



## **ANNUAL REPORT**

**Of the Town Officers and Committees**

**For the Year Ending December 31, 2017**



**TOWN OF PLYMPTON  
INCORPORATED JUNE 4, 1707**

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

The 2018 Annual Town Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 16, 2018  
At 7:00 PM at the Dennett Elementary School  
(The Wednesday preceding the Town Election by Town Bylaw)

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS**

At the call of the Board of Selectmen or on the petition of at least 200 registered voters

**TOWN ELECTION**

May 19, 2018

(Third Saturday of the month at the Plympton Town House by Town Bylaw)  
Polls are open from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM

**2000 FEDERAL CENSUS**

2,637

**2017 CENSUS**

2953

**REGISTERED VOTERS**

2,125

**COUNCILLOR, FOURTH DISTRICT**

Christopher A. Iannella, Jr.

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, NINTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

William R. Keating

**US SENATORS, 115<sup>th</sup> CONGRESS**

Edward J. Markey(D), Elizabeth Warren(D)

**SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT, SECOND PLYMOUTH & BRISTOL  
DISTRICT**

Michael Brady

**REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT, TWELFTH PLYMOUTH  
DISTRICT**

Thomas J. Calter, III

**SHERRIFF, PLYMOUTH COUNTY**

Joseph D. MacDonald, Jr.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PLYMOUTH COUNTY**

Greg Hanley, Sandra M. Wright, Daniel A. Pallotta,

**TOWN OF PLYMPTON**  
**2017 APPOINTED OFFICIALS**  
 (and Town House Administration)

<b>BOARDS/COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TERM END</b>
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**ACCOUNTANT**

TOWN ACCOUNTANT (EMPLOYEE)	BARBARA GOMEZ	10/31/2018
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**AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**

BOARD MEMBER	RICK BURNET	6/30/2020
CHAIR	RICHARD HARFLINGER	6/30/2020
BOARD MEMBER	RUSSELL KIERSTEAD	6/30/2020
BOARD MEMBER	KIMBERLY RUSSO	6/30/2020
BOARD MEMBER	LINDA SCHAUWECKER	6/30/2020

**ANIMAL CONTROL/INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS**

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	FRANK BUSH	6/30/2018
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	FRANK BUSH	4/30/2018

**AREA 58 COMM ACCESS TV, INC**

BOARD MEMBER	KAREN FOYE	8/24/2018
BOARD MEMBER	MARK RUSSO	6/30/2019

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

ASSISTANT ASSESSOR (EMPLOYEE)	WENDY JONES	6/30/2018
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (EMPLOYEE)	ALLISON MERRY	

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

ASSISTANT HEALTH AGENT	KATHLEEN DEVASTO PIEMONTE	6/30/2018
ASSISTANT HEALTH AGENT	CATHLEEN DRINAN	6/30/2018
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (EMPLOYEE)	CATHY FERGUSON	



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HEALTH AGENT	ROBERT TINKHAM, JR.	6/30/2018
ASSISTANT HEALTH AGENT	AMOS A. WOOD III	6/30/2018
<b>BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES</b>		
DIRECTOR (EMPLOYEE)	DEBRA BATSON	
EMPLOYEE	CHRISTINE CHAMP	
EMPLOYEE	KAREN COOK	
EMPLOYEE	KIERSTEAD KATHLEEN	
<b>BOARD OF REGISTRAR</b>		
BOARD MEMBER	AMI S. DION	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	SHIRLEY MARTIN	6/30/2020
CHAIR/TOWN CLERK (INDEFINITE)	TARA SHAW	
BOARD MEMBER	JANET B. SIDES	6/30/2019
<b>BUILDING DEPARTMENT</b>		
ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR	WILLIAM KELLY JR.	6/30/2018
BUILDING INSPECTOR	THOMAS MILLIAS	6/30/2018
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (EMPLOYEE)	KATHY WRIGHT	
<b>BURIAL AGENT</b>		
BURIAL AGENT	JAMES MULCAHY	6/30/2018
<b>BYLAW REVIEW COMMITTEE (UNTIL DISSOLVED)</b>		
BOARD MEMBER	DAVID ALBERTI	
BOARD MEMBER	JEAN COHEN	
BOARD MEMBER	AMY CRONIN	
BOARD MEMBER	LINDA LEDDY	
BOARD MEMBER	KIMBERLY RUSSO	

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BOARD MEMBER	ANN SOBILEWSKI	
BOARD MEMBER	THEODORE TARANTO	
BOARD MEMBER	KENNETH THOMPSON	
CHAIR	ALAN WHELOCK	
<b>CERT COORDINATOR</b>		
CERT COORDINATOR	DAVID E. SMITH	6/30/2018
<b>CIVIL DEFENSE (NOW EMD)</b>		
CIVIL DEFENSE MEMBER	WARREN BORSARI	6/30/2018
CIVIL DEFENSE MEMBER	JAMES MULCAHY	6/30/2018
<b>COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE</b>		
BOARD MEMBER	DEBORAH ANDERSON	6/30/2019
CPA LIASON TO CON COM	RICHARD BURNET	6/30/2020
BOARD MEMBER	IRVING BUTLER JR.	6/30/2019
TREASURER	DAVID CHANDLER	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	JUDY DUDLEY	6/30/2020
CPC LIASON TO HIGHWAY DEPT	SUSAN OSSOFF	6/30/2019
CHAIR	MARK RUSSO	6/30/2020
CPC LIASON TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY	JANE SCHULZE	6/30/2018
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>		
CHAIR	RICHARD BURNET	6/30/2020
BOARD MEMBER	AMY CRONIN	6/30/2019
VICE-CHAIR	AMI S. DION	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	LINDA LEDDY	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	MICHAEL MATERN	6/30/2020
BOARD MEMBER	JOHN MATHIAS	6/30/2020

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BOARD MEMBER	MARTA NOVER	6/30/2019
<b>COORDINATOR FOR PLYMPTON RACES</b>		
COORDINATOR	ARTHUR B. MORIN, JR.	6/30/2020
<b>COUNCIL ON AGING</b>		
SENIOR TRANSPORTATION (VOLUNTEER)	CHERYL BROWNE	
COA OUTREACH (EMPLOYEE)	JOYCE CURRAN	
BOARD MEMBER	DOROTHY S. CUSHMAN	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	EVELYN J. HANNIGAN	6/30/2017
BOARD MEMBER	JEAN LANGLEY	6/30/2019
DIRECTOR	JOY MARBLE	6/30/2017
TREASURER	DOROTHY MARTEL	6/30/2019
BOARD MEMBER	SHIRLEY MARTIN	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	PATRICIA MUSTACAROS	6/30/2020
COA OUTREACH/DRIVER (EMPLOYEE)	JAMES MUSTACAROS	
BOARD MEMBER	MARY SUSANNE WALKER	6/30/2019
<b>CULTURAL COUNCIL</b>		
BOARD MEMBER	SUSAN HEALEY	11/12/2018
BOARD MEMBER	LISA RIELLY	11/12/2018
<b>DOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE (UNTIL DISSOLVED)</b>		
BOARD MEMBER	CHRISTINE JOY	
BOARD MEMBER	SUSAN OSSOFF	
<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>		
DIRECTOR	WARREN BORSARI	6/30/2018
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MEMBER (INDEFINITE)	ELIZABETH DENNEHY	

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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MEMBER	PATRICK DILLON	6/30/2017
<b>FENCE VIEWER</b>		
FENCE VIEWER	ROBERT KARLING	6/30/2018
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>		
FIRE CHIEF	WARREN BORSARI	6/30/2018
FOREST FIRE WARDEN	WARREN BORSARI	6/30/2018
<b>HIGHWAY SURVEYOR</b>		
HIGHWAY SURVEYOR	JAMES MULCAHY	5/19/2018
<b>HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION</b>		
BOARD MEMBER	STUART CHASE	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	JENNIFER L. MACDONALD	6/30/2019
BOARD MEMBER	CHARLES NICKERSON	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	CAROL QUINDLEY	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	MARYLOUISE SAYLES	6/30/2019
CHAIR	JONATHAN SHAW	6/30/2019
BOARD MEMBER	RICHARD STOVER	6/30/2019
<b>HISTORICAL COMMISSION</b>		
ASSOCIATE MEMBER (NON-VOTING)	RICK BURNET	
CLERK	JILL PALENSTIJN	6/30/2019
BOARD MEMBER	JANE SCHULZE	6/30/2018
CHAIR	JON WILHELMSSEN	6/30/2020
<b>JASON PARK STUDY AND DEVELOPMENT</b>		
BOARD MEMBER	ROBERT DOUCETTE	6/30/2017
BOARD MEMBER	GREGORY FAIRBANKS	6/30/2018

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BOARD MEMBER	JAQUELINE FREITAS	6/30/2019
BOARD MEMBER	PAMELA MODRICKER	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	JAMES MULCAHY	6/30/2018
<b>KEEPER OF DAMS</b>		
KEEPER OF DAMS	JAMES MULCAHY	6/30/2018
<b>MEMORIAL DAY COMMEMORATION COMM</b>		
BOARD MEMBER	PETER KUPIC	6/30/2017
BOARD MEMBER	STEVEN LEWIS	6/30/2020
BOARD MEMBER	STEVE LYONS	6/30/2017
BOARD MEMBER	CHRISTOPHER RANKIN	6/30/2020
BOARD MEMBER	FRANCES WALSH	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER/EMPLOYEE	ROXANNE WHITBECK	
<b>OLD COLONY ELDER SERVICES</b>		
PLYMPTON REPRESENTATIVE	PATRICIA MUSTACAROS	6/30/2018
<b>OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE</b>		
CO-CHAIR	LINDA LEDDY	6/30/2020
CO-CHAIR	VICKI MALONEY	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	GAVIN MURPHY	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	CHARLES QUINN	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	JANE SCHULZE	6/30/2019
CLERK	THEODORE TARANTO	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	ALAN WHEELOCK	6/30/2018
<b>PLUMBING AND GAS</b>		
PLUMBING & GAS INSP.-ALTERNATE	THOMAS S. BOUCHARD	6/30/2017
PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR	DOUGLAS HAWTHORNE JR.	6/30/2018

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PLUMBING & GAS INSP.-ALTERNATE	EDWARD SEALEY	6/30/2017
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#### PLYMPTON HOUSING PRODUCTION PLAN COMMITTEE (UNTIL DISSOLVED)

BOARD MEMBER	CAROLYN DECRISTOFANO
BOARD MEMBER	DAWN HASTINGS-ELY
BOARD MEMBER	SHARON HOUSLEY
BOARD MEMBER	CHRISTINE JOY

#### PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE (UNTIL DISSOLVED)

BOARD MEMBER	NANCY BUTLER
BOARD MEMBER	ROBERT KARLING
BOARD MEMBER	ROSS E. MACPHERSON
BOARD MEMBER	ARTHUR B. MORIN, JR.
CHAIR	COLLEEN THOMPSON
BOARD MEMBER	HARRY WEIKEL
BOARD MEMBER	JON WILHELMSSEN

#### RECORDS ACCESS OFFICERS (INDEFINITE)

SECONDARY RAO	LEANNE CASHMAN
RECORDS ACCESS OFFICER	TARA SHAW
SECONDARY RAO	PETER VENETO, JR.

#### RECREATION COMMISSION

BOARD MEMBER	AMY HEMPEL	6/30/2019
CHAIR	KEVIN KAUPP	6/30/2019
BOARD MEMBER	CHRISTOPHER RANKIN	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	DEAN SYLVESTER	6/30/2018
BOARD MEMBER	ANN WHITE	6/30/2018

#### SELECTMEN

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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	ELIZABETH DENNEHY	
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (EMPLOYEE)	BRIGGETTE MARTINS	
<b>TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE</b>		
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK (EMPLOYEE)	PATRICIA L. DETTERMAN	6/30/2018
<b>TREASURER/COLLECTOR'S OFFICE</b>		
ASSISTANT TREASURER/ASSISTANT COLLECTOR (EMPLOYEE)	CHRISTINE KELLY	6/30/2019
TREASURER/COLLECTOR (EMPLOYEE)	COLLEEN MORIN	6/30/2019
<b>VETERAN'S SERVICES</b>		
VETERAN'S SVCS. DIRECTOR/VETERAN'S BURIAL DIRECTOR	ROXANNE WHITBECK	6/30/2018
<b>WAGE &amp; PERSONNEL BOARD</b>		
BOARD MEMBER	DAVID CHANDLER	6/30/2020
CHAIR	ALAN WHEELOCK	6/30/2018
<b>WIRING INSPECTOR</b>		
WIRING INSPECTOR	ROBERT KARLING	6/30/2018
<b>ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS</b>		
CLERK	DAVID ALBERTI	6/30/2019
ALTERNATE (2)	MARK GABRIEL	6/30/2017
BOARD MEMBER	ARTHUR B. MORIN, JR.	6/30/2018
CHAIR	KENNETH THOMPSON	6/30/2018
ALTERNATE (1)	HARRY WEIKEL	6/30/2019
<b>ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER</b>		
ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	ROBERT KARLING	6/30/2018

# TOWN OF PLYMPTON

## 2017 ELECTED OFFICIALS

BOARD/COMMITTEE	NAME	TERM END
<b>BOARD OF ASSESSORS</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Chair	JOCELYN ANDERSON	5/19/2018
Board Member	RICHARD E. NORDAHL	5/18/2019
Board Member	ETHAN STILES	5/16/2020
<b>BOARD OF HEALTH</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Treasurer	HARRY WEIKEL	5/18/2018
Chair	ARTHUR B. MORIN, JR.	5/18/2019
Clerk	BRADFORD CRONIN	5/16/2020
<b>BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Board Member	DOMINIQUE SAMPSON	5/19/2018
Secretary	KRISTINE BOYLES	5/19/2018
Chair	CHRISTINE M. WINSLOW	5/18/2019
Vice-Chair	MIRANDA BOYLES	5/18/2019
Board Member	LOUISE COSATO	5/16/2020
<b>CONSTABLE</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Constable	DAVID E. SMITH	5/16/2020
Acting	DOUGLAS REESE	5/16/2020
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Chair	NATHANIEL SIDES	5/19/2018
Board Member	ERIC HART	5/18/2019
Board Member	STEVE LEWIS	5/18/2019
Board Member	KATHRYN SHEPARD	5/16/2020
Board Member	LISA HART	5/16/2020
<b>MODERATOR</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Acting	BRIAN WICK	5/18/2019



<b>BOARD/COMMITTEE</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TERM END</b>
<b>PLANNING BOARD</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Temp. Board Member	ROBERT KARLING	5/19/2018
Board Member	WILLIAM MCCLELLAN	5/19/2018
Board Member	JOHN RANTUCCIO	5/20/2019
Board Member	PAUL J. D'ANGELO JR.	5/16/2020
Chair	DEBORAH ANDERSON	5/15/2021
<b>PLYMPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Board Member	LYNN KAUPP	5/19/2018
Board Member	MICHAEL ANTOINE	5/19/2018
Secretary	STEPHANIE DOMEY	5/18/2019
Vice-Chair	JASON FRASER	5/16/2020
Chair	JON WILHELMSSEN	5/16/2020
<b>SELECTMEN</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Chair	CHRISTINE JOY	5/19/2018
Board Member	JOHN TRAYNOR	5/18/2019
Clerk	MARK RUSSO	5/16/2020
<b>SILVER LAKE REG SCHOOL COMMITTEE</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Chair	MAUREEN A. SPRINGER	5/19/2018
Board Member	JASON FRASER	5/16/2020
<b>TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Town Clerk	TARA SHAW	5/19/2018
<b>TREE WARDEN/INSECT CONTROL</b>		<b>Term End</b>
Acting	WILLIAM HAYES JR.	5/19/2018

## **In Memoriam**

Hilda S. Young



March 15, 1920 – March 27, 2017

Plympton Resident 43 Years

Plympton Post Office and Plympton Congregational Church. She took care of neighbors by providing dinners and sitting with them. She knew everyone in Town.

## **In Memoriam**

Marcia B. Chadbourne

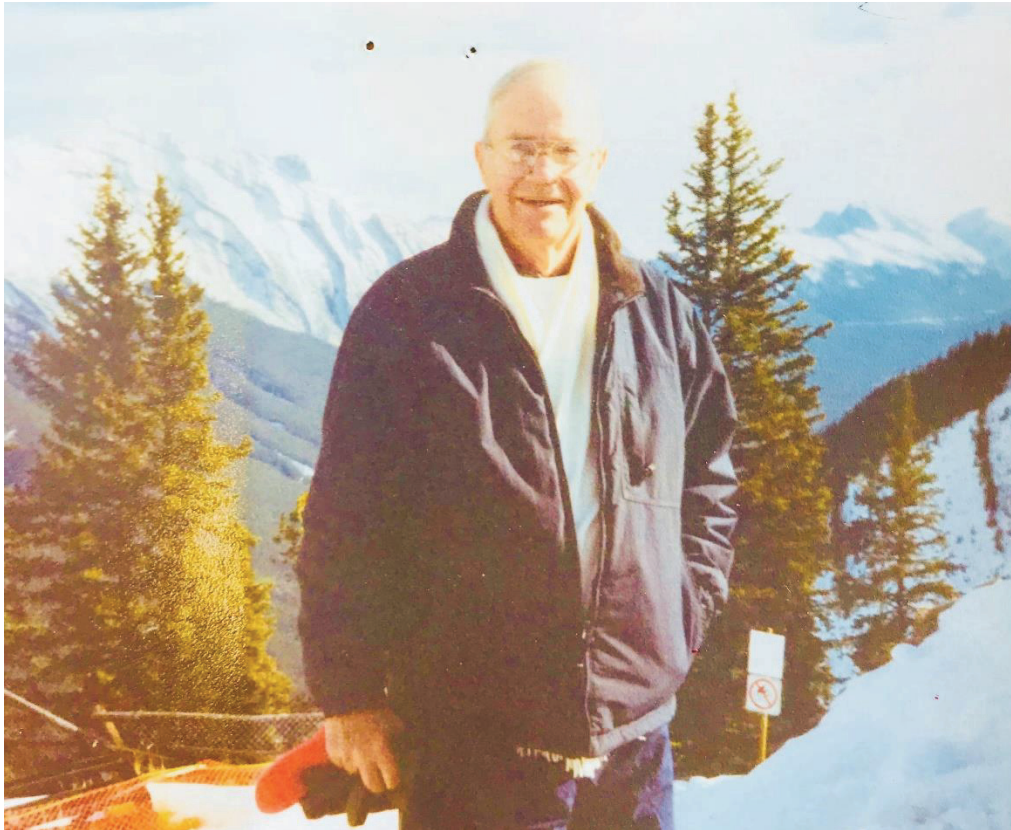


June 18, 1933 – June 4, 2017

Dennett Elementary School Nurse 1978 - 1998

## **In Memoriam**

Richard "Dick" Reynolds, Sr.



May 2, 1932 – April 22, 2017

Plympton Resident 55 Years

Plympton Congregational Church Choir, President Plympton Historical Society, Garden Club, Girls Softball Coach

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK**

The Town Clerk's Office is the primary provider of information and quality services to the residents of Plympton. We work in coordination with Town Officials, Committee Members, the citizens who volunteer their time to better our community, as well as with State Officials. The Town of Plympton's Town Clerk's Office is responsible for:

- Vital Records – Registrations and certified copies of Births, Deaths, Marriages
- Open Meeting Law Notice of Meeting Postings, Agendas and Minutes for all Boards and Committees
- Ethics – Disseminating ethics laws, administering of oaths, and recording and management of compliance database and quiz as well as Board, Committee, Department terms
- Town Meeting – Attendance records, minutes and reporting to the state
- Elections – Monitoring of timelines, running elections, and recording of results
- Zoning Board of Appeals – Application acceptance and filing decisions
- Bylaw revisions and submissions to the Attorney General after Town Meeting
- Business Certificates and Raffle Permits
- Records Access Officer duties including management and replies to all Public Records Requests per MA General Laws

While the Clerk's Office only had to manage and report one election this year, the 2017 Annual Town Election held in May, many Town Clerks and Assistants were busy attending conferences in an effort to keep up with ever changing Election Laws. In particular, after having run the first Presidential Election in November of 2016 that included Early Voting, many spent time at this year's conferences focusing on reviewing Early Voting procedures and sharing information and documentation to help ease the burden of the additional responsibilities.

This year, Assistant Town Clerk, Tricia Detterman, was able to participate in her first year of three at the New England Municipal Clerks' Institute at Plymouth State in NH. The Institute is an intensive program of continuing professional education. The purpose is to assist Clerks and their Assistants in developing and maintaining a high level of administrative expertise needed for the successful operation of increasingly complex municipal governments.

Finishing out the 2017 calendar year, the Plympton Town House experienced an unexpected break in a main water line causing the majority of water damage to the Town Clerk's Office. Looking on the brighter side of what turned into a major project, the Clerk's office received a new rug and we were able to make use of the Records Retention Schedule that helped provide guidelines of which documentation could be destroyed.

We look forward to another productive year in 2018.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tara J. Shaw  
Town Clerk

## **PLYMPTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, May 17, 2017**

**7:00 PM**

**Dennett Elementary School, 80 Crescent Street**

Moderator, Brian A. Wick, declared there being a quorum present (35) and preparation and posting of the warrant and the procedure was accomplished in accordance with the law and, therefore, the Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. at the Dennett Elementary School. Mr. Wick welcomed everyone to the 310th Annual Town Meeting and asked everyone to rise and observe a moment of silence for any and all of our Plympton neighbors who have passed away since our last meeting, particularly those who in the past were active in town affairs like William Burgess and Robert Millbery. We were asked to keep in our thoughts our men and women serving in uniform who are stationed around the world, and especially those serving in Afghanistan and the Middle East. He led us in to the introduction of the Pledge to Allegiance to the American Flag. Thank you to the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Dennett class volunteers for hosting the refreshments at our break before the Special Town Meeting. Mr. Wick stated that the Annual Town Meeting addresses Fiscal Year 2018 (July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018) and at 8:00 p.m. the Special Town Meeting begins to address funding issues in this year's fiscal spending which ends June 30, 2017.

Mr. Wick introduced the Board of Selectmen, Chairman Colleen Thompson, Selectmen's Clerk John Traynor, Jr. and Christine Joy. Town Council Ilana Quirk and Town Clerk Tara J. Shaw, Town Accountant Barbara Gomez, the Finance Committee Marilyn Browne, Lisa Hart, Nathaniel Sides, and Susan Ossoff. Also present were Tellers Patricia Detterman and Nancy Butler.

The Peace Officer present was Douglas Mazzolla.

There were 91 registered voters present and 18 non-registered citizens present.

Christine Joy addressed the assembly thanking Colleen Thompson for her years of public service and acting as the Chairperson for the Board of Selectmen. She also thanked Susan Ossoff for her years of service on the Finance Committee and for the other boards she has participated on. They were presented with roses.

### **ARTICLE 1**

To hear reports of the town officers and act thereon and to receive and act upon reports of any committees and give authority or instructions, or take any action relative thereto.

### **ARTICLE 1**

**VOTE (Motion moved and seconded)** To hear reports of the town officers and act thereon and to receive and act upon reports of any committees and give authority or instructions.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

Susan Ossoff, Finance Committee, gave a brief report regarding the Town Budget and changes in recommendation for funding sources.

Alan Wheelock, 10 Center Street, gave a brief report introducing the new Bylaw Review Committee including their goals.

**ARTICLE 2 – Compensating Balancing Agreements**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to enter into Compensating Balance agreements for FY 2018 as permitted by and in accordance with M.G.L. c.44 §53F, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Town Treasurer: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**ARTICLE 2 – Compensating Balancing Agreements**

**VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Morin, 11 Granville Baker Way, to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to enter into Compensating Balance agreements for FY 2018 as permitted by and in accordance with M.G.L. c.44 §53F, or take any other action relative thereto.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**ARTICLE 3 – Wage & Personnel Classification Plan**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wage & Personnel Classification Plan effective July 1, 2017 and to pay as wages the following sums, or take any other action relative thereto:

**Wage & Personnel Board: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**VOTE (On the motion of Alan Wheelock, 10 Center St., to waive the reading of individual readings of Wage and Personnel and Salary figures by line item)** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wage & Personnel Classification Plan effective July 1, 2017 and to pay as wages the following sums

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**WAGE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FISCAL 2018**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>A. Firefighters (Part-time)</b>		
<b>Deputy Chief</b>		
Deputy Chief/EMT	19.56-26.02	19.95-26.54
Deputy Chief/Advanced	20.50-26.50	20.91-27.03
Deputy Chief/Paramedic	21.50-27.50	21.93-28.05

**Captain**

Captain/EMT	18.00-24.27	18.36-24.76
Captain/Advanced	19.00-24.50	19.38-24.99
Captain/Paramedic	20.00-25.50	20.40-26.01

**Lieutenant**

Lieutenant/EMT	17.50-23.05	17.85-23.51
Lieutenant/Advanced	18.00-23.50	18.36-23.97
Lieutenant/Paramedic	19.00-24.50	19.38-24.99

**Firefighter**

Firefighter/EMT	16.50-21.88	16.83-22.32
Firefighter/Advanced	17.00-22.50	17.34-22.95
Firefighter/Paramedic	18.00-23.50	18.36-23.97

EMT Call	10.40	16.50
Paramedic Call	12.40	19.00
Full Time FF/Paramedic	24.49-27.55	24.98-28.10
Full Time Lieutenant FF/Paramedic	25.49-28.55	26.00-29.12
Full Time Captain/Paramedic	27.00-29.60	27.54-30.19

**FIREFIGHTERS: PASS****B. Highway Labor**

Working Foreman	19.96-22.34	23.86-25.34
Truck Driver/Laborer	19.07-20.36	19.45-20.77
Laborer	15.56-16.64	15.86-16.97
Motor Equip. Repairman	new	22.10-23.36
Equipment Operator	new	20.99-22.95

**HIGHWAY LABOR: PASS****C. Town Labor**

Laborer	15.56-16.31	15.87-16.64
Town Custodian	15.56-16.64	15.87-16.97
Sr. Disposal Attendant	17.97-18.78	18.33-19.16
Disposal Attendant	16.01-16.79	16.33-17.13

**TOWN LABOR: PASS**



**D. Clerical/Election Workers**

Clerk	11.15-13.38	11.37-13.65
Senior Clerk/Warden	14.49-16.16	14.78-16.48
Constable	14.49-16.16	14.78-16.48

**CLERICAL/ELECTION WORKERS: PASS****E. Permanent Staff (all departments)**

Clerk	14.49-16.16	14.78-16.48
Senior Clerk	16.73-18.13	17.06-18.49
Administrative Assistant	19.06-22.30	19.44-22.75
Asst. to Treasurer/Collector	19.52-23.41	19.91-23.88
Asst. Town Clerk	19.52-23.41	19.91-23.88
Asst. Town Accountant	19.52-23.41	19.91-23.88

**PERMANENT STAFF: PASS****F. Library**

Clerk	12.28-15.28	12.52-15.59
Circulation Clerk	14.73-17.05	15.02-17.39
Library Technician	16.73-18.13	17.06-18.49
Senior Library Technician	18.82-22.30	19.20-22.75

**G. Other Employees**

Special Police Officer	14.93	18.62
Police Matron	17.22	17.56

**H. Salaried Employees**

Library Director	37,440.00-48,660.00	38,189.00-49,633.00
Assist. Assessor	25,921.00-46,826.00	reclassified

**\*HOLD**

***Ethan Stiles, Chairman-Board of Assessors, explained that the position was reclassified to an hourly position. This will only stay reclassified as hourly with the current Assistant Assessor. Mr. Stiles withdrew his hold.***

Senior Aide	20,808.00-23,651.00	21,224.00-24,124.00
Veterans Agent	8,199.00	reclassified

Director-Elder Affairs	5,100.00	reclassified
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**SALARIED EMPLOYEES: PASS**

**ASSISTANT ASSESSOR: PASS MAJORITY**

**I. Professional Positions**

Assist. Assessor		27.54-49.76
Health Agent	35.70-51.00	36.41-52.02
Assist. Health Agent	35.70-51.00	36.41-52.02
Land Use Coordinator	24.41-26.53	24.90-27.06

**PROFESSIONAL POSTIONS PASS**

**J. Stipends**

Veterans Agent	8,199.00	8,363.00
Director Elder Affairs	5,100.00	5,202.00

**STIPENDS PASS**

**Article 4 – Budget**

To see if the Town will fix the compensation of elected officers and to see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate including appropriations from available funds or borrow to defray charges and expenses of the Town including debt and interest for the ensuing year or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**Article 4 – Budget**

**VOTE (On the motion of Susan Ossoff, 37 Upland Rd.,)**

To see if the Town will fix the compensation of elected officers and to see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate including appropriations from available funds or borrow to defray charges and expenses of the Town including debt and interest for the ensuing year.

