

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF
NEW MARLBOROUGH
MASSACHUSETTS



For the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

First Settled	1739
Area	28,046 acres
Incorporated	June 15, 1759
Elevation	1,200 feet
Road mileage	89
Residents (2018)	1,350
Registered Voters (2017)	1,080

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Federal and State Representatives

Senators in Congress:	Edward J. Markey
	Elizabeth A. Warren
Representative in Congress:	Richard E. Neal
Governor:	Charles Baker
Lieutenant Governor:	Karyn Polito
State Senator:	Adam Hinds
Representative in General Court:	William Smitty Pignatelli

Town Services

Emergency Calls Police, Fire and Medical Dial 911

Services	Telephone	Meeting Dates
Accounting Officer:	229-7784	Fridays 9:00 am – Noon
Board of Appeals:	229-8116	On Chairman’s Call
Board of Assessors:	229-8926	At Library: 4th Wednesday of month - 9 a.m.
Board of Health:	229-8469	2 nd Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.
Board of Selectmen:	229-8116	Mondays, 6:00 p.m.
Cemetery Commission:	229-2890	On Chairman’s Call
Emergency Management:	229-8278	On Call
Conservation Commission:	229-8116	Third Saturday of Month, 10:00 a.m.
Dog Officer:	232-7038	On Call
Finance Committee:	229-8278	On Chairman’s Call
Highway Department:	229-8165	Monday – Friday 7:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.
Inspector of Buildings:	229-0277	Monday, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m./Thursday 8 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Planning Board:	528-0616	1st & 3rd Wed. Month, 7:00 p.m.
Public Library:	229-6668	<u>November 1st – March 31st</u> Tues. & Thurs. 1:30-5:30 p.m. Mon., Wed. & Sat. 10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Fridays, 1:30-7:30 p.m.
		<u>April 1st – October 1st</u> Tuesdays & Fridays, 1:30 - 7:30 p.m. Wed & Sat., 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Mon. & Thurs. 1:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Town Clerk:	229-8278	Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Tax Collector:	229-8963	Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Town Treasurer:	229-7784	Monday – Tuesday 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Transfer Station:	229-2116	Sun. & Wed. – 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Sanitary Inspector:	229-8469	On call
Plumbing Inspector:	229-8019	On call
Wiring Inspector:	528-2823	On call
Gas Inspector:	229-8019	On call
Oil Burner Inspector:	229-8100	On call

Elected Officers

Office	Officer(s)	Term Expires
Board of Selectmen	Michele Shalaby, Chair	2018
	Tara B. White	2021
	Nathaniel H. Yohalem	2020
Town Clerk	Katherine M. Chretien	2020
Moderator	Barry Shapiro	2019
Board of Assessors	Marsha Pshenishny, Chair	2019
	Frederick Friedman	2020
	Wendy Miller	2018
Planning Board	Peter Tiso, Chair	2022
	Mark Carson	2020
	James Mullen	2019
Board of Health	Lawrence H. Davis, III, Chair	2020
	John Bellinger	2019
	Jordan Chretien	2021
Cemetery Commission	Tammi Palmer	2019
	James Palmer	2020
	Robert Palmer	2018
Finance Committee	Steven Klein, Chair	2021
	John Pshenishny	2018
	Sandra Fusco-Walker	2018
	Robert Miller	2020
	Marilyn Fracasso	2019
	Steven Klein	2020
	Prudence Spaulding	2019

Office	Officer(s)	Term Expires
Library Trustees	Brian Mikesell, Chair	2019
	Sally Turner	2020
	Claudette Callahan	2021
Tree Warden	Nate Redman	2019
Constable	David Herrick	2019
School Committee	Jane Burke	2022
	David Travis	2020

Appointed Officers

Administrative Secretary	Sharon Fleck	2019
Board of Registrars	Michelle Dawson	2019
	Alicia Brazie	2019
	Sharon Fleck	2019
Conservation Commission	Freddie Friedman	2019
	John Schreiber	2019
	Rona Easton	2019
	David Hosford	2019
	David Herrick	2019
Board of Appeals	Courtney Turner, Chair	2019
	B. Daniel Litchfield	2019
	Sharon Fleck	2019
	Jack Bellinger, Alternate	2019
	Helen Liveten	2019
Town Administrator (Contract)	Anne Marie Enoch	2019
Chief Procurement Officer	Anne Marie Enoch	2019
Animal Control Officer	John Springstube	2019
Inspector of Animals	Prudence Spaulding	2019
Board of Health Agent	Scott McFarland	2019
Accounting Officer	Tara B. White	2019
Tax Collector	Gina Campbell	2019
Assistant Tax Collector	Kathy Chretien	2019
Assistant Treasurer - Tax Title	Gina Campbell	2019
Town Treasurer	Marilyn Fracasso	2019
Assistant Town Treasurer	Katherine M. Chretien	2019
Field Driver/Fence Viewer	Prudence Spaulding	2019
Moth Superintendent	Lawrence H. Davis, Jr.	2019
Burial/Soldier Grave Agent	Courtney K. Turner	2019
Town Counsel	Jeremia Pollard, Esq.	2019

Gas Inspector	Robert Krupski	2019
Assistant Gas Inspector	Donald Hopkins	2019
Pound Keeper	John Springstube	2019
Plumbing Inspector	Robert Krupski	2019
Assistant Plumbing Inspector	Donald Hopkins	2019
Veterans Agent	Laurie Hills	2019
Police Chief (Contract)	Graham Frank	2019
Fire Chief (Contract)	Charles Loring, III	2019
Highway Super. (Contract)	Charles Loring, III	2019
Provisional Building Inspector	Owen Wright	2019
Wiring Inspector	Michael Leining	2019
Alternate Wiring Inspector	Lawrence "Butch" Ray	2019
	Jim Kern	2019
Cultural Council	Nancy Barbe, Chair	2020
	Nan Smith	2019
	Barbara Lowman	2019
	Sue Cohen	2020
	Kathy Potoski	2020
	Louise Yohalem	2020
	Richard Long	2020
	Wendy Miller	2020
	Holly Valente	2020
	Linda Fass	2021
	Marjoree Shapiro	2021
	Alice Fahs	2021
Historical Commission	David Hosford	2019
	Claudette Callahan	2019
	Helen Liveten	2019
	John Schreiber	2019
Right-to-Know Officer	Board of Selectmen	2019
	Larry Burke, Asst.	2019
Commission Delegate		
Alternate Regional Planning	Lonn Combs	
Commission		
Lake Buel Restoration	Christopher Hassett	
Preservation District		

Representative		
Council on Aging	Prudence Spaulding, Chair	2019
	Marsha Harvey	2019
	Joan Hotaling	2019
	Merrie Abolafia	2019
Director of Senior Services	Prudence Spaulding	2019
Umpachene Park Commission	Robert Twing	2019
	Warren Weldon	2019
	Courtney A. Davis	2019
	Vacant	
Emergency Management Dir.	Ed Harvey	2019
Deputy Emergency Mgr. Dir.	Robert Litchfield	2019
Solid Waste Coordinator	Freddie Friedman	2019
Part-Time Police Officers	Daniel Hamill	2019
	Ed Deming	2019
	Hunter Lucey	2019
	Dominick Crupi	2019
	Gary Lemon	2019
	John Mullen	2019
Agricultural Commission	Jan Johnson	2019
	Tom Brazie	2019
	Eli Cook	2019
AdHoc Cannabis Commission	Eugene Cleary	2019
Brackers (disbanded)	Daniel Doern	2019
	Bill Kelly	2019
	Barbara Kelly	2019
	Jackson Liscomb	2019
	Richard Long	2019
	Barbara Marchione	2019
	Eric Schaeffer	2019
	Rebecca Schreiber	2019
	Mike Shocket	2019
	Sandra Walker	2019
	Jeff Wallman	2019
	Louise Yohalem	2019
Broadband Committee	Richard Long, Chairman	
(served at the pleasure of the	Tom Stalker, Secretary	

Board of Selectmen)	Steven Klein	
	Michele Shalaby	
Commission on Disabilities	Kelly McGuire, Chair	2020
	Tom Stalker, Secretary	2021
	Marilyn Fracasso	2019
	John Hotaling	2019
	John Pshenishny	2021
	Prudence Spaulding	2019
	Michele McAuley Shalaby	2019
	Board of Selectmen Liaison	
Non Board of Selectmen Appointees		
	Sharon Fleck	2019
	Marsha Pshenishny	2019
	James Mullen	2019
	David Smith	2019
	Bob Dvorchik	2019
	Maureen Krecji	2019

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Fiscal Year 2018 July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

This was a busy year for the Board of Selectmen as they continued working on projects that were on-going while tackling new projects and challenges.

Some of the highlights of this year were:

- 1) The continued efforts to bring broadband service to New Marlborough. Throughout the year, there were negotiations with companies, new procurements that were done with other Towns and negotiations with the State to secure monies to be sure the project was affordable to the residents. In June, Board of Selectmen accepted the recommendation to enter into a grant agreement with Charter Communications for the Town. A special thank you should be given to the Broadband Committee who worked tirelessly, dedicating endless hours to this project.
- 2) The Town entered into a Community Development Block Grant with the Town of Cheshire. The money will be used to help low-moderate income homes with needed repairs on their homes.
- 3) Worked with the other four district Towns to establish a Regional Assessment Committee to look at the Regional School Agreement and the possibility of changing the school funding formula for the Towns.
- 4) Signed a joint letter with the Housatonic Valley Association advising residents of the evaluation, by volunteers, of the Konkapot River.
- 5) Worked with other Towns on regional options for Emergency Services, road materials, joint employee positions and discussion on repair options for Route 57 from the Monterey line to the Granville line by the State. Joined with the Southern Berkshire Regional School District on the purchase of employee health insurance.
- 6) Met with Lt. Gov. Karen Polito and discussed the following: The State takeover of Route 57, changing the school assessment formula and Broadband.
- 7) Roadwork continued with the completion of the Clayton Mill River Road project. This was funded by a MA Works Grant for \$1M. A new MA Works grant was prepared for road work on Route 57.
- 8) The State completed and opened the Hadsell Street Bridge in June and began the process of designing and engineering the Umpachene Falls Bridge. The Southfield Bridge, Lumbert Cross Road Bridge and Canaan Southfield Bridges are also being scheduled for repair sometime in 2020. The Town entered into a contract with Beta Engineering, a pavement management company, to complete a survey of all of the Town's roadways and advise what actions need to be done on each one.

