal protective equipment (PPE) and in-between deep cleaning of equipment and the ambulance. That is, when PPE and cleaning supplies were even available.

As COVID-facing healthcare workers, all of South County EMS staff have been vaccinated against the virus and continue to test regularly and screen before every shift. Thanks to our precautions and the professionalism of our team, the department experienced zero COVID-19 related exposures or infections requiring the isolation or quarantining of staff. This not only means that our providers were protected from the hazards they faced, but it meant that the department was able to remain in full service to safely respond and treat our community members who needed us.

Looking forward, SoCEMS continues to participate in local and regional vaccination clinics, providing support and EMS protection for both the public and the volunteers staffing the clinics.

Increased Capabilities and Advanced Equipment

This past year the department replaced an old and unreliable ambulance with a new unit built to the same stringent standards as or other most recent vehicle. Built with focus on patient and provider safety, and mirroring our other front-line unit, all occupants are protected both physically as well as conceptually with similar state-of-the-art equipment and layout between units. This consistency across vehicles lowers cognitive demand on our providers during complex and challenging medical emergencies and results in safer and better care for our patients. Our third ambulance, a 2007 Ford, remains in backup duty and is currently planned to be replaced in a few years in accordance with our ambulance replacement schedule.

South County EMS also received a hand-me-down Deerfield Police SUV, which has been repurposed to provide support duties for our agency. This unit is equipped with additional medical supplies as well as specialized rescue equipment that can respond to any emergency in the region. Additionally, this vehicle provides the department the ability to limit wear-and-tear on the significantly more expensive ambulances for duties that don't otherwise require the need to transport a sick patient to the hospital. You have probably seen this unit driving around on the way to restock medications, retrieve medical equipment sent with patients to hospitals, participate in community outreach and emergency preparedness, conduct general administrative duties, or responding to all nature of emergencies.

Thank You

As always, we wish to thank the members of our community for your support over the years. Our team of providers were chosen because of their compassion and dedication, and we would not be able to serve were it not for the championing many of you do on our behalf.

In the past year we have received many donations both large and small. Sometimes they are out of the blue, and sometimes they are made in the name of someone we were fortunate enough to meet. While very rewarding, our line of work can also be very burdensome, and we always make sure to use your donations to bring comfort and respite to the crews while they are on duty between calls. That said, it's not just the tangible gifts that make a large impact for us. Our service is what it is, and we are able to build a strong and wonderful team, because you support our service with your words and your vote.

Finally, I must thank our talented and compassionate team of providers. Every day they give back to their community by studying and researching so that they can provide better care, by advocating for EMS and patients on the regional, state, and federal level, and by taking time on a call to provide companionship and prepare a meal for a community member. It is without a doubt that the people who wear the South County EMS patch are amongst the finest around.

Statistics

Here is the breakdown of the 2020 calendar year stats:

EMS Patient Responses by Type	EMS Patient Responses by Town
Total: 999	Deerfield: 495
ALS Transports: 537	Sunderland: 248
BLS Transports: 139	Whately: 197
Paramedic Intercepts: 13	Mutual Aid: 59
Refusals: 249	
Other: 61	

We look forward to continuing to provide high-quality and state-of-the-art emergency medical care to our community and supporting public health and education initiatives in 2021.

More information about our department can be found on our website: www.SoCEMS.org

Respectfully,

Chief Zachary Smith, Paramedic, EMS Director, South County Emergency Medical Services

FOOTHILLS HEALTH AGENT

During 2020, the department witnessed 10 perc tests and 15 Title 5 inspections. Septic system permits were issued for 11 new systems or system components. 20 inspections or re-inspections of food establishments were completed. A total of \$12,350 was collected in fees.

The following is a general breakdown of the many responsibilities handled on a regular basis by your Board of Health and the Health Agent:

- Witnessing percolation tests for all new and replacement septic systems
- Permit review and on-site inspections for all septic repairs and installations
- Housing code inspections and enforcement
- Infectious disease investigation and reporting
- Tobacco regulation enforcement
- On-site inspections for all beaver conflict permits
- Handling the numerous public health-related questions and complaints
- Camp inspections
- Bathing Beach test review
- Food establishment permitting and inspections

I may be reached at 413-268-8404. In-person help must be scheduled in advance. Written messages or mail should be directed to me at P.O. Box 447 Haydenville, MA 01039, or via email at Foothills@Burgy.org. I look forward to another productive year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark R. Bushee

Health Agent

Foothills Health District

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

I'm pleased to report that the bridge replacements on Williamsburg rd. have finally gotten under way and completed. The road had been closed for ten years while the town tried different ways to get money to repair the bridges. Whately like many towns has small bridges that are not eligible for federal funds under the bridge replacement program. Governor Baker created a program in which we were successful in receiving a grant to pay for the replacement. Our property owners and residents can now have access to their property without having to go through Williamsburg.

The center of town also got a major makeover with the Complete Streets grant we received to replace the sidewalks and add cross walks. The sections that were replaced are now up to current code and meet ADA standards. It is nice to see so many people using them including those that just want to walk the loop for exercise. To complement the sidewalks Chestnut Plain rd. was resurfaced, the Library parking lot was repaved, and additional parking was created in front of the Library.

The gravel section of Poplar Hill was rebuilt and paved. Since Smith College has increased the volume of traffic going to their property they agreed to pay for these improvements. This will be a welcome change to the residents in the summer with the elimination of the dust that they had to endure.

Laurel Mt. road, Strippe road, Poplar Hill road, Straits road, and a portion of Long Plain road was chip sealed.

With the acquisition of the excavator, we were able to the drainage work on Poplar Hill road and Chestnut Plain road and rebuilding Williamsburg road without having to rent a machine. This will also be very useful in maintaining the ditches along the roadsides.

Lastly, I would like to thank Brian Belder for his years of service and welcome Quincy Ortiz. As always if you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached at 665-2983.

Respectfully Submitted,

Keith Bardwell

Highway Superintendent

POLICE DEPARTMENT

I think it goes without saying that 2020 was a less than normal year for everyone. The Covid-19 Pandemic changed how we did business throughout the year. There were many changes to everyday life. I'm not sure that we will ever again see what we thought was normal in years past. I want to thank everyone for their understanding and patience as we all had to adjust to changes. Between mask mandates, business closures, lost jobs, school closings, and one of the most challenging election years ever, our community stayed strong and will make it through this. Although we had some minor incidents throughout 2020, thankfully we did not see the civil unrest as was seen in other communities across the state and nation.

The members of the Whately Police Department were not immune to all of these changes. Because of the pandemic and some very unfortunate events that took place throughout the country, our officers have endured some trying times. I have always prided our officers on their professionalism and hard work. Our officers had to not only deal with policing during the pandemic, but they also felt the effects of serious public scrutiny towards law enforcement, on top of their own personal issues. It has been a very difficult time for their families as well, and will continue to be for the foreseeable future. I want to thank them for their dedication and sacrifices throughout the year.

Police Reform:

I had many discussions with community members regarding the Policies of the Whately Police Department when it comes to Use of Force, training, and unbiased policing. I was happy that so many residents took the time to communicate their concerns, and get a better understanding of policing in our community. Many of the public demands that have come from across the nation (e.g. #8CANTWAIT) have already been in place in Whately and across our state for years, but it is good to have the conversations. One of the major changes that will effect policing as we now know it, will come from the newly signed "Act Relative to Justice, Equity and Accountability in Law Enforcement in the Commonwealth" (aka the Police Reform Bill). This bill requires changes to police officer standards, training, certification, and department policies / procedures. All officers, whether full or part-time, will be required to have that same level of training/certification starting in 2021. This will have a substantial impact on our current roster of 8 part-time officers. In addition to the already mandated 40 hours of inservice training annually, these officers will most likely be required to attend additional training of upwards of 500 hours. This will be extremely challenging and costly moving into 2021 and beyond. This will require the support of the community as many of these mandates are implemented, and state committees/organizations are formed in the coming months.

There were a number of modifications to everyday operations for maintaining a safe working environment for our officers, as well as reducing the risk of exposure to community members throughout the pandemic. In addition to daily disinfecting and cleaning of the cruisers and police station, we took on the task of managing the town's supply of Personal Protective Equipment, including thousands of face masks and shields, gallons of hand sanitizer / disinfectants, cleaning supplies, and equipment for all departments. We will be working toward 100% of our police officers receiving the Covid-19 Vaccine throughout the first part of 2021. Please stay tuned for information on additional

initiatives, and local clinics that will be ongoing to include vaccines for all phases of community members. Hopefully we will soon be able to fully return to our community outreach programs/classes, and proactive policing that have been successful in keeping our community safe and informed.

Traffic Safety:

Most of you have probably seen the new message board and speed radar board that have been around town over the last few months. We were able to purchase these from grant funds awarded to the Police and Fire Departments. These sign boards have been helpful in getting information out to the community, as well as increasing awareness about speeding concerns around town. In 2020, with the help of the FRCOG, we completed a number of traffic studies in town to help identify problem areas, as well as times for targeted enforcement. In the spring of 2021 we will be purchasing 4 solar powered pole mounted speed radar signs that will be placed in the areas around town with the most traffic safety concerns. These signs will not only display vehicle speeds, they will also gather traffic data to assist us with developing a stronger traffic enforcement plan throughout town. These purchases will be made with additional grant funding from the Department of Justice. We are aware that there are traffic concerns on almost every road in town. This issue is not unique to just Whately. With our fast paced busy world, a great deal of the motoring public are not only faced with many different distractions while driving, they are constantly rushing to get to their next destination. The most helpful solution to increasing traffic safety starts behind the wheel of your own vehicle. Putting away the electronics, focusing on your surroundings, and obeying the traffic laws is a great start.

2020 Calls for Police Service:

The below list includes some of the more common calls for service we are asked about, which officers responded to in Whately. As a result of the pandemic, some of our Policies and Procedures changed or were modified in order to keep officers and community members safe. One of these modifications was to proactive traffic enforcement. Even though traffic enforcement was reduced, we still had 485 specific targeted enforcement activities which resulted in 329 violations. Officers performed many other activities throughout their shifts. The total number of activities, or calls for service, for 2020 was 5,740. Some of the other calls for service include; 911 calls (147), house / building / location checks (3,232), officer wanted / misc. (79), and civil matters, general citizen assists, mutual aid to other neighboring towns, general complaints, investigations, traffic enforcement, community policing activities, paperwork service, administrative duties, and other miscellaneous responses. For a more detailed list of calls for service, please visit the Whately Police Department's website where we post our police logs on a monthly basis.