### **Article 5 – Financial Audits**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$31,500 to conduct financial audits for Fiscal Year 2018 or take any other action relative thereto.

**Town Treasurer: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

### **Article 5 – Financial Audits**

**VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Morin, 11 Granville Baker Way, to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$31,500 to conduct financial audits for Fiscal Year 2018.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 6 – Chapter 90**

To see if the Town will vote to accept and expend such sum or sums of money allotted or to be allotted to the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 90 or under any other state roadway reimbursement programs for fiscal year 2018 and borrow, in anticipation of reimbursement such sums of money as may be available as the State's share of the cost of work said Chapter 90, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Highway Department: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

### **Article 6 – Chapter 90**

**VOTE (On the motion of James Mulcahy, 3 Brackett Terrace, to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)**To see if the Town will vote to borrow, in anticipation of reimbursement, the sum of \$170,324.00 as the State's share of share of the cost of work under said Chapter 90.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 7 – Community Preservation appropriations & reserve**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation Fiscal Year 2018 estimated annual revenues in the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for Committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2018, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

#### **Appropriations:**

Committee Administrative Expenses \$5,500

#### **Reserves:**

Historic Resources Reserve \$11,000

Community Housing Reserve \$11,000

Open Space Reserve \$11,000

Budgeted Reserve \$71,500

Or take any other action relative thereto.

**Community Preservation Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

### **Article 7 – Community Preservation appropriations & reserve**

**VOTE (On the motion of Mark Russo, 140 Palmer Rd., to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)**To see if the Town will vote to approve and appropriate the Community Preservation Fiscal Year 2018 estimated annual revenues in the amounts

recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for Committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2018, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

**Appropriations:**

Committee Administrative Expenses \$5,500

**Reserves:**

Historic Resources Reserve \$11,000

Community Housing Reserve \$11,000

Open Space Reserve \$11,000

Budgeted Reserve \$71,500

**PASS**

**Article 8 - Community Preservation Project: Town Green Bandstand**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Community Preservation Fund the total sum of \$39,500, of which \$27,228 will come first from the Historic Resources Reserve and \$12,272 from the Budgeted Reserve, to be used by the Plympton Historical Commission to restore the Town Green Bandstand as described in an application submitted to the Plympton Community Preservation Committee.

Said project to be directed and supervised by the Plympton Historical Commission with reporting for oversight purposes to the Plympton Community Preservation Committee not less than every 2 months; And at the completion of the project any remaining funds to be returned to the Budgeted Reserve of the Community Preservation Fund by vote of the Plympton Community Preservation Committee;

Or take any other action relative thereto.

**Community Preservation Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Article 8 - Community Preservation Project: Town Green Bandstand**

**VOTE (On the motion of Mark Russo, 140 Palmer Rd., to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Community Preservation Fund the total sum of \$39,500, of which \$27,228 will come first from the Historic Resources Reserve and \$12,272 from the Budgeted Reserve, to be used by the Plympton Historical Commission to restore the Town Green Bandstand as described in an application submitted to the Plympton Community Preservation Committee.

Said project to be directed and supervised by the Plympton Historical Commission with reporting for oversight purposes to the Plympton Community Preservation Committee not less than every 2 months; And at the completion of the project any remaining funds to be returned to the Budgeted Reserve of the Community Preservation Fund by vote of the Plympton Community Preservation Committee.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ADJOURNED TO SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**8:00 P.M. RETURN TO ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AT 8:20**

**Article 9 – Revolving Funds**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c.44, §53E ½, as most recently amended, to reauthorize the following revolving funds for certain Town departments and officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, and to establish fiscal year spending limits as set forth below; and further, to amend the General Bylaws by inserting a new bylaw establishing various revolving funds, specifying the departmental receipts to be credited to each fund, the departmental purposes or

programs for which each fund may be expended, and the entity authorized to expend each fund, such bylaw to provide as follows:

- A. There are hereby established in the Town of Plympton pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c.44, §53E½, the following Revolving Funds, from which the specified department head, board, committee, or officer may incur liabilities against and spend monies from without appropriation in accordance with the limitations set forth in this by-law.
- B. Fringe benefits of full-time employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund.
- C. No liability shall be incurred in excess of the available balance of the fund.
- D. The total amount spent during a fiscal year shall not exceed the amount authorized by Annual Town Meeting or any increase therein as may later be authorized by the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §53E½.
- E. Interest earned on monies credited to a revolving fund established by this by-law shall be credited to the General Fund.
- F. Authorized Revolving Funds:

<b>Revolving Fund</b>	<b>Authority to Spend</b>	<b>Revenue Source</b>	<b>Use of Fund</b>	<b>FY 18 Spending Limit</b>
Recreation Commission	Recreation Commission	Sign Sponsorship Program, fees charged to individuals participating in any Recreation Commission sponsored programs and any private sponsorship of said programs. Any fees charged for use of any other recreational facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation Commission.	The Support of youth sports programs, community activities and special events.	\$20,000

Tax Title	Treasurer/Collector	Miscellaneous and legal fees collected on Tax Title accounts when paid. In addition, said account shall also be credited with miscellaneous fees and legal fees related to Tax Possession from the sale or auction of said Tax Possession.	Processing Tax Titles and Tax Possessions, including legal fees, miscellaneous expenses and salaries of staff in the Treasurer/Collectors department and Land Court fees.	\$20,000
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G. Procedures and Reports. Except as provided in M.G.L. c.44, §53E½ and this bylaw, all applicable state and local laws and regulations that govern the receipt, custody, expenditure and payment of town funds shall apply to the use of revolving funds established and authorized by this by-law.

And, further, to establish the following fiscal year spending limit for such funds:

Recreation Commission	\$20,000
Tax Title	\$20,000

Or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**VOTE (On the motion of John Traynor, Jr., 62 Crescent St., to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)**

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

#### **Article 10 – Abandoned Funds**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. c.200A, §9A, adopting a procedure for disposing of abandoned funds held in the custody of the Town, authorizing an alternative simplified procedure for disposing of abandoned funds (often referred to as unclaimed checks or “tailings”) held by the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Treasurer: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

#### **Article 10 – Abandoned Funds**

**(On the motion of Colleen Morin, 11 Granville Baker Way., to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. c.200A, §9A, adopting a procedure for disposing of abandoned funds held in the custody of the Town, authorizing an alternative simplified procedure for disposing of abandoned funds (often referred to as unclaimed checks or “tailings”) held by the Town **PASS UNANIMOUS**

#### **Article 11 – Interest Rate Reduction**

To see if the Town will vote to reduce from 8% to 4% the interest rate charged in connection with taxes deferred by certain qualifying seniors in accordance with M.G.L. c.59, 5, Clause 41A, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Treasurer: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

#### **Article 11 – Interest Rate Reduction**

**VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Morin, 11 Granville Baker Way, to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)**To see if the Town will vote to reduce from 8% to 4% the interest rate charged in connection with taxes deferred by certain qualifying seniors in accordance with M.G.L. c.59, 5, Clause 41A.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 12 – FY18 Interim Valuation**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of preparing the Fiscal 2018 Interim-Year Real Property valuation of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Assessors: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**Article 12 – FY18 Interim Valuation**

**VOTE (On the motion of Ethan Stiles, 85 West St.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of preparing the Fiscal 2018 Interim-Year Real Property valuation of the Town.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 13 – FY22 Triennial Valuation**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,500 for the purpose of preparing the Fiscal 2022 Triennial Real Property valuation of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Assessors: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**Article 13 – FY22 Triennial Valuation**

**VOTE (On the motion of Ethan Stiles, 85 West St.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,500 for the purpose of preparing the Fiscal 2022 Triennial Real Property valuation of the Town.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 14 – Drinking Water Treatment System at Dennett School**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$130,000 to be added to that appropriated under Article 10 of the May 14, 2014 Annual Town Meeting for engineering services, equipment and installation of a Drinking Water Treatment System for the Dennett Elementary School, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Dennett School Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**Article 14 – Drinking Water Treatment System at Dennett School**

**VOTE (On the motion of Jon Wilhelmsen, 255 Main St.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund the sum of \$130,000 to be added to that appropriated under Article 10 of the May 14, 2014 Annual Town Meeting for engineering services, equipment and installation of a Drinking Water Treatment System for the Dennett Elementary School.

**PASS BY 2/3 VOTE**

**Article 15 – Police Patrol Vehicle Lease**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$12,000 to pay the annual lease payment for a police patrol vehicle on a lease to own replacement program, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Police Department: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

### **Article 15 – Police Patrol Vehicle Lease**

**VOTE (On the motion of Christine Joy, 10 Duke's Brook Rd.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$12,000 to pay the annual lease payment for a police patrol vehicle on a lease to own replacement program.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 16 – Electronic Control Devices (Tasers)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$15,000 to purchase new X26p Electronic Control Devices (Tasers), or the substantial equivalent, and related software and equipment to replace aging Taser units that are approaching the end of their service life, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Police Department: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

*Question: Ethan Stiles-what are the existing ages of the tasers?*

*Answer: Police Chief Patrick Dillon-The average age is 5 years. Expected Life is 5 years*

### **Article 16 – Electronic Control Devices (Tasers)**

**VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Thompson, Selectman Chairman, 192 Main St.)**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$15,000 to purchase new X26p Electronic Control Devices (Tasers), or the substantial equivalent, and related software and equipment to replace aging Taser units that are approaching the end of their service life.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 17 – Fire Department Lease Payments**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the total sum of \$104,692 to pay the annual lease payments for the 2013 Fire Department Pumper Tanker, the 2008 Smeal Pumper, and the 2008 GMC EMS vehicle as part of the lease purchase programs previously authorized, and further to authorize the Town Accountant to allocate such funds to appropriate accounts, or take any other action relative there to.

**Fire Department: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

### **Article 17 – Fire Department Lease Payments**

**VOTE (On the motion of Warren Borsari, 88 Upland Rd.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund the total sum of \$104,692 to pay the annual lease payments for the 2013 Fire Department Pumper Tanker, the 2008 Smeal Pumper, and the 2008 GMC EMS vehicle as part of the lease purchase programs previously authorized.

**PASS BY 2/3 VOTE**

### **Article 18 – Personal Protective Equipment**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the amount of \$44,710 to buy Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to replace the aging PPE that expires in February 2018, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Fire Department: Recommended at \$30,000 by BOS 3-0  
Recommended at \$30,000 by Finance Committee 5-0**

*Question: Steven Worton, 17 Forest St. Why did the price drop from \$44,000 to \$30,000?*



*Answer: Chief Borsari stated that the initial request included costs for custom fitting, plus two additional sets, maintenance, etc of new sets. This amount will replace all of the ones that are expiring at the end of February.*

**Article 18 – Personal Protective Equipment**

**VOTE (On the motion of Warren Borsari, 88 Upland Rd.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the amount of \$30,000 to buy Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to replace the aging PPE that expires in February 2018.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 19 – Pagers**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,448 to purchase 8 Minitor VI pagers, or the substantial equivalent, to notify Fire Department members of incoming 911 calls, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Fire Department: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**Article 19 – Pagers**

**VOTE (On the motion of Warren Borsari, 88 Upland Rd.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,448 to purchase 8 Minitor VI pagers, or the substantial equivalent, to notify Fire Department members of incoming 911 calls.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 20 – First Response and Command Vehicle**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$9,744 to pay the annual lease payment for the First Response and Fire Command vehicle, or take any other action relative there to.

**Fire Department: Not Recommended by BOS 0-3  
Not Recommended by Finance Committee 0-5**

**Article 20 – First Response and Command Vehicle**

**VOTE TO PASS OVER (On the motion of Warren Borsari, 88 Upland Rd.)** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$9,744 to pay the annual lease payment for the First Response and Fire Command vehicle, or take any other action relative there to.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 21 – Road Work**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$200,000 for road reconstruction and resurfacing and top coating of the transfer station including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Highway Department: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

*Question: Patricia Gillespi, 27 Prospect Rd.- why so much for resurfacing the transfer station road that doesn't seem to be a problem and yet the regular roads seem to be worse in Town?*

*Answer: James Mulcahy-The top coating of the Transfer Station is a requirement of the DEP on the Order of Conditions when it was newly constructed. The rest of the funding will be to finish the base coat of the Main Street project that was started last Fall.*

#### **Article 21 – Road Work**

**VOTE (On the motion of James Mulcahy, 3 Brackett Terrace)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$200,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for road reconstruction and resurfacing and top coating of the transfer station including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto.

**PASS BY 2/3 VOTE**

#### **Article 22 – Highway Barn Roof Repairs**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$30,000 to make repairs to the highway barn roof, including all incidental and related costs, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Highway Department: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

*Nate Sides, FinCom-this warrant article was specifically designated for a roof repair, not for additional work needed to be done to the Town Barn.*

*Question: Ross MacPherson-what % of the amount would be specific to the roof repair.*

*Answer: James Mulcahy-He received an estimate initially to replace the roof for \$26,000. Received another estimate for \$18,000. Some problems to the roof damage was due to gutters and ice dams. So the warrant article amount is for the same amount of money, just a different way to approach the repair of the roof.*

*Lisa Hart, FinCom-the Finance Committee gave a recommendation for what should be brought to the Town Meeting based on what was presented at their meeting. That is what they voted on for their recommendation, not for this change made on the Town Meeting floor for additional work other than the roof repair.*

*Art Morin-should be done as a repair from the Capital Stabilization repairing the gutters, etc., to be sure it won't happen again in the future.*

#### **Article 22 – Highway Barn Roof Repairs**

**VOTE (On the motion of James Mulcahy, 3 Brackett Terrace)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund the sum of \$30,000 to make repairs to the highway barn roof, including all incidental and related costs

#### **Article 22-HIGHWAY BARN ROOF REPAIRS**

**VOTE (On the motion of Lisa Hart, Finance Committee, 7 Marie Elaine Dr.) to amend article from \$30,000 to \$18,000)**

**PASS AMENDMENT (36 For, 29 Against)**

#### **Article 22 – Highway Barn Roof Repairs**

**VOTE:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund the sum of \$18,000 to make repairs to the highway barn roof, including all incidental and related costs.

**PASS BY 2/3 VOTE INCLUDING AMENDMENT**

#### **Article 23 – Fire/EMS Study**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 to conduct a comprehensive study of Fire and EMS services, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**  
**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

*Comment: Steven Worton, 17 Forest St. (Summary) The Town should spend \$20,000 directly towards the Fire Dept. and based on whatever the Fire Chief recommends.*

*Reply: Nate Sides, the FinCom takes suggestions seriously and makes recommendations very carefully to be voted on at the Town Meeting*

**Article 23 – Fire/EMS Study**

**VOTE (On the motion of John Traynor, Jr., 62 Crescent St.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$20,000 to conduct a comprehensive study of Fire and EMS services.

**PASS**

**Article 24 – Police Station**

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and/or borrow the sum of Three Million Dollars and No Cents (\$3,000,000.00) for the purpose of designing, constructing and equipping a new Police station to be located at 5 Palmer Road and shown as Parcel 17-2-18 on the Plympton Assessors' Maps; and to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7 (3) or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; and further, that any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by the vote taken hereunder, less any premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved hereunder in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, thereby reducing by a like amount the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs; said funds are to be expended by the Plympton Public Safety Committee and the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**  
**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**Speakers:**

**Jon Wilhelmsen, Public Safety Committee**

**Police Chief, Patrick Dillon**

**Jeff Shaw, Donham & Sweeney Architects/Context Architecture)**

**Daniel Palotta, P3 (Project Planning Consultants**

**Article 24 – Police Station**

**VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Thompson, 192 Main St.)** To see if the Town will transfer \$500,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund and borrow the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand and No Cents (\$2,500,000.00) for the purpose of designing, constructing and equipping a new Police station to be located at 5 Palmer Road and shown as Parcel 17-2-18 on the Plympton Assessors' Maps; and/or abutting Town-owned property; and to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7 (3) or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore; and further, that any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by the vote taken hereunder, less any premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved hereunder in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §20, thereby reducing by a like amount the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs; said funds are to be expended by the Plympton Public Safety Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 25 – By-Law amendment relative to control of dogs**

To see if the town will vote to amend Municipal By-Laws, Article XXI, Rules and Regulations relative to the control of Dogs in the Town of Plympton so that the local Town of Plympton Bylaws coincide with the following State Regulations: M.G.L. Chapter 140 Sections 141, 145, and 157 a copy of which has been available in the Town Clerk's office and posted on the Town's web site or take any other action relative thereto.

#### **Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

*Question: Karen Foye, 59 Cedar St. Do any of these changes involve a leash law?*

*Answer: Tara Shaw, Town Clerk-No, the majority were related to inconsistencies with the title of Dog Officer to Animal Control Officer, changes to disposition of fees and fines (the majority of which were increases), more specific procedures with regards to hearings of nuisance dogs, and general references made to the MGL that the Town is required to follow*

### **Article 25 – By-Law amendment relative to control of dogs**

**VOTE (On the motion of Christine Joy, 10 Duke's Brook Rd. to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)** To see if the town will vote to amend Municipal By-Laws, Article XXI, Rules and Regulations relative to the control of Dogs in the Town of Plympton so that the local Town of Plympton Bylaws coincide with the following State Regulations: M.G.L. Chapter 140 Sections 141, 145, and 157 a copy of which has been available in the Town Clerk's office and posted on the Town's website.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 26 – By-Law Amendment Capital Planning Improvement Committee**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the Town By-laws by inserting the following underlined language and deleting the strikethrough language, and renumbering the remaining sections of said Section 2 as follows:

Section 1. The Town shall have a Finance Committee (the "Committee") consisting of five (5) members to be elected on the Annual Ballot for a term of three (3) years. Two (2) members of such committee to be elected annually, except every third year when one member shall be elected. No elected or appointed official shall be eligible to membership to this committee. No town employee shall be eligible to membership to this committee except as approved by the Board of Selectmen. The only exceptions that can be made by the Board of Selectmen are for individuals not employed by the Town for more than 19 hours per week.

Section 2. ~~There shall be established a Capital Improvement Planning Committee (hereinafter "Committee") which shall perform the duties as set forth in the following sections Bylaw and shall be governed by the provisions hereof.~~ The Finance Committee shall also serve as and have the duties and responsibilities of the Capital Improvement Planning Committee as set forth under this by-law and in accordance with Chapter 321 of the Acts of 2012, entitled, "An Act Authorizing Certain Development Parcel Tax Revenues to be Deposited in a Special Fund in the Town of Plympton". For purposes of said Chapter 321, a vote of the Finance Committee shall be sufficient to constitute a vote of both the Finance Committee and the Capital Improvement Planning Committee provided that the meeting notice posted under G.L. c.30A, §18-25 lists both the Finance Committee and Capital Improvement Planning Committee.

Section 2.1 Members, Officers; Compensation

- ~~1. The Committee shall consist of the members of the Finance Committee.~~
- ~~2. The Committee shall annually elect from its members a Chairperson and such officers as it shall deem appropriate, and shall adopt such rules and regulations affecting its governance as may be deemed necessary.~~
- ~~3. Committee members shall serve with no compensation.~~

Or take any other action relative thereto.

**Finance Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**article 26 – By-Law Amendment Capital Planning Improvement Committee**  
**VOTE (On the motion of Susan Ossoff, 37 Upland Rd. to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)** To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the Town By-laws by inserting the following underlined language and deleting the strikethrough language, and renumbering the remaining sections of said Section 2 as follows:

Section 1. The Town shall have a Finance Committee (the “Committee”) consisting of five (5) members to be elected on the Annual Ballot for a term of three (3) years. Two (2) members of such committee to be elected annually, except every third year when one member shall be elected. No elected or appointed official shall be eligible to membership to this committee. No town employee shall be eligible to membership to this committee except as approved by the Board of Selectmen. The only exceptions that can be made by the Board of Selectmen are for individuals not employed by the Town for more than 19 hours per week.

Section 2. - The Finance Committee shall also serve as and have the duties and responsibilities of the Capital Improvement Planning Committee as set forth under this by-law and in accordance with Chapter 321 of the Acts of 2012, entitled, “An Act Authorizing Certain Development Parcel Tax Revenues to be Deposited in a Special Fund in the Town of Plympton”. For purposes of said Chapter 321, a vote of the Finance Committee shall be sufficient to constitute a vote of both the Finance Committee and the Capital Improvement Planning Committee provided that the meeting notice posted under G.L. c.30A, §18-25 lists both the Finance Committee and Capital Improvement Planning Committee.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 27 – Transfer Property to Selectmen and Authorize Easement**  
To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody and control of the property located at 23 Palmer Road, acquired by the Town by deeds recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1668, Page 488 and Book 4008, Page 504, from the board or officer having custody thereof for the purposes for which it is held to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes and for the purpose of conveyance; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey permanent access and utility easements on portions of: the property at 23 Palmer Road, the five (5)-acre parcel of land acquired or to be acquired by the Town from Linda Schauwecker, and/or the Town-owned property located at 5 Palmer Road, acquired by the Town by deed recorded in Book 2029, Page 429, for the purpose of serving the telecommunications tower and/or other equipment installed from time to time on the property located at 18 Elm Street, said easements to

be granted on such terms and conditions and for such consideration, which may be nominal consideration, as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate, or take any action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Article 27 – Transfer Property to Selectmen and Authorize Easement**

**VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Thompson, 192 Main St., to approve the article as printed in the warrant.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody and control of the property located at 23 Palmer Road, acquired by the Town by deeds recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1668, Page 488 and Book 4008, Page 504, from the board or officer having custody thereof for the purposes for which it is held to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes and for the purpose of conveyance; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey permanent access and utility easements on portions of: the property at 23 Palmer Road, the five (5)-acre parcel of land acquired or to be acquired by the Town from Linda Schauwecker, and/or the Town-owned property located at 5 Palmer Road, acquired by the Town by deed recorded in Book 2029, Page 429, for the purpose of serving the telecommunications tower and/or other equipment installed from time to time on the property located at 18 Elm Street, said easements to be granted on such terms and conditions and for such consideration, which may be nominal consideration, as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate, or take any action relative thereto.

**PASS BY 2/3 VOTE**

**Article 28 – Zoning By-Law Changes- Flood Plan & Watershed District**

To see if the Town will vote to make corrections to the Zoning By-laws as follows:

(1) Delete the first paragraph in section 8.1.1 in its entirety and replace it with following paragraph.

“The purpose of this Flood Plain and Watershed Protection District is to protect the health and safety of persons against the hazards of flooding, to conserve the value of land and buildings, to facilitate the adequate provision of a water supply through preservation and maintenance of the groundwater table, to protect and to preserve the marshes, bogs, ponds and water courses and their adjoining wetlands, to encourage the most appropriate use of wetlands, to encourage the most appropriate use of the land and to preserve and increase the amenities of the Town. This section does not grant any property rights; it does not authorize any person to trespass, infringe upon or injure the property of another; it does not excuse any person of the necessity of complying with other sections of this By-law or other applicable laws, regulations or By-laws.”

(2) Delete the first paragraph in section 8.1.2 in its entirety and replace it with the following paragraph.

“Subject to the special conditions of this section, land in a Flood Plain and Watershed Protection District may be used for any purpose otherwise permitted in the underlying district except that no building or other structure shall be constructed other than duck blinds or structures necessary for the cultivation of cranberries, agricultural or forestry uses, propagation of fish or any municipal recreational or conservation project.” or take any action relative thereto

**Bylaw Review Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Article 28 – Zoning By-Law Changes- Flood Plan & Watershed District**

**VOTE (On the motion of Alan Wheelock, 10 Center St.) TO REFER TO THE PLANNING BOARD FOR FURTHER STUDY** To see if the Town will vote to make corrections to the Zoning By-laws as follows:

(1) Delete the first paragraph in section 8.1.1 in its entirety and replace it with following paragraph.