9) Established an American with Disabilities Commission to help going forward with the ADA compliance of municipal buildings.

10) Restructured the Building Department. Tom Carmody announced his retirement and Owen Wright was made Conditional Local Inspector.

By far the most controversial issue that we faced was the Special Permit Application for a marijuana establishment in New Marlborough. Whether you agreed with this or not, emotions ran high and a division occurred in the residents in Town. The Special Permit hearing ended in the withdrawal of the application by the applicant, Oasis LLC. A citizen's petition for a Temporary Moratorium on Marijuana Establishments until June 30, 2019 was approved at a vote by the Town in April. This will give the Town and Planning Board more time to write appropriate by-laws limiting what will and will not be allowed in Town.

The Town received two solar array applications this year. Park Avenue Solar applied for a 3 megawatt ground mounted photovoltaic project to be located at 540 and 646 Mill River Southfield Road. This was approved in April with conditions. CVE North America, Inc. applied for a 5 megawatt ground mounted photovoltaic project to be located at 1248 Great Barrington Mill River Road. This was approved in June with conditions.

The Board and the Town are lucky to have dedicated and loyal employees who work co-operatively together. The work isn't always easy, but if it needs to get done, they are there to take on the challenge to keep the Town running smoothly.

We also owe our volunteers, who step up to the plate and take on many of the committee positions, a great debt of gratitude. These are people who don't get paid and work many hours on projects that may go on for a long time.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara B. White

TOWN OF NEW MARLBOROUGH

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES - MAY 7, 2018

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM on Monday, the 7th day of May, 2018 in the Town Hall in Mill River Village by Moderator, Barry Shapiro. Mr. Shapiro welcomed voters to the Annual Town Meeting. Mr. Shapiro also mentioned that fifty-five (55) of town/cities are having their town meeting today in Massachusetts. One hundred twelve (112) voters were present. Pledge of allegiance was done. Mr. Shapiro reminded voters to check in and that the yellow voter's cards will be used for each article and the process of the meeting; and that the purpose of the meeting is to act on the 38 articles. Mr. Shapiro noted that the warrant was duly posted by the constable, Mr. David Herrick. Mr. Shapiro welcomed Mr. Owen Hoberman to give an invocation. After the greetings were done a motion was made, seconded and so voted to waive the reading of the warrant.

Article 1: To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers or any committee of the Town.
A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as agents of the Town in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 2 of the General Laws for the purpose of bringing suit or suits in the name of the Town and on its behalf, and to adjust, litigate, defend, compromise, settle, and execute any and all documents pursuant to any settlement on behalf of the Town for such amounts as the Selectmen shall determine in their decision to be proper and in the best interest of the Town, or to take any other vote in relation thereto.
A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to seek and accept any grants, or to take any other vote in relation thereto.
A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint any member or members thereof to other office(s) or position(s) for a term as provided by law (if any), or otherwise for a term not to exceed one year and to fix the salary and compensation in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 4A of the General Laws, or to take any other vote in relation thereto.
A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to appoint an agent for the Board of Health who may be a member of the Board of Health, under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 4A of the General Laws, subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen, or to take any other vote in relation thereto.
A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to appoint an agent for the Conservation Commission, who may be a member of the Conservation Commission, under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 4A of the General Laws, subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen, or to take any other vote in relation thereto.
A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize any Town Board to appoint any member thereof to another office or position, subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for a term as provided by law (if any), or otherwise for the term not to exceed one year, and to fix the salary and compensation in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 4A of the General Laws or to take any other vote in relation thereto.

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to accept any and all money appropriated by the Executive Office of Transportation and Massachusetts Highway Department, subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen, said sums to be used for the purpose of repairing roads, or to take any other vote in relation thereto.

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to accept any and all money appropriated by the Executive Office of Veterans Affairs and appropriate said amounts, subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to the Veterans Benefits Trust Fund for the purpose of paying veteran benefits under Chapter 115 of the General Laws, or to take any other vote in relation thereto.

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to affix the salaries of various elected Town Officers, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

	FY19	+/-	FY18
Board of Selectmen (each, 3 members)	\$2,850.00		\$2,850.00
Town Moderator	\$145.00		\$145.00
Town Clerk	\$ 32,020.00	\$ 628.00	\$31,392.00
Assessors (chairman)	\$2,200.00		\$2,200.00
Assessors (each, 2 members)	\$1,900.00		\$1,900.00
Board of Health (chairman)	\$450.00		\$450.00
Board of Health (each, 2 members)	\$400.00		\$400.00
Cemetery Commissioners (chairman)	\$150.00		\$150.00
Cemetery Commissioners (each, 2 members)	\$125.00		\$125.00
Constable	\$475.00		\$475.00
Tree Warden	\$1,250.00	\$250.00	\$1,000.00
Library Trustees (chairman)	\$120.00		\$120.00
Library Trustees (each, 2 members)	\$100.00		\$100.00
School Committee Representatives	\$1,650.00	\$150.00	\$1,500.00

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

General Government

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amounts recommended, or any other amounts, for the following purposes, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

	FY19	+/-	FY18
1 Moderator	\$145.00	\$-	\$145.00
2 Selectmen Salaries	\$8,550.00	\$-	\$8,550.00
3 Selectmen Expenses	\$3,000.00	\$200.00	\$2,800.00
4 Contingency	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00
5 Conservation Commission Expenses	\$1,400.00	\$(600.00)	\$2,000.00
6 Conservation Commission Clerical	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$-
7 Town Counsel	\$10,000.00	\$-	\$10,000.00
8 Town Administrator Salary	\$35,021.00	\$687.00	\$34,334.00
9 Administrative Secretary Salary	\$29,715.00	\$583.00	\$29,132.00
10 Website	\$2,475.00	\$(350.00)	\$2,825.00
11 Finance Committee Expenses	\$500.00	\$-	\$500.00
12 Accounting Officer Salary	\$18,431.00	\$362.00	\$18,069.00
13 Accounting Officer Expenses	\$4,515.00	\$-	\$4,515.00
14 Assessors Salaries	\$6,000.00	\$-	\$6,000.00
15 Assessors General Expenses	\$1,800.00	\$(100.00)	\$1,900.00
16 Assessors Tax Map Update	\$2,500.00	\$(400.00)	\$2,900.00
17 Assessors Consultant	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$-
18 Assessors Property Cards Online	\$1,600.00	\$-	\$1,600.00
19 Assessors Clerk Salary	\$18,779.00	\$369.00	\$18,410.00
20 Assessors Computer Contingency	\$4,628.00	\$108.00	\$4,520.00
21 Assessors Revaluation Account	\$16,500.00	\$-	\$16,500.00
22 Tax Collector Computer Service	\$6,830.00	\$325.00	\$6,505.00
23 Tax Collector Salaries	\$26,177.00	\$514.00	\$25,663.00
24 Tax Collector Expenses	\$6,255.00	\$175.00	\$6,080.00
25 Treasurer Salary	\$18,089.00	\$355.00	\$17,734.00
26 Assistant Treasurer Salary	\$2,000.00	\$-	\$2,000.00
27 Treasurer Expenses	\$3,300.00	\$-	\$3,300.00
28 Treasurer Software	\$3,975.00	\$111.00	\$3,864.00
29 Tax Title (Collector)	\$1,300.00	\$800.00	\$500.00
30 Tax Title (Treasurer)	\$6,000.00	\$	\$6,000.00
31 Town Clerk Salary	\$32,020.00	\$628.00	\$31,392.00
32 Town Clerk Expenses	\$2,200.00	\$-	\$2,200.00
33 Town Records Preservation	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00
34 Election Expenses	\$2,225.00	\$-	\$2,225.00
35 Street Listing	\$800.00	\$-	\$800.00
36 Agricultural Commission	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$-
37 Planning Board Expenses	\$873.00	\$-	\$873.00
38 Planning Board Clerical	\$1,300.00	\$-	\$1,300.00
39 Board of Appeals	\$300.00	\$-	\$300.00
40 Clerical	\$8,809.00	\$173.00	\$8,636.00
41 Town Officers Expenses	\$-	\$(200.00)	\$200.00
42 Town Hall Expenses	\$34,500.00	\$-	\$34,500.00

43 Town Hall Custodian	\$8,324.00	\$164.00	\$8,160.00
44 Town Officers Bonds	\$800.00	\$(400.00)	\$1,200.00
45 Printing	<u>\$1,800.00</u>	<u>\$(200.00)</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
Total Article 11	\$346,736.00	\$9,604.00	\$337,132.00

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards, except for line #31 which was held for discussion. After the explanation line #31 was approved by a show of cards.

Highways/Public Works

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,800.00 from the Perpetual Care Interest Account and appropriate said amount to the Cemetery Expense Account for the purpose of maintaining the town cemeteries, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00, or any other amount, for the purpose of defraying any associated right of way expenses in connection with the replacement of the bridge over the Konkapot River on Umpachene Falls Road, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amounts recommended for the following purposes, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

	FY19	+/-	FY18
1 Roads and Bridges Salaries	\$301,130.00	\$6,477.00	\$294,653.00
2 Roads and Bridges Expenses	\$192,000.00	\$-	\$192,000.00
3 Highway Training Expenses	\$-	\$(2,300.00)	\$2,300.00
4 Electricity	\$-	\$(4,000.00)	\$4,000.00
5 Propane	\$10,000.00	\$-	\$10,000.00
6 Diesel Fuel	\$40,000.00	\$(10,000.00)	\$50,000.00
7 Highway Uniforms and Gear	\$-	\$(3,000.00)	\$3,000.00
8 Winter Roads	\$266,334.00	\$-	\$266,334.00
9 Street Lights	\$4,848.00	\$-	\$4,848.00
10 Highway Department Expenses	\$26,300.00	\$9,138.00	\$17,162.00
11 Machinery Expense	\$80,000.00	\$-	\$80,000.00
12 Cemetery Officers Salaries	\$400.00	\$-	\$400.00
13 Cemetery Salaries	<u>\$37,550.00</u>	<u>\$737.00</u>	<u>\$36,813.00</u>
Total Article 14	\$958,562.00	\$(2,948.00)	\$961,510.00

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards, except for lines # 4, 5

& 7 which were held for discussion. After the explanation of lines #4, 5, & 7 were approved by a show of cards.