	2018	2019	2020
Accident – Motor Vehicle	72	83	40
Animal Complaints	41	43	50
Arrests	32	35	14
Assist Ambulance	92	99	102
Assist Fire Department	31	26	29
Breaking & Entering	5	5	3
Disturbance	13	18	14
Intrusion / Alarm	97	71	38
Identity Theft	12	6	19
Larceny	13	16	10
Suspicious Activity	60	69	93
Unattended Death	2	5	1
Unwanted Person	6	9	14

Please stay safe and hang in there while we all transition back to something resembling normal during these trying times.

James A. Sevigne Jr.
Chief of Police
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www.instagram.com/whatelypolice

TREE DEPARTMENT

The town's chipper that was damaged was replaced and due to COVID-19 the new one was delayed. This resulted in some work being postponed. We continue to remove dead trees and plant new ones where we can. In many cases trees that are taken down have already seen a lot of trimming by the utility companies so we do not always recommend replacing a new tree under the utility lines that will lead to trimming it as soon as it reaches the wires. We sold 17 loads of wood this year which is more than usual. The money goes into a revolving fund which funds new trees and to have recently planted trees trimmed as they grow. If you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached at 665-2983.

Respectfully Submitted,

Keith Bardwell

Tree Warden

SMITH CHARITIES' FISCAL YEAR DISTRIBUTIONS

To the Residents of the Town of Whately

RE: SMITH CHARITIES' 2020 BENEFICIARY DISTRIBUTIONS

There were no monetary gifts paid to any applicant as a beneficiary under the Oliver Smith Will between January 1, 2020 through the December 31, 2020 Year End as specified below:

Gift Distribution(s)

Recipient(s)	Beneficiary(ies)	Total Gift Amount
0	Brides	\$0.00
0	Nurses	\$0.00
0	Tradespersons	\$0.00
<u>0</u>	Widows	<u>\$0.00</u>
0		\$0.00

In addition, a second page will be e-mailed to you at the beginning of February 2021 that will present the total beneficiaries' gifts paid <u>during Smith Charities' Fiscal Year</u>, <u>which runs from February 1, 2020 through our Year End of January 31, 2021</u>. This will include the totals for all nine (9) cities and towns, as well as the cumulative total paid out since our charities' inception.

Adelia A. Bardwell, Current Trustee & Elector Under the Oliver Smith Will

\$14,943 TOTAL BENEFICIARY GIFTS PAID

During the past fiscal year, February 1, 2020 - January 31, 2021, the following beneficiary activity has occurred within the nine (9) designated communities of Amherst, Deerfield, Easthampton, Greenfield, Hadley, Hatfield, Northampton, Whately, and Williamsburg:

Brides

• Two (2) brides each received the \$100 marriage gift.

Nurses

- Two (2) new student nurses were enrolled.
- No nurses graduated this year.

Tradespersons

- Four (4) new tradespersons were enrolled.
- One (1) tradesperson received the \$600 apprentice gift.

Widows

• One (1) new widow, one (1) new widow who also renewed, and seventeen (17) widows, who renewed, were paid a total of \$7067.

The total sum disbursed as gifts to beneficiaries was \$14,943, which includes the \$7,076 that will be paid to the City of Northampton, after our monthly Trustees meeting on February 24, 2021, for the account of Smith's Agricultural School, being the net income from the permanent fund established for the school.

Since the provision of the Will went into effect, the beneficiaries from the nine (9) communities have been paid the following:

\$1,497,600	Bride's Gift (originally designated in the Will as Indigent Young Women)
\$ 814,133	Nurse's Gift (originally designated in the Will as Indigent Female Children)
\$2,926,500	Tradesperson's Gift (originally designated in the Will as Indigent Boys)
\$1,828,779	Widow's Gift
\$1,561,014	Smith's Agricultural School Yearly Distributions
\$ 35,374	Annuities
\$ 613,717	<u>Taxes</u>
\$9,277,117	Total Amount Paid to Date

<u>Current Trustees</u> David A. Murphy Adelia A. Bardwell Leonard Grybko, Jr.

WHATELY WATER DEPARTMENT

2020 water consumption was at an all-time high of 38,688,856 gallons. This represents an increase of 18.83 % in consumption from 2019.

The table below reflects the monthly consumption figures (in gallons):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
January	1,577,450	1,874,682
February	1,397,970	1,701,870
March	1,572,810	1,999,878
April	1,795,770	2,052,104
May	2,697,420	3,572,977
June	3,248,260	5,616,618
July	5,272,110	4,897,822
August	4,162,370	5,351,946
September	3,819,576	4,276,352
October	2,734,134	3,066,990
November	1,884,786	2,241,858
December	<u>1,732,341</u>	<u>2,035,769</u>
	30,162,656	38,688,856

This past year was a busy year for the Water Department. With the Manganese filters running we anticipated a loss of pumping capacity, but we were confident looking at the past usage that our pumps could supply enough water. We started working with engineer's on increasing capacity by installing booster pumps once the filters went online. With so little rainfall during the summer our pumps were running at capacity for long periods at a time. With an average use around 200,000 gallons per day during the summer. The night of June 17 almost 400,000 gallons of water was used, draining our storage tank to a level real concern. We would like to thank the Hatfield water Department for allowing us to connect with their water system and supply clean drinking water to the southern end of East Whately for the 5 days it took our system to replenish the storage tank. This intern required the commissioners to put an outdoor water ban on to ensure that our wells could supply the amount of water needed for the users. It did take a few days for word to get out, but thanks to your cooperation, the pumps were able to catch up and maintain the volume being used.

Although we did not get started on the booster station to connect the center of town with the towns water system, I am glad to say that we did get approval from all necessary departments, to install and tie the two systems together. Work on this will start in early 2021 and should be running by the fall.

The pandemic has made an impact on the department. As gathering water samples has been hard, as some businesses were closed and trying to maintain social distancing was hard. We would like to thank everyone

involved with the backflow testing and lead and copper testing for doing their part.

2020 also brought the resignation of one of the founders of the Whately Water Department. We would like to recognize Paul Fleuriel for dedicating almost 40 years to the Water Department. With Paul stepping down we would like to say welcome to John Lukin for stepping in as a water commissioner for the Department.

The Commissioners would like to thank the citizens for their continued support in our upgrade efforts.

Meetings of the Water Commission are on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 P.M. at the town offices on Sandy Lane. We can be reached at 665-3080.

Respectfully submitted,

George Bucala, Commissioner John Lukin, Commissioner

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

The Whately Agricultural Commission's activities in 2019 primarily focused on our continued support of Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) projects in town. We continue to work with the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources which provides the majority of project funding. We also submit recommendations to the Whately Community Preservation Committee (CPC) for supplemental funding through the town's Community Preservation Act (CPA). We are thankful for the successful efforts of these groups in preserving Whately farmland.

Thanks to all Residents and Town Officials for their commitment to preserve and protect farmland in Whately.

If you are considering the State's Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) program as a means to preserve your farmland, but don't know where to start, please bring your questions to our committee. We can answer most questions and assist with the application documents.

- We continue to encourage and support the sustainability of agriculture in Whately.
- We encourage all farms to consider value-added products to improve their sustainability and profitability.
- We continue to support and encourage Ag. Recycling through the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District.

The following Disclosure Notification (Section 4 of the Whately Right-To-Farm By-Law) is required to be published by the Town of Whately on an annual basis in the town report

DISCLOSURE NOTIFICATION

"It is the policy of this community to conserve, protect and encourage the maintenance and improvement of agricultural land for the production of food, and other agricultural products, and also for its natural and ecological value. This disclosure notification is to inform landowners and occupants of the Town of Whately that the property they own or occupy lies within a town where farming activities occur. Such farming activities may include, but not limited to, activities that cause noise, dust and odors. Landowners and occupants are also informed that the location of their property may be impacted by commercial agricultural operations by existing right of ways or rental agreements already in place for such property under certain circumstances."

Members of the Agricultural Commission:

Doug Coldwell (Chair) John Devine (Secretary)

David Chamutka Margaret Christie

Tim Nourse Jim Golonka

William Obear

CEMETERY COMMISSION

In 2020 there were 09 burials and 11 plot sales in the three town cemeteries.

Fees are as follows:

Casket burial \$650

Urn burial \$75

Plot sale \$250

Maintenance projects undertaken mainly by Commissioner Neal Abraham included: straightening falling and fallen head stones, resetting family plot corner stones, positioning shielding posts along one of the drives in the Center Cemetery, painting the picket fence at Center Cemetery (with the help of Jameson Maloney), and removing sections of fence at East Cemetery damaged by a fallen tree. We did further work to clear undergrowth and open access to headstones at the west sides of East Cemetery and West Cemetery. We also assisted local veterans in maintaining the small American flags marking the graves of veterans.

We submitted a request for an additional grant of CPA funds to hire a professional to repair and clean historic headstones in the three cemeteries and a grant for that work was approved by the CPC and a vote at Town Meeting. This is the fourth such grant which will help us address deferred maintenance of these headstones and help us keep up with annual maintenance needs of these markers of Whately's history.

Because all three cemeteries are space limited, most critically East Cemetery which has only a few unsold plots, the Commissioners also met with Town and State officials and representative Natalie Blais to explore options and procedures for expanding East Cemetery.

Commissioner Darcy Tozier arranged the town's acquisition of a new riding mower with a leaf bagging attachment which has helped us speed the mowing and clearing of the three cemeteries.

Commissioners: Darcy Tozier Neal Abraham Ryan Brown

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is charged with implementing the state's Wetlands Protection Act using regulations written by the MA Department of Environmental Protection. Over the course of the past year, the Commission received eight Requests for a Determination of Applicability (determinations as to whether or not a wetland permit is required) and issued eight Determinations. It reviewed five Notices of Intent (permit applications) and issued three Orders of Conditions (wetland permits). One Emergency Certificate was issued to facilitate work needed to address an urgent threat to public safety. The Commission reviewed one Forest Cutting Plan and took action in two instances to address work being done without necessary permits. The Commission participated in three informal consultations and responded to numerous questions from residents about the wetland regulations and the permitting process. Andrew Ostrowski represents the Conservation Commission on the town's Community Preservation Committee.

In 2020, the Commission continued its partnership with the Kestrel Land Trust to protect a 120-acre parcel of land in the center of town to create the Whately Center Woods Conservation Area. When completed, Kestrel will own the land and the Conservation Commission will hold a conservation restriction on the property. Funding for the project comes from Whately Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds, a Massachusetts Landscape Partnership grant, Kestrel's Monica and Bob Leverett Forever Wild Fund, and over \$60,000 in fundraising by Whately residents. The closing for this acquisition is expected in January 2021. Following is a description of the property from the Kestrel Land Trust's web site.