“The purpose of this Flood Plain and Watershed Protection District is to protect the health and safety of persons against the hazards of flooding, to conserve the value of land and buildings, to facilitate the adequate provision of a water supply through preservation and maintenance of the groundwater table, to protect and to preserve the marshes, bogs, ponds and water courses and their adjoining wetlands, to encourage the most appropriate use of wetlands, to encourage the most appropriate use of the land and to preserve and increase the amenities of the Town. This section does not grant any property rights; it does not authorize any person to trespass, infringe upon or injure the property of another; it does not excuse any person of the necessity of complying with other sections of this By-law or other applicable laws, regulations or By-laws.”

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**PASS**

### **Article 29 – Zoning By-Law Changes - Marijuana**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town’s Zoning By-law by changing Section 10 Definitions to “Section 11 Definitions” and adding a new Section 10:

**TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS**  
or take any other action relative thereto.

#### **Section 10.1 Purpose**

On November 8, 2016, the voters of the Commonwealth approved a law regulating the cultivation, processing, distribution, possession and use of marijuana for recreational purposes (new G.L. c. 94G, Regulation of the Use and Distribution of Marijuana Not Medically Prescribed). The law, which allows certain personal use and possession of marijuana, took effect on December 15, 2016 and (as amended on December 30, 2016; Chapter 351 of the Acts of 2016) requires a Cannabis Control Commission to issue regulations regarding the licensing of commercial activities by March 15, 2018 and to begin accepting applications for licenses on April 1, 2018. Currently under the Zoning By-law, a non-medical Marijuana Establishment (hereinafter, a “Recreational Marijuana Establishment”), as defined in G.L. c. 94G, §1, is not specifically addressed in the Zoning By-law. Regulations to be promulgated by the Cannabis Control Commission may provide guidance on certain aspects of local regulation of Recreational Marijuana Establishments. The regulation of recreational marijuana raises novel legal, planning, and public safety issues, and the Town needs time to study and consider the regulation of Recreational Marijuana Establishments and address such issues, as well as to address the potential impact of the State regulations on local zoning and to undertake a planning process to consider amending the Zoning By-law regarding regulation of Recreational Marijuana Establishments. The Town intends to adopt a temporary

moratorium on the use of land and structures in the Town for Recreational Marijuana Establishments so as to allow sufficient time to address the effects of such structures and uses in the Town and to enact by-laws in a consistent manner.

#### Section 10.2 Definition

"Recreational Marijuana Establishment" shall mean a "marijuana cultivator, marijuana testing facility, marijuana product manufacturer, marijuana retailer or any other type of licensed marijuana-related business."

#### Section 10.3 Temporary Moratorium

For the reasons set forth above and notwithstanding any other provision of the Zoning By-law to the contrary, the Town hereby adopts a temporary moratorium on the use of land or structures for a Recreational Marijuana Establishment and other uses related to recreational marijuana. The moratorium shall be in effect through June 30, 2018 or until such time as the Town adopts Zoning By-law amendments that regulate Recreational Marijuana Establishments, whichever occurs earlier. During the moratorium period, the Town shall undertake a planning process to address the potential impacts of recreational marijuana in the Town, and to consider the Cannabis Control Commission regulations regarding Recreational Marijuana Establishments, and shall consider adopting new Zoning By-laws in response to these new issues.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Verbal report given by Deborah Anderson of the Plympton Planning Board. Hearing took place on May 15, 2017. It was publicized in the Plympton Halifax Reporter. The Planning Board voted unanimously to bring the article to the Town Meeting and recommended the Temporary Moratorium on Recreational Marijuana Establishments.**

#### **Article 29 – Zoning By-Law Changes - Marijuana**

**VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Thompson, 192 Main St.) To approve the article as printed in the warrant.**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning By-law by changing Section 10 Definitions to "Section 11 Definitions" and adding a new Section 10:

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**PASS BY 2/3 VOTE**

**Article 30 – By-Law Amendment: Wage & Personnel**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wage and Personnel By-Law by inserting a new Section 11 G, or take any other action relative thereto.

Section 11 G, RETIREE: Any person who is a retiree from a county or state retirement system that can work a maximum of 960 hours per year and receive compensation must be on an hourly basis, and under Chap. 32 sec. 91, they must turn in the hours worked on the payroll into the Treasurer in order to receive their pay.

**Wage & Personnel: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

*Question: Michelle Llanes, 392 Main St.-Is the town responsible for benefits of a person who works 960 hours?*

*Answer: Barbara Gomez, Town Accountant-The 960 hours does not qualify for any retirement benefits. You must work for a minimum of 20 hours/week in order to qualify for any kind of benefits. The rate of 960 hours a year works out to be less than the required 20 hours/week.*

**Article 30 – BY-Law Amendment: Wage & Personnel**

**VOTE (On the motion of Alan Wheelock, 10 Center St) To approve the article as printed in the warrant.**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wage and Personnel By-Law by inserting a new Section 11 G, or take any other action relative thereto.

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**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 31 – By-Law AMendment: Wage & Personnel**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wage & Personnel By-Law by amending Section 15 Jury Duty as follows or take any other action relative thereto:

Any permanent employee, whether full time or part time, called for jury duty shall receive from the Town an amount equal to the difference between his normal compensation and the amount (excluding any travel allowance) received from the court upon presentation of certification of the amount paid by the court.

**Wage & Personnel: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Article 31 – By-Law AMendment: Wage & Personnel**

**VOTE (On the motion of Alan Wheelock, 10 Center St.) to approve the article as printed in the warrant.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wage & Personnel By-Law by amending Section 15 Jury Duty as follows or take any other action relative thereto:

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**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 32 – Town Election**

To see if the Town will vote to adjourn this Annual Town Meeting until 8:00 AM on May 20, 2017 in the Plympton Town House for the sole purpose of conducting the Annual Town Election and further that this Annual Town Meeting warrant will be dissolved immediately upon the closing of the polls on that date. The polls will be open at 8:00

AM and shall be continuously open for voting until 6:00 PM to bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

- One (1) Selectman for three (3) years;
- One (1) Assessor for three (3) years;
- One (1) Board of Health member for three (3) years;
- Two (2) Constables (3) years;
- Two (2) Finance Committee Members for three (3) years;
- One (1) Finance Committee Member for two (2) years;
- Two (2) Library Trustees for three (3) years;
- One (1) Planning Board member for five (5) years;
- One (1) Regional School Committee member for three (3) years;
- Two (2) School Committee members for three (3) years.

**VOTE (On the motion of John Traynor, 62 Crescent St.) to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting until 8:00 AM on May 20, 2017 in the Plympton Town House, for the sole purpose of conducting the Annual Town Election and further that this Annual Town Meeting warrant will be dissolved immediately upon the closing of the polls on that date.**

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

Respectfully submitted,

Tara J. Shaw,  
Town Clerk

**Town of Plympton**  
**APPROPRIATIONS ATM, MAY 17, 2017**  
**FY2018**

ART.			R & A	FREE CASH	CAP. STAB.	OTHER	REVOLVING
1			\$0.00				
2			\$0.00				
3			\$0.00				
		<b><u>DESCRIPTION</u></b>					
4	10	Blanket Insurance	\$126,875.00				
	15	County Pension	\$496,716.00				
		<b>SubTotal County Pension</b>	<b>\$623,591.00</b>				
*held	20	*Group Health	\$251,997.00	\$200,000.00			
		<b>SubTotal Group Health</b>	<b>\$251,997.00</b>				
	25	Medicare	\$105,000.00				
	30	Unemployment	\$1,000.00				
		<b>SubTotal Medicare &amp; Unemplo</b>	<b>\$106,000.00</b>				
		<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total Ins &amp; Pension</b>	<b>\$981,588.00</b>	<b>\$200,000.00</b>			
	100	Agriculture Commission	\$500.00				
	105	Board of Appeals	\$1,200.00				
	110	Conservation Commission	\$4,102.00				
	112	Open Space	\$2,238.00				
	115	Council on Aging	\$5,448.00				
	118	Council on Aging Stipend	\$5,202.00				
	120	Council on Aging Support Staff	\$22,340.00				
	125	Finance Committee	\$1,500.00				
	130	Historical Commission	\$500.00				
	135	Moderator Salary	\$100.00				
	140	Planning Board	\$1,500.00				
	145	Recreation Committee	\$3,500.00				
	150	Wage & Personnel	\$0.00				
		<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total General Govt</b>	<b>\$48,130.00</b>				

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ART.		R & A	FREE CASH	CAP. STAB.	OTHER	REVOLVING
	160 Assessors Salaries	\$3,00				
	165 Assistant Assessor	\$33,625.00				
	168 Assessors' Support Staff	\$25,877.00				
	170 Assessors Expense	\$18,520.00				
	<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total Assessors</b>	<b>\$78,025.00</b>				
	180 Town Clerk Salary	\$45,000.00				
	185 Certification Compensation	\$1,000.00				
	188 Town Clerk Support Staff	\$26,756.00				
	190 Town Clerk Expense	\$2,608.00				
	195 Election & Registration	\$5,691.00				
	197 Election Support Staff	\$2,133.00				
	<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total Town Clerk</b>	<b>\$83,188.00</b>				
	200 Accountant/Auditor	\$38,993.00				
	203 Accountant Support Staff	\$3,374.00				
	205 Accountant Expenses	\$3,000.00				
	210 Treasurer/Tax Collector Salary	\$59,076.00				
	215 Certification Compensation	\$0.00				
	218 Treasurer Support Staff	\$32,607.00				
	220 Treasurer/Tax Collector Expense	\$27,000.00				
	225 Treasurer Banking Services	\$0.00				
	<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total Acct, Tax, &amp; Treasurer</b>	<b>\$164,050.00</b>				

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ART.			R & A	FREE CASH	CAP. STAB.	OTHER	REVOLVING
	230	Selectmen Stipend	\$3.00				
	233	Selectmen Admin. Assistant	\$29,568.00				
	235	Selectmen Expense	\$2,700.00				
	240	Town Coordinator/Administrator	\$97,500.00				
	245	Computer Maintenance	\$20,500.00				
	250	Memorial Day	\$510.00				
	255	Town House	\$6,500.00				
	258	Town House Custodial	\$11,710.00				
	260	Town Counsel	\$47,000.00				
	265	Town Reports	\$1,200.00				
	270	Utilities	\$54,500.00				
	<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total Selectmen</b>		<b>\$271,691.00</b>				
	280	Health Stipend	\$3.00				
	283	Health Support Staff	\$34,020.00				
	285	Health Expenses	\$4,795.00				
	<b>PASS SUP. MAJORITY Total Board of Health</b>		<b>\$38,818.00</b>				
	300	Surveyor Salary	\$67,086.00				
*hold-PASS Maj.	305	Highway Labor	\$158,647.00				
	310	General Highway	\$96,670.00				
	315	Equipment & Maintenance	\$6,750.00				
	320	Cemetery Department	\$4,189.00				
	323	Burial Agent	\$5,412.00				
	325	Park Department	\$8,650.00				
	330	Snow & Ice	\$60,000.00				
	335	Transfer Station	\$108,978.00				
	338	Transfer Station Staff	\$66,187.00				

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ART.			R & A	FREE CASH	CAP. STAB.	OTHER	REVOLVING
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total Public Works</b>							
			\$582,569.00				
		340 Animal Inspector	\$1,875.00				
		345 Animal Control Officer	\$5,355.00				
		350 Animal Control Expense	\$5,500.00				
		355 Tree Warden Salary	\$10,098.00				
		360 Tree Warden Expense	\$7,561.00				
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total Protect Personal Property</b>							
			\$30,389.00				
		400 Building Inspector/Dept	\$20,000.00				
		405 Dept, Administrative Staff	\$25,025.00				
		410 Plumbing & Gas Inspect	\$10,000.00				
		415 Wiring Inspector	\$14,000.00				
		420 Zoning Administrator	\$8,000.00				
		425 Dept. Expenses	\$1,000.00				
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total Building Dept.</b>							
			\$78,025.00				
		500 Fire Chief Salary	\$77,000.00				
		505 Fire/EMS	\$69,600.00				
*hold-Pass Unanimous		510 Fire/EMS Salaries	\$213,000.00		(Ambulance)	\$250,000.00	
		512 Fire Dept. Clerical	\$12,000.00				
		515 Fire Equipment	\$16,000.00				
		520 Civil Defense(EmergMgmtDir)	\$2,000.00				
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total Fire/EMS Services</b>							
			\$389,600.00			\$250,000.00	
		550 Police Chief Salary	\$108,120.00				
		555 Police Services	\$700,872.00				
		560 DARE	\$2,200.00				

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ART.			R & A	FREE CASH	CAP. STAB.	OTHER	REVOLVING
	565	Police Department	\$79,950.00				
	568	Police Department Clerical	\$31,000.00				
	570	Motor Vehicles	\$67,910.00				
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS</b>	<b>Total Police Services</b>		<b>\$990,052.00</b>				
	600	Veterans Agent	\$8,363.00				
	605	Veterans Administration	\$850.00				
	610	Veterans Benefits	\$60,000.00				
	615	Veterans Graves					
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS</b>	<b>Total Veterans</b>		<b>\$69,213.00</b>				
	620	Library Director	\$49,633.00				
	623	Library Support Staff	\$39,019.00				
	625	Library Expenses	\$55,617.00				
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS</b>	<b>Total Library</b>		<b>\$144,269.00</b>				
	700	Elementary Sch Costs	\$2,258,626.00				
	705	Special Education	\$1,026,937.00				
	710	Vocational Education	\$225,000.00				
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS</b>	<b>Total Local School</b>		<b>\$3,510,563.00</b>				
* held	750	Reg. School Assessment	\$2,042,305.00				
	755	Debt & Interest-Reg. School	\$169,862.00				
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS</b>	<b>Total Regional Schools</b>		<b>\$2,212,167.00</b>				
<b>Total All Schools</b>		<b>\$5,722,730.00</b>					
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS</b>	800	<b>Reserve Fund</b>	<b>\$60,000.00</b>				



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ART.			R & A	FREE CASH	CAP. STAB.	OTHER	REVOLVING
		810 Int/Loan/Refunds	\$2,500.00				
		Subtotal Reserve & Debt	\$62,500.00				
*hold-Pass 2/3 Vote		815 Principal & Interest	\$39,981.00		\$53,200.00		
		820 Dennett Debt Exclusion	\$77,206.00				
		Subtotal P&I and Debt Exclusion	\$117,187.00				
		PASS UNANIMOUS RF, Int, P&I, Debt Exclusion	\$179,687.00				
		Subtotal Budget	\$9,852,024.00	\$200,000.00	\$53,200.00	\$250,000.00	
		Total Budget	\$10,355,224.00				
5		Annual audit (Treasurer)		\$31,500.00			
6		Chap 90			(Borrow)	\$170,324.00	
7		CPC			(Admin Exp.)	\$5,500.00	
					(Hist. Resource Res.)	\$11,000.00	
					(Community Housing Res.)	\$11,000.00	
					(Open Space)	\$11,000.00	
					(Budget Res.)	\$71,500.00	
					Total CPC Approp Art 7	\$280,324.00	
8		Town Green Bandstand			(Hist. Res)	\$27,228.00	
9					(Budget Res.)	\$12,272.00	
		Revolving (Recreation Commission)					\$20,000.00
		Revolving (Tax Title-Treasurer/Collector)					\$20,000.00
12		FY18 Interim Year Real Prop. Val.		\$2,000.00			
13		FY22 Triennial Val.		\$2,500.00			
14		Water Treatment-Dennett School			\$130,000.00		
15		Police Patrol Vehicle Lease		\$12,000.00			
16		Police Tasers		\$15,000.00			
17		Fire Tasers			\$104,691.46		

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ART.		R & A	FREE CASH	CAP. STAB.	OTHER	REVOLVING
18	Personal Protective Equip. (PPE)		\$30,000.00			
19	Fire Pagers	\$3,448.00	\$3,448.00			
21	Road Work			\$200,000.00		
22	Highway Barn Roof Repairs			\$18,000.00		
23	Fire/EMS Study		\$20,000.00			
24	Police Station			\$500,000.00	\$2,500,000.00 (Borrow)	
<b>Subtotals:</b>		\$9,852,024.00	\$316,448.00	\$1,005,891.46	\$3,069,824.00	\$40,000.00
<b>PASS UNANIMOUS Total:</b>	<b>\$10,355,224.00</b>					
	<b>ANNUAL TOWN MEETING SUMMARY</b>					
	<b>R&amp;A:</b>	\$9,852,024.00				
	<b>Free Cash:</b>	\$316,448.00				
	<b>Capital Stab.</b>	\$1,005,891.46				
	<b>CPA (Art. 7&amp;8)</b>					
	(Admin Exp.)	\$5,500.00				
	(Hist. Resource Res.)	\$11,000.00				
	(Community Housing Res.)	\$11,000.00				
	(Open Space)	\$11,000.00				
	(Budget Res.)	\$71,500.00				
	<b>Total Art. 7</b>	<b>\$110,000.00</b>				
	(Hist. Res)	\$27,228.00			Respectfully Submitted:	
	(Budget Res.)	\$12,272.00				
	<b>Total Art. 8</b>	<b>\$39,500.00</b>				
	<b>TOTAL CPA:</b>	<b>\$149,500.00</b>				
					Tara J. Shaw	
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$11,573,863.46</b>			Town Clerk	
	<b>BORROWING (Art. 6 Chp 90 &amp; Art. 24 Police Station):</b>	<b>\$2,670,324.00</b>				
	<b>Revolving:</b>	<b>\$40,000.00</b>				

**PLYMPTON SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 8:00 PM**  
**Dennett Elementary School, 80 Crescent Street**

Moderator, Brian A. Wick, declared there being a quorum present (35) and preparation and posting of the warrant and the procedure was accomplished in accordance with the law and, therefore, the Special Town Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. at the Dennett Elementary School. Mr. Wick stated that the Special Town Meeting addresses Fiscal Year 2017 to address funding issues in this year's fiscal spending which ends June 30, 2017.

There were 91 registered voters present and 18 non-registered citizens present.

**Article 1 – Database SOFTWARE**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,145 to pay for software databases needed to help manage records and keep the Town of Plympton in compliance with MA General Laws, specifically: Business Licensing, Underground storage tank licensing, State Ethics Laws including Open Meeting Laws, Conflict of Interest and Nomination Elections Laws, Dog Licensing and Public Records Request Management and Tracking or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**  
**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**Article 1 – Database SOFTWARE**

**VOTE (On the motion of Tara Shaw, Town Clerk, 38 Elm St.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$5,145 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Line 20, Group Health, to pay for software databases needed to help manage records and keep the Town of Plympton in compliance with MA General Laws as printed in the warrant.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 2 – By-Law Codification**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$9,100 to pay for codification of the Town of Plympton by-laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**  
**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**Article 2 – By-Law Codification**

**VOTE (On the motion of John Traynor, 62 Crescent St.)** To see if the Town will transfer from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Line 20, Group Health, \$9,100 to pay for codification of the Town of Plympton by-laws.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 3 –Retirement Buy Back**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000 to pay for contractual obligations in a sick leave buy back for retiring personnel, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

### **Article 3 –Retirement Buy Back**

**VOTE (On the motion of Christine Joy, 10 Dukes Brook Rd.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Line 20, Group Health, \$10,000 to pay for contractual obligations in a sick leave buy back for retiring personnel.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 4 – Police Detail Account**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$10,000 from available funds to be added to the fiscal year 2017 Police Detail Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

### **Article 4 – Police Detail Account**

**VOTE (On the motion of John Traynor, 62 Crescent St.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$10,000 from Free Cash to be added to the fiscal year 2017 Police Detail Account.

**PASS**

### **Article 5 – OPEB**

To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 to the OPEB account or take any other action relative thereto.

**Finance Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

Question: Steven Lewis, 189 Brook St. "What does the acronym OPEB stand for?"

Answer: Susan Ossoff, 37 Upland Rd. "Other Post Employment Benefits"

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### **Article 5 – OPEB**

**VOTE (On the motion of Susan Ossoff, 37 Upland Rd. .)**To see if the town will vote to transfer \$20,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Line 710, Vocational Education, to the OPEB account.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 6 – Building & Grounds**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$15,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting Article 4, Line 20, Group Health Insurance to be added to the Building and Grounds Article or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

### **Article 6 – Building & Grounds**

**VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Thompson, 192 Main St.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$15,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting Article 4, Line 20, Group Health, to be added to the Building and Grounds account.

**PASS**

### **Article 7 – Town Administrator Search Consultant**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 to hire an executive search firm for the recruitment and hiring of a Town Administrator, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

### **Article 7 – Town Administrator Search Consultant**

**VOTE (On the motion of John Traynor, 62 Crescent St.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$20,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Line 710, Vocational Education, to hire an executive search firm for the recruitment and hiring of a Town Administrator.

**PASS**

### **Article 8 - IT Upgrades**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$14,200 to purchase an exchange server, work stations and related software to upgrade the IT infrastructure at the Town House or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

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**PASS UNANIMOUS**

### **Article 9 – PILOT**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and enter into a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement, also known as a PILOT or “Tax Agreement,” pursuant to the provisions of G.L. Chapter 59, Section 38H(b) and any

other enabling authority, in the form substantially as on file with the Town Clerk or in such other form as is acceptable to the Board of Selectmen, between the Town of Plympton and CEC Solar #1082, LLC, 361 Centennial Parkway, Suite 300, Louisville, CO 80027, its successor, assignee, or affiliate, on such terms and conditions and for such term not to exceed twenty (20) years as negotiated by the Board of Selectmen for payment of taxes related to personal and/or real property associated with a solar renewable energy generation facility to be installed, owned, and operated by such entity on land owned by John W. Norrie Trustee of Off Brook Street Realty Trust and described a portion of Map 19, Block 1, Lot 5, all as set forth in said PILOT; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such action as many be necessary to carry out the vote taken hereunder, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

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**PASS**

#### **Article 10 – Posting of Notices**

To see if the Town will vote to designate the municipal website, [www.town.plympton.ma.us](http://www.town.plympton.ma.us), as the alternative method of posting meeting notices consistent with the provisions of 940 CMR 29.03 (2)(b)(a), or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

#### **Article 10 – Posting of Notices**

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**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Article 11 – Hazardous Waste Day**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$5,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Article 4, Line 335, Transfer Station for a Hazardous Waste Day for the Town or take any other action relative thereto.

**Highway Surveyor: Recommended by BOS 3-0  
Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

**Article 11 – Hazardous Waste Day**

**VOTE (On the motion of James Mulcahy, 3 Brackett Terr.)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$5,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Article 4, Line 335, Transfer Station for a Hazardous Waste Day for the Town.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

**Special Town Meeting Article Summary**

<u>Article</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Free Cash</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Line #/ Name</u>
1	Town Clerk Databases		\$5,145.00	#20 Group Health
2	Bylaw Codification		\$9,100.00	#20 Group Health
3	Retirement Buyback		\$10,000.00	#20 Group Health
4	Police Detail Acct	\$10,000.00		
5	OPEB		\$20,000.00	#710 Voc. Ed.
6	Building & Grounds		\$15,000.00	#20 Group Health
7	Town Admin. Search		\$20,000.00	#710 Voc. Ed.
8	IT Upgrades		\$14,200.00	#20 Group Health
11	Hazardous Waste Day		\$5,000.00	#335 Transfer Station
<b>Totals:</b>		\$10,000.00	\$98,445.00	
<b>Summary</b>				
<b>Free Cash:</b>		\$10,000.00		
<b>Group Health:</b>		\$53,445.00		
<b>Vocational Education:</b>		\$40,000.00		
<b>Transfer Station:</b>		\$5,000.00		
<b>Total:</b>		\$108,445.00		

Respectfully submitted,  
Tara J. Shaw  
Town Clerk

**PLYMPTON ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2017**

Tara Shaw, Town Clerk, swore in election officials Nancy Butler, Jean Reynolds, Jean Cohen, Brigitte Martins, and Warden Patricia Detterman. The ballot box was checked and was empty, it was locked after inspection by the Police Officer. Voting Commenced at 8 am. At 12:45 Marna Shulze was sworn in.

Counters: Martha Burns, Christine Winslow, Deborah Anderson, Susan Vetterlein, Jane Schulze and Debra Freney arrived at 5:45 and were sworn in before 6:00 p.m. Ballots were counted. The total ballots cast were 250. The day was uneventful and all procedures ran smoothly.

<b>Town Of Plympton</b>	
<b>Official Results- 1 Polling Location, 1 Precinct, 5 Palmer Road, Plympton, MA 02367</b>	
<b>Saturday, May 20, 2017 Annual Town Election</b>	
<b>SELECTMAN, 3 Years Vote One</b>	
Mark Russo	<b>203</b>
Blank	37
All Others	10
<b>BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 Years Vote One</b>	
Bradford T. Cronin	<b>206</b>
Blank	44
<b>CONSTABLE, 3 Years Vote TWO</b>	
David E. Smith	<b>194</b>
Douglas F. Reese	<b>190</b>
Blank	116
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE, 3 Years Vote TWO</b>	
Lisa M. Hart	<b>207</b>
Kathryn Sheperd	<b>140</b>
Blank	145
All Others	8
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE, 2 Years Vote One</b>	
Steven R. Lewis	<b>182</b>
Kathryn Sheperd	5
Blank	60
All Others	3



<b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE, 3 Years Vote TWO</b>	
Louise M. Cosato	<b>216</b>
Blank	282
All Others	2
<b>PLANNING BOARD, 5 years, Vote One</b>	
Kathryn Sheperd (declined)	<b>3</b>
Blank	238
All Others	9
<b>SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 Years Vote TWO</b>	
Jason W. Fraser	<b>211</b>
Jon K. Wilhelmsen	<b>208</b>
Blank	81
<b>SL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 Years Vote One</b>	
Jason W. Fraser	<b>206</b>
Blank	44
<b>Question 1:</b> <b>Shall the town vote to accept the provisions of section thirteen of chapter two hundred and fifty-eight of the General Laws which provides that the town shall indemnify and save harmless municipal officers, elected or appointed, from personal financial loss and expense including reasonable legal fees and costs, if any, in an amount not to exceed one millions dollars, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgement by reason of any act or omission except an intentional violation of civil rights of any person under any law, if the official at the time of such act or omission was acting within the scope of his official duties or employment?</b>	<b>Yes: 174</b> <b>No: 44</b> <b>Blank: 32</b>
<b>TOTAL NUMBER BALLOTS CAST:</b>	250
<b>Total Registered Voters:</b>	2234
<b>% Voter Turnout:</b>	12%

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tara J. Shaw  
Town Clerk

## 2017 RESIGNATIONS

March 6, 2017

Board of Selectmen  
Town House  
Plympton, MA 02367

Dear Board Members:

I am resigning from the Zoning Board of Appeals, effective immediately.