Schools:

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,650.00 for School Committee Representatives Compensation, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amounts recommended, for the following purposes, or to take any other vote in relation thereto.

(Not recommended by the Finance Committee)

	FY19	+/-	FY18
1 SBRSD Operating and Transportation	\$2,709,304.00	\$(113,026.00)	\$2,822,330.00
2 SBRSD Capital (Includes Bond)	<u>\$132,151.00</u>	<u>\$(55,039.00)</u>	<u>\$187,190.00</u>
Total Article 16	\$2,841,455.00	\$(168,065.00)	\$3,009,520.00

A motion was made, seconded and discussed. After discussion Article #16 was approved by a show of cards.

Culture and Recreation

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,800.00, or any other amount, and appropriate said amount, or any other amount, to the Library Project Fund, for the purpose of installing automatic door openers in the front doors of the library, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amounts recommended for the following purposes, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

	FY18	+/-	FY17
1 Library Expenses	\$45,915.00	\$867.00	\$45,048.00
2 Library Salaries	\$59,079.00	\$2,181.00	\$56,898.00
3 Library Trustees Salaries	\$320.00	\$-	\$320.00
4 Umpachene Falls Park	\$4,000.00	\$(300.00)	\$4,300.00
5 Care of Village Green	\$3,093.00	\$481.00	\$2,612.00
6 Cultural Council Trust Fund	\$1,000.00	\$-	\$1,000.00
7 Memorial Day	<u>\$700.00</u>	<u>\$-</u>	<u>\$700.00</u>
Total Article 18	\$114,107.00	\$3,229.00	\$110,878.00

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Protection of Persons and Property

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00, or any other amount, and appropriate said amount, or any other amount, to the Fire Department Equipment Account, towards the purchase of a turnout gear washing machine for the Fire Department, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$21,100.00 from the New Marlborough Rescue/Comstar Reserved Account and to appropriate said amount to the New Marlborough Rescue Expense Account for the purpose of the operation of the ambulance, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$25,250.00 from the New Marlborough Rescue/Comstar Reserved Account and to appropriate said amount to the New Marlborough Rescue Stipend Account for the purpose of staffing the ambulance, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amounts recommended for the following purposes, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

	FY18	+/-	FY17
1 Police Department Salaries	\$133,971.00	\$28,609.00	\$105,362.00
2 Police Department Expenses	\$24,450.00	\$1,750.00	\$22,700.00
3 Police Department Rental	\$9,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00
4 Constable Salary	\$475.00	\$-	\$475.00
5 Constable Expenses	\$95.00	\$-	\$95.00
6 Fire Protection	\$58,900.00	\$-	\$58,900.00
7 Fire Fighters Stipends	\$36,500.00	\$-	\$36,500.00
8 Fire Department Clerical	\$1,700.00	\$-	\$1,700.00
9 NM Rescue Clerical	\$4,992.00	\$-	\$4,992.00
10 Building Inspector Expenses	\$2,117.00	\$-	\$2,117.00
11 Building Inspector Salary	\$20,789.00	\$408.00	\$20,381.00
12 Building Inspector Software	\$2,845.00	\$145.00	\$2,700.00
13 Emergency Management Salary	\$4,330.00	\$-	\$4,330.00
14 Emergency Management Expenses	\$2,000.00	\$-	\$2,000.00
15 Animal Control Officer	\$3,711.00	\$-	\$3,711.00
16 Animal Inspector Compensation	\$1,500.00	\$900.00	\$600.00
17 Animal Inspector Expense	\$800.00	\$(260.00)	\$1,060.00
18 Tree Warden Salary	\$1,250.00	\$250.00	\$1,000.00

19 Tree Work	\$15,000.00	\$-	\$15,000.00
20 911 Coordinator Expenses	\$100.00	\$-	\$100.00
21 Emergency Notification System	\$2,600.00	\$100.00	\$2,500.00
22 Berkshire County Communications	<u>\$10,284.00</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$9,984.00</u>
Total Article 22	\$337,409.00	\$35,202.00	\$302,207.00

A motion was made, seconded and approved all except for line #1. After discuss line #1 was approved by a show of cards.

Health and Human Services:

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amounts recommended for the following purposes, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

	FY18	+/-	FY17
1 Household Hazardous Waste	\$1,399.00	\$199.00	\$1,200.00
2 Board of Health Salaries	\$1,250.00	\$-	\$1,250.00
3 Board of Health Expenses	\$1,500.00	\$(1,000.00)	\$2,500.00
4 Board of Health Clerical	\$5,000.00	\$-	\$5,000.00
5 Board of Health Software Expense	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$-
6 Transfer Station Expenses	\$72,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$69,000.00
7 Transfer Station Salaries	\$26,275.00	\$5,687.00	\$20,588.00
8 Community Health Program	\$1,000.00	\$-	\$1,000.00
9 Visiting Nurse Association	\$2,580.00	\$-	\$2,580.00
10 Mental Health	\$200.00	\$-	\$200.00
11 Berkshire Regional Purchasing	\$600.00	\$-	\$600.00
12 Council on Aging Transportation	\$5,720.00	\$113.00	\$5,607.00
13 Council on Aging Expenses	\$250.00	\$-	\$250.00
14 Senior Tax Workoff Expenses	<u>\$150.00</u>	<u>\$-</u>	<u>\$150.00</u>
Total Article 23	\$119,524.00	\$9,599.00	\$109,925.00

A motion was made, seconded approved all except for lines #7 & #13. After discussion line #7 was approved by a show of cards.

Debt and Interest

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amounts recommended for the following purposes, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

	FY18	+/-	FY17
1 2013 Town Hall Loan	\$-	\$(13,358.00)	\$13,358.00
2 2013 Highway Truck	\$-	\$(38,758.00)	\$38,758.00
3 2014 Highway Truck	\$24,420.00	\$(420.00)	\$24,840.00
4 2014 Loader	\$17,797.00	\$(306.00)	\$18,103.00
5 2015 Highway Truck	\$46,384.00	\$(892.00)	\$47,276.00

6	2015 Fire Truck	\$72,600.00	\$(2,200.00)	\$74,800.00
7	Interest Expense	\$-	\$(2,000.00)	\$2,000.00
8	Banking Services	\$-	\$(200.00)	\$200.00
	Total Article 24	\$161,201.00	\$(58,134.00)	\$219,335.00

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Unclassified Expenses

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000.00 or any other amount, for the purpose of funding the Stabilization Fund, or take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the recommended amounts, for the following purposes, or to take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

	FY18	+/-	FY17	
1	Berkshire County Retirement	\$144,689.00	\$19,678.00	\$125,011.00
2	Workers Compensation Insurance	\$16,500.00	\$(2,155.00)	\$18,655.00
3	General Insurance	\$68,000.00	\$(10,000.00)	\$78,000.00
4	Group Insurance	\$196,221.00	\$-	\$196,221.00
5	Insurance Reimbursement	\$5,000.00	\$-	\$5,000.00
6	Longevity Stipend	\$2,500.00	\$-	\$2,500.00
7	Medicare	\$13,500.00	\$800.00	\$12,700.00
8	Veterans District	\$6,671.00	\$113.00	\$6,558.00
9	Veterans Benefits Trust Chapter 115	\$12,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$10,000.00
10	Berkshire Regional Planning	\$1,173.00	\$(83.00)	\$1,256.00
11	Reserve Fund	\$50,000.00	\$-	\$50,000.00
	Total Article 26	\$516,254.00	\$10,353.00	\$505,901.00

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00, or any other amount, and appropriate said amount or any other amount to the Broadband Expense Account for the purpose of funding expenses relating to the procurement of town wide Broadband or take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee.)*

A motion was made, seconded. After the explanation Article #27 was approved by a show of cards.

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise, by borrowing, the sum of \$325,000.00 and appropriate said amount to the 2019 Grader Account for the purpose of purchasing a new Grader with plow and wing and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board

of Selectmen, to issue any bonds or notes that may be necessary for that purpose, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the 1992 Grader (amendment added here) or take any other vote in relation thereto. **(2/3 vote required)** *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made and seconded. A amendment motion was made to add the following to the article provided, however, that this vote shall not take effect unless and until the voter of the Town agree by vote to exempt from limitation on total taxes imposed by MGL chapter 59 section 21C (Proposition 2 ½) amounts required to pay the principal and interest on the borrowing authorized by this vote. After discussion Article #28 was approved as amended.

Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$260,000.00 or any other amount, from Free Cash and appropriate said amount, or any other amount, to the Roads Projects Account for the purpose of repairing town roads or take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)* **A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.**

Article 30: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$75,000.00, or any other amount, from Free Cash and appropriate said amount, or any other amount, to the Highway Garage Paving Account for the purpose of paving the driveway and parking areas at the town Highway Garage, or take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Not Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made, seconded and discussed. After discuss motion was defeated.

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$10,000.00, or any other amount, from Free Cash and appropriate said amount, or any other amount, to the Tree Maintenance Projects Account for the purpose of trimming and removing trees or take any other vote in relation thereto. *(Recommended by the Finance Committee)*

A motion was made, seconded. After discussion Article #31 was approved by a show of cards.

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote to accept portions of Umpachene Falls Road as public ways, as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen and shown on the plans entitled "Plan of Land Showing Proposed 2018 Town Layout and Easement Parcels in the Town of New Marlborough, Berkshire County, Mass.," dated February 12th, 2018, prepared by Gannett Fleming Inc., as said plan may be amended, and on file with the Town Clerk, for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of New Marlborough, and any drainage, utility, access, and/or other easements related thereto, all as shown on the plans, or take any other action relative thereto.

A motion was made, seconded. An amendment date of February 22, 2018 was inserted, since it was incorrect on the warrant. After discussion Article #32 was approved.

Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the following land parcels; and or, the rights in land parcels for the purpose of obtaining a secure and public right of way. This will allow for the construction and roadway safety

improvements for the construction of a new bridge on Umpachene Falls Road.

In Fee:	Total number of parcels:	Area (square feet):
Temporary Easement	4	18,661 +/-
Permanent Easement	3	351 +/-

Further that the Selectmen may acquire these parcels, or modifications of these parcels or other required parcels, through all legal means. This includes donations, purchase, or eminent domain. The subject parcels are currently identified on plans drafted by Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division dated January 5, 2018, titled “Umpachene Falls Road over Konkapot River N-08-010”, or take any other action relative thereto.