The land is almost completely forested, with small streams, wetlands and at least one vernal pool interspersed beneath the forest canopy. The highly diverse forest includes northern species such as sugar maple and beech intermixed with species characteristic of southern forests such as tulip poplar and sassafras, as well as common species including white ash, black and yellow birch, red maple, and white pine. Black bears, coyotes, bobcats, porcupines, weasels, turkeys, ruffed grouse, barred and great horned owls are often heard or observed on the parcel.

By virtue of its size, resources, and location—only half a mile from Whately's historic town center—the Dauchy/Weinthaler property and its surroundings have become a favorite destination in a town that is rich in open space but lacking in public access to recreational land. The area is currently used for hiking, trail running, Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, hunting, and snowmobiling.

Scott Jackson, Chair

Andrew Ostrowski

George Owens

Montserrat Archbald

Ann Barker

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

We drafted, in consultation with Keith Bardwell and the Planning Board, a revised version of the Town's scenic roads bylaw that would continue to protect Town-owned trees and stone walls along Whately's scenic roads yet enable the Town to conduct routine maintenance without the expense and delays of multiple public hearings. (Designated roads currently include Chestnut Plain, Conway, and Haydenville Roads, as well as North Street.) The bylaw passed at Annual Town Meeting and has been approved by the Attorney General's Office, although with a caveat about the ability to waive public hearings. We are considering whether to recommend additional roads for designation. We also discussed the possible usefulness of a survey of historic stone walls in Whately but have deferred that pending possible future collaboration with neighboring towns on such a project.

The Historical Commission endorsed the Town's decision to issue an RFI for reuse of the Center School and to retain the Milk Bottle as a cultural artifact owned by the Historical Society on the School site.

Although the pandemic interrupted many planned activities around Town, we completed a written history of the Town Safe, which has been installed in the front stairwell of Town Hall and posted on the Historical Commission website. We also continued to send new Town residents whose properties are listed by the Massachusetts Historical Commission copies of the Cultural Registry (MACRIS) entries for their homes and areas.

We reviewed the Library's application for CPA funding of ADA accessibility renovations of the 1951 S. White Dickinson Library and determined that the application is eligible for support, under the state guidelines.

The Commission provided opinions about the potential impact on historical and archaeological resources of proposed marijuana cultivation and retail sites and sale of historic municipal buildings in Whately.

We are planning to develop a map of a select group of historical sites in Whately in printed and digital form, complete with links to relevant photographs and texts. This will be the Historical Commission's contribution to the 250^{th} Celebration but will be designed as a permanent resource that can be expanded in the future.

Donna Wiley (Chair)
Susan Baron
Judy Markland
Alan McArdle
Darcy Tozier

WHATELY PLANNING BOARD

Donald Sluter – Chair
Sara Cooper
Brant Cheikes
Tom Litwin
Judy Markland

The Planning Board had 14 meetings this year, dealing with site plan reviews, zoning changes from A/R1 to Commercial, a number of meetings to discuss interpretation of bylaws, a solar bylaw revision, a common driveway special permit, and four ANR applications.

Over the course of the year, the Board received three Approval Not Required applications for review and approval, and another that was put on hold until 2021. There were requests for three site plan reviews, two for marijuana grow facilities and o for a screen-printing facility.

Several meetings were held to review the home occupation bylaw and the Building Inspector's interpretation of it. We also recommended updates to the solar bylaw and the aquifer protection district bylaws.

The Board discussed how to comply with the new Massachusetts Floodplain Bylaw.

Finally, the Board held Public Hearings to rezone two parcels that are adjacent to the Commercial Zone along Route 5 from A/R 1 to Commercial. We voted to send the zoning change to be voted on at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Sluter - Chair

CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Whately Cultural Council held an open meeting on Tuesday, December 3rd, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the Whately Town Offices to consider grant applications for awards to be spent in 2020, and to accept public comment on its priorities and grant procedures. No other members of the community attended.

The Council members agreed to continue our established funding priorities with a preference to grant applications from local institutions, organizations and community events, with priority given to programs that benefit children or seniors. Additionally, the Whately Cultural Council gives priority to performers that have sponsorship from a local institution, organization or community event. Such sponsorship must be evidenced by a letter from an authorized representative of the relevant institution, organization or community event.

By the closing deadline for applications October 15, 2019, the Council received 25 applications seeking awards totaling \$10,752. The Council had \$5,150 to allocate, made up of the annual allocation from the Massachusetts Cultural Council of \$4,800 and \$350 in unspent funds from previous year awards. The Cultural Council did not do any fundraising to generate additional resources to award in support of cultural activities.

The Cultural Council made 17 awards, but none of the granted programs took place in 2020 due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Nearly all of the following applicants or benefitting organizations (some of which received more than one award) accepted the Cultural Council's offer, settled upon at its July 10, 2020, meeting via Zoom: Tanglewood Marionettes, Friends of the Whately Library, Rona Leventhal, Sarah Clay, Ed the Wizard, John Root, David Neill, Roger Tincknell, Tim von Egmond, Whately Historical Society, and Racial Justice Rising. Seven requests were not funded due to the limited funds available and because the applications did not sufficiently meet the local criteria for awards from the Whately Cultural Council.

Members and officers of the Council for 2020 are as follows:

Adelia Bardwell

Richard Korpiewski

Jenny Morrison

Joyce Palmer-Fortune

George Reynolds

Nancy Talanian

Riina Viise

Julie Waggoner

The officers for 2020 are:

Nancy Talanian, Chair Joyce Palmer Fortune, Treasurer Julie Waggoner, Secretary

For questions or information, please contact the Whately Cultural Council, 4 Sandy Lane, Whately or visit the Massachusetts Cultural Council website for the Whately Cultural Council at https://www.mass-culture.org/. The deadline for applications for grants to be spent in 2021 will likely be October 15, 2020; details will be posted on the Massachusetts Cultural Council website where those interested can also find application instructions.

Nancy Talanian, Chair culturalcouncil@whately.org

SOUTH COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

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Christina Johnson, Director

Sue Corey, Program Coordinator

Meg Ryan, Outreach Coordinator

Jonathan Edwards, Board of Oversight Chair (Whately)

Tom Fydenkevez, Board of Oversight (Sunderland)

Trevor McDaniel, Board of Oversight (Deerfield)

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2020

The South County Senior Center serves the Towns of Deerfield, Whately, and Sunderland, in addition to welcoming seniors from all over the area. Prior to the closure of the center in March due to Covid-19 we were officially open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, with many programs and services including a congregate meal site offered during this time. Although no meal was offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays various programs and classes were offered on those days as well. Since the middle of March we have been serving LifePath Grab N' Go meals Monday through Friday to Seniors as they drive past outside. We also have 5 volunteer drivers who bring meals to people who are unable to get to the center. Although the Senior Center remains closed to the public, the Staff's hours have never been reduced.

Despite the challenges of 2020, membership and participation levels continued to grow due to the number of seniors who signed up for the Grab N' Go lunches and the Seniors we have performed wellness checks on who then became members. As of this writing we have 440 members up from 375 in 2019. During the beginning of the year, when we were still open, we felt positive effects of this growth as we fit more people and more events into the first floor of our 130-year-old school building. This space needs substantial renovation or relocation to grow any more, however. Discussions and planning for the future of the South County Senior Center are underway.

We continue to be proud recipients of a Title III Church Street Home Grant from Lifepath in Greenfield, as well as Formula and Service Incentive Grants from the MA Executive Office of Elders Affairs. These grants assist the center so we can continue to provide enriching programs as well as to support the Program Coordinator position which is filled by Sue Corey. The Program Coordinator is a 15 hour a week position. The Service Incentive Grant supports the Outreach Coordinator position which is filled by Meg

Ryan who has added 40 new seniors she is working with in 2020. The Outreach Coordinator position is currently a 12 hour a week position.

Once again, we received funding in 2020 from the three local Cultural Councils (Deerfield, Sunderland and Whately) so we could present various programs for our members. Unfortunately, all of the Cultural Council events had to be cancelled or postponed to 2021 due to our Covid-19 shut down in March.

Before we closed we held many events and programs during 2020 including: 4 Community Education programs, 21 Cultural Events, 10 Health Screenings plus a successful Outdoor Flu Clinic, 52 Exercise classes (one class, Tai Chi, was held outside while we were closed), 57 Social Events and 7,000 meals provided. Highlights included a Valentine's Day Party, "Placki-Palooza" presented by Poet's Seat Heath Care, "Coffee with a Cop" with all three town's Police Chiefs present, a music performance by the Sunderland Elementary School Students, a special lunch prepared by CareOne, a Presentation by First Justice Maureen E. Walsh, and a Grab N' Go Catered Thanksgiving meal by Hamel's of Holyoke which was enjoyed by over 80 people.

The South County Senior Center continued to lend our medical equipment to seniors who need help with walkers, wheelchairs, canes and shower equipment through May. We were then informed by the Board of Health that we could no longer do this because the equipment is stored upstairs on a restricted floor. We are trying to find a solution to this problem because there is still a great need for borrowed equipment. During the last year, we were able to lend over 35 items of medical equipment to seniors in need.

The South County Senior Center's goals for 2021 include re-opening!; increasing membership; expanding outreach with emphasis on individuals who cannot attend the center; increasing the number of activities; holding events in Sunderland and Whately; restarting the re-formed Council on Aging's in all 3 towns; and increasing the amount of money the Center collects in donations and grants. In addition, plans for renovation or relocation for our building will be a top priority.

I look forward to another year as director of the South County Senior Center!

Respectfully submitted,
Christina Johnson, Director
South County Senior Center

S. WHITE DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

2020 was an interesting year for our library. We started the year being able to provide traditional library services to our patrons. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic we closed in March and all programming was temporarily suspended. In June we were able to reopen and offer Curbside Pickup for our patrons. In October we opened for Browsing by appointment for our patrons. Due to increasing COVID 19 numbers in December, we returned to Curbside Pickup Only.

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic we have had to postpone our plan to install a lift, making the building handicapped accessible. We are still looking at funding options and hope to be able to proceed once it is safe to do so.

Our loyal trustees have worked extremely hard to make sure the library stays the beautiful and dynamic place it is. Thank you to the Trustees: Larry Ashman, Jim Ross, Sheila Powers, Bob Smith and Megan West for your constant and continued support. We also welcome Cynthia Allen as our newest Trustee. Cynthia was elected to the Board this year replacing Kenneth Moulton who did not run for reelection.

Our ninth year as a member of the C/WMARS network confirms our patrons are pleased with the many resources available to them. Circulation statistics for the year totaled 5,220. Being a member of CWMARS has allowed our patrons access to many library items.