Recent proceedings have convinced me that the Board needs better support from town staff. Until that happens, board members must put in a considerable amount of personal time to administer Board business. I work at a demanding job and am finding that I just do not have the time to assist administering applications, let alone deal with the complex situations that keep cropping up. A recent controversial application had the applicant contacting Board members outside of the public hearing, something that potentially puts our personal email accounts subject to subpoena.

Plympton has been blessed with dedicated volunteers but complex land use laws and increasing development pressure have made things too complex to be handled by volunteers only. Professional staff dedicated to enforcing Plympton bylaws and supporting volunteer boards are what we need now.

Again, it has been my honor and pleasure to serve, and a big thank you to all of you who volunteer for our town.

Sincerely,

Jack O'Leary  
71 Ring Road

Sampson Farm  
46 Elm Street  
Plympton, MA 02367

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5:55 pm

March 6, 2017

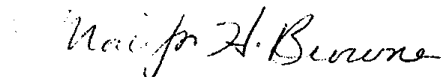
Tara Shaw, CMC  
Town Clerk  
Town of Plympton  
5 Palmer Road  
Plympton, MA 02367

Dear Tara:

This is to inform you that I am resigning from the Finance Committee effective May 19, 2017. I have selected that date so that I will be able to serve through the upcoming town meeting and allow time for you to be able to place this position on the upcoming ballot.

It has been my pleasure to serve for the last four years and I hope to be able to be of assistance to the town in the future.

Sincerely yours,



Marilyn H. Browne

cc: Susan Ossoff, Finance Committee Chair  
Colleen Thompson, Selectman Chair

May 23, 2017

Dear Tara et al,

Good day. I have greatly appreciated the opportunity to serve the Town as an alternate on the ZBA. Nevertheless, the Town by-laws do not allow selectmen to also serve on the Zoning board of Appeals...and therefore due to my recent election to BOS, I am resigning as an alternate to the ZBA.

Best wishes,  
Mark  
Mark E. Russo  
Cell: 781-264-1220

May 30, 2017

Plympton Board of Selectmen  
Town House  
5 Palmer Road  
Plympton, Ma 02367

Attn: John Traynor, Chairman

Dear John:

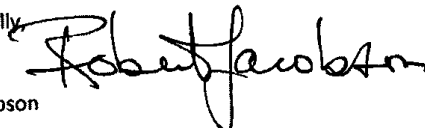
Please be advised that I am resigning from the Public Safety and Building Committee due to time conflicts.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve on this committee.

Respectfully,

Jake Jacobson

C: Chair, Public Safety and Building Committee



May 30, 2017

Plympton Board of Selectmen  
Town House  
5 Palmer Road  
Plympton, MA 02367

Attn: John Traynor, Chairman

Dear John:

Please be advised that I am resigning from the Zoning and By-Laws Committee due to time conflicts.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve on this on this committee.

Respectfully,

Jake Jacobson

C: Chair, Zoning and By-Laws Committee ✓



Wendy Jones  
P.O. Box 1048  
Duxbury, MA 02331

JUL 07 2017  
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE  
PLYMPTON

July 7, 2017

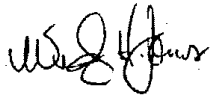
Board of Assessors and Deb Stuart  
Assessors' Office  
Town of Plympton  
5 Palmer Road  
Plympton, MA 02367

Board of Assessors and Deb Stuart:

Please accept this as official notice of my resignation. My personal situation with housing and finances are in flux and does not provide me an opportunity to continue working at the Town House. I will be moving into temporary housing that is not within a reasonable commuting distance. I have enjoyed working with all of you over the past four years. My last day in the Assessor's office will be Thursday, July 20, 2017. I would be happy to meet with you at your convenience to discuss the transition of my duties to my successor.

Feel free to reach me via phone 781-254-9734 or email whjones25@gmail.com.

Sincerely,



Wendy Jones  
Administrative Assistant

8/10/2017

Chief Warren Borsari,  
Fire Chief  
Plympton Fire Department,  
3 Palmer Rd,  
Plympton MA 02367

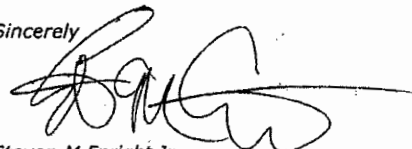
Dear, Chief Borsari.

*I have sincerely enjoyed working at The Plympton Fire Dept. I appreciate both the opportunities and experience I have had during my employment with the department. I have been part of this department during almost all of the periods of growth within the last few year and hope that I have added to this growth and feel I can still be a part of this department and further growth.*

*However I have decided that the time has come for me to move on and this letter serves as my formal resignation from the position of Full time Lieutenant FF/Paramedic. I am giving you two weeks notice from today's date September 10, 2017. My last working day will be Monday September 28, 2016. I intend to stay with the department as a call Lt/Paramedic.*

*Again I wish to thank you, and hope for the continued growth and success of the Plympton Fire department.*

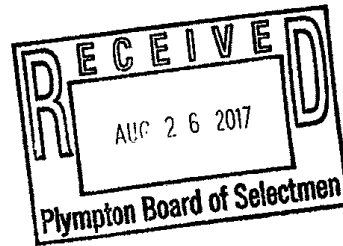
Sincerely



Steven M Enright Jr.

To Chief Berseri & B.O.S.

As of today 8-18-17, I hereby  
resign my position effective immediately,  
as Captain of the Plympton Fire  
Dept.



Sincerely

Robert D. Law

 8-18-17

August 30, 2017

It has been an honor to serve Plympton as your health agent. There was a lot of catching up to accomplish. There were some comical moments along the way. For instance, the Board learned that all perc tests do not take fifteen minutes!

I began the role during an emergency when the Fire and Police Departments needed a house deemed as uninhabitable. Enforcing the housing code turned out to be far more necessary, more frequent and sometimes more complicated than anyone would have imagined for a small town.

When the Town approved the position of "assistant health agent", Plympton was better served by their assistance than what I could offer on my own.

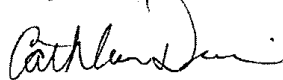
Now it is time, once again, for Plympton to have the help it needs. I have a full-time job and I cannot provide what the town needs when it is needed.

It is time for Plympton to have its own in-house health agent. Plympton needs someone who can spend some time in the office and who is available without having to take vacation time from another job.

Although this is my two-week notice of resigning as your health agent, I am willing to be an assistant health agent, if you wish for me to be so. I could be available for Saturday perc tests or to be consulted from time to time.

Thank you for the honor.

Cathy Drinan



September 1, 2017

Good afternoon,

Today I have spoken with the chief, and I too have resigned from being a call lieutenant with Plympton Fire due to personal and professional reasons. It has been a pleasure to work with everyone over the years. Please refer to Lt. Gallagher for any EMS and QA/QI concerns. Thanks and best wishes.

Joe Gibbons

On Sep 1, 2017, at 12:28, Warren Borsari <[chief@town.plympton.ma.us](mailto:chief@town.plympton.ma.us)> wrote:

Good day,

It is with great sadness that I have to announce the resignation of Deputy Chief Steven Winslow. Deputy Winslow gave close to forty years of service to the town of Plympton. As a Call man Steve gave countless hours of service and commitment to Plympton Fire. Many cold and rainy nights, building fires, hurricanes, and winter storms. The life of a call firefighter is like no other job. Many sacrifices and time away from family is part of the everyday life of a call man. It has been my pleasure and honor to serve alongside Deputy Winslow for the Twenty years I that have been part of this proud organization. He will be missed.

Chief Warren J. Borsari

Steven C. Winslow  
20 Brook St.  
Plympton, MA 02367

Chief Warren Borsari  
Plympton Fire Department  
3 Palmer Rd.  
Plympton, MA 02367

Chief Borsari,

It has been a great pleasure to serve 39 years with the Plympton Fire Department and provide a service to the taxpayers of the town. I have had many opportunities to serve the Town of Plympton and believe as a taxpayer, the Fire Department needs a new approach, as well as staffing to fulfill its obligation to the residents.

Due to the lack of structure, significant safety issues and unprofessionalism within the Department as a whole, as well as the unwillingness to accept criticism and change for the betterment and safety of the members of the Plympton Fire Department, I hereby tender My resignation as Deputy Chief of the Plympton Fire Department effective immediately.

My time at the Department is not with regret, but I have sincere concerns for the safety and well being of the firefighters who serve and the residents who deserve a service that provides an exceptional level of fire protection and emergency medical services.

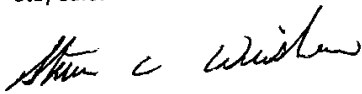
I look forward to the "study" approved by town meeting in hope that significant improvements are able to be identified and that those improvements identified, result in recommendations that are supported and funded appropriately.

This study should include a comprehensive review of all policies, standard operating procedures, the structure of how the Department is managed, staffing levels, safety, training, equipment and credentials of all personnel employed by the Department.

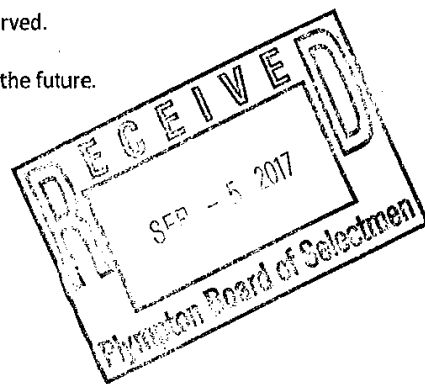
It is My hope that in the very near future, the Plympton Fire Department can overcome its current obstacles and provide the residents/taxpayers of the town a service that is well deserved.

I wish the members of the Plympton Fire Department the very best in the future.

Stay Safe!

  
Sincerely,

Steven C. Winslow





Deborah M. Stuart  
53 River Street  
Norwell, MA 02061

RECEIVED  
OCT 25 2017  
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE  
PLYMPTON

October 24, 2017

Board of Assessors  
5 Palmer Road  
Plympton, MA 02367

Dear Members of the Board,

Please accept this as my formal notice of resignation effective November 7, 2017. It is time to commit myself full-time to my real estate career.

I want to express my sincere appreciation for your support for the initiatives proposed and implemented during my tenure as the Principal Assessor, most notable are: software conversion to Vision Government Solutions, MapGeo GIS online access including Town board and department heads access to oblique imagery, upgrading the Senior Clerk position to Administrative Assistant which more accurately reflects the responsibilities and contribution the person who serves in the position makes to the office and the Town of Plympton, cyclical inspection program with an additional hour (1!) per week for the Administrative Assistant. We worked together with the Board of Selectmen to negotiate the first solar pilot in Plympton.

I will post the position on the MAA website as soon as you instruct me to do so. I will be available during the transition period.

Warm regards,

  
Deborah M. Stuart

Sent: Tuesday, November 07, 2017 8:08 PM

To: Christine Joy

Cc: Mark Russo; John Traynor; Ethan Stiles; Dick Nordahl; Jocelyn Anderson; Brigette Martins

Subject: Resignation revision

Hi Christine,

Per our conversation this afternoon I hereby notify the members of the Board of Assessors and Board of Selectmen that I extend my employment with the Town to a future date to be mutually agreed upon by the Board and myself, said date subsequent to the certification of the FY18 valuations and DOR approval of the FY18 tax rate.

Deb

Please excuse brevity, Sent from my iPhone

**Sent:** Thursday, November 16, 2017 4:28 PM

**To:** Christine Joy

**Cc:** Ethan Stiles; Dick Nordahl; Jocelyn Anderson; Allison Merry; John Traynor ; Mark Russo

**Subject:** Resignation

Hi Christine,

Please accept this as my resignation effective this date, November 16, 2017. I submitted the LA4 today. I will leave my keys in the mail box in the lobby.

**TOWN CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORTS**  
**7/1/16-06/30/17**

**TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSE**

Appropriated 7/1/16

Town Clerk Expense	\$21,832.00
Expended:	\$21,780.97

Returned to Treasury 6/30/17	\$ 51.03
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**ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION**

Appropriated 7/1/16	\$12,190.00
Expended:	\$12,035.11

Return to Treasury 6/30/17	\$ 154.89
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**TOWN CLERK'S SALARY**

Appropriated 7/1/15 (Correction to 2016 Town Report)	\$37,794.00
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Appropriated 7/1/16	\$38,784.00
Expended	\$38,784.00

Return to Treasury 6/30/17	\$ 0.00
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**CERTIFICATION COMPENSATION**

Appropriated 7/1/16	\$1,000.00
Expended:	\$ 0.00

Return to Treasury 6/30/17	\$1,000.00
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Respectfully submitted,

Tara J. Shaw  
Town Clerk

## January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017 DOG LICENSES

406	Spayed or Neutered	@	7.00	\$2,835.00
39	Male or Female	@	10.00	\$ 390.00
3	Kennel License	@	30.00	\$ 90.00
2	Hobby Kennel License	@	60.00	\$ 120.00
3	Commercial Kennel License	@	150.00	\$ 450.00
9	Late Fines	@	25.00	\$ 225.00
0	Free/Service Dog	@		0.00

Subtotal: \$ 4,110.00

Less Fees: \$377.25

Total \$3467.50

Licenses may be obtained in person at the Town Clerk's Office or by mail. When licensing your dog you must show a copy of the Rabies Certificate. All kennels are required to be inspected by the Animal Inspector before issuing a kennel license.

## **BIRTHS RECORDED IN PLYMPTON IN 2017**

There were 40 births recorded in Plympton during the year 2017.

## **MARRIAGES RECORDED IN PLYMPTON IN 2017**

### Date

Jun. 3	Michael Gregory Gagnon, Jr. Plympton	Megan Katherine Moran Plympton
July. 3	Lisa Ann Hines Plympton	Dana Standish Smith Plympton
7	James Troy Milne, Jr. Plympton	Amanda Lee Swift Plympton
Aug. 12	Andrew Harold Patrick Norton Plympton	Maryann Bearce Plympton
Sept. 8	Erika Anne Williams Plympton	Alexander Joseph Carroll Plympton
23	Meagan Marie Randall Quincy	John Michael Lutz Quincy
Oct. 6	Holly Christen Scully Plympton	Alan Crossley Swain Plympton
7	Alexander Stephen Falconer Plympton	Laura Susan Chase Plympton
Nov. 18	Holly Ann Cresswell Weymouth	Steven Mark Earle Plympton
Dec. 2	Debra Ruth Pretti Plympton	Garth Walker Blake Plympton

Dec.  
22

Andrew Jason Moreshead  
Plympton

Alicia Ryan Sheehan  
Plympton

### DEATHS RECORDED IN PLYMPTON 2017

Date	Last Name	First Name	Middle	Age	Place of Disposition
Feb. 4	Leon	Mary	D	67	Duxbury Crematory, Duxbury, MA
20	Cornell	Robert	G	83	Vine Hills Crematory Plymouth, MA
22	Shire	June	L	82	Central Cemetery Halifax, MA
March 2	Wetherbee	Virginia	N	79	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury MA
22	Hansen	Laurence	A	87	Vine Hills Crematory Plymouth, MA
25	Curran	Shawn	K	47	Highland Cemetery Norwood, MA
27	Young	Hilda	S	97	Spring Brook Cemetery Mansfield, MA
April 7	Reilly	Shirley	F	83	Evergreen Cemetery Kingston, MA
10	Velez	Michael		72	Vine Hills Crematory Plymouth, MA
10	Rubin	Donald	S	84	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
15	Carrasquillo	Roger	J	73	Vine Hills Crematory Plymouth, MA
22	Reynolds, Sr.	Richard	W	84	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA

June 4	Chadbourn	Marcia		83	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
10	Mello	James	M	24	MA National Cemetery Bourne, MA
18	Pike	Gregory		46	Central Cemetery Halifax, MA
July 5	Tyler	Mary	M	82	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
8	Furtado	Geraldine	A	76	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
Aug. 3	Peterson	Marilyn	W	86	N.E. Cremation Services Cranston, RI
11	Barboza	Grace	M	99	Plymouth County Cemetery, Plymouth, MA
Sept. 6	Trop	Aaron	M	21	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
16	Parker	Tyler	S	30	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
21	Boucher	James	J	67	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
Nov. 7	Haugh	Robert	F	77	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
13	Hiltz	Kelly		54	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
Dec. 2	Gill	Marcia	R	80	Central Cemetery Bridgewater, MA
7	Smith	Suzanne	S	81	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA
23	Bullard	William	L	80	Duxbury Crematory Duxbury, MA

### **NON-RESIDENTS INTERRED AT HILLCREST CEMETERY 2017**

<b>Date of Burial</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Middle Name</b>	<b>Residence</b>
Feb. 4	Bellefeuille	Liana	Rose	Middleboro, M
April 19	Haskell	Sandra		Brockton, MA
April 26	Marinella	Theresa		Weymouth, MA
Sept. 6	Pendoley	Elizabeth	Catherine	Bonifay, FL

### **2017 - JURY LIST**

The jury list is available for inspection during regular business hours in the Town Clerk's Office.

Respectfully,

Tara J. Shaw  
Town Clerk

## **REPORT OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**

The Plympton Agricultural Commission meets on the second Monday of the month.

While the Agricultural Commission has always been a source to help other Plympton committees with dispute resolution of agricultural problems, in 2017 the commission was focused on promoting agriculture to be more in the public eye.

Six (6) more “Plympton is a Right to Farm Community” roads signs were purchased to put up along streets entering into the town, our promotional flyer, which helps promote agriculture in Plympton, has also been reprinted and handed out. The Agricultural Commission was unable to join forces with the Garden Club in May for a “Celebrating Plympton Agricultural Day” in 2017 but hopes to continue in the coming years.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Harlfinger, Chair

Linda Schauwecker

Rick Burnet

Russ Keirstead

Kimberly Russo



## **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

### **M.G.L. CHAPTER 140 SECTION 151**

(a) The mayor of each city and the board of selectmen of each town shall annually designate an animal control officer, who may be a police officer or constable. The mayor or board of selectmen shall immediately submit to the commissioner the names, addresses and dates of hire of such animal control officers. Except as provided in this section, if a city or town shall fail to make such appointment, the commissioner shall appoint an animal control officer for that city or town. An animal control officer who fails to comply with the terms of such officer's warrant shall immediately be removed from office by the mayor or board of selectmen and notice of the removal shall immediately be given to the commissioner. Animal control officers shall have completed, under the supervision of a veterinarian registered under section 55 or 56C of chapter 112, a course of instruction in humane techniques for the execution of animals before euthanizing an animal. Before euthanizing or giving or turning over to another a dog or cat in the officer's possession, an animal control officer shall first examine the animal for the presence of a microchip or tattoo, check the description of the animal against descriptions within the city or town relative to the species of animal licensed or registered in the municipality in order to verify the identity of the animal and to provide notice to the owner of the animal before the animal is euthanized, given away or turned over to another. Bills for such services shall be approved by the mayor of the city or the board of selectmen of the town in which the dogs or cats are kept or euthanized and shall be paid by that city or town. An animal control officer appointed under this section shall also attend to all complaints or other matters pertaining to animals, as prescribed by the officer's respective city or town, in addition to the duties imposed upon the officer by the officer's warrant, and shall be paid for such services by the town or city treasurer upon bills approved by the mayor or board of selectmen. The mayor of a city or the board of selectmen of a town may, instead of appointing an animal control officer, enter into a contract with a domestic charitable corporation incorporated exclusively for the purpose of protecting animals from cruelty, neglect or abuse to perform the duties required of an animal control officer. In that case, the payments to the corporation under the terms of the contract shall be in full for all services rendered by it in that capacity.

(b) An animal control officer shall not be a licensed animal dealer registered with the United States Department of Agriculture. An animal control officer shall not give, sell or turn over any animal which may come into the officer's custody to a business or institution licensed or registered as a research facility or animal dealer with the United States Department of Agriculture either privately or in the course of carrying out the officer's official assignments as an agent for the officer's municipality. A municipality shall not give, sell or turn over an animal which may come into its custody to any business or institution licensed or registered as a research facility or animal dealer with the United States Department of Agriculture. Whoever violates this subsection shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000.

## **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (cont.)**

### **TOWN OF PLYMPTON ARTICLE XXI RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATIVE TO THE CONTROL OF DOGS IN THE TOWN OF PLYMPTON**

#### **Section 8 ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

The Board of Selectmen shall, from time to time, appoint one or more Animal Control Officers who shall receive an annual salary which shall be set by the Board of Selectmen within the amount appropriated by the Town. The Animal Control Officer may be a police officer or constable.

The Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, may enter into a contract with a domestic charitable corporation incorporated exclusively for the purpose of protecting animals from cruelty, neglect or abuse, to perform the duties of the Animal Control Officer.

#### **Section 9 ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER — DUTIES**

The Animal Control Officer shall attend to all complaints, except as assigned to the Chief of Police, or other matters regarding dogs in the Town.

The Animal Control Officer shall, at least twice in each year, inspect every premises holding a kennel license and shall issue a written report of the conditions of said kennel to the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Health, stating his opinion as to the maintenance, humane and sanitary conditions, and if records are properly kept by the owner or keeper of said kennel.

The Animal Control Officer shall be responsible for maintaining records of all animals that become the subject of any action and shall record each complaint and the nature thereof and what action, if any, was taken by the Animal Control Officer or any other authority of the Town.

The Animal Control Officer shall maintain records of each dog confined under his care and custody for any reason whatsoever, stating the reasons for such confinement, the breed and color of the dog, the date the dog came under the control of the Animal Control Officer, the final disposition of the dog and the date of this disposition.

The records maintained by the Animal Control Officer are considered public documents and available upon request.

The Animal Control Officer shall examine any premises to be used as a proposed kennel and must submit a written report to the Board of Selectmen or if a special permit

is required the Zoning Board of Appeals as well, stating their opinion as to whether or not such a site would be suitable for the type of kennel license requested.

No Animal Control Officer shall be a licensed animal dealer registered with the United States Department of Agriculture and no Animal Control Officer or any representative shall sell any animal to any licensed animal dealer registered with the United States Department of Agriculture. Whoever violates the provision of this Section may be fined fifty dollars (\$50.00) under G.L .c.40, §21D.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The calendar year 2017 has been a year in transition with the Assessors' office staff. The Board welcomed Allison Merry as Administrative Assistant in August 2017. The Board interviewed prospective candidates for the vacated Assistant Assessor position and appointed Wendy Jones in December 2017. The re-organization of the office includes continued education for both staff members. The Assessors' office will be increasing their office hours on Mondays in order to accommodate added work required to prepare for the pending Sysco Boston, LLC v. Town of Plympton ATB case.

In Fiscal Year 2018 the statutes governing assessment require us to analyze the 2016 sales. There were 32 qualified 2016 residential sales which produced a \$386,250 median sale price for single family homes. The residential real estate market demonstrated an increase in sales prices above Fiscal Year 2017.

The FY2018 interim evaluation conducted by Vision Government Solutions, Inc. concluded an annual sales update was needed for condos and single family homes. Only certain homes styles (Colonial, Cape and Raised Ranches) required a need for upward adjustment. State law requires the median Assessment to Sales Ratio (ASR) be within plus or minus ten percent of 100% of full and fair market value. The sales were within a 93% median assessment to sale price ratio so a small upward adjustment was needed. The average single family home for FY18 is assessed at \$339,816. Commercial and industrial properties did not require any changes.

### FISCAL YEAR 2018 TOWN VALUE BY CLASS

<u>Class</u>	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Parcel Count</u>	<u>Tax Revenue</u>
Residential	\$376,530,753	1,192	\$6,596,818.79
Commercial	\$66,996,147	101	\$1,173,772.50
Industrial	\$15,551,300	32	\$272,458.78
Personal Property	\$51,581,400	N/A	\$903,706.13
	<b><u>\$510,659,600</u></b>	<b><u>1,325</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 8,946,756.20</u></b>

The Department of Revenue approved the FY2018 property values used to establish the tax rate to fund the budget as established by the Levy. Board of Selectmen voted for a single tax rate for all classes of properties. The FY18 tax rate decreased to \$17.52.

The Assessor's office continues to provide abatements on Motor Vehicle Excise and assistance to taxpayers who are eligible for personal exemptions on real estate taxes ranging from \$300 to \$1,000. The Board approved a \$400 exemption on real estate taxes for active military taxpayers. All exemption applications are due April 1st and can be found on the Assessors' department webpage.

The Assessors' office plays an important role in providing Chapterland credit to landowners with 5 or more acres who keep their land in use for farming, cranberry growers, outdoor recreation and forestry.

The Board of Assessors appreciates the opportunity to serve the community of Plympton. When a resident has been elected as an Assessor, she or he must take the following oath.

**The Assessor's Oath:**

*I, having been chosen to assess taxes and estimate the value of property for the purpose of taxation for the Town of Plympton, for the year (or years) ensuing, do swear that I will truly and impartially, according to my best skill and judgment, assess and apportion all such taxes as I may during that time assess; that I will neither knowingly overvalue, nor undervalue any property subject to taxation, and that I will faithfully perform all the duties of said office.*

The Board of Assessors and Assessor's staff would like to acknowledge Al Vautrinot for his continued volunteer contribution to the office. The many hours Al has spent researching historic deeds, probate documents, and plans to identify parcels unknown resulted in over 113 acres added to the town value.

Respectfully submitted,

Jocelyn A. Anderson, Chair

Ethan Stiles, Clerk

Richard E. Nordahl, Member

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The responsibility of the Board of Health is to protect the health and safety of the residents of Plympton. The Plympton Board of Health has been busy during **2017**. Routine work consists of arranging and witnessing Percolation Tests, Septic Plan Reviews, Approvals, Inspections and Certificates of Completion along with yearly permitting of all Septic System Installers, Title 5 Inspectors, Septic and Trash Haulers, and granting permits to install new wells.