A motion was made, seconded. After discussion article #33 was approved by a show of cards.

Article 34: To see if the Town will vote to fix the maximum amount that may be spent during fiscal year 2019 without further appropriation for the revolving funds established in the General By-laws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies or other officers in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ as follows, or to take any other vote in relation thereto: *(Recommended by the Finance Committee.)*

<u>Authorized Revolving Funds</u>	<u>FY 19 Spending Limit</u>
Plumbing Inspector	\$7,500.00
Gas Inspector	\$ 5,000.00
Electrical Inspector	\$ 5,000.00
Board of Health	\$17,000.00
Tax Title Fees	\$25,000.00

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 35: To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the provisions of MGL Chapter 39, Section 9 to amend the General By-laws by inserting the following language under Section I Town Meetings, or take any other vote in relation thereto:

1.25 The location of the Annual Town Meeting, Special Town Meetings, and any other meetings of the Town, excluding any portions of said meetings relating to elections, may be held outside of the geographic limits of the Town at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen provided that the alternate location be in an adjoining Town.

A motion was made, seconded. After discussion article #35 was approved by a show of cards.

Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a Tax Agreement pursuant to MGL Chapter 59 Section 38H(b) and Chapter 164 Section 1, and/or any other enabling authority for any solar photovoltaic facilities located in Town for a term of up to 20 years, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems to be in the best interest of the Town, and to take any and all actions as may be necessary or convenient to accomplish the purpose of this article, or take any other vote in relation thereto. **A motion was made, seconded. After discussion article #36 was approved by a show of cards.**

Article 37: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 40 Section 8J and establish a permanent Commission on Disabilities to cause the full integration of participation of people with disabilities in New Marlborough. Such commission shall (1) research local problems of people with disabilities; (2) advise and assist municipal officials and employees in ensuring compliance with state and federal laws and regulations that affect people with disabilities; (3) coordinate or carry out programs designed to meet the problems of people with disabilities in coordination with programs of the Massachusetts office of disability (4) review and make recommendation about policies, procedures, services, activities and facilities of departments, boards and agencies of New Marlborough as they affect people with disabilities; (5) provide information, referrals, guidance and technical assistance to individuals, public agencies, businesses and organizations in all matters pertaining to disability; (6) coordinate activities of other local groups organized for similar purposes.

Said commission shall keep records of its meetings and actions and shall file an annual report which shall be printed in the town annual report and shall have at least ten meetings annually.

Said commission shall consist of not less than five and not more than 13 members to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen. A majority of said commission members shall consist of people with disabilities, one member shall be a member of the immediate family of a person with a disability and one member of said commission shall be either an elected or appointed official of New Marlborough. The terms of the first members of said commission shall be for one, two, or three years, and so arranged that the term of one-third of the members expires each year, and their successor shall be appointed for terms of three years each. Any member of said commission may, after a public hearing, if so requested, be removed for cause by the appointing authority. A vacancy occurring otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as an original appointment. The chairperson and other officers shall be chosen by a majority vote of said commission member, or take any other vote in relation thereto.

A motion was made, seconded and approved by a show of cards.

Article 38: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the proposed zoning amendments to the

Town of New Marlborough's Protective By-laws to provide for solar photovoltaic installations, as more particularly published in the supplementary document, copies of which are available in the Town Clerk's office and provided at the Annual Town Meeting, or take any other vote in relation thereto. **(2/3 vote required)**

8.9 Solar Photovoltaic Installations

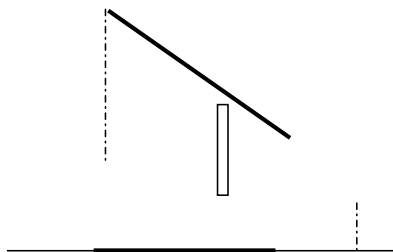
8.9.1 Purpose. The purpose of this by-law is to provide a permitting process for solar photovoltaic installations for cost-effective, efficient, and timely implementation to increase the use of distributed generation; to integrate these installations into the Town in a manner that minimizes their impacts on the character of neighborhoods, on property values, and on the scenic, historic, and environmental resources of the Town; and to protect health and safety.

8.9.2 Applicability. This section applies to solar photovoltaic installations proposed to be constructed after the effective date of this bylaw amendment. This section also applies to modifications that alter the type, number, configuration or size of any solar photovoltaic installation.

8.9.3 Definitions.

8.9.3.1 Applicant: A person or entity that has ownership of a lot(s) that may apply to construct a solar photovoltaic installation. The applicant for a project may also be the owner of said lot(s).

8.9.3.2 Impervious Area of a Solar Panel: The area of impervious surface of a solar panel shall be calculated as if the solar panel projects straight down to the ground on each side, as illustrated in the figure below.



8.9.3.3 Large-Scale Solar Photovoltaic Installation: A ground-mounted solar photovoltaic installation that occupies one eighth (1/8th) of an acre or more or occupies less than one eighth (1/8th) of an acre and generates electricity for the purpose of off-site use.

8.9.3.4 Operator: A person or entity that is primarily responsible for the daily operation of a solar photovoltaic installation.

8.9.3.5 Roof or Building-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation: A roof-mounted or building-mounted solar photovoltaic installation of any size.

8.9.3.6 Small-Scale Solar Photovoltaic Installation: A ground-mounted solar photovoltaic installation that occupies one eighth (1/8th) of an acre or less and generates electricity for the purpose of on-site use.

8.9.3.7 Solar Photovoltaic Installation: A device, structure, or structural design feature, the substantial purpose of which is to provide for the generation, collection, storage and distribution of solar energy.

8.9.4 Roof or Building-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installations.

8.9.4.1 A roof or building-mounted solar photovoltaic installation is allowed by right only after the issuance of a building permit by the Building Inspector.

8.9.5 Small-Scale Solar Photovoltaic Installations.

8.9.5.1 A small-scale solar photovoltaic installation may be allowed as a primary use or an accessory use after the issuance of a Special Permit by the Special Permit Granting Authority, in accordance with this section and Section 8.3 “Special Permit Granting Authority”.

8.9.5.2 Design Requirements.

- A. Height. A small-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall not exceed twenty feet (20’) in overall height.
- B. Setbacks. A small-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall not be placed closer than forty feet (40’) to the street line or twenty-five feet (25’) from side or rear lot lines.
- C. Screening. A small-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall be screened year-round with dense native vegetation from all adjoining properties and public and private ways. This requirement may be waived by the Special Permit Granting Authority.
- D. Vegetation Clearing. The clearing of vegetation shall be limited to that which is necessary for the construction, operation, maintenance, modification and removal of a small-scale solar photovoltaic installation.
- E. Habitat Fragmentation. A small-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall, to the greatest extent practicable, be clustered and located in or adjacent to areas of the site where the land has already been cleared of vegetation to avoid habitat fragmentation.
- F. Invasive Species. The introduction of invasive species shall be prevented to the

greatest extent practicable, during any construction or removal of a solar photovoltaic installation, through the use of current best practices.

G. Underground Utilities. All on-site utilities shall be located underground to the greatest extent practicable.

8.9.5.3 Filing Requirements.

Applications to construct or modify a small-scale solar photovoltaic installation must be submitted to the Special Permit Granting Authority in the form of site plan(s). The application package must include seven (7) physical copies and one (1) electronic copy in PDF format provided on a flash drive, CD or similar electronic version, or transmitted via email. The site plan(s) must include the following information, unless waived by the Special Permit Granting Authority:

- A. The names, mailing addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, and signatures of the owners.
- B. Physical address (if one exists) and the map, lot and block number of the proposed site.
- C. Property lines of the proposed site.
- D. Outlines of all existing and proposed buildings and structures on the proposed site.
- E. Distances from the proposed small-scale solar photovoltaic installation to the nearest point of the front, side and rear property lines.
- F. Height of the proposed small-scale solar photovoltaic installation.
- G. An official survey, only if there are wetlands on the proposed site within one-hundred feet (100') of the proposed small-scale solar photovoltaic installation, delineating the wetlands.
- H. Any vegetation to be removed or altered.

8.9.5.4 Lapse of Approval. Any Special permit shall automatically lapse if the small-scale solar photovoltaic installation is not installed and functioning within two (2) years or the small-scale solar photovoltaic installation is abandoned as defined in Section 8.9.5.5.

8.9.5.5 Abandonment and Removal

- A. A small-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall be deemed abandoned when the installation has not been in operation for a period of twelve (12) months.
- B. After twelve (12) months of non-operation, the Building Inspector shall provide written notification to the owner/operator that such small-scale solar photovoltaic installation is presumed to be abandoned. The owner/operator has thirty (30) days to rebut the presumption of abandonment by submitting evidence to the Building Inspector that the small-scale solar photovoltaic installation has been in operation the relevant twelve (12) month period.

- C. If the owner/operator does not respond within the thirty (30) day appeal period or does not submit evidence that, in the discretion of the Building Inspector, proves that the small-scale solar photovoltaic installation has been in operation for the relevant twelve (12) month period, then the small-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall be deemed abandoned. The Building Inspector shall provide written notification of abandonment to the owner/operator.
- D. The owner/operator of the small-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall remove the installation and restore the site within one-hundred eighty (180) days of the date of the written notification of abandonment. If the owner/operator fails to remove the small-scale solar photovoltaic installation within one-hundred eighty (180) days, the Town shall have the right, to the extent it is duly authorized by law, to enter onto the proposed site and physically remove the small-scale solar photovoltaic installation and restore the site at the sole expense of the owner/operator.

8.9.6 Large-Scale Solar Photovoltaic Installations.

8.9.6.1 A large-scale solar photovoltaic installation may be allowed as a primary use or an accessory use after the issuance of a Special Permit from the Special Permit Granting Authority in accordance with Section 8.9 and Section 8.3 “Special Permit Granting Authority.”

8.9.6.2 The construction, maintenance, operation, modification and removal of a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal requirements.

8.9.6.3 The applicant shall demonstrate ownership over the proposed site sufficient to allow for the construction and operation of a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation.

8.9.6.4 The applicant shall demonstrate that it has received conditional approval to connect a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation to the electric grid from the utility provider. Off-grid installations are exempt from this requirement.