Because of the work of Amy Battisti and Emily Dattilo from Union 38 Family Network we were able to offer Preschool Story Times for families in our community. Thank you for all your hard work. This was possible thanks to a grant from the CFCE (Coordinated Family and Community Engagement). That helps to promote early literacy.

The theme of this year's Summer Reading Program was "Imagine Your Story". Thank you to the Northfield Drive-In and their owners Steve & Julia Wiggins we were able to offer tickets to our patrons to the Drive In on Wednesday nights. The movies shown were: Neverending Story, Hook, Willow, Secret of Nimh, Back to the Future, Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory and The Spiderwick Chronicles.

Thank you to our volunteers Linda MacGowen, and Ingrid Cannaday. Special thanks to our dedicated members of the Friends of the Library; Melissa Caldwell, Katie Ross, Susan Sweetser, Allison Bell, Leslie Harris, and Mary Ellen Smith.

Thank you to LaSalle's for helping supply the flowers to keep our flower boxes beautiful all year, and to the Chamutka family for the beautiful seasonal decorations and holiday wreaths, and to patrons who donated books to our collection.

Finally, thank you to all the residents of Whately for your support of the library! Please remember that you are always welcome to use all of our library services

Cynthia Steiner, Library Director

RECREATION COMMISSION

In March of 2020 the Recreation Department was clicking on all cylinders.

Our youth basketball program had teams at every level and we were once again demonstrating why we value starting our players off at a young age, introducing them to the game, working on hand/eye coordination, and having fun that will last throughout elementary school and perhaps beyond. Each team had finished their regular season and the upper grades were eagerly looking forward to the annual Sunderland basketball tournament.

Our baseball program was busy with registrations and we were seeing strong enthusiasm, especially with large numbers for T-Ball and Rookies (Coach Pitch). Fields were being prepared and coaches were getting ready for the season.

The rest is well known history. The Covid-19 pandemic shut our collective lives down and youth sports suffered in the same way as all other parts of our life. The basketball season abruptly ended and baseball never truly got off the ground.

As fall approached, however the committee took advantage of the nice weather and relative calm in the pandemic to organize soccer skills training. We saw our role as one to help children get outside, exercise and continue their skills development. The committee and a series of coaches created safety protocols in line with the Whately Board of Health and CDC guidelines. Each player brought their own soccer ball to practice and social distancing with masks were the norm. By all accounts the players had a great experience considering the circumstances. It was a big success for our entire community.

Sadly, the Rec Committee was confronted with the surge of Covid-19 in the fall and the need to once again stay home, limit social interaction and certainly not gather in groups when inside a building. The natural consequence was that we were unable to have a basketball season.

To say the least, the Recreation Committee is looking forward to 2021 with optimistic planning. In the meantime, we hope everyone stays safe and healthy!

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Edwards, Chair

Whately Recreation Committee

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL REPORT – SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Building dynamic learning communities, one student, one teacher, one family at a time.

As Superintendent of the Frontier Regional and Union #38 Schools, I am proud to submit the 2019 Superintendent's Report on behalf of the dedicated teachers and administrators of this district.

Frontier Regional and Union #38 schools continue to serve our communities by providing excellent public education with an ongoing focus on meeting the individual needs of each student.

This year, with a continuing focus on development, the district has committed to the professional development of teachers and staff in the areas of trauma-informed instruction and academic rigor/student engagement. This has been built into our existing professional development plan and has been well received. Teachers also continued to work on alignment and calibration of assessments as well as a variety of other subject-specific professional development to enrich and refine their teaching.

In addition to a focus on staff development, we have also looked closely at our facilities through the lens of investment and longevity. This past year the Frontier community continued to show its support of our work and our impact by voting to approve the Capital Improvement Bonds to repair the track and provide much-needed building improvements. The improvement projects will start in July of 2020, these mark the beginning of more regular improvements to elongate and keep our facilities in good working condition.

I am extremely proud of our schools and there is no question that they are the heart of our community. Our hard-working, committed staff is reflective of our hard-working committed community—the ongoing, mutual support is impactful, infectious, and has been integral to creating something very special.

In service, Darius Modestow, Superintendent of Schools

<u>Overview</u>: Frontier Regional School opened in 1954 in the town of South Deerfield, Massachusetts. The school includes students in grades 7 through 12 with an enrollment of 649 students. This is a decrease of 6 students from the October 1, 2019 enrollment figures of 655 students. Of the 619 students, 173 were School Choice students, which is a decrease of 3 students from the October 1, 2019 School Choice enrollment figure of 176.

The class of 2020 had 93 graduates; 49% planned to attend a four-year college, 23% a two-year college, 2% plan to attend vocational schools, 2% will enter military service, 8% plan to enter the labor market, 2% to gap year and 14% plans unknown. **This is consistent** with graduates of the class of 2019 where there were 93 graduates: 51% planned to attend a four-year college, 24% a two-year college, 2% vocational schools, 3% to a post-graduate year at private school to further education, 13% to labor market, 3% to gap year and 4% plans unknown.

Spring 2020

When we closed our physical doors in the spring of 2020, we knew that staying connected and building upon our strong relationships with one another would help us as we grappled with unfamiliar online learning, worried about reaching all students, and strived to provide quality educational experiences. On-line teaching was uncharted territory for many of us and our staff spent countless hours learning new platforms, developing different kinds of lessons, and finding ways to stay connected with students- all while trying to cope with personal responsibilities amidst the COVID-19 crisis.

Summer 2020

In the summer of 2020, the school district was tasked with determining how to provide and sustain quality learning and engagement for our students while ensuring physical health/safety and social-emotional wellbeing for the upcoming school year. Nine committees were created to develop plans for the three learning models: remote, in-person and hybrid that were required by the state.

Fall 2020

Remote learning: The year began in the remote learning model. In late August, teachers organized materials for pick up and the technology department set up stations for students to receive a chromebook and practice logging in. Outdoor tents helped to keep the community safe with organized guidelines for material retrieval. The remote learning model was used periodically throughout the fall when COVID cases warranted a building closure.

Remote learning was and remains an option for families for the entire 2020/21 school year. Approximately 30 percent of our students district-wide made the decision to participate in the remote learning model for the entire school year.

In-person Learning with New Safety Requirements: In-person instruction had a new look as compared to previous years. Students maintained physical distancing with 6 foot seating arrangements, masks were required in the building, new cleaning regimes took place throughout the school day, and outdoor learning spaces were created. The weather was mild, internet hubs at Frontier provided access to technology, and furniture (purchased and loaned to us by the community) supported outdoor classroom learning at each of our schools.

Vulnerable learners were invited for in-person instruction beginning the week of September 14th. All learners, who selected the hybrid model, started in-person learning the following week.

Hybrid Learning: The hybrid model, where students participated in both in-person and remote learning each week, was up and running in late September. Students who selected this model, began attending in-person for half days on one or two days a week and quickly transitioned to a Monday/Thursday or a Tuesday/Friday inperson schedule. In January 2021, schools transitioned to three or four days of in-person learning. Wednesdays continued in the remote learning model with staff participating in professional development in the afternoons.

Supporting Students Access to Education

Students with disabilities, particularly pre-school-age children and students with significant complex needs were prioritized for

receiving in-person instruction. In partnerships with families, we continue to strategize ways to maximize instructional effectiveness for our most vulnerable students no matter the learning model. Also to support learning, each school developed supervised spaces, (e.g., Internet Cafe) for students who are unable to access the remote learning due to technology and internet access barriers.

Professional Development

At the beginning of the 2019/2020 school year, faculty and staff were well underway with our 2019/2020 Curriculum and Professional Development initiatives. At the middle and high school, professional development included a focus on special education delivery models, implementing the new history/social studies frameworks, a school wide focus on student assessment and an examination of curriculum by department. At the elementary schools, teachers focused on academic rigor and student engagement by exploring instructional design, academic language, assessment, social/emotional development, and behavioral supports through a trauma-informed lens. In March, when our school buildings were closed due to COVID-19, we pivoted to support connections and learning through remote learning platforms.

Fall 2020 Professional Development

We started the school year with 10 Days of Professional Development as recommended by the state. Teaching teams were developed to support remote and hybrid learning. The Distance Learning Playbook (Fisher, Frey, and Hattie) was used from preschool to grade 12 to help structure remote learning and instruction. Many digital curriculum platforms were vetted and incorporated into our remote instructional delivery model.

A district-wide anti-racism & equity committee was established in the spring of 2020 with members from the student body, faculty/staff, parents, and community and remains active today. This group guided the district in identifying, describing, and dismantling systemic racism. Professional development at each of the schools and for the administration team is ongoing.

The health and safety of our school communities is a top priority during a pandemic. Training for staff included: mitigation strategies (wearing of face masks, washing hands, physical distancing, ventilation, and changes to day-to-day operations including physical distancing, classroom design, and student groupings (cohorts).

Staff:

Retired Faculty: Debra Cruz, Language Based Teacher.

Faculty Resignations: Mary Delusa, Food Services Director, resigned. Mary was replaced by Geoffrey McDonald.

New Faculty: Levi Owens, Mathematics Teacher; Olivia Frosch, Special Education Teacher; and Kenneth Ekstein, Social Studies Teacher.

Special Thanks

We are pleased to acknowledge the dedication and hard work of Frontier Regional School Committee Members: Chair Robert Halla, Vice Chair William Smith, Secretary Judy Pierce, Members Mary Ramon, Lyn Roberts, Philip Kantor, Keith McFarland, Damien Fosnot, Olivia Leone, Ashley Dion and Melissa Novak. I look forward to continuing our work together.

Thank you to the citizens of our four towns for being supportive of public education and our wonderful schools.

Respectfully submitted,

Darius E. Modestow, Superintendent of Schools

FRONTIER SCHOOL REPORT

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Robert Halla, Chair

Frontier Regional School District Committee

South Deerfield, MA 01373

Dear Mr. Halla:

I respectfully submit the 2020 Frontier Regional School Annual Report.

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	TERM EXPIRES
* Robert Halla, Chair, Whately	2021
William Smith, V. Chair, Whately	2021
Judy Pierce, Secretary, Sunderland	2022
Olivia Leone, Member, Deerfield	2021
* Philip Kantor, Member, Conway	2021
* Mary Ramon, Member, Deerfield	2021
* Keith McFarland, Member, Sunderland	2021
Melissa Novak, Member, Deerfield	2023
Ashley Dion, Member, Conway	2022
Lyn Roberts, Member, Sunderland	2023
Damien Fosnot, Member, Deerfield	2022

^{*}Representing the local Elementary School Committees for a one-year term.

Regular meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, in the Media Center, Frontier Regional School, South Deerfield, Massachusetts at 6:00 p.m.