Retail Food and Restaurant inspections are an ongoing process with all establishments receiving twice yearly inspections along with yearly permits. Our Health Agents also respond to any complaints received regarding Retail Food Establishments and Restaurants.

The total permits issued for 2017 were as follows:

Food Permits	18	Large Event Permits	1
Location and Sale of Tobacco	2	Septic Installer Permits	27
Percolation Applications	32	Septic Hauler Permits	8
Title 5 Inspector Permits	14	Trash Hauler Permits	8
Well Permits	11	Permits to Construct or Repair Septic Systems	27

The permits and fees listed above generated \$20,445.00 in revenue.

Another important function of the Board of Health is responding to any and all complaints related to any number of subjects including, for example, trash complaints, noise complaints, violations of the Massachusetts Housing Code and rodent complaints. During 2017 the Board of Health investigated major rodent infestations occurring at three different properties in town. These investigations were extremely time consuming and required the expertise of our Health Agent to resolve. The Board investigated 4 major trash complaints including two properties with long-term ongoing issues. Six properties were the subject of housing code violations, including 3 properties where the board appeared in housing court and worked with the Department of Public Health.

All health issues regarding infectious diseases were again handled via a yearly contract with the Cape Cod VNA.

The Board spends a significant amount of time responding to requests for documents from individuals. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has mandates involving record filing, retention and disposal. These requests and mandates which are required by law to be completed in a timely manner also are extremely time consuming as the nature of our office still remains largely paper-based.

The Board undertook a review of the fee schedule including updating the fees for housing inspections and plan reviews and reissued its policies on disposal of medications and syringes. Other duties this year included working with homeowners on deed restrictions, including removing a deed restriction from a property once illegal trailers were removed after many years. The Board must fulfil all the above legal requirements mandated by law along with its work to permit, inspect and supervise all that falls under its purview with part-time staff, including part time Health Agents.

In February of 2017 the Board of Health appointed Cathy Ferguson as Administrative Assistant and in May welcomed Brad Cronin as Board of Health Clerk. The Board would like to thank its long time Health Agent Cathy Drinan for her many years of service and wish her well in the future. The Board is advertising for the position of part time health agent and hopes to have the position filled by early 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Plympton Board of Health  
Arthur Morin, Jr. Chairman  
Harry Weikel, Jr., Treasurer  
Brad Cronin, Clerk

## **Board of Selectmen Annual Town Report**

In 2017, your Board continued to address issues facing the Town in a thoughtful and fiscally responsible manner. We are grateful for the contributions of our volunteers who serve on committees and projects when needed-- their time and expertise is truly appreciated. We are also grateful to our elected and appointed officials for their dedication and service to the Town. In May, the Board said goodbye to Selectman Colleen Thompson, who continues to serve on the Public Safety Building Committee and lead their important work to completion and welcomed back Selectmen Mark Russo. We are grateful to have Mark's expertise and compassionate leadership back on the Board.

The following includes some of the Board's activities in 2017.

In response to a Department of Revenue suggestion, the Board created a Bylaw Review Committee charged with reviewing and updating the Town's bylaws. This committee immediately jumped into action and has been meeting regularly to bring to review the Town's Zoning Bylaws. This committee's resume is very impressive, with members whose backgrounds include Planning Board, Wage and Personnel, Open Space, Conservation Commission, Board of Health, and Zoning Board of Appeals. The Bylaw Review Committee has submitted two Zoning articles for Town Meeting consideration and potential adoption.

The Board applied for and received a grant from Old Colony Planning Council to assist the Town with the creation of a Housing Production Plan. The Board created the Plympton Housing Production Plan Committee charged with creation of said plan for the Town. In December, the Committee presented the Board and the Planning Board with the completed plan for approval and submittal to the Department of Housing and Community Development. The Board expects to hear of acceptance in the Spring of 2018.

The Board began discussions with Plympton Historical Society President, Jessica Kinsman, and Plympton Historical Commission, President John Wilhelmsen, to discuss the Old Town House lease agreement. The agreement was ambiguous on responsibility for maintenance and repairs on the building. In December, the Board signed a new lease agreement with the Plympton Historical Society to clarify the agreement and maintenance responsibility, recognizing that the building is now used by several Town organizations, not just the Historical Society. To address much needed exterior repairs, the Board of Selectmen applied for a Community Preservation Commission grant to continue the restoration of this historical Town building and hopes to begin work in 2018.

The Town applied for and was awarded a technology grant to codify the Town's bylaws, as well as Town House hardware, and software updates. The Board has been working with our IT provider The Local Computer Store, Steve Pellowe, Silver Lake Regional School District IT Director, and The Ockers Company for technology improvements in



the Town House. The Ockers Company installed a projection system in the Selectmen's meeting room, which has made public presentations much easier to view for meeting attendees as well as residents watching the meetings on cable or YouTube.

With the retirement of the Town Coordinator, the Board began planning for new Town Administrator. Working with Consultant, Bernie Lynch, from Community Paradigm, the Board created a Town Administrator Screening Committee which interviewed the applicants and recommended two finalists to the Board for interviews. The Board chose Elizabeth Dennehy as our first Town Administrator. Elizabeth started in late November and has already proven to be a tremendous asset on the Town's Management Team.

The Board began the process of interviewing consultants to perform a Fire/EMS study for the Town. After interviewing four very qualified consultants, the Board and Chief Borsari chose Municipal Resources Inc. (MRI) to perform the study. The Board and Chief were impressed with MRI's background and believed they could provide a thorough analysis of current Fire/EMS operations and provide suggestions on a Fire Service delivery models for consideration and further exploration.

The Board, Chief Borsari, and the Plympton Fire Department celebrated George Colby's retirement and thanked him his many years of service to the Town. State Representative, Tom Calter presented Firefighter Colby with an accommodation from the State House.

Working with the Town Administrator and Town Clerk, the Board created a Town Facebook page to disseminate information in a timely manner and direct residents to the Town's website for additional information. By early 2018, approximately 383 followers had "liked us" to receive important Town updates.

The Board worked with Old Colony Planning Council and Colonial Power on Town's first municipal electrical aggregation agreement for a reduced kilowatt rate for residents who chose to participate in the program. On average, the savings represents approximately \$60 annually, so while not a tremendous savings, the Board wanted to provide residents with the electricity cost savings option.

At the request of newly appointed COA director Joy Marble, the Board of Selectmen supported the Council on Aging "Citizens for Citizens" program that provides grant money to hire two of Plympton Seniors to assist the Council on Aging with office work and the meals program.

The Board applied for and received an Efficiency and Regionalization grant for \$50,000 to pay for the Fire/EMS Study performed by Municipal Resources, Inc. (MRI) and additional money to provide the cost analysis of recommended Fire Services/EMS delivery options suggested by MRI.

The Board wishes to thank all elected and appointed individuals for their service to the Town and special acknowledgment to the following:

Former Selectman Colleen Thompson for her many contributions and tireless work on behalf of the Town.

Bylaw Review Committee Members Alan Wheelock, Ann Sobolewski, Amy Cronin, Linda Leddy, Ted Taranto, Dave Alberti, Jean Cohen, and Ken Thompson.

Plympton Housing Production Plan Committee Members Carolyn DeCristofano, Dawn Ely-Hasting, and Sharon Housley.

Public Safety Building Committee Members Colleen Thompson, Pat Dillon, Nancy Butler, Bob Karling, and Harry Weikel.

Town Administrator Screening Committee Members Colleen Thompson, Barbara Gomez, Pat Dillon, Alan Wheelock, Susan Ossoff, Marilyn Brown, and Nate Sides.

Former Council on Aging Director Chris Maiorano for her work on behalf of the Town's Seniors.

Frankie Perfetuo for his Eagle Scout project to install benches on the Town Green.

Thank you,

Christine M. Joy, John F. Traynor, Jr, and Mark E. Russo

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

2017 was another very active year for our department displaying the same types of activity we have seen in recent years. The Building Department issued a total of 328 permits generating a combined total of \$51,573.86 In permit fees collected. The complete breakdown is as follow

<u>Type</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Fees (\$)</u>
Additions	04	2000.00
Demolitions	02	100.00
New Homes	07	15,099.65
Outbuildings/Garage	13	5965.21
Pools	04	450.00
Repairs/Renovations	32	6207.00
Sheet Metal	05	250.00
Solar	08	1800.00
Wood Stoves/Pellet Stoves	06	350.00
Decks/porch	07	320.00
Roofs	08	450.00
Miscellaneous	04	200.00
Electric/Wiring	84	9580.00
Plumbing	38	3420.00
Zoning	49	1225.00
Gas	57	4157.00
Total	328	51,573.86

New homes moved along at the average pace of the last several years with outbuildings and garages also keeping average pace. There were no new large solar projects this past year that have contributed in past years.

We have seen positive results from last year's efforts to streamline the permitting process. Much time was spent by many volunteers to put forward this comprehensive plan to move the paperwork and expedite building permits. This improvement along with the expanded role of the Building Department Administrative Assistant has been well received by Town Boards and residents alike.

We again look forward to continued growth and prosperity for our Town in 2018. As always, the Building Department including all inspectors and administrative staff are committed to providing knowledgeable and capable personnel for the best service possible to the residents of Plympton.

Respectfully submitted for the Building Department,

Robert Karling,	Electrical Inspector, Zoning Enforcement Officer
Douglas Hawthorne,	Plumbing Inspector, Gas Inspector
Bill Kelly,	Local Inspector
Kathleen Wright,	Administrative Assistant
Tom Millias,	Inspector of Buildings / Building Commissioner

## REPORT OF THE BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE

The By-law Review Committee was formed by the Plympton Board of Selectmen at the beginning of 2017. The purpose of this Committee (which has been established as a permanent entity for the Town) is to continually review and then make suggestions to strengthen, modernize and update the zoning and general by-laws of the town. Our Committee made an effort throughout the year to reach out to other Plympton committees and departments for input, and we work especially closely with the Planning Board, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, and the Zoning Enforcement Officer. We have been producing a newsletter detailing our activities twice a month and we plan to continue doing so throughout 2018. Many of the current zoning regulations in the town have not been examined or revised for decades. If zoning by-laws are not addressed and updated regularly, they can leave the town vulnerable to litigation, inconsistent enforcement, and declining property values.

The By-law Review Committee's primary areas of focus during 2017 were two foundational elements of the current zoning document – Enforcement, and Authority and Purpose. The Committee felt that both of these areas needed to be clarified and strengthened by adding more detail and specific language. Through careful research, study of the pertinent state statutes, and examination of regulations utilized by neighboring communities, the By-law Review Committee developed and submitted two draft warrant articles for submission to the 2018 Town Meeting. These warrant articles also received legal review by Town Counsel and were the subject of a public hearing hosted jointly by our Committee and the Plympton Planning Board.

The document containing Plympton's current Zoning By-laws and General By-laws (combined) comprises close to 120 pages, so our Committee has a great deal of work ahead of it. We meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month and residents are very welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Wheelock – Chair  
Dave Alberti  
Jean Cohen  
Amy Cronin  
Linda Leddy

Kim Russo  
Ann Sobolewski  
Ted Taranto  
Ken Thompson

## **REPORT OF THE PLYMPTON COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

The Plympton Community Preservation Committee (CPC) had another active year in 2017.

Throughout the year the CPC monitored ongoing Community Preservation Act (CPA) funded projects approved in previous years. These included the completion of the Plympton Recreation Commission's renovation of the former Winnetuxet Swimming Hole area and monitoring the Plympton Open Space Committee's efforts to explore and pursue land preservation opportunities. At Churchill Park townspeople continued to enthusiastically enjoy the area and the access it provides to Cato's Ridge Conservation Area. The process of completing the CPA required Conservation Restriction on Churchill Park continued to move forward.

One new CPA funded project was brought before the 2017 Annual Town Meeting. Town Meeting approved the Plympton Historical Commission's request for funds to be used for the renovation of the Town Green bandstand/gazebo. Work is expected to start in 2018.

During the summer, the CPC conducted its annual review of the Community Preservation Plan. Minor editorial changes were made.

In the autumn, the Plympton Historic Society submitted an application for a new CPA funded project for the preservation and restoration of the town-owned "Old Town House" (also known as the "PHS Building") on Main Street at the junction of Center Street. The project included funds for painting and clapboard replacement as well as window restoration and/or replacement. CPC met with the applicants; studied the project proposals; made suggestions; and sought input from town boards, departments and committees; and scheduled a public hearing to garner additional input. Ultimately it was decided the project would be sponsored by the Plympton Board of Selectmen with total cost of \$87,500. It is expected the project will come before the 2018 Annual Town Meeting for approval.

The CPC takes very seriously its responsibility to administer CPA funds and is thrilled to have the opportunity to serve and improve the town through acquisition and protection of open space, historical preservation, community housing and increased recreational opportunities.

We look forward to continuing to serve the town in 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mark Russo, Chairman  
Deborah Anderson, Vice-Chair  
David Chandler, Accounting Officer  
Judy Dudley, Secretary  
Richard Burnet, Irving Butler, Susan Ossoff, Jane Schulze

## **REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2017**

The Conservation Commission (the “Commission”) is the local environmental agency responsible for the promotion and development of natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources. Our authority comes from several sources: the Conservation Commission Act (MGL Chapter 40 section 8C) for open space protection; the Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131 section 40) for protecting wetlands and waterways; the home rule provisions of the state constitution for non-zoning wetlands bylaws and the Town of Plympton Wetland Protection By-Law (Article XXVIII).

Under these powers, the Commission works closely with the Open Space Committee to undertake planning, acquiring and managing open space, and encouraging and monitoring conservation and agricultural preservation restrictions. The Commission also has the authority to adopt rules and regulations for the use of conservation land. The Commission also manages Plympton's parks – Churchill Park, Cato's Ridge Conservation Area and O'Neil Marsh, which officially opened to the public in 2015.

In its regulatory capacity, the Commission is responsible for administering the Wetlands Protection Act (310 CMR). Any use or activity proposed within 100 feet of a wetland resource area in bordering land subject to flooding or within 200 feet of a river must first be authorized by the Commission. If any entity intends to conduct such a use or activity, they must first submit a request for Determination of Applicability (“RDA”) or a Notice of Intent (“NOI”) along with an engineered site plan to the Commission. After a site visit, the Commission will hold a public hearing and vote on the proposal. A decision will be made in accordance with a majority vote. In addition to more traditional building projects, much of the Commission's focus continues to be the proposed development of solar field projects.

In 2017, we received a significant number of NOI and RDA submittals, in addition to several projects held over from previous years. We are currently updating the earth removal by-law and instituting new regulations to strengthen protection of our natural resources. We also hope to hire a part-time conservation agent to handle the increase and complexity of proposed projects.

At this point in time, the Commission has a full roster of volunteers thanks to the addition of Michael Matern. Several of our members also serve on other town committees. Mr. Burnet is a member of the Agricultural Commission and the Community Preservation Committee, Ms. Leddy is on the Open Space Committee and the By-Law Committee and Ms. Cronin is on the By-Law Committee.

We are also thankful to have Kathleen Wright, the Building Department's admin help us out a few hours each week. Our regular meetings are scheduled for the first and third Tuesday nights of each month at the Town House.

Rick Burnet, Chair  
Amy Cronin  
Ami Dion  
Linda Leddy

Michael Matern  
John Mathias  
Marta Nover

## PLYMPTON COUNCIL ON AGING

2017 was a year of many changes for the Plympton Council on Aging. With the resignation of Christine Maiorano and her hiring of Joy Marble as the new director, there was a big Saint Patrick's Day celebration in the Selectman's meeting room. There was food and entertainment and many seniors that filled the room. Our new Director, Joy Marble, was previously the Chairperson of the COA in Halifax and has a long history of elder care. An Outreach Worker, Joyce Curran, was hired with state grant money to connect seniors with services. Joyce comes with the experience of being the prior Outreach Worker to the Halifax COA. Our Senior Aide Transportation Driver, Jim Mustacaros, continues to provide transportation to medical appointments in addition to outreach visits to hospitals, rehabs and other various help with the COA operations.

The new Director had a piano donated for entertainment at our events as well as a refrigerator and shelving for our new food pantry which is in the Town House kitchen. We pick up weekly donations of breads and bakery goods from Stop & Shop in Halifax as well as monthly donations of other food items from the South Shore Community Action Council in Plymouth. We coordinated the taking over the Meals on Wheels program for Plympton seniors previously run out of the Halifax COA. Old Colony Elder Services will also be providing congregate which will bring our community together even more.

We were awarded a Cultural Council Grant for an entertainer for a future event. Over the summer we had our annual volunteer lunch at the East Bay Grill to thank our volunteers, board members and meals on wheels drivers, for all their work and dedication. A summer picnic outing attending the Philharmonic in Hanover was also a big hit. Again our Senior Work Off Program helped 4 seniors to get \$500 off their taxes last year and 4 more next year.

We continue to get donations and lend our assisted devices as needed. We collaborate with the Library to offer more events including the "Apple Crisp" in the fall. In addition to the Massachusetts COA convention where the Director learned many useful things, she also attended other trainings such as food pantry, SHINE and fuel assistance so we are now able to assist and accept fuel assistance applications. In conjunction with the Fire Department, a senior safety program was implemented to help foresee the needs of our seniors. We began working with Housing and ADA Committees to get more assistance for seniors. The Friends of the COA supplemented grant money in assisting seniors with plowing.

We look forward to another productive year.

Joy Marble, COA Director  
Joyce Curran, Outreach Worker  
Patricia Mustacaros, Chairperson  
Evie Hannigan, Secretary  
Dottie Martel, Treasurer  
Jean Langley, Woodlands Rep.

Hellen Reynolds, Friends of COA  
Dot Cushman, Member  
Sue Walker, Member  
Shirley Martin, Member  
Marylou White, Member

## REPORT OF THE PLYMPTON CULTURAL COUNCIL 2017

The Plympton Cultural Council regrants funds for cultural projects that benefit our community to the greatest possible effect. The amount granted the Plympton LCC for fiscal year 2017-2018 was \$4,774.00.

Public funding for the arts, humanities and interpretative sciences is provided through a central agency, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, through appropriations from the state Legislature and from the National Endowment for the Arts. The MCC in turn distributes funds to 329 local cultural councils, including The Plympton LCC, in order “to promote excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and interpretive sciences, in order to improve the quality of life for all Massachusetts residents and to contribute to the economic vitality of our communities.”

The amount of money allocated to each cultural council is determined by using one of the state's local aid formulas established by the legislature. The formula is based on population and equalized property values in order to provide low-income communities with relatively larger allocations. Bigger communities get bigger distributions, but greater weight is given to needier communities. A minimum funding level - which affects more than half the LCCs - is set in order to ensure that the smaller communities receive a significant amount of money.

Grant recipients this year are:

The Pilgrim Society/Pilgrim Hall Museum  
Gregory Maichak, painter  
Pilgrim Festival Chorus  
Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra  
Fuller Craft Museum, SENSEation Days  
Fuller Craft Museum, Craft Inspires Series  
Silver Lake Regional High School, Art Department  
John Root, a Celebration of Song  
Diane Edgecomb, Storytelling Performance for Summer Reading with D  
Community and School Assoc (C.A.S.A), Illstyle & Peace Productions  
Meghan C. Riley, Harvest Fair & Joe Davies Folk Festival  
Mayflower Camerata

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa B. Reilly, Chair,	David W. Badot	Susan Healey
Christopher W. Badot	Cathleen Drinan	



## **Report of the Plympton Fire Department**

We are proud to present the 2017 report of the Plympton Fire Department. The fire service is an always changing organization and Plympton Fire has encountered many of these changes over the past year. We continue to see an increase in calls for service. Last year Plympton Fire Department responded to over 600 calls for service. We continue to recruit quality personnel to staff the department; however we still strive to find residents in town to be part of the fire department. Public Education has become a vital part of our department. In 2017 we provided public fire education to the students at the Dennett School. This was a great success with many students enjoying a ride to school on a fire truck as part of their participation in the school program. We have also reached out to our senior population and provided education to increase their safety as it relates to fire incidents.

As we grow as a department, we find a need for new equipment and structures. The lease for the trailer that houses the firefighters living quarters has expired. The space in the apparatus garage is very tight, and new equipment being purchased is getting bigger. Some apparatus has reached its maximum age of safe use. As we look into the future of purchasing equipment the goal will be to ensure the vehicles are multi use for this department. This will ensure the residents are receiving the best equipment, from a cost saving approach, while delivering a quality response to service.

We continue to seek out and apply for grants to help fund different operating functions of the fire department. By obtaining available grants we will be able to obtain needed equipment at little or no cost to the residents of Plympton. In 2017 we applied for and obtained a \$4,000 safe grant that allows us to increase the quality and scope of public education to the residents of Plympton. Part of this money will be used for CPR training to certify the staff at the Dennett School.

We urge the residents of Plympton to always keep fire safety in mind no matter where you are. Always seek out 2 ways to escape a room, change your smoke detector batteries twice per year, and take time to speak to your children about fire Safety. The doors to the fire station are always open and we welcome the public to stop by and observe our operation and ask any questions you may have.

We are a dedicated team of Fire/EMS professionals who are proud to serve our community. Our Mission is to provide a quality, reliable service to the residents, workers, and visitors of the town of Plympton in a timely manner. This dedication and passion will always be evident in any encounter, emergent or routine that you have with the members of your Fire Department.

# REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR 2017

## CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Appropriated July 1, 2016  
Expended

9,207.00  
-9,082.70  
124.30

Returned to Treasury

## PARK DEPARTMENT

Appropriated July 1, 2016  
Expended

8,480.00  
-8,037.99  
442.01

Returned to Treasury

## LABOR ACCOUNT

Appropriated July 1, 2016  
Expended

130,251.00  
-129,769.20  
481.80

Returned to Treasury

## SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Appropriated July 1, 2016  
Expended

64,481.00  
64,481.00

## GENERAL HIGHWAY

Appropriated, July 1, 2016

107,454.00

Fuel	5,296.87
Utilities Electric	2,147.69
Utilities Gas	6,421.12
Meetings/Mileage	390.00
Telephone	2,013.66
Tools	1,644.18
Road Maintenance	57,676.13
Office Supplies	3,228.50
Vehicle Repairs/Supplies	10,585.32
Building Maintenance	1,038.26
Uniform Items	1,413.97
Miscellaneous	2,825.89

Licenses	240.00	
Dues & Memberships	125.00	
Equipment Repair	492.00	
Labor/Overtime	9,565.09	
Signs	1,247.18	
Expended	106,350.86	-106,350.86
Returned to Treasury		1,103.14

#### **TRUCK & EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE**

Appropriated July 1, 2016	5,250.00	
Expended	-5,118.54	
Returned to Treasury		131.46

#### **SNOW & ICE**

Appropriated July 1, 2016	50,000.00	
Expended	-152,276.14	

#### **WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL**

Appropriated July 1, 2016	174,276.00	
Salaries, Dept Head	9,364.00	
Salaries, Clerical	10,995.79	
Salaries, Other	39,226.26	
Utilities, Electric	969.14	
Utilities, Gas	1,161.81	
Disposal, Operating Services	92,110.39	
Telephone	760.36	
Office Supplies	2,641.15	
Building Repair/Maintenance	4,227.23	
Hazardous Waste Day	5,000.00	
Equipment Repair		
Miscellaneous	4,370.00	
	170,826.13	-170,826.13
Returned to Treasury		3,449.87

## **REPORT OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

There were no applications in 2017 for any changes within the Harrub's Corner Historic District (PHDC).

The PHDC reviews all changes to the built environment within the Harrub's Corner Local Historic District, which is comprised of seven properties centered on the intersection of County Road and Lake Street. The commission is charged under state law to protect and preserve the district's historic assets and character: building and demolition permits may not be issued within the district without either a certificate of appropriateness, a certificate of non-applicability, or a certificate of hardship issued by the Historic District Commission. Note that the town's demolition delay bylaw may in some instances require a separate permitting process run by the local Historical Commission. A permit under that process in no way implies that a permit may be forthcoming from the PHDC, which runs according to state mandates for the protection of the Commonwealth's historic resources.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Shaw, Chair  
Stuart Chase Vice-Chair  
Jennifer L. Macdonald  
Charles Nickerson  
Carol Quindley  
Marylouise Sayles  
Richard Stover

## REPORT OF THE PLYMPTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Plympton Historical Commission (Commission), the 5-member board, responsible for community-wide historic preservation planning and the administration of the demolition delay bylaw, continued to work closely with residents and town officials in 2016 to help mitigate the impacts of development pressure on the historical character of the town.

The Commission reviewed three requests under the Demolition Delay Bylaw for Historically or Architecturally Significant Buildings in 2016. The Commission approved two of the requests for partial demolition due to significant structural deterioration and a lack of distinct period details on either of the structures. A decision was not rendered on the third request as the owners needed to provide additional details to the Commission regarding drawings/plans for the rebuilt structure as well as a detailed list of the interior elements that would be salvaged for reuse given the significant and unique period details contained within the existing building. Additionally, the Commission was asked to provide an opinion regarding the use of the emergency demolition provision under the Demolition Delay Bylaw for a structure that had been significantly damaged due to fire and a subsequent attempt at renovation. After touring the property the Commission decided to advise the Plympton Building Department that it would not object to the use of this provision should it be exercised. Additional details regarding these matters can be found in the Commission minutes which are posted on the Town's website.

Three warrant articles were brought forward by citizen's petition to the 2017 Annual Town Meeting that greatly concerned the Commission. Article 23 was designed to begin the process of repealing the Community Preservation Act which has significantly benefited historic preservation and education in the Town since its inception. The Commission voted unanimously to not recommend the article to Town Meeting. The article failed on the floor. Articles 24 & 25 were the other two articles that concerned the Commission. Had these past, they would have significantly reduced the effectiveness of the Demolition Delay Bylaw by reducing the potential delay period from 18 months to 6 months. The Commission made did not recommend these articles at Town Meeting and spoke against acceptance. A flier providing factual information regarding the Demolition Delay Bylaw was made available at Town Meeting as there was a fair amount of inaccurate information being broadcast around town.