8.9.6.5 The owner/operator of the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall maintain the site, at their own expense, according to an Operation and Maintenance Plan (OMP) to be submitted with the Special Permit application. The OMP shall be reviewed and approved by the local Fire Chief, Emergency Medical Service and Highway Superintendent, and/or their designee(s). The OMP shall also specify whether the owner or the operator is responsible for compliance with the plan. While the Special Permit Granting Authority may impose site specific requirements to be addressed by the OMP, the OMP shall describe the method of maintenance and party responsible for each of the following:

- A. Access roads
- B. Site access
- C. Stormwater control measures
- D. Security measures
- E. Signage
- F. Site lighting
- G. Structural repairs, including the solar photovoltaic installation equipment
- H. Vegetation and vegetation screening

8.9.6.6 Proof of liability insurance in an amount and form acceptable to the Special Permit Granting Authority shall be maintained until a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation has been removed. All subsequent owners/operators shall continue to provide proof of liability insurance in the form and amount approved by the Special Permit Granting Authority to the Building Inspector on an annual basis.

8.9.6.7 Financial Surety.

- A. Prior to construction, applicants seeking to construct a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall provide a form of surety to cover the cost of removal and restoration of the site in the event the site is abandoned. The amount and form of surety shall be determined by the Special Permit Granting Authority, but in no instance shall the amount exceed one-hundred twenty-five (125%) percent of the estimated cost of removal. Applicants shall submit a fully inclusive cost estimate, which accounts for inflation, of the costs associated with the removal of the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation prepared by a registered professional engineer. Said cost estimate shall be reviewed by the applicant, or any successor, every five (5) years from the date of the final installation and adjusted as necessary. This updated cost estimate shall be transmitted to the Special Permit Granting Authority.
- B. No less than ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of any financial surety required by this bylaw, the current operator of the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall provide the Building Inspector with renewed, extended or replacement financial surety in an amount and form determined by the Special Permit Granting Authority in accordance with this bylaw.

8.9.6.8 Design Requirements.

- A. Height. A large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall not exceed twenty feet (20') in overall height.
- B. Setbacks. A large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall not be placed closer than forty feet (40') to the street line or twenty-five feet (25') from side or rear lot lines.
- C. Lighting. No lighting of the solar photovoltaic installation is permitted, except for manually operated lights for use only when operating personnel are on site.
- D. Screening. A large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall be screened year-

round with dense native vegetation from all adjoining properties and public and private ways.

- E. **Vegetation Clearing.** The clearing of vegetation shall be limited to that which is necessary for the construction, operation, maintenance, modification and removal of a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation.
- F. **Habitat Fragmentation.** A large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall, to the greatest extent practicable, be clustered and located in or adjacent to areas of the site where the land has already been cleared of vegetation to avoid habitat fragmentation.
- G. **Invasive Species.** The introduction of invasive species shall be prevented to the greatest extent practicable, during any construction or removal of a solar photovoltaic installation, through the use of current best practices.
- H. **Security Measures.** A large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall be secured with a seven foot (7') high fence constructed to prevent unauthorized persons from accessing the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation.
- I. **Signs.** The owner/operator shall install signs at a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation as determined by the Special Permit Granting Authority for public safety and shall include emergency contact number(s).
- J. **Emergency Access.** A large-scale solar photovoltaic installation and access roads shall be constructed and maintained to allow for safe access by emergency vehicles.
- K. **Emergency Response Plan.** The owner/operator of a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall develop an emergency response plan and provide copies to the Town's fire chief and police chief.
- L. **Underground Utilities.** All on-site utilities shall be located underground except where the utilities connect into the electric grid at the property boundary.

8.9.6.9 Findings Required. In addition to the findings required in Section 8.3.4, before granting a Special Permit for a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation, the Special Permit Granting Authority shall find that the proposed large-scale solar photovoltaic installation:

- A. Is not detrimental to the long term agricultural viability of the Town.
- B. Minimizes the amount of clearing of forested land.
- C. Is not sited on ridgelines.
- D. Is not detrimental to important scenic views or vistas in the Town.

8.9.6.10 Filing Requirements. Applications to construct or modify a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation must be submitted to the Special Permit Granting Authority in the form of site plan(s). The application package must include seven (7) physical copies and one (1) electronic copy in PDF format provided on a flash drive, CD or similar electronic version, or transmitted via email. All site plans must be drawn at an appropriate scale and signed by a registered professional engineer or licensed surveyor. The site plan(s) must include the following information:

- A. The names, mailing addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, and signatures for the applicant, owner and operator.
- B. Physical address (if one exists) and the map, lot and block number of the proposed site.
- C. Property lines of the proposed site and all those within six hundred feet (600') of the property.
- D. Elevation contour lines at two-foot vertical intervals.
- E. Outlines of all existing and proposed buildings and structures on the proposed site and those within six hundred feet (600') of the proposed site, including distances from the proposed large-scale solar photovoltaic installation.
- F. Existing and proposed access roads, driveways, public ways, private ways, and recreational trails on the proposed site.
- G. Detailed layout of the proposed large-scale solar photovoltaic installation, including, but not limited to, panel mounts, foundations, appurtenant equipment and fencing type and height.
- H. Detailed layout of the electric infrastructure to connect the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation to the electric grid or net metering equipment.
- I. Delineation of all wetland resources and associated buffer areas, in accordance with the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) guidelines and regulations.
- J. Locations of rare, threatened or endangered species existing on the site, in accordance with the Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program (NHESP) guidelines and regulations.
- K. Proposed changes to the site, including grading, cut and fill, landscaping, native vegetation for screening and vegetation to be removed or altered.
- L. Engineering controls at the site and on the access road to control erosion and sedimentation both during construction and after construction as a permanent measure. Such engineering controls shall conform to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's Stormwater Policy.
- M. Technical Information:
 - (1) Blueprints or drawings of a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation signed by a registered professional engineer showing the proposed layout of the installation and any potential shading from nearby trees or structures.
 - (2) One or three-line electrical diagram detailing the solar photovoltaic installation, appurtenant equipment and electrical interconnection methods with all National Electric Code compliant devices.
 - (3) Documentation of the major large-scale solar photovoltaic installation components to be used, including but not limited to solar photovoltaic panels, panel mounts and inverter.

8.9.6.11 Technical Review. Upon receipt of an application for a large-scale solar photovoltaic installation, the Special Permit Granting Authority may engage professional and technical consultants, at the applicant's expense, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44 § 53G to assist the Special Permit Granting Authority with its review of application materials. The Special Permit Granting Authority may direct the applicant to deposit funds with the Special

Permit Granting Authority for such review at the time the application is accepted and to add additional funds as needed upon notice. Failure to comply with this section shall be good grounds for denying the Special Permit application. Upon the approval or denial of the application, any excess amounts in the account attributable to the application process, including any interest accrued shall be refunded to the applicant.

- A. A View Shed Analysis regarding the proposed large-scale solar photovoltaic installation and its relation to surrounding properties may be required upon request by the Special Permit Granting Authority.

8.9.6.12 Request of Production Report. Upon issuance of a Special Permit, the SPGA may require a production report annually from the applicant that demonstrates the functionality of the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation.

8.9.6.13 Abandonment & Removal.

- A. A large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall be deemed abandoned when the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation has not been in operation for a period of twelve (12) months.
- B. After twelve (12) months of non-operation, the Building Inspector shall provide written notification to the owner/operator that such large-scale solar photovoltaic installation is presumed to be abandoned. The owner/operator has thirty (30) days to rebut the presumption of abandonment by submitting evidence to the Building Inspector that the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation has been in operation during the relevant twelve (12) month period.
- C. If the owner/operator does not respond within the thirty (30) day appeal period or does not submit evidence that, in the discretion of the Building Inspector, proves that the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation has been in operation for the relevant twelve (12) month period, then the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall be deemed abandoned. The Building Inspector shall provide written notification of abandonment to the owner/operator.
- D. The owner/operator of the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation shall remove the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation and restore the site within one-hundred eighty (180) days of the date of the written notification of abandonment. If the owner/operator fails to remove the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation within one-hundred eighty (180) days, the Town shall have the right, to the extent it is duly authorized by law, to enter onto the proposed site and physically remove the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation and restore the site at the sole expense of the owner/operator.

8.9.6.14 Lapse of Approval. Any Special Permit shall automatically lapse if the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation is not installed and functioning within two (2) years or the large-scale solar photovoltaic installation is abandoned as defined in Section 8.9.6.13.

3.3.7 Roof or building-mounted solar photovoltaic installations.

3.4.1.15 Small-scale or Large-scale solar photovoltaic installations.

3.4.1.8 Facility for generating power from wind or water.

A motion was made, seconded. Mr. Peter Tiso, Planning Board, Chair, stated that this proposed bylaw will add clarity and will specify the process of Solar Photovoltaic Installations. Mr. Tiso also mentioned that the Town already benefits from the proposed bylaw. A voter thanked the Planning Board for all of their work on drafting this bylaw, and went on to say that he has done much research and has issues with the proposed bylaw. A motion was made, to amend the proposed bylaw by changing section 8.9.5.1 to read: A small scale ground-mounted solar photovoltaic installation shall be allowed by-right after the issuance of a building permit by the Building Inspector. After discussion the amendment for section 8.9.5.1 was approved by a show of cards. A voter stated that the proposed bylaw as presented violates Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, Section 5. Mr. Christopher Gruba, Berkshire Regional Planning Board stated he has assisted the Planning Board with the drafting of this proposed bylaw as well and assisted other towns, and this proposed bylaw is risible. Mr. Gruba also mentioned he was on the phone today with the Ag's office and there was no issues with small/large solar, and he recommends that the voters approve the proposed bylaws. An amendment motion was made and seconded made to remove section 8.9.5.3 and section 8.9.5.4, after discussion amendment motion was approved by a show of cards. An amendment motion was made, seconded to change the number section of 8.9.5.5 to 8.9.5.3 amendment motion was approved by a show of cards.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to dissolve the meeting at 9:07 PM.

Attest A True Copy:
Katherine M. Chretien, CMMC/CMC
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk's office is the official record keeper for the Town of New Marlborough. Some of the services that this office covers are vital statistics; births, marriages, deaths, posting of meeting notices for all municipal boards and committees, voter registration, town political calendar, annual street listing, business certificates (DBA), notarization of documents, Town Meeting warrants and minutes, and payments of non-criminal violations.