ADMINISTRATION

Darius Modestow Superintendent of Schools

Shelley Poreda Director of Business Administration

Karen Ferrandino Director of Special Education

Sarah Mitchell Director of Secondary Education

William Hildreth Director of School Facilities

Scott Paul Director of Instructional Technology

Geoffrey McDonald Director of Food Services

SUPPORT STAFF

Executive Assistant to Superintendent

Administrative Assistant (SPED)

Penny Smiarowski

Administrative Assistant/Facilities

Mary Jane Whitcomb

Receptionist/Substitute Coordinator Sarah Butler

Payroll Specialist, FRS/Union #38 Brenda Antes

Accounts Payable/Bookkeeper, FRS Donna Lloyd

Inna Stytsenko Treasurer

Grants Accountant Stephan Shepherd

Deborah Coons SIS Data Specialist

Stuart Dusenberry Network Administrator

Keith Van Buren Information Technology Specialist

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL

George Lanides Principal

Scott Dredge Assistant Principal

Roberta Reiter Principal's Secretary

Kelly Blanchette Special Education Secretary

Michelle Russell Attendance Secretary

Mary Lapinski Guidance Secretary

FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL

ENROLLMENT - OCTOBER 1, 2020

Grade 7	Conway 9	Deerfield 35	Sunderland 29	Whately 10	School Choice 29	Tuitioned In 2	Total 114
8	16	48	11	15	36	0	126
9	13	31	14	6	35	0	99
10	10	42	18	5	24	0	99
11	12	35	21	9	25	0	102
12	15	42	19	3	24	0	103
SP	0	2	2	0	0	2	6
Total	75	235	114	48	173	4	6

FRONTIER REGIONAL - SALARY SCHEDULE

July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

STEP	Bachelors	Masters	M+30	CAGS/Doctorate
0	\$43,576	\$45,676	\$48,250	\$50,663
1	\$45,823	\$47,662	\$50,076	\$52,579
2	\$47,724	\$49,698	\$51,965	\$54,563
3	\$48,899	\$51,805	\$53,921	\$56,616
4	\$50,611	\$53,462	\$55,899	\$58,695
5	\$51,936	\$55,216	\$57,999	\$60,899
6	\$54,172	\$56,977	\$59,914	\$62,908
7	\$55,601	\$58,786	\$61,844	\$64,935
8	\$57,073	\$60,268	\$64,636	\$67,867
9	\$59,913	\$63,693	\$67,509	\$70,884
10	\$63,054	\$67,382	\$70,471	\$73,996
11	\$64,100	\$69,867	\$73,724	\$77,410
12	\$66,591	\$72,448	\$76,367	\$80,185
13	\$67,589	\$73,534	\$77,512	\$81,387
20L	\$68,589	\$74,534	\$78,512	\$82,387
25L	\$69,589	\$75,534	\$79,512	\$83,387

APPENDIX A

2019-2022 SALARY SCHEDULES

Unit C Instructional Assistants

	HOURLY RATES			
Step	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	
		2%	2%	
*2	\$14.57	\$14.87	\$15,16	
3	\$15.09	\$15.39	\$15.70	
4	\$15.57	\$15.89	\$16.20	
5	\$16.10	\$16.42	\$16.75	
6	\$16.59	\$16.93	\$17.26	
7	\$17.14	\$17.48	\$17.83	
8	\$17.61	\$17.97	\$18.33	
9	\$18.15	\$18.51	\$18.88	
10	\$18.67	\$19.05	\$19.43	
11	\$19.20	\$19.58	\$19.98	

*NOTE: Due to the elimination of a step, the new scale shall be steps 2-11. Employees will move one step effective July 1, 2019. For example, an employee on step 1 would move to step 2 on July 1, 2019

Unit C Educational Support Nurses

	HOURLY RATES			
Step	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	
	1%	2%	2%	
1	\$23.47	\$23.94	\$24.42	
2	\$24.48	\$24.97	\$25.47	
3	\$25.48	\$25.99	\$26.51	
4	\$26.48	\$27.01	\$27.55	
5	\$27.48	\$28.03	\$28.59	
6	\$28.48	\$29.05	\$29.63	
7	\$29.49	\$30.08	\$30.68	
8	\$30.50	\$31.11	\$31.73	
9	\$31.51	\$32.14	\$32.79	
10	\$32.49	\$33.14	\$33.80	

WHATELY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

District Mission Statement

Building dynamic learning communities, one student, one teacher, one family at a time.

District Vision Statement

Vibrant, collaborative, engaging, and inclusive learning communities promoting the growth of every student.

As Superintendent of the Frontier Regional and Union #38 Schools, I am proud to submit the 2020 Superintendent's Report on behalf of the dedicated teachers and administrators of this district.

Frontier Regional and Union #38 schools continue to serve our communities by providing excellent public education with an ongoing focus on meeting the individual needs of each student.

This year, with a continuing focus on development, the district has committed to the professional development of teachers and staff in the areas of trauma-informed instruction and academic rigor/student engagement. This has been built into our existing professional development plan and has been well received. Teachers also continued to work on alignment and calibration of assessments as well as a variety of other subject-specific professional development to enrich and refine their teaching.

I am extremely proud of our schools and there is no question that they are the heart of our community. Our hard-working, committed staff is reflective of our hard-working committed community—the ongoing, mutual support is impactful, infectious, and has been integral to creating something very special.

<u>Enrollment and School Choice</u>: The October 1, 2020 enrollment for Whately Elementary School totaled 118 (PreK-6) students. This is a decrease of 9 students from the October 1, 2019 enrollment figures of 127 students. Of those 118 students, 33 are School Choice students, which is a decrease of 8 students from the School Choice enrollment of October 2019 of 41 School Choice students.

Curriculum and Professional Development

Spring 2020

When we closed our physical doors in the spring of 2020 we knew that staying connected and building upon our strong relationships with one another would help us as we grappled with unfamiliar online learning, worried about reaching all students, and strived to provide quality educational experiences. On-line teaching was uncharted territory for many of us and our staff spent countless hours learning new platforms, developing different kinds of lessons, and finding ways to stay connected with students- all while trying to cope with personal responsibilities amidst the COVID-19 crisis.

Summer 2020

In the summer of 2020, the school district was tasked with determining how to provide and sustain quality learning and engagement for our students while ensuring physical health/safety and social-emotional wellbeing for the upcoming school year. Nine committees were created to develop plans for the three learning models: remote, in-person and hybrid that were required by the state.

Fall 2020

Remote learning: The year began in the remote learning model. In late August, teachers organized materials for pick up and the technology department set up stations for students to receive a chromebook and practice logging in. Outdoor tents helped to keep the community safe with organized guidelines for material retrieval. The remote learning model was used periodically throughout the fall when COVID cases warranted a building closure.

Remote learning was and remains an option for families for the entire 2020/21 school year. Approximately 30 percent of our students district-wide made the decision to participate in the remote learning model for the entire school year.

In-person Learning with New Safety Requirements: In-person instruction had a new look as compared to previous years. Students maintained physical distancing with 6 foot seating arrangements, masks were required in the building, new cleaning regimes took place throughout the school day, and outdoor learning spaces were created. The weather was mild, internet hubs at Frontier provided access to technology, and furniture (purchased and loaned to us by the community) supported outdoor classroom learning at each of our schools. Vulnerable learners were invited for in-person instruction beginning the week of September 14th. All learners, who selected the hybrid model, started in-person learning the following week.

Hybrid Learning: The hybrid model, where students participated in both in-person and remote learning each week, was up and running in late September. Students who selected this model, began attending in-person for half days on one or two days a week and quickly transitioned to a Monday/Thursday or a Tuesday/Friday in-person schedule. In January 2021, schools transitioned to three or four days of in-person learning. Wednesdays continued in the remote learning model with staff participating in professional development in the afternoons.

Supporting Students Access to Education

Students with

disabilities, particularly pre-school-age children and students with significant complex needs were prioritized for receiving in-person instruction. In partnerships with families, we continue to strategize ways to maximize instructional effectiveness for our most vulnerable students no matter the learning model. Also to support learning, each school developed supervised spaces, (e.g., Internet Cafe) for students who are unable to access the remote learning due to technology and internet access barriers.

Professional Development

At the beginning of the 2019/2020 school year, faculty and staff were well underway with our 2019/2020 Curriculum and Professional Development initiatives. At the middle and high school, professional development included a focus on special education delivery models, implementing the new history/social studies frameworks, a school wide focus on student assessment and an examination of curriculum by department. At the elementary schools, teachers focused on academic rigor and student engagement by exploring instructional design, academic language, assessment, social/ emotional development, and behavioral supports through a trauma-informed lens. In March, when our school buildings were closed due to COVID-19, we pivoted to support connections and learning through remote learning platforms.

Fall 2020 Professional Development

We started the school year with 10 Days of Professional Development as recommended by the state. Teaching teams were developed to support remote and hybrid learning. The Distance Learning Playbook (Fisher, Frey, and Hattie) was used from preschool to grade 12 to help structure remote learning and instruction. Many digital curriculum platforms were vetted and incorporated into our remote instructional delivery model.

A district-wide anti-racism & equity committee was established in the spring of 2020 with members from the student body, faculty/staff, parents, and community and remains active today. This group guided the district in identifying, describing, and dismantling systemic racism. Professional development at each of the schools and for the administration team is ongoing.

The health and safety of our school communities is a top priority during a pandemic. Training for staff included: mitigation strategies (wearing of face masks, washing hands, physical distancing, ventilation, and changes to day-to-day operations including physical distancing, classroom design, and student groupings (cohorts).

Staff:

New Faculty: Molly Rice, Kindergarten Teacher and Andrea Gray, School Nurse.

Faculty Retirements and Resignations: Mary Delusa, Food Services Director, resigned. Mary was replaced by Geoffrey McDonald; Victoria Sittig, Kindergarten and Estabaliz McCoy, School Nurse.

<u>Special Thanks</u>: We are pleased to acknowledge the dedication of Whately School Committee members: Chair Katie Edwards, Vice Chair Maureen Nichols, and Secretary Robert Halla. The members of the Committee work tirelessly on behalf of the children in Whately. Together, we look forward to working with this group to continue to strive for the best educational experience for our students.

Respectfully submitted,

Darius E. Modestow, Superintendent of Schools

WHATELY SCHOOL REPORT

Katie Edwards, Chair

Whately School Committee

Whately, MA 01093

Dear Ms. Edwards:

I respectfully submit the 2020 Annual Report for Whately Elementary School.