In August 2016, the Commission provided a letter of support to the Plympton Open Space Committee regarding the revised Open Space Plan that was to be submitted to the state for approval. In that letter, the Commission noted the critical nature of preserving the rural character and traditional New England

atmosphere of Plympton and the need to promote public awareness, use and knowledge of Plympton's historic and natural resources.

This Fall work began on the structure at 6 Cross Street that the Commission had placed a demolition delay on in 2015. New owners, who were committed to preserving the old house, developed new plans that did not involve demolition of the existing structure and called for thoughtful additions to meet the needs of modern living. The result has been an impressive renovation of a piece of Plympton's historic landscape that remains in character with its neighborhood. The Commission is pleased that the home could be saved and we wish its new owners the very best.

In the year ahead, the Commission plans to continue its inventory work in order to complete the Plympton Historic Asset Inventory. The Commission also plans to pursue consideration of two additional National Register of Historic Place District (NR District) nominations as recommended in the Phase 1 Final Report. The first NR District is under consideration for the area surrounding the old Town House (PHS Building) and the second would comprise the buildings within the existing Harrub's Corner Local Historic District.

The Commission looks forward to continuing to work in partnership with Plympton's residents and town government to promote the preservation and celebration of our town's historic character.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jon Wilhelmsen, Chair  
Jill Palenstijn, Secretary  
Jane Schulze

Associate Members:  
Richard Burnett

6 Cross Street - before and during renovation



## **Report of the Plympton Public Library**

Throughout 2017, the Library continued to develop our collection of popular books, DVDs, books-on-cd, and various electronic resources and equipment. We also maintained and expanded library programming and provided space for community gatherings.

We installed an electronic message board in the library to highlight upcoming events, replaced several public computers, increased the speed of our public Comcast line, and upgraded our electronic ordering services.

Space for our growing collection is always limited and careful weeding is constantly needed to provide adequate shelving. To help address this issue we reorganized the children's room and added several new bookcases. We also increased adult paperback shelving with new revolving racks.

Other highlights of the year include the purchase of passes to the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and the Plimoth Plantation. Special funding by grant or donation this year provided programs by Big Ryan, MamaSteph, Ed the Wizard and Greg Maichack. An Eagle Scout project by Andrew Adams gave us a custom-made bike rack that is removable for winter storage.

The Library continues to work with many local community groups to offer a variety of programs throughout the year. We are thankful for the support from Plympton Cultural Council, Dennett Elementary School Staff, Council on Aging, Scout Troops, and South Shore Community Action Council, among others, for their help with making our 170 programs and activities possible.

As always, a very special thank you to all of our volunteers who provided program leadership, shelved books, sorted donations, or generally assisted wherever needed.

The Library is always just a click away 24 hours a day. A free library card is all that you need to get started. Please visit our website <[www.plymptonlibrary.org](http://www.plymptonlibrary.org)> to review your account, to reserve a book, download an e-book or movie, to pay a fine, to access reference resources or to check on library events. You may also keep informed by reading posts on Facebook, Plympton Helping Plympton or the local Plympton-Halifax Reporter.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Batson, Director  
Kathy Keirstead, Sr. Technician  
Christine Champ, Circulation  
Karen Cook, Circulation, Story Time

Christine Winslow, Chair  
Miranda Boyles, Vice Chair  
Kristine Boyles, Secretary  
Louise Cosato, Dominique Sampson

## **REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMEMORATION COMMITTEE 2017**

This committee is made up of a dedicated group of people, who annually contribute to a town parade, pay tribute to our fallen soldiers in our two cemeteries, and conduct a ceremony at the gazebo on our Town Green.

This year the members of the Memorial Day Committee, Plympton Garden Club, and Boy Scouts worked together in helping making the Town Green beautiful. Kim Adams and Brigitte Martins stepped it up and took on the task of mulching the Town Green bucket by bucket. Once again it rained but this did not stop residents from lining the streets to watch all those that participated in the parade to honor our Veterans. This year, thanks to Franny-Jo Walsh, we had the "Riderless Horse" in a military outfit ending the parade. The horse wears a decorative swallow tail saddle pad which is reserved for high ranking military officials in mounted units. The pad has one single gold star on it signifying the death of the soldier while in combat. Boots face backwards as a symbol of the soldier looking back at his fellow troops and comrades for the last time. Rosettes with the U.S. insignia on them adorn his bridle and identify what "side" a loose horse is from while in combat. His breastplate bears a bronze heart over the chest area of the horse's heart. The riderless horse is one of the highest military honors imparted upon the fallen.

Selectmen, Christine Joy, John Traynor and Mark Russo were present and helped with the ceremony introductions. Selectmen Christine Joy made the welcome speech followed by a moment of silence from Mark Russo. Selectmen Christine Joy led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance. Rev. Anna "Nan" Eaton Butera performed the Invocation. We had the pleasure to meet Patricia Sherman, a young widow of an Army Soldier, and her children. Mrs. Sherman was our guest speaker and her story is one to not be forgotten.

Dennett Student Genevieve Walsh presented Plympton's Boston Post Cane recipient, Doris Silva, age 99 a flowering plant donated from the Plympton Garden Club. Doris holds the title of Plympton's oldest resident.

Dennett Elementary students Chloe Tougas sang a beautiful rendition of the National Anthem, Rosella Hoffman recited her winning essay "What Memorial Day Means to Me", Jennifer Blindt recited "Flanders Fields", and Chloe Tougas recited the Gettysburg Address.

Cathy Ferguson, member of the Memorial Day Committee and Board of Health, read the list of fallen soldiers. The talented Betsy Kupic performed Taps.

Respectfully submitted, Brigitte Martins-Hebert, Kim Adams, Cathy Ferguson, Franny-Jo Walsh, Chris Rankin, Peter Kupic and Jill Palenstijn. Special thank you to our Veteran's Agent Roxanne Whitbeck



## **REPORT OF THE OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Plympton.

As your representative to the Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC), we are pleased to present this report on behalf of the Council for 2017.

The Old Colony Planning Council was established in 1967 by state statute and is authorized to prepare plans for the physical, social and economic development of the seventeen-member community region. OCPC is designated as: An Economic Development District by the U.S. Department of Commerce for the coordination of regional economic development activities; an Area Agency on Aging (AAA) by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs to plan, manage and coordinate elder services in a twenty-three-community service area; and, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to plan and program transportation and transit improvements for the region.

In addition to the above-designated responsibilities, the Council also assists its member municipalities with technical planning, grant application preparation and current local and regional socioeconomic information.

During the past year, the Council completed the FFY 2018-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); the 2017 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Plan; the Brockton Area Transit - Aging in Place Report; the FFY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP); and provided numerous Road Safety Audits, Intersection Analyses, and Transportation Technical Studies to the member communities. The Council also provided technical assistance to member communities under the District Local Technical Assistance (DLTA) Program. The DLTA funding was used in such areas as regionalization, including aggregation of electricity, the investigation of regional water and wastewater, as well as conducting a number of land use analyses, neighborhood economic, housing production plans, community compact and transportation analyses. The Council also provided assistance to the town of Plymouth on the decommissioning of the nuclear power plant, assistance to municipalities in the development of business associations and site finders, green communities designation and provided a variety of economic development technical assistance. The Old Colony Area Agency on Aging (AAA) during the past year, with assistance and guidance from member community advisory committee members, has continued the ongoing administration of over \$1.4 million dollars of Federal and State funding for elder services. The OCPC-AAA administers and oversees funding for services like transportation, homecare, legal services, nutrition, and others to the more than 97,000 persons' age 60 and over in the region. In addition, we completed the FFY 2016 Need Assessment and FFY 2018-2022 Area Plan on Aging. The OCPC-AAA continues to advocate on behalf of older persons from throughout the region. The OCPC-AAA Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program continues its efforts, with over 1,300 visits to nursing and rest homes, investigating over 320 issues of concern from residents or families. In Addition, OCPC continues to administer the Septic Loan Program for the Towns of Avon, Cohasset, Hanson, Kingston and Stoughton. During

2017, the Council processed approximately \$142,000 in loans for both septic systems and sewer connection for the communities under the Septic Loan Program.

One delegate and one alternate member represent each member community of the Council. The Council members establish policy, develop the work program, and employ and oversee the activities of the professional staff. The Council meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the OCPC offices located at 70 School Street, Brockton, MA. In 2017, the Council elected Frank P. Staffier, of Avon as Council President; Christine Joy, of Plympton as Council Treasurer; and, Fred L. Gilmetti, of Whitman as Council Secretary. Pasquale Ciaramella serves as Executive Director of the Council.

The Council gratefully acknowledges the generous support and cooperation of its member communities and the participation and involvement of the many individuals who participate as members of committees. Special thanks are extended to the Joint Transportation Committee Chair Noreen O'Toole; Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee Chair Mary Waldron; and, the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Committee Chair Anna Seery for their commitment, dedication and leadership during the past year. The Council also recognizes the work of local boards and commissions and the government agencies, public and private institutions and individuals who assisted the Council in its efforts.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Christine Joy, Delegate  
James M. Mulcahy, Alternate  
Troy E. Garron, Delegate At Large

## **REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD**

This past year the Planning Board saw the final culmination of the Spring Street solar project, which had presented problems for its Kingston neighbors almost from the beginning. Dozens of meetings with Borrego and its representatives, attorneys for everyone, and horticultural engineers finally resolved the problems and the ruined landscape was restored. We hope the trees and plantings survived well through the winter storms and that problem is finally over.

There were three other solar arrays approved or in the process of gaining approval: two on Brook Street and one off Upland Road. Plympton is certainly doing its share to bring the Commonwealth into its status as a green state.

As Plympton continues to refine and redefine its by-laws, the Planning Board hopes to maintain an active voice in their enactment, representing what people want for their community.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Anderson, Chairman  
William McClellan, Vice-chairman  
Paul D'angelo  
Robert Karling  
John Rantuccio

# **PLYMOUTH COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION ANNUAL REPORT**

**July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017**

The role of Plymouth County Cooperative Extension is to deliver research-based information to Plymouth County residents through non-formal methods. The Plymouth County Extension staff work on behalf of Plymouth County residents, in concert with UMass Amherst faculty and Extension staff, and the United States Department of Agriculture, to provide valuable information in the program areas of 'Agriculture and Landscape' and '4-H Youth and Family Development'. The Extension System is supported by County, State and Federal funds, and operates under Federal and State laws and agreements. Local citizens, appointed by the Plymouth County Commissioners, serve as Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Trustees, directing the overall program. Volunteer advisory groups work with Extension staff on developing programs.

Cooperative Extension resources and programs for Plymouth County residents include: 4-H Science and Technology workshops in the areas of embryology, general science and plant science; accredited overnight 4-H summer camps; 4-H animal science summer day-workshops; 4-H Life Skills Training, 4-H Community Service Projects, 4-H Public Speaking Training, 4-H Babysitting Program and 4-H partnerships with local farms and agricultural enterprises including the Marshfield Agricultural Society, Plymouth County Farm Bureau and Plymouth County Grange. New research findings are translated into practical applications and shared with residents and communities through workshops, lectures, conferences, office visits, phone calls, field demonstrations, radio, television, local libraries, technical assistance, and newspaper articles. Publications such as newsletters, booklets, and fact sheets bring information directly to those who need it. Additional information is delivered through UMass-Amherst Center for Agriculture and Extension web access [www.ag.umass.edu](http://www.ag.umass.edu)

## **Members of the Plymouth County Extension Staff:**

Molly Vollmer, Director Plymouth County Extension/ Extension Educator  
Valerie Schell, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth and Family Development Program  
Evelyn Golden, Program Assistant, 4-H Youth and Family Development Program  
Blake Dinius, Entomologist, Tick and Insect Education Program (hired Aug '17)  
Cathy Acampora, Administrative Assistant

## **Board of Trustees:**

John Burnett Jr. –Whitman  
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Victoria Morris, Bridgewater  
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Daniel Pallotta, Plymouth County Commissioner - Hanover

The Plymouth County Extension office is located at 44 Obery Street, Plymouth, MA 02360  
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## PIREPORT OF PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

The Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project are pleased to submit the following report of our activities during 2017.

The Project is a special district created by the State Legislature in 1957, and is now composed of all Plymouth County towns, the City of Brockton, and the town of Cohasset. The Project is a regional response to a regional problem, and provides a way of organizing specialized equipment, specially trained employees, and mosquito control professionals into a single agency with a broad geographical area of responsibility.

The 2017 season began with normal amounts of precipitation but became drier as the season progressed. Efforts were directed at larval mosquitoes starting with the spring brood. The Project ground and aerial larvicided 15,032 acres and this was accomplished using B.t.i., an environmentally selective bacterial agent. Upon emergence of the spring brood of mosquitoes, ultra-low volume adulticiding began on June 5, 2017 and ended on September 8, 2017. The Project responded to 14,209 requests for spraying and larval checks from residents covering all of the towns within the district.

Massachusetts Department of Public Health has developed an "Arbovirus Surveillance and Response Plan" for the state. The Plan creates a system which estimates the human risk for contracting Eastern Equine Encephalitis and West Nile using a several factors including the number of infected mosquitoes. Based on guidelines defined by the Plan, all towns in Plymouth County Mosquito Project were at the "Low Level Risk" for Eastern Equine Encephalitis. We are pleased to report that in 2017 there were no human, or horse EEE cases in the district. There were also no detections of EEEV in the mosquito population.

West Nile Virus was active in Massachusetts. This summer, WNV was found in mosquitoes 17 times in the district. The virus was found in Abington, Bridgewater, Halifax, Kingston, Lakeville, Marion, Middleborough, Plymouth, West Bridgewater, and Whitman. In response to these findings DPH estimated that there was a moderate risk of contracting WNV in Abington, Bridgewater, Brockton, East Bridgewater, Halifax, Hanover, Hanson, Kingston, Pembroke, Plymouth, Plympton, Rockland, West Bridgewater, and Whitman. There were no human or horse cases of WNV reported in the district. The Project responded to the increased risk by conducting additional surveillance, larviciding, and adulticiding. As part of our West Nile Virus control strategy a total of 50,694 catch basins were treated with larvicide in all of our towns to prevent WNV.

The Health threat of EEE and WNV continues to ensure cooperation between the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project, local Boards of Health and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. In an effort to keep the public informed, EEE and WNV activity updates are regularly posted on Massachusetts Department of Public Health website.

In conjunction with the MDPH we have been monitoring *Aedes albopictus* expansion in the state. *Ae. albopictus* is an introduced mosquito that has the potential to become a serious pest and a vector of disease. The mosquito has been present in the Massachusetts since 2009. The larvae live in containers and are closely linked with

human activity. They are especially associated with used tires. Our surveillance detected *Ae. albopictus* in the District for the second year. In response we reached out to the affected landowners and removed tires from the site. The Project began a tire recycling program in October 2017. Since the program started, we have recycled 3,346 tires.

The figures specific to the town of Plympton are given below. While mosquitoes do not respect town lines the information given below does provide a tally of the activities which have had the greatest impact on the health and comfort of Plympton residents.

**Insecticide Applications:** Our greatest effort has been targeted at mosquitoes in the larval stage, which can be found in woodland pools, swamps, marshes and other standing water areas. Inspectors continually gather data on these sites and treat with highly specific larvicides when immature mosquitoes are present. In Plympton 313 larval sites were checked.

During the summer 212 catch basins were treated in Plympton to prevent the emergence of *Culex pipiens*, a known mosquito vector in West Nile Virus transmission.

Our staff treated 613 acres using truck mounted sprayers for control of adult mosquitoes. More than one application was made to the same site if mosquitoes reinvaded the area. The first treatments were made in June and the last in September.

**Water Management:** During 2017 crews removed blockages, brush and other obstructions from 800 linear feet of ditches and streams to prevent overflows or stagnation that can result in mosquito production. This work, together with machine reclamation, is most often carried out in the fall and winter.

**Mosquito Survey:** Our surveillance showed that the dominant mosquitoes throughout the district were generally *Coquillettidia peturbans* and *Culex salinarius*. In the Town of Plympton the three most common mosquitoes were *Cs. melanura*, *Cx. species* and *Oc. abserratus*.

We encourage citizens or municipal officials to visit our website at [www.plymouthmosquito.org](http://www.plymouthmosquito.org) or call our office for information about mosquitoes, mosquito-borne diseases, control practices, or any other matters of concern.

Stephen Gillett  
Superintendent

Commissioners:  
John Kenney, Chairman  
Michael F. Valenti, Vice-Chairman  
Cathleen Drinan  
John Sharland-  
Secretary

## **REPORT OF THE OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**

The Open Space Committee had another busy year in 2017. The new town conservation areas, Churchill Park, Cato's Ridge and the O'Neil Marsh, have proven to be very popular with residents and many families can be seen walking, bird watching, and exploring the network of trails that were developed in the parks over the last several years.

A significant area of focus for our Committee last year included updating Plympton's Open Space and Recreation Plan, which we had submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Energy and Environmental Affairs in 2016. Using guidelines provided to us by a reviewer from the state, we prepared updates to the plan in areas such as ADA compliance, population density and trends, scenic resources, and several others. Final approval of this plan will position the town to apply for and potentially receive grants from the Commonwealth to support some of the activities of the Open Space Committee.

We also hosted another "open house" in the parks in April, and it was well received and well attended by Plympton residents. Music was provided, and there were educational walks and "scavenger hunts" organized for the children. The Open Space Committee also sponsored and will continue to sponsor educational activities pertaining to vernal pools, their locations in Plympton, and how to protect these pools - among the most unique, important, and fragile environmental features of our town.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Leddy – Co—chair CJ Quinn  
Vicki Alberti – Co-chair Gavin Murphy  
Jane Schulze Alan Wheelock  
Ted Taranto



## **REPORT OF THE PLYMPTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

As the Chief of Police, it is with great pride that I submit this town report. I am pleased to report that the department is making continuous progress towards its long term goal of providing efficient and effective law enforcement services. 2017 presented many challenges to our police department; all were met with a professional attitude and competence by our police officers.

Due to the dedicated hard work of our officers, 75 criminal cases were successfully closed and the offenders prosecuted. We continue to hold a high priority on traffic enforcement and crime prevention in our town. All officers continue to be recertified annually in core tasks including firearms, Tasers, first aid/CPR/defibrillator, defensive tactics and legal updates. As in previous years, most of this training was accomplished at the Plymouth Police Academy's training facility and in combination with instruction from trained Plympton officers.

Your police department continues to provide some effective outreach programs. The D.A.R.E. program continues to be presented in our elementary school. Our officers provide preventive education with the Baby Sitters, Woman's Safety and Social Media courses.

Plympton P.D. has partnered with other police agencies in Plymouth County to combat substance use disorders. This involvement has led to the creation of Plymouth County Outreach otherwise referred to as PCO HOPE.

PCO HOPE is a collaboration of Public Safety Agencies and Healthcare Providers created to respond to the ever growing number of opiate overdoses by conducting follow-up visits within 12-24 hours after an overdose. The program is not just limited to those addicted to opiates. It is for everyone impacted by addiction, particularly the family. The two main aspects of the program are; overdose follow-up and community outreach.

Sgt. Steve Teri has acted as our lead officer assigned to PCO HOPE and he is available to assist any resident in obtaining this important service.

I am proud to report that during our spring Town Meeting a Warrant Article to design and construct a new Police station was presented. With the hard work of the Public Safety Building Committee and the strong support of our residents this Article was voted on and passed, unanimously. We remain optimistic that project will be completed in 2018.

Please know that I welcome questions and comments from any of our citizens, businesses, and visitors. I ask that you call our department to report any suspicious activity that you may witness, and also to please remember to protect your property by securing your homes and locking your vehicles. The department wishes to thank the many members of the community who continue to support our police department and we



will continue to provide the best possible service to keep Plympton a safe and pleasant community in which to live and work.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick S. Dillon  
Chief of Police

<b>Motor Vehicle Accidents</b>	64
<b>Record Requests</b>	150
<b>Citation Violation Breakdown</b>	
Written Warnings	153
Verbal Warnings	285
Civil	109
Criminal	40
Arrests	08
<b>Offense Listing</b>	
911 Accidental	24
911 Call	11
911 Hang-Up	37
Administrative Tasks	397
Alarm, Commercial	33
Alarm, Panic	5
Alarm, Residential	61
Animal Complaint	41
Annoying Telephone Calls	3
Assault	2
Assist Citizen	155
Assist Other Agency	37
Assist Other Police Department	52
B & E, Motor Vehicle	1
B & E, Other	1
B & E, Past	2
B & E, Residential	6
Building / Area Check	8412
Civil Matter	13
Community Policing	105
Directed Patrol	1879
Disturbance	20
Domestic Disturbance	27
DPW Call Out	10
Erratic Operation	48
Firearms Licensing	89
General Information	34
General Services	34
Harassment	4
Illegal Dumping	3
Interview	3
Investigation	48
Larceny / Forgery / Fraud	17
Lost / Recovered Property	7

Malicious Damage	2
Missing Person	7
Motor Vehicle Complaint	46
Motor Vehicle Theft	1
Motor Vehicle, Disabled	38
Motor Vehicle, Other	11
Motor Vehicle, Property Damage	2
Motor Vehicle, Stop	555
Motor Vehicle, Abandoned	4
Narcotics Investigation	1
Noise Complaint	31
Parking Issue	5
Radar / Traffic Patrol	130
Radar Trailer Deployment	52
Road Hazard	71
Serve Protection Order	13
Serve Summons	11
Serve Warrant	8
Sex Offender Registration	2
Shoplifting	1
Suspicious Activity	75
Suspicious Vehicle	48
Traffic Control	214
Trespass	8
Vacation Watch	5
Vandalism	8
Vehicle Repossession	1
Well Being Check	14

## **Report of the Public Safety Building Committee**

In May of 2017 Town Meeting approved a warrant item to construct a new police station. The Public Safety Building Committee (PSBC), Project Planning Professionals (P3) and Context Architecture (previously known as Donham & Sweeney) began to produce the bid package. The bid package includes construction drawings, specifications, engineering and geotechnical analysis. The construction drawings took several months to produce the level of detail needed for bidding and construction. Throughout the process of creating the bid package, progress estimates were done to evaluate the status of the budget.

P3 and the PSBC combed through the scope and plans to identify areas that could be adjusted to reduce costs. The PSBC worked with other town entities to ensure that the final plan was as cost efficient for the town. One example is the projected septic flow of the new station. Working with the Board of Health, the PSBC was able to estimate a realistic flow, as opposed to the standard projected flow from the engineers, that could be handled by our existing septic system; eliminating the high costs of a new septic system. Systematically and methodically, P3 and the PSBC looked at all aspects of the construction documents to reduce costs without sacrificing function.

The bid package was finalized in early January and on January 14<sup>th</sup> the Police station project was advertised to the state register. A site walk was held for potential bidders on January 31<sup>st</sup> hosted by P3. On February 14<sup>th</sup> at 5pm, filed subcontractor bids were opened at the Town House by P3. Overall the subcontractor bids came in extremely close to the project estimate, less than ½ % difference. On February 28<sup>th</sup> at 5pm, General Contractor bids were opened at the Town House by P3. The Town received 5 bids from general contractors.

As of this writing (March 2018) the PSBC has recommended to the Board of Selectmen to issue a Notice of Award to APC Development of Rockland MA, who were the low bidders. The low bid was the only bid that fit in the budget approved by town meeting. Construction is anticipated to begin in April 2018.

Colleen Thompson - Chair  
Nancy Butler  
Bob Karling  
Ross MacPherson  
Art Morin  
Harry Weikel  
Jon Wilhelmsen

## **SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS 2017 ANNUAL REPORT TO TOWNS**

The Silver Lake Regional School District and Superintendency Union 31 School District serves the towns of Halifax, Kingston and Plympton. The school systems work cooperatively to best meet the needs of all our students.

2017 brought many administrative changes to the districts. Christine Pruitt, Assistant Superintendent resigned in June along with James Mulcahy, Silver Lake Regional High School Principal. We would like to thank each of these individuals for their dedication to our students and wish them much success in their new endeavors.

Dr. Jill Proulx, former Assistant Superintendent for Scituate, was named Assistant Superintendent and former Assistant Principal Michaela Gill was named Interim High School Principal while Catherine Pratt was named Interim Assistant Principal. We all look forward to continuing the tradition of excellence in programming and academics within our schools.

The schools benefit from the assistance of the many parent groups and classroom volunteers who help to provide our students with learning opportunities that are not funded in the budgets. These groups are instrumental in providing enrichment opportunities including field trips to our students.

Within the Superintendency Union 31 schools 8 new professional staff were hired to replace retirements and resignations. Silver Lake Regional Middle and High Schools welcomed 7 new members to their professional staffs to fill retirements and resignations. We thank our retiring staff for their years of dedication to our students and welcome our new staff to a wonderful community of learners.

We greatly appreciate the continued support of the towns of Halifax, Kingston and Plympton in providing excellent educational and cultural opportunities for our students. The ongoing dedication and care provided by the administrators, professional staff and support staff to the students in their care is to be commended. My goal as Superintendent of Schools is to continue to provide our students with the highest quality education possible as well as a multitude of opportunities in the arts, on the playing fields, in technology as well as in the vocational fields. We remain committed to focusing on the social emotional needs of our students through a multitude of programs and opportunities. Thank you for the support provided to our students and staff.

Joy Blackwood, Superintendent of Schools

## REPORT OF THE PLYMPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The 2017-18 Plympton School Committee (Committee) consisted of five elected members, each serving for three years on a staggered-year election schedule. The members of the Committee during the 2017 - 2018 school year were: Chair - Jon Wilhelmsen (2020); Vice Chair - Jason Fraser (2020); Secretary - Stephanie Domey (2019); Michael Antoine (2018); and Lynn Kaupp (2018). The years in parenthesis indicate the expiration of the member's current term.

The Committee is responsible for the Dennett Elementary School and those students who require out of district placement for special needs or vocational education. The responsibilities of the Committee include the preparation of the annual school budget; establishing and reviewing educational goals and policies; hiring and reviewing the Superintendent; and conducting collective bargaining with the Plympton Teacher's Association.