This past year, I continued to attend conferences and classes offered by the Massachusetts Town Clerk's Association. These conferences and class offerings have become a vital part of this position as laws and regulations are changing at rapid pace. I appreciate and thank the Town for supporting my continued education.

The following report is based on primary areas of activity during 2018 calendar year.

Vitals Report

Births 8

Deaths 15

Marriage Intentions Filed 13

Marriages That Took Place 13

Dog Licensing

Dog licensing is required annually each spring. Licenses expire on March 31st and dog owners have from March 1st to May 1st to renew; if you do not renew your license a \$25.00 late fee (per dog) will be implemented in addition to your license fee. If you have a dog that is six months of age or older licensing is required.

Sex	Fee	Number of Licenses Issued	Amount
Male	\$15.00	20	\$ 300.00
Neutered Male	\$ 7.00	135	\$ 945.00
Female	\$15.00	8	\$ 120.00
Spayed Female	\$7.00	129	\$ 903.00
Kennel	\$30.00	1	\$ 30.00
Kennel	\$50.00	<u>1</u>	<u>\$ 50.00</u>
Late Fees			\$ 375.00
Totals		294	\$ 2,723.00
Fees retained			\$ 294.00
Paid to Town			\$ 2,429.00

Division of Fisheries and Wildlife

The Town Clerks' office no longer sells Hunting/Sporting and Fishing/Trapping licenses, as well as, Primitive Arms, Waterfowl and Archery stamps. Hunters should be aware that annual written permission is required to hunt on private or town property.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine M. Chretien, CMMC/CMC
Town Clerk

ASSESSOR'S REPORT 2018

Cyclical inspections are taking place throughout the town. The inspectors are known by the police department and the selectmen. They wear photo Id's. This is necessary to ensure that our records are correct. Thank you for your cooperation.

As always, the board is willing to help with any problems the taxpayers may have. Please feel free to call the office at 413-229-8926.

Fiscal Year 2017 Valuations

Residential	460,293,445.00
Personal Property	5,016,170.00
Commercial	19,345,335.00
Industrial	2,589,900.00
Total	487,244,850.00
 Exempt	 \$21,808,700.00

Estimated Local Receipts Fiscal Year 2018

	Actual Receipts 2017	Estimated Receipt 2018
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$233,456.00	\$250,500.00
Other Excise	\$366.00	\$300.00
Penalties and Interest on- Taxes and Excises	\$44,558.00	\$40,500.00
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$393.00	\$300.00
Solid Waste Fees	\$47,426.00	\$47,000.00
Other Charges for Services	\$5,400.00	5,000.00
Fees	\$13,728.00	\$13,000.00
Departmental Revenues	\$0.00	\$0.00
Licenses and Permits	\$101,394.00	\$40,500.00
Fines and Forfeits	\$360.00	\$300.00
Investment Income	\$3.92	\$300.00
Miscellaneous Recurring	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous non- Recurring	\$584,132.00	\$0.00

Town Meeting Date	Total Appropriations Each Meeting	Raise & Appropriate	Free Cash	Other Available Funds	Revolving Funds	Borrowing
05/01/17	6,181,624.00	5,560,199.00	298,221.00	323,204.00	0.00	0
Totals	6,181,624.00	5,560,199.00	298,221.00	323,204.00	0.00	0

**Tax Rate Recapitulation
Fiscal Year 2018**

Amounts to be raised

Appropriations	\$6,181,624.00
Total Cherry Sheet Offsets	\$2,462.00
Other	\$3,633.87
Overlay deficits	\$0.00
Total	\$6,095.87

State Cherry Sheet Charges	\$1,883.00
Allowance for Abatements & Exemptions	\$21,039.82
Total to be Raised	\$6,210,642.69

Estimated Receipts & Other Revenue

State Cherry Sheet Revenue	\$120,106.00
Local Estimated	\$377,403.00

Revenue Sources Appropriated for Particular Purposes

Free Cash	\$298,221.00
Other Available Funds	\$323,204.00
Total	\$621,425.00

Summary of Total Amounts to be Raised & Total Receipts

Total amount to be raised	\$6,210,642.69
Total estimated receipts & other revenue sources	\$1,118,934.00
Total real and personal property tax levy	\$5,091,708.69
Total receipts from all sources	\$6,210,642.69

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha A. Pshenishny, *Chair*
Wendy Miller
Freddy Friedman
Board of Assessors

TOWN OF NEW MARLBOROUGH TAX COLLECTOR ANNUAL REPORT

7/1/17 - 6/30/18

	Balance 7/1/17	Commitments	Collected	Abatements Exemptions	Refunds Issued	Credit Adjustments	Tax Title Adjustments	Balance 6/30/2018
REAL ESTATE								
2012	\$			\$ 2,073.23	\$ 2,073.23			\$
2013	\$			\$ 2,245.64	\$ 2,245.64			\$
2014	\$944.02		\$277.36	\$1,543.46	\$1,543.46		\$666.66	\$
2015	\$24,819.86		\$10,465.20				\$1,301.78	\$13,052.88
2016	\$50,513.15		\$22,136.35		\$5.92		\$1,353.60	\$27,029.12
2017	\$128,426.44		\$75,280.21				\$1,391.60	\$51,754.63
2018		\$5,039,293.57	\$4,894,938.59	\$38,633.81	\$59,307.68		\$7,015.81	\$158,013.04
TOTALS	\$204,703.47	\$5,039,293.57	\$5,003,097.71	\$44,496.14	\$65,175.93		\$11,729.45	\$249,849.67
PERSONAL PROPERTY								
2014	\$99.57		\$99.57					\$194.53
2015	\$106.11		\$106.11					\$990.09
2016	\$110.02		\$110.02					\$1,184.62
2017	\$507.05		\$312.52					
2018		\$52,419.03	\$51,543.78		\$114.84			
TOTALS	\$822.75	\$52,419.03	\$52,172.00		\$114.84			
PP FARM								
2018		\$316.75	\$316.75					\$
TOTALS		\$316.75	\$316.75					0
MOTOR VEHICLE								
2000	\$1,867.88							\$1,867.88
2001	\$2,186.36			\$25.73				\$2,160.63
2002	\$943.75			\$45.00				\$898.75
2003	\$1,502.81			\$340.00				\$1,162.81
2004	\$46.25							\$46.25

	Balance 7/1/17	Commitments	Collected	Abate- ments Exemptions	Refunds Issued	Credit Adjustments	Tax Title Adjustments	Balance 6/30/2018
2005	\$1,672.92							\$1,672.92
2006	\$1,157.08		\$66.25					\$1,090.83
2007	\$949.90							\$949.90
2008	\$702.50							\$702.50
2009	\$486.88							\$486.88
2010	\$825.21							\$825.21
2011	\$527.92							\$527.92
2012	\$726.67							\$726.67
2013	\$762.51		\$129.69					\$632.82
2014	\$874.17							\$874.17
2015	\$1,605.22		\$688.96					\$916.26
2016	\$3,430.53	\$562.24	\$2,021.72	\$42.29	\$42.29			\$1,971.05
2017	\$8,321.24	\$53,107.75	\$59,698.28	\$3,223.27	\$5,456.85			\$3,964.29
2018	\$	\$244,965.67	\$225,692.08	\$4,728.62	\$2,116.19			\$16,661.16
TOTALS	\$28,589.80	\$298,635.66	\$288,707.71	\$7,994.18	\$7,615.33			\$38,138.90
GRAND								
TOTALS	\$234,116.02	\$5,390,665.01	\$5,344,294.17	\$52,490.32	\$72,906.10		\$11,729.45	\$289,173.19
Interest			\$27,055.02					
Collector Fees			\$7,130.00					
Deputy Fees			\$4,217.00					
MV Surcharge			\$1,420.00					
Misc. Fees								
GRAND TOTAL COLLECTED			\$5,384,116.19					

Respectfully submitted by:

Gina Campbell
Tax Collector

**REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER
JULY 1, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2018**

Cash Report by Fund

Trust Funds

Conservation Commission	\$3,706.29	
Perpetual Care Interest	\$8,465.36	
Perpetual Care Bequests	\$76,592.54	
Marcus Rogers Trust	\$6,622.90	
NM Library	\$23,398.57	
Stabilization Fund	\$407,558.23	
Unemployment Security	\$39,734.84	
Total		\$566,078.73

Agency Funds

Cultural Council/Arts Lottery	\$24,781.60	
Total		\$24,781.60

General Funds **\$1,008,884.02**

TOTAL ALL FUNDS **\$1,065,744.35**

I was hired as the part-time treasurer as of July 1, 2016. My office hours are Monday and Tuesday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm and I can be reached via email at treasurer@newmarboroughma.gov or by telephone at 413-229-7784.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn A. Fracasso
Treasurer

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

Overview

2018 was a busy year at SBRSD. Our new elementary principal, Charles Miller, and our new curriculum coordinator, Peter DuFresne are now working with Superintendent Regulbuto and the rest of administration, along with our dedicated teaching and support staff, to bring our new District Improvement Plan to fruition.

- 2017-2018 student enrollment: As of October 2, 2017: 681 students in-seat
- 2018-2019 student enrollment: As of October 1, 2018: 697 students in-seat
- Assessment info/Chapter 70 info: The budgets voted at the May 2018 annual town meetings (for the FY19 school year) included a 1.98% increase in overall expenditures for the SBRSD. On the revenue side, offsetting revenues were projected to come in at lower levels in FY19 than in FY18. (Chapter 70 funding increased by only \$12,880, or .7%.) Because of this, the overall increase in the assessments to the towns was 3.04%. Due to shifts in the proportionate share of the Required Local Contribution determined by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), New Marlborough's assessment decreased by 1.9%, or \$166,617.

School Committee Highlights

The FY18 budget represented a .46% increase from the prior year, with overall assessments increasing only .12%. After analyzing existing staffing and projecting anticipated needs, the following changes were made during the budget process:

Reduced the elementary physical education staff by one position, by attrition.

Reduced the work year for the Technology Coordinator from full time to a 205-day year.

Projected savings due to the retirement of the Director of Buildings and Grounds

Reduced the number of Education Support Professionals by one Reduced our senior desktop technology support position by 8.5%.