WHATELY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

TERM EXPIRES

Maureen Nichols, Chair 2023

*Robert Halla, Vice Chair & Secretary 2021

Bethany Reilly 2021

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent Darius Modestow

Director of Business Administration Shelley Poreda

Director of Special Education Karen Ferrandino

Director of Elementary Education Kimberly McCarthy

Director of Early Childhood Aimee Smith-Zeoli

Director of Instructional Technology Scott Paul

Director of School Facilities William Hildreth

Director of Food Services Geoffrey McDonald

Principal Kristina Kirton

^{*}Representative to the Frontier Regional School Committee

SUPPORT STAFF

Executive Assistant to Superintendent Donna Hathaway Administrative Assistant (SPED) Penny Smiarowski Administrative Assistant/Facilities Mary Jane Whitcomb Receptionist/Early Childhood Assistant Sarah Butler Payroll Specialist, FRS/Union #38 **Brenda Antes** Accounts Payable/Bookkeeper Michelle Melnik **Grants Accountant** Stephan Shepherd **School Secretary** Mary Lesenski

WHATELY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT - OCTOBER 1, 2020

			School	Tuitioned	
<u>Grade</u>	Boys	Girls	Choice	In	Total
Pre-K	7	6	0	0	13
К	6	7	4	0	17
1	4	7	7	0	18
2	5	6	5	0	16
3	2	5	6	0	13
4	5	7	3	0	15
5	3	3	5	0	11
6	8	4	3	0	<u>15</u>
TOTAL	40	45	33	0	118

UNION #38 TEACHERS' SALARY SCHEDULE CONWAY, DEERFIELD, SUNDERLAND, WHATELY

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

						M+45
<u>STEP</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>B+15</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>M+15</u>	<u>M+30</u>	<u>CAGS</u>
3	\$44,184	\$45,563	\$46,986	\$48,457	\$49,971	\$51,456
4	\$45,563	\$46,986	\$48,457	\$49,971	\$51,534	\$53,020
5	\$46,986	\$48,457	\$49,971	\$51,534	\$53,144	\$54,630
6	\$48,457	\$49,971	\$51,534	\$53,144	\$54,801	\$56,286
7	\$49,971	\$51,534	\$53,144	\$54,801	\$56,513	\$57,998
8	\$51,534	\$53,144	\$54,801	\$56,513	\$58,280	\$59,766
9	\$53,144	\$54,801	\$56,513	\$58,280	\$60,101	\$61,587
10	\$54,801	\$56,513	\$58,280	\$60,101	\$61,978	\$63,463
11	\$56,513	\$58,280	\$60,101	\$61,978	\$63,914	\$65,400
12	\$58,280	\$60,101	\$61,978	\$63,914	\$65,913	\$67,398
13	\$60,101	\$61,978	\$63,914	\$65,913	\$67,977	\$69,463
14	\$65,789	\$67,777	\$70,219	\$72,331	\$75,195	\$76,695
20	\$67,831	\$69,857	\$72,349	\$74,504	\$77,426	\$78,927

Nature's Classroom Teacher: \$100 per day of attendance by a teacher.

Workshop Presenters: \$30 per hour of presentation and reimbursement for reasonable expenses.

Head Teachers: \$1,500

Placement on 20 occurs when a teacher has completed 19 years of service as a teacher in the District.

Mentors: \$500 per each new teacher, \$250 for second/third-year teacher, \$250 for each additional teacher being mentored, to a maximum of three (3) in any year.

UNION #38 INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANTS' SALARY SCHEDULE

CONWAY, DEERFIELD, SUNDERLAND, WHATELY

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

Instructional Assistants

2019-2020				
Step 1	\$14.27			
Step 2	\$14.77			
Step 3	\$15.25			
Step 4	\$15.76			
Step 5	\$16.24			
Step 6	\$16.74			
Step 7	\$17.24			
Step 8	\$17.74			
Step 9	\$18.23			
Step 10	\$18.76			

Educational Support Nurses, LPN, COTA, SLPA & PTA

2019-2020				
Step	1%			
1	\$23.47			
2	\$24.48			
3	\$25.48			
4	\$26.48			
5	\$27.48			
6	\$28.48			
7	\$29.49			
8	\$30.50			
9	\$31.51			
10	\$32.49			

2020 Annual Report to Towns

We submit this annual report for 2020 on behalf of the Franklin County Technical School District and its administration, faculty, staff and students.

Enrollment for member towns as of October 1, 2020 was 530 students with town breakouts as follows:

Bernardston	36	Erving	27	Montague	110	Sunderland	8
Buckland	8	Gill	15	New Salem	9	Warwick	6
Colrain	24	Greenfield	123	Northfield	27	Wendell	9
Conway	4	Heath	6	Orange	70	Whately	11
Deerfield	19	Leyden	1	Shelburne	17		

Franklin County Technical School awarded 106 diplomas to our seniors in June of 2020. Massachusetts students are required to pass the MCAS in order to receive a high school diploma and once again our students were very successful in meeting this high academic standard. The state has adjusted their measures for evaluating district/school accountability and FCTS maintained the equivalent of a Level 2 "2019" accountability status. Additionally, the district is meeting targets set by the Department of Education for passing rates of students of high risk with disabilities.

FCTS has the advantage of utilizing vocational students and licensed instructors from carpentry, electrical, plumbing and landscaping to provide maintenance and repairs to our school grounds and facility saving member towns tens of thousands of dollars annually. These shop programs also saved member towns an estimated \$100,000 with the bond authorization projects.

Franklin County Technical School students are learning the value of paid work opportunities through a newly revamped Cooperative Education Program (Coop). In 2019 FCTS had approximately 50% of our seniors involved in paid Coop jobs related to their vocational field of study. In 2020, due to COVID-19 issues there is approximately 20% of our seniors on paid Coop. FCTS offers excellence academic offerings with Advanced Placement, Honors, Foreign Language, credit recovery, and special education courses to provide all students with the opportunity to be prepared for college and career readiness.

Franklin County Technical School continues to experience increased enrollment and popularity within Franklin County, which has translated to new vocational technical programs in the fields of Veterinary Animal Science and Medical Assisting. These new vibrant programs are the first new vocational programs at FCTS in more than 40 years. Franklin County Technical School's technical programs continue to improve and evolve through the use of competitive Capital Skills Grants. FCTS has received more than 1.2 million dollars in grants over the last several years without using FCTS funds to enhance its' Welding, Medical Assisting, Veterinary Science, and Machine Technology vocational programs. FCTS also partners with the Franklin Hampshire Regional Employment Board (FHREB) and Greenfield Community College (GCC) to offer an evening program for underemployed and displaced workers to obtain a certification in Advanced Precision Machining using our 21st Century modernized CNC machines.

Franklin County Tech's Carpentry, Electrical, Plumbing, and Landscaping programs established a foundation in collaboration with the Greenfield Savings Bank to build a new home for the community on an annual basis. FCTS is finishing its second new home in Erving and will be starting a new one next year in Greenfield. In Heath, Electrical Students have been upgrading the

electrical structure for municipality buildings. In Turners Falls, our Electrical students are wiring the music studio and installing all of the lighting for the new JaDuke's Performing Arts Center. Plumbing is working at the new Conway DPW and plumbing the bathrooms and kitchen areas. Electrical students are putting up conduit and wiring 4 new classrooms which now exist in place of the Assembly Hall to provide more space for student learning. Auto Technology saves the district a substantial amount of money by maintaining the school's vehicle fleet. Many of our school vehicles are used for our various construction jobs within Franklin County and also provide for athletic transportation, which significantly reduces our overall transportation costs. FCTS Auto Technology and Collision Repair programs are very appreciative of the donated vehicles which provide our students with real world experiences.

Collision repair continues working to provide body work for town vehicles, but have limited how many vehicles can be repaired due to COVID-19 protocols.

Culinary Arts regularly serves the local Community Senior Center, Chamber of Commerce, Ice carving for Greenfield Winter Fest, and the community Car Show. Our Veterinary students have been working with the Mass Division of Fishery and Wild Life, Franklin County Sheriff's Animal Shelter, work with farm animals, and provide grooming for animals and pets.

Franklin County Tech is forward thinking as it continues to review labor demand and market analysis to add new programs and skills to support students to obtain experiences and training to make them competitive in the workplace, college, and career.

Our partnerships with our communities are important for our programs, and we thank those which allow our students the opportunity to practice their trades out in the field.

Respectfully,

Mr. Richard J. Kuklewicz School Committee Chairman

Berchard Kuklewis

Mr. Richard J. Martin Superintendent-Director

Franklin County Technical School District Committee

Bernardston-Bradley Stafford; Buckland-Vacant; Colrain-Nicole Slowinski;
Conway-John Pelletier; Deerfield-Robert Decker; Erving-Robert F. Bitzer; Gill-Sandy Brown;
Greenfield-Paul R. Doran, Mark M. Maloney, Donna M. Woodcock; Heath-Arthur A. Schwenger;
Leyden-Gerald N. Levine; Montague- Dennis L. Grader, Richard J. Kuklewicz, Chairperson;
New Salem-Bryan Camden; Northfield-Laura J. Earl, Orange-Alec MacLeod, Cain Blackbird;
Shelburne – Angus Dun, Vice-Chairperson; Sunderland-James Bernotas;
Warwick-A. George Day, Jr.; Wendell-Jeffrey D. Budine; Whately-Donald C. Sluter

FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

To the Residents of the Solid Waste District:

The Solid Waste District was formed in 1989 to help Franklin County towns manage all aspects of their solid waste – recyclables, organics, hazardous waste, wastewater treatment sludge, and trash. We continue to provide assistance to twenty-one member towns through administrative support, professional consultation, trainings, and outreach to residents and businesses.

As many residents were home-bound there was an increase in trash and recycling tonnage. A review of recycling tonnage for 2020 shows an increase of 100 tons of recycling compared to 2019. District residents recycled just over 2,800 tons of paper and containers. The recyclables were processed at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility and sold for recycling primarily to domestic companies. This is the first year in which towns had to pay a recycling processing fee to the facility operator. However, recycling markets have rebounded at the end of 2020 and some commodities are selling at record amounts. This helps offset or reduce the processing fee for all towns.

The pandemic resulted in the cancellation of both 2020 Clean Sweep collection events.

We did hold our annual household hazardous waste collection in September 2020. This event allows residents to properly dispose of toxic cleaners, automotive products, pesticides, and other toxic products. We adjusted our collection protocol to account for health and safety requirements during the pandemic. A total of 440 households participated in this event. This is over a 15% increase from 2019 and most likely due to the pandemic and residents being home.

We applied for and received grants from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection worth \$115,000 for District towns. Some grant funding is a result of a town's successful waste management infrastructure. Other grants include equipment to make town transfer stations more efficient.