Work has continued this past year on the new water treatment system for the Dennett to comply with Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requirements. As noted last year, the costs associated with the system were estimated to be significantly higher than was thought at the outset of this project - likely due to the complexity of the proposed water treatment system and increased costs associated with materials and labor. The Committee presented a warrant article at the 2017 Town Meeting to supplement the funding and allow for the system to proceed to bid. Green Seal Environmental (Consultant) developed the bid package, assisted in the evaluation of the bids and will serve as the engineer during the construction phase. The Committee received two bids this fall and worked with the Consultant to evaluate potential options to lower the costs. Unfortunately the available options did not meaningfully reduced the low bid. At the Committee's January 2018 meeting, the Committee voted to accept Atlas Construction's bid. It is anticipated that work will begin in the spring with a planned completion in the summer.

This year the Dennett implemented the Responsive Classroom approach to social/emotional learning which is scientifically proven to improve academic and social skills. Teachers from the Dennett participated in graduate coursework over the summer with aims to create a positive, inclusive school-based community with common language and expectations for all students and staff.

The Committee is focusing its FY19 capital efforts on the Dennett Playground with off-site visits to other schools and preliminary meetings with contractors in efforts to bring forward design ideas to address modernization, safety, and accessibility of our school's recreational spaces.

Subcommittees of the Committee include Capital Improvement, Administrative Review, Policy, Negotiations and Pilgrim Area Collaborative. Each member of the Committee serves on one or more of these subcommittees. The subcommittees serve a critical function and help to ensure that the Committee's work is addressed in the proper forum which allows the full Committee to focus its attention as necessary.

The continued support of the Community and School Association (CASA) is greatly appreciated by the Committee which wishes to extend its sincere thanks for the many contributions it makes to the school. CASA organized and/or funded many of the programs at the school over the past year including the annual Thanksgiving Feast, Citizen of the Month Luncheons, numerous dances, events and enrichment programs. These great activities would not be possible without CASA's involvement and support - or the numerous volunteers that help make it happen. Their contributions are essential to educational and cultural life of our students and community.

The entire Dennett faculty, staff and administration, with the tremendous support of parents, students and community members continue to make our Dennett Elementary School a welcoming and comfortable place that encourages learning and growth to flourish.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jon Wilhelmsen, Chair  
Jason Fraser, Vice Chair  
Stephanie Domey, Secretary  
Michael Antoine  
Lynn Kaupp

**PLYMPTON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT  
MEMBERSHIP  
October 1, 2017**

Grade	K	SC	1	SC1	2	SC2	3	SC3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
Elementary	29	1	28	1	34	1	16	5	32	28	32							207
Secondary									32	40	35	36	34	33	210			
GRAND TOTAL																	417	



## **REPORT OF THE DENNETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PETER S. VENETO JR., PRINCIPAL**

2017 was another great year for the students of Dennett Elementary School. Our annual Spelling Bee was held in February and Alyssa Lesieur was the big winner.

In the spring, our students participated in MCAS 2.0 testing in the areas of English/Language Arts and Mathematics. This was the first time our students took this brand new assessment and it was all completed online. Our students performed very well. Grade 5 students also completed the Science/ Technology and Engineering MCAS assessment.

Our long time Math Tutor, Mrs. Jennifer Bradford, decided to move back to her home state of Oregon. Mrs. Maria Barlow has taken over that position. Our School Nurse, Mrs. Renee Smith, moved back into a hospital setting in Boston for employment. Mrs. Colleen Gadles is our new School Nurse. We are excited for our new hires and we wish Jennifer and Renee all the best as they move forward with their new ventures.

Our DARE program is entering its ninth year under the eye of Officer Dana Smith. Officer Smith and I have worked hard to create a program that is appropriate and relevant to our students here in Plympton. Once again this summer, Dennett students attended the Plymouth County District Attorney's DARE Summer Camp. They had five days of fun and entertainment all free of charge. I truly appreciate Chief Dillon supporting the DARE program here at Dennett.

In October, the Plympton Fire Department came into the school to conduct fire safety lessons with our students. The lessons were well received by students and staff alike. Fourteen students were chosen to be "Team Captains" and were rewarded with a ride to school on the Fire Truck. Thank you to Chief Borsari for making that happen.

Students and staff hold some kind of a fundraiser each year to benefit others in need. Once again this year Grade 6 decided to support Pinktober. Students made a small donation each day and wore pink clothing to school each day for a week. The event was a lot of fun for the students and the money went to National Breast Cancer Foundation. Once again this Holiday season, families in need were assisted by the Ryan Benjamin Nicotri Fund. Thank you to Mrs. Sarah Nicotri for her generosity towards our students and families.

During this summer, many of our teachers attended training for a program called Responsive Classroom. This is a classroom/school management system that promotes respect and socially acceptable behaviors. One of the components that we have adopted this year is the idea of monthly "Community Meetings". This is a chance for the entire school to come together and recognize various classroom achievements. Each month, a different grade level hosts the Community Meeting and each month has a different theme. It has been a great success so far.

In order to prepare our students for the future, one of our focus areas in technology this year was to increase our student's understanding and hands on experience with coding and robotics. All Dennett students participated in this year's Hour of Code and also all Grade 5 students are working to complete the 20 hour [code.org](http://code.org) programming course. Additionally, this year we acquired the Lego WeDo 2.0 Robotics kits which are designed to enhance grades 3 & 4 student skills in science, engineering, and technology. We are excited to begin using them this spring. Students in Grade 6 will again work with WeVideo (a video editing program that is also used in the Middle School) but this year

they will have a state of the art video recording device to use called a Padcaster. No longer will sound or storage be a problem when recording videos! The Padcaster can also be used to record our community meetings and other gatherings.

Dennett served the community in a number of capacities this year. We hosted games and practices for the PYBA. The Boy Scouts held their Annual Pine Wood Derby here. Multiple Girl Scout troops met here throughout the year. The Girls Scouts hosted their Craft Fair here, as well. Youth Soccer and Girls Softball stayed busy on our fields all year long. Many wonderful things occurred here beyond students learning in classrooms.

Our Community and School Association, (CASA) once again provided a number of activities for our students. Mrs. Sarah Prario tirelessly served another year as Chairperson of CASA. They organized our Thanksgiving Feast, Winter Festival, Holiday Bazaar, dances, Teacher Appreciation Luncheon and many sixth grade events. I truly appreciate all of the people who volunteered for CASA to make special memories for our students.

I hope you all have a safe and happy year. It is my pleasure working as the Dennett School Principal.

**Silver Lake Regional High School**  
**Graduating Class of 2017**

<b>First Name</b>	<b>Middle Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Town</b>
William	Kiril	Badot	Plympton
James	Bradford	Cohen	Plympton
Brian	David	Ferreira, Jr.	Plympton
Vincent	Andrew	Govoni	Plympton
Jack	Lawrence	Johnson	Plympton
*Daniel	Andrew	Karparis	Plympton
Sarah	Bailey	Kasanovich	Plympton
Chyrief	Vaughn	Kenku	Plympton
Lauren	Elizabeth	Kuketz	Plympton
*†Madison	Rose	Laudermilk	Plympton
Timothy	James	Lavigne	Plympton
*Nicole	Marie	Lyons	Plympton
Karissa	Lee	Macdonald	Plympton
Jacob	Henry	McKenney	Plympton
*Caroline	Crispina	Spencer	Plympton
Jacob	Arthur	Stetson	Plympton
*Allison	Rourke	Tappen	Plympton
Samantha	Rea	Walsh	Plympton
Alexander	Franklin	Yurewicz	Plympton

\*denotes National  
Honor Society  
†denotes Outstanding  
service to class

**SILVER LAKE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
MICHAELA S. GILL, INTERIM PRINCIPAL  
2017 HIGHLIGHTS**

The staff and students at Silver Lake Regional High School continue to strive for achievement and excellence in all areas. We have strong academic programs, rigorous courses, a multitude of extra-curricular offerings, and a community that rallies to support us in every way that they can.

One area that we are focusing on is meeting the gap narrowing goals among all students, including high needs and students with disabilities. To improve student performance in our school, we are working with our special education department, curriculum coordinators and department chairs to examine our performance on the 2017 MCAS exam. We will continue to reflect to improve our practices in order to meet our gap narrowing goals. We are confident that our student performance will continue to improve.

It is the collective goal of all of our teachers, Department Chairpersons, Curriculum Coordinators and Administration for every student to score Proficient or Advanced on the English Language Arts, Science and Mathematics MCAS exams. MCAS results from Spring 2017 indicate that 99% of our students passed the ELA exam on the first testing period and 96% of our students received Advanced or Proficient scores. I am proud to share that 97% of our students passed the Mathematics exam on the first testing period, with 90% reaching Advanced or Proficient. Finally, 98% of our students passed the Physics MCAS exam. Ninety four students in the Class of 2018 have earned the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship for their performance on ELA and Math MCAS.

The Class of 2017 met the graduation requirements set forth by the Silver Lake Regional School Committee and on June 3, 2017, 272 students graduated during our commencement ceremony. Graduates were joined by members of the Class of 1966, celebrating their 50th reunion, as well as proud family members and friends. A few days earlier, members of the Class of 2017 received approximately \$130,000 in local scholarships and awards. Many students also received additional scholarships granted directly from the colleges and universities they enrolled in.

The College Board has identified Silver Lake Regional High School as a "School of Distinction" for our students' achievements on the Advanced Placement exams. In May 2017, we had 242 students take 517 Advanced Placement exams. Out of the 242 students, 191 of them received a score of 3 or higher on their exam. This year we are excited to introduce an additional AP course in the area of computer science. Student achievement on the SAT exam continues to grow. The average SAT score for students in the Class of 2017 was 580 in Critical Reading and Writing, and 570 in Mathematics.

Our students are successful outside of the classroom as well. Close to 90% of our student body participates in extracurricular activities such as student government, class council, clubs and service organizations, National Honor Society, music, drama and athletics.

At Silver Lake Regional High School we believe in the success of each and every student. We work together as a staff to support our students in a safe learning environment built on trust and respect for one another. We are ALL IN, EVERY DAY!

## **SILVER LAKE REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL, JAMES E. DUPILLE, PRINCIPAL HIGHLIGHTS, 2017**

This is truly an exciting and historic time at Silver Lake Regional Middle School. Our academic program continues to get stronger, rigorous and rich and our extra-curricular offerings remain vibrant. Most importantly, student achievement is at an all-time high. As we continue to grow our academic programming, our focus remains on student achievement and maximizing growth for all students.

The State classifies all schools into one of five accountability Levels (1 - 5) with the highest performing in Level 1 and lowest performing in Level 5. This year, that state is recalibrating the test as we transition to MCAS 2.0, and is not classifying public middle schools by level.

SLRMS 2017 MCAS 2.0 scores in ELA shows 70% of our students scored Proficient or Above. In Mathematics, 67% of our students scored Proficient or Above. In 2017 Science MCAS, 60% of our students scored Proficient or Above, and we were 18% above the State Average.

All departments are working on writing to text, common assessments, and evaluating student data. Each department will be incorporating literacy, numeracy and interdisciplinary units into their curriculum.

Also, we expanded our program of studies to include the following new courses at SLRMS:

- 7th Grade Technology/Engineering
- Automation and Robotics (Grade Seven)
- Applied STEM (Grade Eight)
- Literacy in the Digital Age
- World Cultures

To communicate effectively with our community, we continue to utilize and expand the use of SwiftReach our communication platform. We use the SwiftReach messaging system to alert all homes of important events or announcements. Also, each faculty member has an email account and a phone extension to facilitate communication with parents. Each teacher is also encouraged to have their own website. Also, we publish a Summer newsletter, a monthly parent information letter, schedule six days for parent conferences, and encourage parents to access PowerSchool regularly.

In addition to the pursuit of academic excellence, students participate and make a difference in a variety of ways beyond the classroom. Over 83% of the student body participates in extra-curricular activities and athletics. Musical and dramatic productions continue to inspire. Such exemplary events include vocal and instrumental concerts, the fall and spring drama production, for instance, last fall's musical, "The Grunch."

Our goal at SLRMS is to provide all students with a safe and nurturing environment in which they can learn and grow. We remain focused on our *Core Values of Respect, Responsibility, and Academic Excellence*, embracing the theme of *One World, One School, and One Family* as a school community.

**2017 ANNUAL REPORT  
SILVER LAKE SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Towns of Halifax, Kingston, and Plympton, Massachusetts  
Including a Report of the Silver Lake Regional School District

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Paula Hatch, Chairman	Term Expires 2019
Mr. James Lormer, Vice Chairman	Term Expires 2019
Ms. Maureen Springer, Secretary	Term Expires 2018
Mr. Mark Aubrey	Term Expires 2018
Mr. Eric Crone	Term Expires 2019
Mr. Edward Desharnais	Term Expires 2020
Mr. Jason Fraser	Term Expires 2020
Mr. Mark Guidoboni	Term Expires 2018
Mrs. Laura Tilton	Term Expires 2020

The Silver Lake Regional School Committee meets at 7:00 p.m., on the second Thursday of each month at the Silver Lake Regional High School or Silver Lake Regional Middle School.

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICE**

Mrs. Joy Blackwood	Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Jill Proulx	Assistant Superintendent
Mrs. Marie Grable	Administrator of Special Education
Mrs. Leslie Erikson	Assistant Administrator of SpEd
Ms. Christine Healy	Director of Business Services

In addition to all legal holidays, schools will be closed on the Friday following Thanksgiving and on Good Friday.

*NO SCHOOL* announcements will be broadcasted on radio stations WATD (95.9 FM) and WBZ (1030 AM) and on television stations WBZ (Channel 4), WCVB (Channel 5), WHDH (Channel 7), WFXT (Fox 25) and WLVI (Channel 56) between 5:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.

## **2017 ANNUAL REPORT SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

The 2017-2018 school year was one of meeting the challenges facing our District with “out of the box” ideas and being adaptive to change. We, the School Committee, Silver Lake Administration, and staff, in conjunction with town officials, worked as a team to ensure the students served by the Region, continue to receive the best overall educational experience we can provide.

The School Committee, building Principals and Administration, submitted a budget to the Towns that while not affording any luxuries, did allow the schools to retain our programs and extracurricular activities. Great strides continue to be made in many areas, in particular with respect to our Special Education services positioning the Region to keep more of our students “in-district”. Making this a reality has many benefits, educationally and emotionally for our students, as well as financially for our Towns.

The capital needs of our buildings and grounds continued to be addressed, as outlined in our long-term Capital Plan, in order to maintain the integrity of our facilities. As our facilities continue to age, attention must be given to aggressively addressing these ongoing needs.

The School Committee would like to extend our deepest appreciation to all the community members and businesses that have supported the district programs through their generous donations of time, materials, and monetary support.

As we begin to plan for Fiscal 2019 we recognize the continued economic challenges facing the towns of Halifax, Kingston and Plympton. We will continue to find the appropriate balance between the needs of our regional schools and the ability of the towns to support those needs.

The Silver Lake Regional School Committee would like to thank the Silver Lake Regional employees for their dedication to our schools. We are also grateful for the continued support of the three communities. The School Committee invites residents of the three towns to attend the School Committee’s meetings which are held on the second Thursday of each month on the Silver Lake school campus.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paula Hatch, Chair  
James Lormer, Vice-Chair, Legislative Agent  
Maureen Springer, Secretary  
Jason Fraser, Treasurer and Legislative Agent  
Edward Desharnais, Assistant Treasurer  
Mark Guidoboni, Eric Crone, Mark Aubrey, and Laura Tilton

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BUDGET 2016- 2017

		2016- 2017 BUDGET	2017 - 2018 BUDGET	% INC/DCR
REGULAR DAY				
1101	SCHOOL COMMITTEE	134,350	134,350	0.00%
1201	SUPERINTENDENTS' OFFICE	1,015,187	1,041,599	2.60%
2101	SUPERVISION	753,073	763,478	1.38%
2201	PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	914,261	887,377	-2.94%
2300	TEACHING	10,104,840	10,331,245	2.24%
2350	PROFESSIONAL DEV.	57,900	57,900	0.00%
2400	TEXTBOOKS	28,613	79,406	177.52%
2450	INST. HARD & SOFTWARE	255,697	274,075	7.19%
2500	LIBRARY	234,060	208,715	-10.83%
2600	AUDIO VISUAL	8,600	8,707	1.24%
2700	GUIDANCE	917,562	974,017	6.15%
3200	HEALTH	120,780	126,105	4.41%
3300	TRANSPORTATION	958,611	999,439	4.26%
3400	FOOD SERVICE	59,598	59,958	0.60%
3500	ATHLETICS	8,102	37,600	364.08%
4110	CUSTODIAL	1,074,115	1,113,709	3.69%
4130	UTILITIES	853,860	796,860	-6.68%
4210	MAINTENANCE/GROUNDS	118,000	114,000	-3.39%
4220	MAINTENANCE/BUILDINGS	427,700	404,090	-5.52%
4230	MAINTENACE/EQUIPMENT	154,280	167,960	8.87%
5100	RETIREMENT	863,449	923,517	6.96%
5200	INSURANCE	3,165,803	3,303,789	4.36%
5300	LEASE	5,880	8,000	36.05%
7300	ACQUISITION/EQUIPMENT	3,900	0	-100.00%
7400	REPLACEMENT/EQUIPMENT	500	0	-100.00%
TOTAL REGULAR DAY		22,238,721	22,815,896	2.60%
SPECIAL EDUCATION				
2210	SUPERVISION	279,342	295,142	5.66%
2300	TEACHING	1,113,068	1,356,951	21.91%
2280	PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	29,725	19,385	-34.79%
2330	TRANSPORTATION	61,510	77,000	25.18%
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION		1,483,645	1,748,478	17.85%
GRAND TOTAL		23,722,366	24,564,374	3.55%

School Report 2017 Budget voted by towns



**SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS - UMAS BASIS**  
June 30, 2017

UNAUDITED	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE		FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE	ACCOUNT GROUP	TOTAL
	General	Special Revenue	Trust and Agency Accounts	General Long-term Debt	June 30, 2017
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,104,891	\$	\$ 354,134	\$	\$ 3,459,025
Investments			25,427		25,427
Accounts receivable	272,276		190		272,466
Interfund receivable		397,290	355		397,645
Amounts to be provided for payment of long-term obligations				12,000,000	12,000,000
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,377,167</u>	<u>\$ 397,290</u>	<u>\$ 380,106</u>	<u>\$ 12,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,154,563</u>
	3,118,531				
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Withholdings and benefits payable	\$ 808,032	\$	\$	\$	\$ 808,032
Accrued vacation	166,462				166,462
Amounts due to students			134,395		134,395
Other liabilities			355		355
Interfund payable	258,636	117,053	21,956		397,645
General obligation bonds payable				12,000,000	12,000,000
Total liabilities	<u>1,233,130</u>	<u>117,053</u>	<u>156,706</u>	<u>12,000,000</u>	<u>13,506,889</u>
<b>FUND EQUITY</b>					
Reserved for encumbrances	118,590				118,590
Amounts held in trust - scholarships			197,973		197,973
Amounts held in trust - OPEB			25,427		25,427
Unreserved:					
Undesignated	1,363,368	280,237			1,643,605
Designated for OPEB	25,000				25,000
Designated for capital improvements	637,079				637,079
Total fund equity	<u>2,144,037</u>	<u>280,237</u>	<u>223,400</u>		<u>2,647,674</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$ 3,377,167</u>	<u>\$ 397,290</u>	<u>\$ 380,106</u>	<u>\$ 12,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,154,563</u>

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF PERMANENT DEBT  
2016-2017

PURPOSE	YEAR OF ISSUE	YEAR OF MATURITY	ORIGINAL ISSUE	PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING
MIDDLE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION	2015-2016	2025-2026	11,104,000.00	5,930,000.00
HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION	2009-2010	2026-2027	9,044,000.00	6,070,000.00

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CONSTRUCTION COSTS  
2016-2017 BUDGET

SUMMARY OF TOWN ASSESSMENTS

TOWNS	TOTAL
Halifax	511,155.62
Kingston	811,310.96
Plympton	163,450.92
TOTAL	1,485,917.50

CONSTRUCTION - MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Principal Due	1,030,000.00
Interest Due	455,917.50
TOTAL PRINCIPAL & INTEREST	1,485,917.50
CONSTRUCTION ASSESSMENT	1,485,917.50

PLYMPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
2016- 2017 BUDGET  
FINAL CLOSEOUT TRIAL BALANCE

		TOTAL AVAILABLE	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	BALANCE
<b>REGULAR DAY</b>				
1100	SCHOOL COMMITTEE	15,120.00	13,054.87	2,065.13
1200	SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	55,181.09	55,750.14	-569.05
2200	PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	156,796.00	156,829.79	-33.79
2300	TEACHING	1,304,549.19	1,262,569.70	41,979.49
2350	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOP.	6,000.00	4,814.10	1,185.90
2400	TEXTBOOKS	23,080.00	16,310.06	6,769.94
2450	INST. HARD & SOFTWARE	77,309.00	71,132.58	6,176.42
2500	LIBRARY	92,083.00	89,777.16	2,305.84
2600	AUDIO VISUAL	2,300.00	2,007.62	292.38
3100	ATTENDANCE	100.00	100.00	0.00
3200	HEALTH	48,662.00	54,014.57	-5,352.57
3300	TRANSPORTATION	111,026.00	130,487.40	-19,461.40
3400	FOOD SERVICE	600.00	612.00	-12.00
4110	CUSTODIAL	130,770.01	154,540.62	-23,770.61
4130	UTILITIES	111,750.00	96,660.50	15,089.50
4210	MAINTENANCE/GROUNDS	1,000.00	62.65	937.35
4220	MAINTENANCE/BUILDINGS	95,000.00	100,863.88	-5,863.88
4230	MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT	15,000.00	11,198.88	3,801.12
7300	ACQUISITION/EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00
7400	REPLACEMENT/EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL REGULAR DAY</b>		<b>2,246,326.29</b>	<b>2,220,786.52</b>	<b>25,539.77</b>
<b>LESS: SCHOOL CHOICE</b>		<b>(25,000.00)</b>		
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>				
2210	SUPERVISION	20,112.63	19,895.75	216.88
2230	TEACHING	220,769.93	227,687.09	-6,917.16
2270	GUIDANCE	90,746.00	92,093.76	-1,347.76
2280	PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	32,000.00	55,707.37	-23,707.37
2330	TRANSPORTATION	108,235.00	90,634.79	17,600.21
2900	PROGRAMS WITH OTHERS	561,182.00	466,845.25	94,336.75
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>		<b>1,033,045.56</b>	<b>952,864.01</b>	<b>80,181.55</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>3,254,371.85</b>	<b>3,173,650.53</b>	<b>80,721.32</b>
9320	VOCATIONAL EDUCATION	225,000.00	170,737.90	54,262.10

**SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
2016 - 2017 OPERATING BUDGET  
FINAL CLOSEOUT TRIAL BALANCE**

	<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
<b>REGULAR DAY</b>			
1100 SCHOOL COMMITTEE	134,350.00	121,574.44	12,775.56
1200 SUPERINTENDENTS' OFFICE	1,015,187.00	1,028,423.64	-13,236.64
2100 SUPERVISION	753,073.00	759,290.67	-6,217.67
2200 PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	914,261.00	874,709.04	39,551.96
2300 TEACHING	10,104,839.00	9,966,832.13	138,006.87
2350 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	57,900.00	89,181.23	-31,281.23
2400 TEXTBOOKS	28,613.00	27,769.24	843.76
2450 INST. HARD & SOFTWARE	255,697.00	255,640.08	56.92
2500 LIBRARY	234,060.00	231,795.71	2,264.29
2600 AUDIO VISUAL	8,600.00	5,450.43	3,149.57
2700 GUIDANCE	917,562.00	958,973.41	-41,411.41
3200 HEALTH	120,780.00	120,595.26	184.74
3300 TRANSPORTATION	958,612.00	985,814.52	-27,202.52
3400 FOOD SERVICES	59,598.00	58,783.00	815.00
3500 ATHLETICS	8,102.00	8,968.50	-866.50
4110 CUSTODIAL	1,074,115.00	1,157,291.02	-83,176.02
4120 HEATING	0.00	0.00	0.00
4130 UTILITIES	853,860.00	816,446.38	37,413.62
4210 MAINTENANCE/GROUNDS	118,000.00	117,511.10	488.90
4220 MAINTENANCE/BUILDINGS	427,700.00	534,596.97	-106,896.97
4230 MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT	154,280.00	134,750.55	19,529.45
5100 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	863,449.00	871,195.71	-7,746.71
5200 INSURANCE	3,165,803.00	2,834,786.09	331,016.91
5300 LEASE	5,880.00	4,784.74	1,095.26
5400 SHORT TERM INTEREST	0.00	0.00	0.00
7300 ACQUISITION/EQUIPMENT	3,900.00	0.00	3,900.00
7400 REPLACEMENT/EQUIPMENT	500.00	498.99	1.01
<b>TOTAL REGULAR DAY</b>	<b>22,238,721.00</b>	<b>21,965,662.85</b>	<b>273,058.15</b>
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>			
2210 SUPERVISION	279,342.00	276,373.88	2,968.12
2230 TEACHING	1,113,068.00	1,324,940.46	-211,872.46
2280 PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	29,725.00	13,205.71	16,519.29
2330 TRANSPORTATION	61,510.00	72,343.42	-10,833.42
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>	<b>1,483,645.00</b>	<b>1,686,863.47</b>	<b>-203,218.47</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>23,722,366.00</b>	<b>23,652,526.32</b>	<b>69,839.68</b>

**SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES - UMAS BASIS**  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