Reduced secondary school teaching positions by two Reduced three teacher specialist positions from full time to .8.

While overall assessments to the towns rose only .12%, the impact of the Chapter 70 formula, along with changes in enrollment, resulted in wide variances in the assessments for our five member towns. Monterey and New Marlborough saw 4.67% and 5.25% increases, respectively, while Alford, Egremont and Sheffield saw decreases of 9.79%, 2.23% and 1.88% in their assessments.

2018 Transportation:

The SBRSD transportation contracts from FY13 - FY17 expired on June 30, 2017. For many years, the District contracted with two companies - Ormsbee Bus Company and Gregg Massini Bus company. Ormsbee Bus company closed, and we received only one bid for transportation services for FY18 - FY22. Our new contractor is Massini Bus Company. Rates increased dramatically in the new contract. In order to more easily absorb the increased cost, the District negotiated with Massini Bus Company and agreed upon a graduated rate increase for the buses and vans during the first three years of the contract, with the rates leveling off after the FY20 school year. Bus rates increased over 30% in FY18, 17% in FY19 and 7%-8% in FY20.

Our district remains committed to offering a rigorous and enriching educational experience to the students of the communities we serve. As we look to the year ahead, I am excited about how administration is working in a fiscally responsible way to make the student experience more engaging, more efficacious, more relevant, and more fun.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Travis

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

This past year had been a busy one! Many folks do not know that the Animal Inspector is responsible for making sure that farm animals living in New Marlborough have adequate food, water and shelter. There are fifty one “homes” of farm animals in the town. These may for instance, vary from those who may keep a few chicken providing eggs for their personal use, to those who raise chickens for commercial use. There are many horses, cows, sheep, swine and goats living within the town. The state is concerned about all the animals living within its borders.

Since rabies has been identified throughout the town cows, horses, goats, sheep, cats, dogs, ferrets and rabbits need to be protected with a rabies vaccination! Of course when a dog is licensed its rabies certificate is required. And another reminder, there is a leash law in New Marlborough. Licensing dogs is very important because should a dog get “lost” the tag it bears will help locate it owner.

This year there have been at least five dogs that have strayed from their homes. But cows, horses and even chickens have also escaped their pastures!

Dogs (or cats) that have bitten someone, or have been bitten by an unknown animal must be put in quarantine. This year two dogs were quarantined.

A bat was found within a living room where a child was sleeping, and was sent for rabies testing. It proved to have been healthy which was a great relief to all.

Farm animals coming in from out of state must have a certificate of health and horses a Goggins test.

Each year the Animal Inspector completes a “barn book” for the state about individual farms. This provides a census with the information seen below:

10 dairy cattle, 59 beef cows, with 20 beef steers, 2 bulls and an ox.

39 goats, 23 sheep, 34 swine with a gilt and a boar.

46 horses, 3 ponies, 24 donkeys and one mule.

2519 chickens, 8 turkeys, 24 pigeons, 19 waterfowl, 43 ducks, 4 geese, 17 peacocks, 16 guinea hens and 13 rabbits.

Now Bears!

The number of bears in our town has radically increased. The state has asked that those who feed birds do so from late December to the end of March. Otherwise the bird feeders may invite a visit from a bear. Garbage of any kind must be firmly secured and those with small animals or chicken must be diligent in their protection. A bear will remember where there was food and return to its source.

In closing the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is concerned about all the animal living within the state and it provides services for poultry owners which can be accessed through the Animal Inspector.

If folks in New Marlborough have any questions about the work done by the Animal Inspector or the services provided by the state please do not hesitate to call.

Respectfully submitted,

Prudence Spaulding
Animal Inspector

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT

I hereby submit the following report covering the activities of Animal Control from January 1st 2018 through December 31st 2018.

Domestic

Nuisance dog complaints	24
Unlicensed dog citations issued	31
Requests to locate lost dogs/cats	14
Nuisance dog complaints (handled by phone)	13
Dogs/cats killed by motor vehicles	2
Dogs placed in homes	0
Dog bites reported to this department	2
Livestock loose on the road	5
Possible animal abuse reports	3

Wildlife

Bear complaints	26
Coyote/raccoon/ opossum/porcupine/beaver/other	14
Calls referred to Massachusetts Wildlife	21

I would like to thank all the people, Town Officials, Police, highway and fire department of New Marlborough for their cooperation in making Animal Control a success.

Respectively Submitted,

John W. Springstube
Animal Control Officer

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT

In Fiscal Year 2018 the Board of Health membership consisted of Larry Davis III, Chairman, Jack Bellinger and Norm Hankey as members, Scott McFarland as Agent and Pia Bellinger as Secretary. Newly elected member Jordan Chretien replaced Norm Hankey beginning in May 2018. Please note that Board of Health meetings will continue to be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m., unless otherwise posted.

Permits and licenses issued by the Board of Health for FY 2018 were as follows:

- 3 New system designs were permitted
- 14 Repairs/upgrades to existing systems were permitted
- 13 Perc and deep hole tests performed
- 26 Title 5 Inspections witnessed
- 10 Septic System Installer permits issued
- 4 Septic Pumper permits were issued
- 5 Well site inspections and permits issued
- 9 Food Permits
- 1 Recreational Camp License
- 1 Public Beach permit
- 0 Housing Inspection
- 1 Water Bottling permit
- 5 Beaver permits

The board reminds residents that a Title 5 Septic Inspection (as per 310 CMR 15.000) is required upon transfer of ownership of property with a septic system, regardless of the method of financing. For example, a cash sale does NOT exempt the property from the requirement of a Title 5 Septic Inspection. The seller must provide the results of an official inspection to the buyer and the Board of Health upon sale of the property. Alternatively, the seller can notify the buyer in writing that a Title 5 inspection is not being performed and that the buyer is then responsible to complete it and provide results to the Board of Health within 6 months of the property transfer. There are a few very specific inter-family transfers that are exempt, but you should confer with your real estate lawyer and the Board of Health agent before assuming they apply to your situation.

New Marlborough continued its participation in the Berkshire Public Health Alliance. The Alliance provides New Marlborough an opportunity to effectively apply for public health related grants with other interested nearby towns, and can also provide experienced inspectors on a contract basis for inspectional assistance. One of the grants has allowed us participate in setting up on-line permitting and licensing, which is up and running for most of the Board of Health permits. We will be transitioning to accepting all applications and issuing all permits on-line in FY19. Scott McFarland and Jack Bellinger remain as New Marlborough's representatives to the Berkshire Public Health Alliance governing board.

The Board is very grateful to the Visiting Nurses Association of the Berkshires for

their invaluable help and care to the citizens of New Marlborough. The Board of Health is here to help protect your health and to work with you on those issues that require Board of Health input or permitting, and we ask for your cooperation and support in this endeavor.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Health
Larry Davis, III, Chairman
Jordan Chretien, Member
Jack Bellinger, Member
Pia Bellinger, Secretary
Scott McFarland, Agent

BERKSHIRE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

As part of the Berkshire Health System network, the Berkshire Visiting Nurse Association provides comprehensive, multidisciplinary healthcare to individuals and families in the community. Community public health services include Disease Surveillance and **Investigation, Active TB Disease Management Disease Screening and Immunizations, and Health Promotion**. Descriptions of services follow:

Disease Surveillance and Investigation of reportable and communicable diseases involves the receipt and processing of reports for specific diseases and implementation of appropriate follow-up measures. This is accomplished with the use of the Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network (MAVEN), electronic disease surveillance system.

There were **35** diseases investigated during this time frame:

- Babesiosis – **2**
- Hepatitis C – **2**
- Human Granulocytic Anaplasmosis – **4**
- Influenza – **10**
- Lyme Disease – **17**

Active TB disease management follows all cases of active disease in accordance with MDPH requirements and MA regulations. This includes contact investigation, skin testing, multiple months of case management and direct observation therapy.

There were no cases of active TB in New Marlborough this past year.

Disease Screening and Immunizations for individual and community disease prevention are provided as necessary. An established distribution station is maintained in accordance with MDPH requirements for the management of state supplied vaccine. A two hour town clinic for seasonal influenza and pneumonia vaccination is offered. Opportunity for those who are unable to come to the town clinic is made available at subsequent health promotion clinics.

Vaccinations administered:

- Influenza – **18**

Health promotion services provide health education and screening to encourage wellness and early identification of illness or disease. A health promotion clinic is held monthly at the town offices in Mill River. Blood sugar testing is offered regularly to those with diabetes and annually for all clinic participants. Thirteen residents were identified as having Stage I Hypertension (140-159/90-99mm/Hg) and 4 were identified with Stage II Hypertension (>160/100mm/Hg). All with Stage II Hypertension were referred for medical follow up. During clinic visits, 14 residents received health instruction related to medication management, diet, disease management and healthy lifestyle activities. One resident was referred to the Matter of Balance program.

Clinic Statistics:

- Visits – **54**
- Blood Pressure up to 140/90mm/Hg – **13**
- Stage I Hypertension (140-150/90-99mm/Hg) – **13**
- Stage II Hypertension (>160/100mm/Hg) – **4**
- **All referred for medical follow up**
- Clinical Instruction Provided
- Medication Management – **14**
- Diet – **14**
- Disease Management – **14**
- Life Style Changes – **14**
- Referrals – **6**
- Primary care physician – **5**
- Matter of Balance – **1**

Health education presentations this year included:

- All About Influenza
- Cholesterol Information
- Colon Health
- Diabetic Education
- Meningitis
- Farmers' Market Benefits
- High Blood Pressure Risk Factors
- Blood Pressure/Cholesterol Relationship
- BCC Wellness Fair
- How to Begin a Walking Club

Printed resource material was offered to participants for future reference on each subject.

As the Board of Health Coordinator, I collaborate with the Council on Aging to provide coordination of services for residents. As a member of the community health care continuum of Berkshire Health Systems, collaboration with and referrals to other health care professionals are readily made.

The Berkshire Visiting Nurse Association wishes to thank the Select Board and the Board of Health for the opportunity to serve its residents. Please feel free to call the BVNA for information at 800-788-2862. We look forward to our continued relationship in maintaining and promoting good health in New Marlborough.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Slattery, RN,
Berkshire Visiting Nurse Association
413-447-3057

SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES (SBDDVS)

Thank you for allowing me to service the member towns, their veterans, and widows. We have made great strides in reaching out to our veterans in our local area, letting them know the various services available to them from Elderly Services, Community Actions and also the local senior centers.