If you have questions about District programs, call us at 413-772-2438 (MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 TTY/TDD), visit our website at www.franklincountywastedistrict.org or visit us at 117 Main St., 2nd Floor in Greenfield.

Jan Ameen - Executive Director Jonathan Lagreze, Colrain – Chair

Chris Boutwell, Montague - Vice-Chair M.A. Swedlund, Deerfield – Treasurer

VETERANS SERVICES

Our district has now been in operation for 5 ½ years. We are the largest district by community count and square miles covered in the state. Below are just some of the programs and services we help veterans' and their dependents with:

- ➤ M.G.L. Ch 115 benefit Needs based program of financial and medical assistance to eligible veterans and their dependents
- Assistance to veterans and dependents to help file for VA health care, pensions, and service-connected disabilities
- ➤ Homeless prevention assistance to veterans and their families
- > Employment help with job searches, resumes, and job interview skills
- > Burial assistance to include government markers, flag holders, internment, and VA burial reimbursement
- Veterans records retrieval and storage
- Referral to other public and private agencies to include housing, fuel assistance, employment, training, education
- Attend area outreach events (fairs, festivals, health care expos)

While the COVID-19 pandemic hampered our satellite location hours, our office remained opened and staffed to assist veterans.

We have continued to work hard helping veterans and dependents file for VA benefits due them. Whately now has around \$16,619.50 in monthly Federal VA payments being paid to approximately 11 Whately residents. This is tax-free income paid due to service-connected injuries, low-income or survivor status.

We forecast Whately's M.G.L. Ch115 caseload to remain flat for the foreseeable future. This is the states low income assistance program for veterans' and their dependents. Although reimbursed back to the towns at 75%, this takes over a year to get back from the state.

For the coming year we have increased our accessibility to veterans records through direct DOD access and having our Deputy become a National Service Officer. Our long term goal is to become a VA telehealth center allowing veterans to meet with VA providers in our office via the internet, saving travel time for our veterans.

Timothy Niejadlik, Director

Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans' Services District

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals met eight times during 2020 to consider nine applications; seven of our meetings took place virtually via Zoom due to the COVID 19 Pandemic. ZBA Board Members conducted several site views when necessary, adhering to masking and social distancing protocols. As has been the case in recent years, solar panel projects and marijuana cultivation and/or sales operations, as well as other residential and commercial projects, dominated the ZBA schedule.

The ZBA granted no variances, but did allow a special permit for a marijuana cultivation operation on River Road. A second marijuana cultivation application for property on LaSalle Road was continued into 2021, as was a flag lot application on Masterson Road. Additionally, two solar projects came before the Board: one located on Chestnut Plain Road, the other on Long Plain Road. The Chestnut Plain application was deemed incomplete and has not moved forward to date; the Long Plain Road proposal was allowed by right. The ZBA granted special permits for an owner-occupied short-term rental/small event space on Westbrook Road; a detached accessory apartment to a residential dwelling, also on Westbrook Road; and a retail candle and accessory store/storage facility on State Road. Finally, the ZBA amended the special permit held by Quonquont Farm, allowing the business additional days during 2020 to operate its banquet facilities and host weddings to accommodate those clients who had to postpone and reschedule 2020 summer events due to the pandemic.

As always, the board members are grateful for the input of Whately citizens at the public hearings and site views we conduct and are especially appreciative of citizen involvement in our community during this demanding year.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Carney

Vice-Chair, Zoning Board of Appeal

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

In FY2020 the town of Whately collected \$89,465 in CPA tax revenues and received a \$82,887 state match for our FY2019 tax collections, for total receipts of \$172,352.

In November we were awarded a 100% match for our FY20 tax collections, one of only eleven communities in the Commonwealth to receive this high a percentage match.

In 2017 the Town voted to borrow \$400,000 for the Town Hall rehabilitation with debt service to be paid from future CPA revenues. The CPC has worked steadily to prepay as much of this debt as CPA revenues and project funding requests permitted. In FY20 the \$61,130 voted for debt service brought the outstanding principal down to \$200,000 - quite an accomplishment in only three years.

At the annual town meeting in June, voters approved roughly \$105,000 to fund new projects: \$13,200 for restoration of historic gravestones, \$60,000 for a conservation restriction and trails at Whately Center Woods, \$10,000 to support an update of the town's Open Space and Recreation Plan, \$11,000 for an agricultural preservation restriction (APR) on 33 acres at 163 Long Plain Road, and \$10,750 for an APR on 20 acres of farmland at 239 River Road. An additional \$43,000 was approved for fy21 debt service on the Town Hall financing.

Since 2011 when Whately's first CPA projects were approved, town meeting has voted just over \$1.5 million in projects for the town, with almost half of the funding provided by the state. These votes in turn helped generate another \$3.7 million in private donations, state grants and state preservation funding, all of which was invested in projects to benefit Whately.

Alan Sanderson, Chair

Doug Coldwell

Jonathan Edwards

Judy Markland

Andrew Ostrowski

Donna Wiley

Catherine Wolkowicz

FRONTIER COMMUNITY ACCESS TELEVISION

Another year has come and gone, and it's one I'm pretty sure none of us will soon forget--One which forced our organization to radically alter the way we conduct business.

A lot of good things happened this past year, which started out with a pretty active second half of a winter sports season which marked, I belief, a quantum leap in our production approach and strategies. Kevin Murphy and Alec Eckel deserve the bulk of the credit for their dedicated and constant innovation in developing a professional product which culminated, literally, with a state hockey championship game which has since generated thousands of hits on You Tube and will most likely bring home some hardware when the next round of regional awards are announced. Kevin and Alec received two of those awards this year for our 2019 coverage of Frontier's basketball and softball playoffs.

That high school hockey championship game was the last event of the year on the high school sports schedule. COVID hit and that was the end of high school sports for the year. It was also the end of in-person public meetings, so suddenly, FCAT had to switch gears and begin developing a mechanism to cover these events, which were now being largely broadcast on Zoom and other like platforms.

We had to make some quick moves, which included the purchase of a streaming package add-on to the Castus system which we secured through Matt Carlson, an FCAT employee who is now a programmer for Castus. It costs us an additional \$900 per year, but has been an invaluable resource.

As winter melted into spring, we began doing regular COVID updates from Deerfield Town Hall with local EMS, police and health officials. We ended up having to make another adjustment as our four towns all decided to conduct annual town meetings OUTDOORS, which, once again, was breaking new ground for us. We've had experience doing graduation and a few concerts outside, but never something as involved as an al fresco town meeting. And because they had no experience either, many of our towns, Deerfield especially, were looking to FCAT for technical and logistical guidance. We did our best to assist where possible, including securing Matt Carlson to oversee the audio production, which is the most crucial element in staging these events, particularly outdoors. We had a few technical glitches here and there, but nothing which proved to be two distracting to the proceedings. I was very proud of the way our staff and volunteers pulled together and pitched in.

If there is one thing I can point to in 2020 of which I'm most proud, it's the way our team has managed to roll with the punches while continuing to find ways to serve our four communities. They say it's in times of strife that you find out what people are made of, and that has certainly been the case this year.

There are a few things I expect to happen this year.

The year 2020 ended with Conway finalizing its new ten-year cable contract with Comcast. That should be signed in a couple of months.

I'm hoping 2021 is the year that Comcast follows through with its promised build outs of Whately and Sunderland, so we can get those channel 15's under our control.

We will, this winter, plan to begin live streaming Frontier sports like basketballl'm fully expecting another outdoor town meeting season, assuming an online technology isn't developed by then.

Overall, we are going to continue to find ways to Srve our communities, and be a resource wherever possible. I pledge to continue doing whatever I can to make this the best public access television station not just in Franklin County, but all of Massachusetts.

Faithfully submitted, Christopher S. Collins General Manager Frontier Community Access Television

FRANKLIN COUNTY REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS

SERVICES TO WHATELY IN 2020

The FRCOG provides planning services, programming, and advocacy to all County municipalities. Our municipal service programs – Collective Purchasing, Cooperative Public Health, Cooperative Inspection, and Town Accounting – are available to any municipality. Partnership For Youth provides substance use and chronic disease prevention; the Planning Department assists with local planning and larger regional projects; and the Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security Programs prepare and train first responders and health officials.

The COVID-19 pandemic modified the ways we did business in 2020, and while the attention of some staff shifted towards pandemic response, our typical work did not stop, nor did our mission to serve the interests of citizens, municipalities, and the region as a whole. *FRCOG's 2020 Annual Report*, published this spring, will further summarize our regional efforts. The following pages list services specific to Whately.

COVID Response and Recovery

The FRCOG was active in regional and municipal COVID response and recovery in numerous ways, including:

- Advocated for changes to laws and regulation needed to run municipalities remotely
- Conducted a business impact survey to understand how to allocate emergency funding
- Monitored active cases and conducted contact tracing for 19 towns
- Opened the Multi-Agency Coordination Center to disseminate situation reports to municipalities, responders and other stakeholders
- Launched a weekly newsletter of resources and support for parents & guardians of school-aged children
- Facilitated the distribution of PPE to area hospitals and responders, and facilitated a collective purchase of PPE for municipalities, non-profits and businesses
- Managed and distributed emergency funding to local Boards of Health
- Provided mask order and social distancing signage for use at town facilities and businesses
- Collaborated with the City of Greenfield to host drive-through COVID testing days

Climate Resilience

- Worked with a town committee to finalize the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan that meets FEMA requirements, is valid for 5 years, and makes the town eligible for pre- and post-disaster FEMA funds.
- Continued the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) community planning process.

Economic Development

• Worked with MassDOT, elected officials and other stakeholders to develop a marketing campaign for the Valley Flyer. Launch of the campaign will take place once service begins to rebound after COVID.

Finance and Municipal Services

- Whately contracted with FRCOG to receive collective bid pricing for highway products and services, including rental equipment and drone services; vehicle fuel; school fire alarm and extinguisher services; and water treatment chemicals. Staff assisted with a construction bid for Complete Streets upgrades.
- The Cooperative Inspections program issued 100 building permits, 68 electrical permits, and 56 plumbing/gas permits for Whately in 2020. Eight (8) Certificates of Inspection were issued.

• The Town Accounting program produced biweekly vendor warrants, and provided monthly budget reports to all officials. Accountants certified Free Cash and submitted a Schedule A at year-end; assisted in completing the recap for tax rate submission; and customized, developed, and distributed reports for committees and departments. They assisted with the annual audit, if necessary. Accounting data was accessible over a secure internet connection to a server at the FRCOG office, and backed-up daily.

Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness

- Assisted in production of a regional IT network and shared cybersecurity systems feasibility study.
- Secured funding for a series of capacity building workshops, to be conducted in 2021.

Land Use and Natural Resources

- Worked with the Open Space Committee to begin updating the town's Open Space & Recreation Plan.
- Assisted the Planning Board in zoning bylaw revisions, to update the town's solar facilities bylaw.
- Began compiling data for a housing needs assessment, to be completed in 2021.

Public and Community Health

- Coordinated vaccine availability, supplies, and staff support for flu clinics held sites throughout
 the CPHS district with the help of Medical Reserve Corps members, GCC nursing students and
 community volunteers. CPHS flu clinics served 2,045 County residents. The Frontier Emergency
 Dispensing Site Drill flu clinic vaccinated 397 Whately residents, while the South County Senior
 Center clinic served 226.
- Conducted a Teen Health Survey to assess teen attitudes and behavior among middle and high school students. Staff reported to Frontier Regional School administrators on results from 230 Frontier students, representing 71% of the 8th, 10th, and 12th grade classes. Survey data meets federal requirements for the school and is valuable for grant writing and program planning.
- Provided training, technical assistance, and evaluation for the evidence-based LifeSkills substance use prevention curriculum in the Frontier Regional School District.
- Provided materials and guidance on vaping prevention and intervention and resources for advancing racial justice in school districts/schools to the Frontier Regional School District.
- Organized a community showing of the documentary *I'm Not Racist....Am I?* Frontier Regional students and staff participated in the viewing and discussion.
- Compiled and distributed *Coalition Connections*, which provides info and resources for families, human services, and educators, during the pandemic, to support health and prevent youth substance use.

Training and Education

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The following list represents the FRCOG workshops and training sessions that Whately public officials, staff, and residents attended, and the number in attendance.

Emergency Prep & Homeland Security	Pandemic Support
Active Threat Integrative Response – 1	Municipal Reimbursement for COVID-19 -
Municipal Officials' Continuing Education	Planning, Conservation & Development
Finance Committee 101 – 1	Responsibilities of Planning & Zoning Boards – 1

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Transportation

- Conducted traffic counts on Webber Road for the Regional Traffic Counting Program.
- Conducted two town-requested traffic speed studies on Chestnut Plain Road, Christian Lane, Haydenville Road, and River Road, and presented results to the Selectboard.
- Provided support in securing funding from MassDOT for design of the Haydenville Road reconstruction project and worked to advance the project through the Transportation Improvement Program.

BOSTON POST CANE

The presentation of the Boston Post Cane began in 1909 as an attempt to increase the circulation of the venerable newspaper. The cane, made from an African imported ebony, gild the tips with 14k gold with a ferule on the lower end and a gold decorated head, was to be presented to the oldest male resident of town. It was to be held by him until his death when it was returned to the Selectmen. In 1930 women were declared eligible for award. The original cane is held by the Whately Historical Society. Recipients receive a plaque, pin and flowers from the Selectmen.

List of the Cane Holders in Whately

- -David Ashcraft—Born in Guilford, VT Keeper of the Cane 1909—1912. Died Age 91
- -Chauncy A. Graves—Born in Whately, MA Keeper of the Cane -- 1912—1919. Died Age 86.
- -Edward E. Sanderson Born in Whately, MA Keeper of the Cane –1919—death 1931. Age 95. Served 3 years in Civil War (37th Reg.)
- -Lyman M. Sanderson Born in Whately, MA Keeper of the Cane –1931 1940. Died Age 86
- -Hyram Dickinson Born in Whately, MA Keeper of the Cane –1940—1948. Died Age 85
- -Horace Bardwell Born in Whately, MA Keeper of the Cane –1948—death 1957. Died Age 89
- -James A. Wood Born in Whately, MA Keeper of the Cane –1957 1961. Died Age 91
- -Lewis H. Cramer Born in Buckland, MA Keeper of the Cane –1961—November 11, 1966. Died Age 92.
- -Alex Baronas Born in Poland, Keeper of the Cane –1966—death 1972. Died Age 93
- -Fred W. Bardwell Born in Whately, MA Keeper of the Cane –1972—1977. Died Age 97
- -John Olynik Born in Ukraine. Keeper of the Cane –1977 1985. Died Age 94
- -Howard R. Waite Born in Whately, MA Keeper of the Cane –1985—1988. Died Age 95.
- -Joseph Wasilewski Born in Poland, Keeper of the Cane –1989—1990. Died Age 94.
- -Annie Madeline Gifford Sanderson –Born in New York City, NY Keeper of the Cane –1991— 2002. It was presented to her at a family gathering, our first woman keeper. Died age 100.
- -Evelyn B. Lawrence Born in Whately, MA Keeper of the Cane—2002—2002. Died Age 92
- -Alice W. Grafflin Born in New York, Keeper of the Cane 2002 2003 Died Age 92

- -Chanchalben Patel Born in India Keeper of the Cane- 2003 death, 2008 Died Age 96
- -John K. Jarosewicz Born in Poland Keeper of the Cane 2010 2013 Cane presented January 30, 2010 at age 100. Died age 103.
- -Joseph and Mary Rup Born in Hadley, MA and Whately, MA. The first couple to be the oldest residents. Keepers of the cane 2013 2016. Joseph died age 98. Mary died age 99.
- -Bernice M. Duda Born in South Deerfield, MA. January 2017 April 2017. Oldest resident. Died age 98.
- -Anne Daniels Born in Whately, MA May 2017-August 2017 Oldest resident. Died age 97
- -Sherman Smith Born in Springfield, MA August 2017-present. Oldest resident age 98

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Established in 1995, the Capital Improvement Planning Committee (CIPC) is responsible for the long-range planning of capital projects on an on-going basis. The CIPC studies the need for capital projects submitted by town departments, boards and committees and makes recommendations on the priority of each proposed project. A ten-year plan has been developed by the CIPC and is updated each year based on the changing needs of the Town's departments, boards and committees.

Over the past year a number of important projects continued despite the on-going COVID19 pandemic. Please see below for some of the projects completed.

Chestnut Plain Road Crosswalk & Sidewalk Project: The severely deteriorated sidewalks along Chestnut Plain Road have been mostly replaced (with a small section remaining on the east side from the Town Hall to across from the Church left to complete). Crosswalks have also been installed across Chestnut Plain Road in multiple locations.

Williamsburg Road Bridge Replacement Project: After being closed for 10 years, two bridges on Williamsburg Road were replaced and paid for entirely by a Small Bridge Program grant from MassDOT. Williamsburg Road is now back open to vehicular traffic.

Elementary School: The School continued with its planned replacement of the worn carpets in the classrooms.

The CIPC has reviewed and discussed all of the capital projects submitted for the upcoming fiscal year and has provided the following recommendations to the Finance Committee and Selectboard.

PRIORITY A: Urgent, high priority projects which should be done if at all possible. A special effort should be made to find funding for all projects in this group.

- Construction of handicapped accessibility improvements at the Library
- Installation of an emergency back-up generator at the Town Offices
- Purchase and installation of new radios and equipment for the Fire Department
- Purchase new snowplow to replace a worn twenty-four-year-old plow
- Purchase new oven for the elementary school kitchen

PRIORITY B: High priority projects should be done as funding becomes available.

- Replace classroom carpets with flooring tiles and area rugs at the Whately Elementary School
- Reconstruct and resurface the driveway and parking lot at the Whately Elementary School
- Repairs and painting at the Police Station

PRIORITY C: Worthwhile projects to be considered if funding is available; may be deferred to a subsequent year.

- Install new fencing and gates at the East and West Whately Cemeteries
- Renovate and update the existing veteran's monument and the surrounding park area
- Purchase a used Kubota F3990 (or similar) lawn tractor for snow removal

Respectfully submitted: Capital Improvement Planning Committee

Dan Kennedy, Frederick Orloski, Maureen Nichols, Nicholas Jones, Darcy Tozier, Brant Cheikes, Brian Domina (Town Administrator ex-officio)

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

2020 witnessed a series of new members joining its ranks and the undertaking of two important initiatives.

The first project was to work with the Kestrel Land Trust whereby they would acquire and conserve a 120-acreforested property on Chestnut Plain Road that would serve as a public recreation area, while also protecting local biological diversity and water quality. Tentatively named Whately Center Woods due to its close proximity to the historic Town Center, offers expansive size, varied terrain with approximately 1.5 miles of established trails running through a healthy forest. This Open Space project is now Whately's most easily accessible public trail network, while effectively preventing loss of access to private lands.

We thank the Conservation Commission and a strong working relationship with neighbors working together to make this project possible.

A second project that was started in 2020 and will extend through the middle of 2021 is the update to the Whately Open Space and Recreation Plan. The Open Space Committee and the Town of Whately has contracted with the Franklin Regional Council of Governments which is serving as the agency of record to administer the update under the guidance and direction of the Committee.

The Open Space Committee looks forward to reporting a final plan to Town Meeting in 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Edwards, Chair

Whately Open Space Committee

TOWN DIRECTORY

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Department		Office	Phone	
Assessors		Town Offices	665-4400 x 4	
Health Agent		Foothills Health District	268-8404	
Animal Control Officer			665-8027	
Emergency Management		Town Offices	665-0300	
FAX for Town Offices			665-9560	
Fire Department			665-2230	
Burn	ing Permits (Jan 15- April 30)		625-8200	
Highway Department			665-2983	
Highway Department Fax			665-2984	
Inspection Services			774-3167	
	Building	Oliver Transit Center	x 113	
	Plumbing & Gas	Oliver Transit Center	x 112	
	Wiring	Oliver Transit Center	x 115	
Police (non-emergency)		77 Christian Lane	665-0430	
	Police Dispatch (non-emergency)		625-8200	
Schools:				
	Whately Elementary		665-7826	
	Frontier Regional		665-2118	
	Franklin County Technical		863-9561	
Selectboard		Town Offices	665-4400 x 1	
S. White Dickinson Library		Library	665-2170	
Town Collector/Treasurer		Town Offices	665-4400 x 2	
Town Clerk		Town Offices	665-4400 x 3	
Town Accountant		Town Offices	665-4400 x 6	
Water Department		Town Offices	665-3080	

OFFICE HOURS

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Wednesdays 9 am- 4 pm

Library Monday - Wednesday 1pm- 8 pm

Saturdays 10 am – 3 pm

Selectboard Monday – Thursday 8 am – 4 pm

Friday 9-noon

Town Clerk/Treasurer/ Collector Monday 8 am – 7 pm

Tuesday – Thursday 8 am – 4 pm

Friday 9 am - Noon

Transfer Station Tuesday Noon – 5 pm

Saturdays 7 am - 5 pm