UNAUDITED

	<b>GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>
	<b>General</b>	<b>Special Revenue</b>	<b>June 30, 2017</b>
<b>Revenues</b>			
Member town assessments	\$ 15,876,894	\$	\$ 15,876,894
Tuition charges	339,158	1,681,050	2,020,208
Charges for services	976,994	1,849,108	2,826,102
Intergovernmental	8,198,922		8,198,922
Departmental and other	384,887	845,229	1,230,116
Total revenues	25,776,855	4,375,387	30,152,242
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Administration	1,139,836		1,139,836
Instructional services	14,883,378	3,152,959	18,036,337
School services	1,173,161	929,788	2,102,949
Operations and maintenance	2,707,819	39,094	2,746,913
Employee benefits and other insurances	3,668,582		3,668,582
Capital outlay	483,295		483,295
Debt service:			
Principal	1,030,000		1,030,000
Interest	455,918		455,918
Total expenditures	25,541,989	4,121,841	29,663,830
Revenues over (under) expenditures	234,866	253,546	488,412
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>			
Transfers out	(25,000)		(25,000)
Total other financing sources and uses	(25,000)		(25,000)
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	209,866	253,546	463,412
Fund balance - beginning of year	1,934,171	26,691	1,960,862
Fund balance - end of year	\$ 2,144,037	\$ 280,237	\$ 2,424,274

# REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

## TOWN OF PLYMPTON BALANCE SHEET June 30, 2017

### GENERAL FUND

Cash		\$	1,820,124.54
Petty Cash		\$	50.00

Personal Property	\$	27,702.79	
Real Estate	\$	249,937.37	\$ 277,640.16

Allowance for Abatements		\$	(207,799.13)
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Tax Liens	\$	317,086.79	
Tax Possessions	\$	24,922.92	
Res. For Uncol. Receivables	\$	(342,009.71)	\$ -

Def. Property Taxes Dues	\$	11,074.39	
Res. For Def. Property Taxes Due	\$	(11,074.39)	\$ -

Motor Vehicle Excise	\$	91,649.55	
Res. For Uncollected Excise	\$	(91,649.55)	\$ -

Farm Animal Excise	\$	151.64	
Def. Rev. Farm Animal Excise	\$	(151.64)	\$ -

Betterments	\$	7,015.09	
Assess. Conveyance Tax	\$	4,180.48	
Veteran Benefits Receivable	\$	43,725.05	
Roll Back Taxes	\$	1,846.95	
Allow. For Uncol. Receivables	\$	(56,767.57)	\$ -

TOTAL ASSETS AND DEBITS		\$	<u>1,890,015.57</u>
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Accrued Payroll Withholdings		\$	69,372.19
Payroll & Warrant Payable		\$	316,888.95

Other Liabilities			
Tailings	\$	17,413.96	
Deferred Rev. Propert Taxes	\$	69,841.03	\$ 87,254.99

Reserve for Petty Cash		\$	50.00
Prior Year Encumbrances		\$	327,520.74

Bond Premium		\$	7,314.34	
Appropriation Deficits		\$	(106,566.81)	
Unreserved Funds				
Res. For Expenditures	\$	321,019.50		
Undesignated Balance	\$	867,161.67	\$	<u>1,188,181.17</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES			\$	<u><u>1,890,015.57</u></u>

#### HIGHWAY FUNDS

Cash			\$	<u>(1,700.00)</u>
State Aid to Highways	\$	299,770.75		
Def. Rev. Ingevernmental	\$	<u>(299,770.75)</u>	\$	-
Fund Balance Chapter 90	\$	(1,700.00)		
Winter Rocervy Roads	\$	-	\$	<u><u>(1,700.00)</u></u>

#### SCHOOL GRANTS-FEDERAL & STATE

Cash			\$	<u>62,788.28</u>
Fund Balances				
Circuit Breaker Grant	\$	63,844.04		
Kindergarten Transition	\$	(232.54)		
Title I	\$	(3,023.22)		
Teacher Quality	\$	200.00		
Emergency Education Grant	\$	2,000.00	\$	<u><u>62,788.28</u></u>

#### TOWN GRANTS-FEDERAL & STATE

Cash			\$	<u><u>74,737.57</u></u>
Fund Balances				
Cultural Council	\$	3,808.94		
Survey & Planning Grant	\$	10,000.00		
Collins Center Grant	\$	10,000.00		
Board of Health Septic	\$	5,055.19		
Handi Persons Grant	\$	2,389.89		
Elder Affairs SIG Grant	\$	19.63		
Right to Know	\$	873.00		
Community Policing	\$	1,220.98		
Pol. Dept. Safety Gran	\$	1,680.83		
Board of Health Grant	\$	2,000.00		
Tercentennial Grant	\$	884.77		



Energy Grant	\$	35,387.50	
Fire Equipment Grant	\$	631.49	
Fire Dept. Grants	\$	5.75	
Election Grant	\$	779.60	<u>\$ 74,737.57</u>

#### REVOLVING FUNDS

Cash			<u>\$ 135,576.31</u>
Fund Balances			
School Choice	\$	86,250.00	
Student Activities	\$	18,785.31	
Tax Title Revolving	\$	24,499.72	
Recreation Dept.	\$	4,295.90	
Library Recoveries	\$	1,745.38	<u>\$ 135,576.31</u>

#### RECEIPTS RESERVED FUND

Cash			\$ 1,070,136.90
Ambulance Receivalbes	\$	248,502.09	
Def. Ambulance Rec.	\$	(248,502.09)	
Community Pres. Receivables	\$	115.85	
Def. Receivables	\$	(115.85)	<u>\$ -</u>
			<u>\$ 1,070,136.90</u>

State Aid to Libraries	\$	16,292.96	
Ins. Reimbursement over \$20,000	\$	217.64	
Ambulance Fee Fund	\$	460,125.24	
CPA-Open Space	\$	1,000.00	
CPA-Historic Resources	\$	27,228.50	
CPA-Community Housing	\$	77,859.00	
CPA-Undesignated Fund Balance	\$	418,317.56	
CPA-Reserve for Expenditure	\$	69,096.00	
TOTAL LIABILITIES			<u>\$ 1,070,136.90</u>

#### SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Cash			<u>\$ 279,317.01</u>
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Fund Balances			
Dennett Library Fund	\$	74,452.91	

Sysco Escrow	\$	5,368.48	
Sysco Road Gifts	\$	143.90	
Highway Escrow	\$	6,510.00	
School Gifts	\$	2,605.09	
Board of Health Escrow	\$	301.10	
Student Activities Gifts	\$	10,901.07	
Fire Dept. Gift	\$	150.00	
Sale of Town Property	\$	2,514.90	
Library Gift Fund	\$	10,542.99	
Planning Bd. Deposits	\$	123,369.75	
Consevation Notice of Intent	\$	10,641.25	
Agriculture Gift	\$	38.00	
Town House Gifts	\$	900.94	
Conservation Escrow	\$	1,239.74	
Veterans Dept. Gifts	\$	6,513.36	
Recreation Gift	\$	450.00	
Police & Dare Gifts	\$	3,339.12	
Historic Comm. Gift	\$	250.00	
300th Anniversary Gifts	\$	3,817.63	
Building Dept. Escrow	\$	35.00	
Jason Park Memorial Fund	\$	401.75	
Appeal Esrow	\$	14,830.03	<u>\$ 279,317.01</u>

#### CAPITAL PROJECTS

##### Cash-Capital Projects

Town Projects	\$	978.51	
Amt. to be Provided	\$	210,000.00	
Bans Payable	\$	(210,000.00)	
A/R Septic Loans	\$	2,807.37	
Def. Rev. Septic	\$	(2,807.37)	
			<u>\$ 978.51</u>

##### Fund Balances

Board of Health	\$	-	
Transfer Station	\$	25.30	
Highway Equipment	\$	953.21	<u>\$ 978.51</u>

#### TRUST FUNDS

Cash		<u>\$ 2,309,256.09</u>
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Fund Balances

Investment Funds	\$	2,728.86	
Sale of Lots	\$	49,011.93	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$	124,345.62	
TOPLA Library Fund	\$	90,580.47	
Law Enforcement Fund	\$	2,383.41	
OPEB Trust	\$	196,697.17	
General Stabilization	\$	775,586.86	
Stabilization	\$	1,067,921.77	
			\$ 2,309,256.09

AGENCY FUNDS

Cash			\$ 77,720.10
Agency Payables			
Performance Bonds	\$	48,065.10	
Treasurer Red. Fees	\$	12,386.79	
Collectors Liens	\$	(1,466.67)	
Town Clerk Fees	\$	2,942.74	
State Fire Arms	\$	8,714.51	
Police Extra Detail	\$	7,077.63	
			\$ 77,720.10

DEBT

Amount to be Provided			\$ 507,862.95
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Septic Loans	\$	12,862.95	
School Building	\$	495,000.00	
			\$ 507,862.95

Loans Authorized			\$ 1,453,074.00
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Loans Authorized and Unissued			\$ (1,453,074.00)
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Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara A. Gomez

TOWN OF PLYMPTON - COMBINED BALANCE SHEET  
30-Jun-17

ASSETS	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT	TRUST & AGENCY	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
Cash	\$ 1,820,174.54	\$ 1,620,856.07	\$ 978.51	\$ -	\$ 2,386,976.19	\$ 5,828,985.31
Receivables	.					
Real Estate & Personal Property	\$ 277,640.16					\$ 277,640.16
Tax Liens & Possessions	\$ 342,009.71					\$ 342,009.71
Farm Animal	\$ 151.64					\$ 151.64
Def. Property Due	\$ 11,074.39					\$ 11,074.39
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 91,649.55					\$ 91,649.55
Departmental	\$ 56,767.57	\$ 248,617.94				\$ 305,385.51
Other-Septic			\$ 2,807.37			\$ 2,807.37
Intergovernmental & Loans	\$	\$ 299,770.75	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 507,862.95		\$ 1,017,633.70
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,599,467.56	\$ 2,169,244.76	\$ 213,785.88	\$ 507,862.95	\$ 2,386,976.19	\$ 7,877,337.34

LIABILITY & FUND EQUITY						
Liabilities						
Bonds Payable	\$ 316,888.95			\$ 507,862.95		\$ 507,862.95
Warrants Payable	\$ 69,372.19					\$ 316,888.95
Accrued Payroll Withholds	\$ 207,799.13					\$ 69,372.19
Reserve for Abatements						\$ 207,799.13
Deferred Taxes						
Real & Personal Prop.	\$ 69,841.03					\$ 69,841.03
Tax Liens & Possessions	\$ 342,009.71					\$ 342,009.71
Farm Animal	\$ 151.64					\$ 151.64
Def. Property Due	\$ 11,074.39					\$ 11,074.39
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 91,649.55					\$ 91,649.55
Other-Septic		\$ 2,807.37				\$ 2,807.37
Intergovernmental		\$ 299,770.75	\$ 210,000.00			\$ 509,770.75
Departmental	\$ 56,767.57	\$ 248,617.94				\$ 305,385.51
Other Liabilities	\$ 17,413.96				\$ 77,720.10	\$ 95,134.06
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 1,182,968.12	\$ 548,388.69	\$ 212,807.37	\$ 507,862.95	\$ 77,720.10	\$ 2,529,747.23

Fund Equity						
Pr. Year Encumbrances	\$ 327,520.74	\$ 1,620,856.07	\$ 978.51	\$ -		\$ 1,949,355.32
Res. For Expenditures	\$ 321,019.50					\$ 321,019.50

Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 867,161.67			\$ 2,309,256.09	\$ 3,176,417.76
Bond Premiums & Petty Cash Res.	\$ 7,364.34			\$	\$ 7,364.34
Overdrwn & Unprovided	\$ (106,566.81)			\$	\$ (106,566.81)
Teacher Deferrals	\$ -			\$	\$ -
Loans Authorized			\$ 1,281,313.00		\$ 1,281,313.00
Loans Authorized & Unissued			\$ (1,281,313.00)		\$ (1,281,313.00)
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ 1,416,499.44	\$ 1,620,856.07	\$ 978.51	\$ 2,309,256.09	\$ 5,347,590.11
TOTAL LIABILITY & FUND EQUITY	\$ 2,599,467.56	\$ 2,169,244.76	\$ 213,785.88	\$ 507,862.95	\$ 7,877,337.34

Outstanding Balances  
30-Jun-17

Year	Real Estate	Personal Property	Motor Vehicle	Overlays
1994	\$ 10,015.77	\$ -		
1995	\$ 3,052.48			\$ 2,817.59
1996	\$ 4,886.40	\$ 620.43	\$ -	\$ 5,149.00
1997	\$ 416.58	\$ 2,578.79	\$ -	\$ 2,995.37
1998	\$ 436.50	\$ 941.40	\$ -	\$ 1,378.90
1999	\$ 313.69	\$ 856.49	\$ -	\$ 1,170.18
2000	\$ 2,910.12	\$ 2,433.05	\$ -	\$ 247.20
2001	\$ 1,074.75	\$ 3,226.26	\$ -	
2002	\$ 1,391.62	\$ 2,360.33	\$ -	\$ 2,360.33
2003	\$ 2,092.42	\$ 2,011.63	\$ 22.50	\$ 2,069.86
2004	\$ 774.66	\$ 4,451.58	\$ -	\$ 5,226.24
2005	\$ 2,167.86	\$ 4,006.87	\$ -	\$ 4,142.70
2006	\$ 981.11		\$ -	\$ 1,016.15
2007	\$ 1,030.77	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,368.65
2008	\$ 1,296.19	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 160.19
2009	\$ 1,002.62	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,155.48)
2010	\$ 909.60	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,305.79
2011	\$ 939.03	\$ -	\$ 1,230.42	\$ 1,093.78
2012	\$ 3,146.02	\$ -	\$ 1,442.10	\$ 3,324.86
2013	\$ 3,190.49	\$ -	\$ 1,457.40	\$ 6,342.57
2014	\$ 4,788.91	\$ -	\$ 1,777.19	\$ 44,091.39
2015	\$ 5,596.87	\$ -	\$ 2,805.23	\$ 48,846.36
2016	\$ 28,481.29	\$ 65.24	\$ 14,031.72	\$ 15,304.74
2017	\$ 169,473.26	\$ 4,150.72	\$ 68,882.99	\$ 58,542.76
2018	\$ (431.64)			
Totals	\$ 249,937.37	\$ 27,702.79	\$ 91,649.55	\$ 207,799.13

8/28/2017

**UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE ANALYSIS**  
**30-Jun-17**

Balance - June 30, 2015		\$	538,254.23
Less:			
Annual Town Meeting Free Cash Votes	\$	316,448.00	
Special Town Meetin Free Cash Votes	\$	10,000.00	
Adj. to old bank balances	\$	30,969.69	
Adj. to negative Chap 90 Carried for years	\$	32,214.51	
Encumbrances-Budgets	\$	13,483.82	
Encumbrance-Articles	\$	314,036.92	\$ 717,152.94
			<u>\$ (178,898.71)</u>
Add:			
Tax Title Revenue	\$	40,886.81	
Snow & Ice & approp. Cable Deficit	\$	106,566.81	
Prior Year Encumbrances	\$	507,290.13	\$ 654,743.75
			<u>\$ 475,845.04</u>
Closing Entries:			
Local Estimated Receipts	\$	1,306,167.05	
State Revenue	\$	924,647.66	
Property Tax Revenue	\$	8,555,558.12	
Tax Title Recap Excess	\$	15,000.00	
Other Financial Sources	\$	987,213.46	\$ 11,788,586.29
			<u>\$ 12,264,431.33</u>
Less:			
Expenditure Control	\$	10,621,568.24	
Over/Under Assessments	\$	1,059.68	
Other Financial Uses	\$	774,641.74	\$ 11,397,269.66
			<u>\$ 867,161.67</u>
<b>Undesignated Fund Balance</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b><u>867,161.67</u></b>

Deficit Balances- Received  
6/30/2017

Accounts	Amount	Date Received
Chapter 90 Funds	\$ 1,700.00	
Kindergarden Transition	\$ 232.54	
Title One	\$ 3,023.22	1801.80 8/2017
Collectors Liens/Deputy Fees	\$ 1,466.67	



# OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

6/30/2017

Description	Amount
Free Cash - Annual	\$ 312,522.00
Free Cash - Spec May 17	\$ 10,000.00
Overlay	\$ 20,000.00
Ambulance Funds	\$ 135,000.00
Capital Stabilization	\$ 509,691.46
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 987,213.46</b>

# OTHER FINANCING USES

6/30/2017

Description	Amount
Snow & Ice Deficit	\$ 109,645.74
Recap Tax	\$ 15,000.00
New Cap. Stabilization	\$ 484,569.00
New Gen Stabilization	\$ 165,427.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 774,641.74</b>

# TOWN TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

30-Jun-17

## Tax Collections

Real Estate - Current Year	\$ 7,699,130.56
Real Estate - Prior Years	\$ 138,772.50
Personal Property - Current Year	\$ 732,873.82
Personal Property - Prior Years	\$ 1,801.61
Motor Vehicle Excise - Current Year	\$ 412,112.02
Motor Vehicle Excise - Prior Years	\$ 79,201.82
Betterments	\$ 393.75
Farm Animal Excise	\$ 1,411.19
Tax Title	\$ 40,886.81
Penalties and Interest	\$ 79,246.91
In Lieu of Taxes	\$ 209,101.05

TOTAL TAX COLLECTIONS \$ 9,394,932.04

## RECEIPTS

Departmental Receipts	\$ 304,929.52
Permits	\$ 217,346.70
Court Fines	\$ 383.70
Vendor Refunds	\$ 28,218.26
Interest on Investments	\$ 2,434.14

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$ 553,312.32

Payroll Withholdings	\$ 1,478,383.65
Chapter 90	\$ 506,506.37
State Aid	\$ 934,820.66

\$ 2,919,710.68

## GRANTS

School Grants	\$ 106,682.01
Fire Equipment Grant	\$ 1,065.00
Cultural Council	\$ 4,436.96
Collins Grant	\$ 11,250.00
Energy Grant	\$ 35,387.50
Elections Grant	\$ 958.00
Handi-persons Grant	\$ 5,880.00

TOTAL GRANTS \$ 165,659.47

## REVOLVING FUNDS

Library	\$ 1,453.21
Student Activities	\$ 13,723.52
Deputy Fees	\$ 12,854.00

Tax Title Revolving	\$	79.62	
Recreation Revolving	\$	4,525.00	
School Choice	\$	36,250.00	
TOTALS			\$ 68,885.35

Receipts Reserved	\$	21,200.55	
Ambulance Fees	\$	286,119.00	
Donations and Gifts	\$	122,740.63	
Interest on Trusts	\$	198,077.37	
Agency accounts	\$	121,246.92	\$ 749,384.47

**Treasurer/Collector Salary**

Appropriated	\$	56,782.00
Expended	\$	56,782.00

**Treasurer/Collector Expense**

Appropriated	\$	56,029.00
Expended	\$	53,682.55
	\$	-

# EXPENDITURES

30-Jun-17

## GENERAL FUND-DEPARTMENTS

Town Meeting Moderator	\$	100.00
Town Coordinator	\$	51,330.00
Selectmen	\$	32,644.83
General Government Articles	\$	490,664.33
Finance Committee	\$	1,671.60
Town Accountant	\$	42,124.40
Assessors	\$	79,448.62
Assessors Revaluation	\$	13,417.93
Treasurer/Collector	\$	113,584.96
Legal Department	\$	56,688.21
Town Services	\$	20,450.20
Town Clerk	\$	59,760.64
Election and Registrations	\$	12,198.64
Conservation	\$	4,638.60
Zoning Enforcement Officer	\$	11,575.00
Planning Board	\$	1,082.70
Appeals Board	\$	541.16
Town Building	\$	10,495.66
New Town House	\$	17,610.40
Utilities	\$	46,410.09
Police Department	\$	849,759.27
Police Vehicles	\$	67,482.19
Police Articles	\$	28,686.53
Fire Department	\$	81,688.87
Fire Articles	\$	110,752.93
Fire Services	\$	118,406.99
Fire EMS Service	\$	351,023.15
Building Dept.	\$	34,307.50
Plumbing and Gas	\$	6,980.00
Wire	\$	29,732.94
Cemetery Maintenance- Int. Trans.	\$	-
Civil Defense	\$	2,000.00
Dog Officer	\$	10,750.00
Animal Inspector	\$	1,416.00
Tree Department	\$	17,249.03
Plympton Schools	\$	3,371,062.73
School Article	\$	30,125.00
Silver Lake Regional School	\$	2,144,956.56
Highway	\$	457,995.74
Highway Articles	\$	243,119.55

Waste Collecion and Disposal	\$	166,364.87	
Cemetery Department	\$	10,462.70	
Health Offices	\$	31,855.48	
Council on Elder Affairs	\$	31,587.38	
Veterans Services	\$	59,857.13	
Memorial Day Committee	\$	258.68	
Open Space Committee	\$	1,421.81	
Library	\$	138,976.00	
Recreation Dept.	\$	3,494.67	
Park Dept.	\$	8,037.99	
Debt Service	\$	43,000.00	
Interest & Dennett School Exclusion	\$	81,927.70	
Retirement	\$	481,229.00	
Unemployment Insurance	\$	-	
Group Health Insurance	\$	324,408.42	
Other Miscellaneous	\$	94,818.44	
Liability Insurance	\$	119,935.02	
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS			\$ 10,621,568.24

#### FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS

Chapter 90 - State Funds	\$	508,872.86	
School Grants	\$	160,086.42	
General Government Grants	\$	13,313.17	
DARE - Comm of Mass	\$	706.99	
Public Safety Grants	\$	433.51	
Council on Aging Grants	\$	3,491.90	
Cultural Council	\$	3,201.78	
TOTAL FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS			\$ 690,106.63

#### REVOLVING FUNDS

Tax Title Revolving	\$	1,545.00	
Student Activity Fund	\$	6,267.52	
Library Recoveries	\$	168.67	
Recreation	\$	1,000.00	
TOTAL REVOLVING FUNDS			\$ 8,981.19

#### RECEIPTS RESERVED

Ambulance Fees	\$	15,314.53	
Library State Aid	\$	1,835.67	
Conservation Funds	\$	9,790.72	
TOTAL RECEIPTS RESERVED			\$ 26,940.92

#### OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

General Gov. Gifts

Harry Jason Park - Gifts	\$	1.85	
Conservation Escrow	\$	607.15	
Appeals Board Escrow	\$	2,628.62	
Planning Board	\$	8,512.50	
Board of Health	\$	1,516.38	
Veterans Gifts	\$	2,246.94	
Highway Dept. Escrow	\$	2,500.00	
Library Gifts	\$	1,492.32	
Dennett Library Gift	\$	2,700.00	
TOTAL OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE			\$ 22,205.76
TRUST FUNDS			
Law Enforcement	\$	1,523.41	
TOTAL TRUSTS			\$ 1,523.41
AGENCY FUNDS			
Paid to Other agencies	\$	134,025.55	
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS			\$ 134,025.55

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Heavy rain in 2017 destroyed extreme drought in Massachusetts of previous years; however, Southern New England is still more than 20" below the average rainfall for the last 5 years. Almost every year since 2012 has been below average so many town water supplies are still recovering. One should be aware that the negative effects of drought on plant growth and health may continue to be a problem. Insect damage to trees in town was very limited this year but many trees have died due to drought stress.

Corrective maintenance pruning and tree removals are the core of the 2017 tree work activity. Hazard trees were identified as part of patrols; major tree removal work occurred throughout the town. I contracted tree companies for some of the work that required aerial lifts because the trees were too hazardous to climb or could not be managed from the ground. Hazard tree work in 2017 was majority of cost.

2017 insect & disease season monitoring of Winter Moth, Gypsy Moth and other defoliators resulted in a decline of damage in Plympton. Due to the wet spring the beneficial fungus *Entomophaga maimaiga* came to the rescue this year resulting in 95%+ mortality of Gypsy Moth caterpillars towards the end of June. Property owners can control the damage of defoliators on specimen or high value trees with a plant health care professional that will recognize the critical timing of an application(s). Be mindful of these pests as you consider tree management and planting.

Trees are an important part of the community. Although trees seem to be under constant attack we can help the most valued trees by watering when allowable and increasing vigor in the trees by pruning out dead and provide proper mulching. Proper mulching is applying 2-3 inches total of hardwood chips a few inches away from the trunk of the tree out to the canopy edge if practical.

Respectfully submitted,

*William N Hayes Jr*

William Hayes  
Plympton Tree Warden

## **VETERANS SERVICES**

Over the last year the Veterans Services Division has continued to provide five primary missions and continue to expand services in the social work field.

### **Primary Mission**

To care for and assist low income Plympton Veterans, unemployed Veterans, Homeless Veterans, and Spouses of Veterans in obtaining financial assistance for food, shelter, clothing, fuel, and medical care from all sources available under both federal and Massachusetts General Laws to which they are entitled. Spouses of deceased Veterans are provided with the same benefits as if the Veteran were still living. Perform outreach programs to reach the widest audience possible to inform and educate the public what Veterans Services do for the Veterans and the Community.

### **Second Mission**

To assist Veterans in filing Veterans Administration (VA) Compensation and Pensions, MA State Annuities, tax abatements and enrolling in the VA Health Care system. Assist family members in filing for benefits from both the State and Federal government that they are entitled too. Assist in obtaining military records, medical records, discharge papers, awards, grave markers, and tax abatements.

### **Third Mission**

We have 1 trained SHINE counselor to assist Veterans in the complicated process of understanding the MEDICARE system to help them choose the best options in medical coverage, drug prescription plans, and how long-term care works. Services are also provided in assisting the elderly in applying for the Medicare buy-in program, MassHealth, Low-income Subsidy and Prescription Advantage.

### **Forth Mission**

Helping Veterans obtaining assistance that are specific to elderly Veterans such as Adult Daycare and home health care working through VA Social Workers and Old Colony Elderly Services.

### **Fifth Mission**

The division continues to assist all veterans regardless of income with assistance in obtaining wheel chairs, power chairs, ramps, adjustable beds, and anything else that is a quality of life issue for Veterans through a network of Veterans Agents around the state. It also assists all veterans and family members regardless of income on other avenues of approach that may be available to them like Social Security or Department of Labor programs.

Plympton serves all Veterans and their families the best we can regardless of income.

The past year the Office of Veterans Services continues its outreach program. The office will assist the low income and needy veterans of Plympton, and the office provides them with medical and financial assistance that in many cases they did not know they were entitled to.



The office continues to assist veterans in filing for health care thru the VA Health Care System. Due to the rising cost of commercial health care, the VA provides comparable care, that in most cases the veteran would otherwise not be able to afford.

The office continues to provide assistance in filing VA Compensation and Pension Claims.

Veterans Agent is available by phone anytime and will see clients by appointment.

Respectively Submitted,

Roxanne Whitbeck

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