During FY 2018 we have seen a slight increase in all areas of operation and currently have 43 active Chapter 115 claims.

Chapter 115 Submissions and Return from the State:

Town	FY 2018 Submitted 7/1/17-6/30/18	Pmt Due in FY 2019 - FY 2018 - 75%
New Marlborough	\$7,476.84	\$5,607.63

Over the last year we have completed the following for our member town's veterans:

Applications for VA Health Care	35
ALS/Disability/A&A/Appeals/Life Insurance	66
DD 214s	55
Request for Grave Markers	12
Tax Abatements/SS help/Other requests	54
Flags to funerals homes for veterans	46
Assisted with Dr. appointments	20
Home and Office Visits	438
Veterans Services Phone Calls	1445

For FY 2018 District budget was reduced by the reserve resulting in a smaller assessment for the member towns. During these trying financial times all veterans and widows are encouraged to contact this office or the US Department of Veterans Affairs and review current entitlements as many changes have taken place. New Marlborough's apportionment towards the FY 2018 DVS budget was \$6,557.49 - this number was based on population percentage on the 2010 Census.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie J. Hils
District Director
Southern Berkshire District Veterans Services

REPORT OF THE BROADBAND COMMITTEE

Statement of Purpose:

“To achieve true high bandwidth internet access options for residences and businesses in the Town of New Marlborough at an optimal cost for taxpayers and subscribers, and consistent with sustainable operations.”

Activity in 2017/2018 Fiscal Year:

As the new fiscal year began, the Towns of New Marlborough, Sandisfield and Tolland were in continuing contractual negotiations with Frontier Communications to implement and operate a high bandwidth internet network. In July Frontier moved away from its original price proposal and indicated they required a higher price from the Towns. Additionally, a term sheet, specifying all the primary provisions of the proposed contract, was in negotiation.

Meanwhile, Matrix Engineering made a public presentation again of its proposal to provide and operate an internet network. Separately, in late Summer/early Fall the Committee began work on an informational document comparing a Town-owned system, as well as the Frontier and Matrix proposals. In October, Adam Chait of Fiber Connect made a general proposal to build and operate an internet network, in connection with Holyoke Gas and Electric. The Committee requested that Fiber Connect develop a specific business proposition for New Marlborough.

By November negotiations with Frontier had reached a standstill over Frontier’s requirement for a Town guarantee of the MLP fee obligation, as well as the amount of the obligation, which had increased very materially versus the originally accepted Proposal. The Committee voted not to recommend an extension of the negotiating period with Frontier, turning instead to further consideration of a new procurement. The Committee also sought further information from Massachusetts Broadband Institute (MBI) concerning whether additional funds might be available from a \$17.0 million state authorization for Towns that demonstrate a specific hardship in being able to achieve an internet network.

By January 2018 the Committee distributed a written summary of the known status of options available to the Town. An informational meeting was tentatively set for late in the month, but then cancelled as MBI requested a meeting with the Board of Selectmen to discuss their new Flexible Grant Program. This meeting was subsequently held as a joint BOS/Broadband Committee meeting in February. MBI outlined a new process for selection of a provider under its own RFP process. MBI also indicated it would use public money to leverage private investment. MBI clarified, however, the Town would need to determine the procurement process to follow.

BROADBAND *Continued*

Accordingly, the Committee sought to move forward with a new Request for Proposal in early March; but found it necessary to restructure its RFP to overcome certain restrictions requiring asset-based financing and a long-term service agreement. Ultimately, in connection with external broadband legal counsel, an approach was agreed. While this RFP process was proceeding, Charter Communications expressed an interest in working with the Town, making a proposal to the BOS/Broadband Committee in early April. MBI also attended and, near the conclusion of the meeting, indicated that in conjunction with the Department of Local Services it would be willing to support a novel financing arrangement with the State to meet the Town's required share of financing. Subsequently, MBI further agreed to contribute additional grant money to the Town to pick up half of the additional funding cost (over and above the commitment of existing grant allocations) required of the Town by Charter.

As the Charter proposal was being considered, the Town-issued RFP process continued and resulted in the selection of Crocker Communications as the recommended provider. Charter was not part of this process, as it was proposing to the Town under law and regulations pertaining to cable companies.

Finally, in June a public informational meeting was held, reviewing for Town residents the options of Crocker, Charter and a Town-owned system. Ultimately, in late June the Broadband Committee recommended to the Board of Selectmen that the Town proceed to contract with Charter Communications for provision of Broadband services.

After the close of the Town fiscal year, three contracts were negotiated and entered into between the Town and Charter, the Town and MA DLS (for financing) and between MBI and Charter for provision of the public funding. The expectation was that pole-licensing and make-ready work would proceed immediately in hopes of the beginning of construction sometime in 2019 of a fiber-based, high bandwidth internet network. The final cost to the Town of a \$5.0+ million system would be only \$720,000, payable over 15 years. All future operating cost and risk would be fully-assumed by Charter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard long, Chair
Steven Klein
Michele Shalaby
Tom Stalker
Owen Wright

CULTURAL COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

The New Marlborough Cultural Council (NMCC) is a local extension of the Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC), one of the largest grassroots cultural funding networks in the nation. We support community-based projects in the arts, humanities and sciences.

The Council receives funding from the MCC, the Town of New Marlborough, and our generous local donors. In 2018 we received \$4,400 from the MCC and \$1,000 from the Town. These sums along, with contributions from full and part-time residents, enabled the NMCC to award \$16,000 in grants to 21 local organizations in FY18. Our grants supported an array of programs in New Marlborough and Southern Berkshire communities to benefit and enrich our townspeople. Among the programs supported were the New Marlborough Village Association's Music and More concert and author series along with three art exhibits and several of the Flying Cloud Institute's programs combining science and the arts. Science, arts, and history programs at Mount Everett High School, Undermountain Elementary, and New Marlborough Central Schools received support, as did the New Marlborough Land Trust. Theater activities were supported at Shakespeare & Company, WAM Theatre, and Berkshire Playwrights Lab. Musical programs were supported at Berkshire Children's Chorus, Berkshire Bach, Berkshire Pulse, Aston Magna Foundation, and Berkshire South's Ukulele Band and Berkshire Sings!

The Council also supported several community events. Chief among them was the annual Elihu Burritt Day. Magicians, jugglers, hayrides, the Library's book and bake sale, a 5K run/walk, a vintage car show, a variety of food and vendors, and the much-beloved White Elephant Sale provided entertainment for all. The Council awarded the annual Elihu Burritt award to Robert Olsen in recognition of his tireless devotion to New Marlborough.

Finally, the Council again sponsored the annual potluck supper in April. Residents provided and enjoyed a delicious buffet of offerings, with entertainment provided by Christa Gay Andersen and Michael Stephens.

Complete information about the New Marlborough Cultural Council, our activities, and grant process and awards can be found at www.mass-culture.org/NewMarlborough. Members of the Cultural Council are happy to hear from you. Keep up with us by liking us on Facebook.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Barbe, Chair
Holly Valente, Secretary
Richard Long, Treasurer

Members: Sue Cohen, Alice Fahs, Linda Barr Fass, Barbara Lowman, Wendy Miller,
Kathy Potoski, Margie Shapiro, Louise Yohalem

TOWN LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT

The library has had another busy and productive year. Some of the highlights include: documentary film screenings, a Valentine's Day chocolate sale, the ever-popular book and bake sale at Elihu Burritt Day, Friday evening crafting, the annual Halloween celebration, book group, computer classes, and playgroup/storytime for toddlers!

We continue to work with the elementary school and offer after school Lego club, monthly trips to the library, ½ day programs, and our newest program - after school tutoring. We have just completed our first year of the after school tutoring program and feedback from teachers and parents has been positive. Children who attended showed increased proficiency in math and reading skills.

The Summer Reading Program, LIBRARIES ROCK, enrolled 25 children ages 3-17. They enjoyed a great range of activities, including the Springfield Symphony Orchestra Petting Zoo; movement class; Imagarena, which combines art, building and imagination; and music, dance and storytelling.

In addition to the valuable services, programs, and collection at the library, we're proud to offer the following special services as well:

- E-content, including e-books (76,000), e-audiobooks (19,000), e-videos (1200);
- Online databases;
- Ability to borrow materials from libraries throughout the United States;
- Borrowing materials from public and academic libraries throughout Massachusetts;
- High-speed Internet access; and
- Community meeting space;

Attendance at library programs was robust:

- 78 adult programs had attendance of 714;
- 126 children's programs had attendance of 1470 children and 235 adults

The library's collection totaled 19,000 items (print & non-print), with circulation of 21,000 items. The library loaned 4500 items from our collection to other libraries and borrowed 3200 items from other libraries for our townspeople to use.

Through the continued support and generosity of our community and the New Marlborough Friends of the Library, we are able to continue to serve the needs of the community in the ever expanding and changing role of libraries.

Respectfully submitted by the Library Trustees,

Brian Mikesell, Chair
Claudette Callahan
Sally Turner

UMPACHENE FALLS PARK COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT 2018

Currently there are three parks members, Courtney Davis, Warren Weldon and Robert Twing Jr. We would welcome up to two more members, if you would like to become a member of the Parks Commission, please contact the Board of Selectmen at 413-229-8116 -P.O. Box 99 Mill River, MA 01244.

As reported last year, we are still working to restore the riverbank at the falls that has been eroding over the years. I would like to thank Warren for spearheading this project.

I would also like to thank Courtney for all the mid-day and late night checks of the park.

The park is open from May through October for New Marlborough residents and their guests. If you notice anything that doesn't seem right happening at the park, please contact the police or a member of the Parks Commission. (See something, say something).

The Commission reminds everyone that there are no open fires allowed at the Park.

Like us on Facebook and share your photos and memories of the falls.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Twing Jr, Chairman

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The New Marlborough Conservation Commission works to protect the wetland resources of New Marlborough through thoughtful application of the Wetlands Protection Act. For the period of July, 2017- June, 2018, the Conservation Commission held Eight (8) meetings.

The commission received ten (10) Requests for Determination of Applicability (RDA) filings, seven (7) Notice of Intents filing, one amended – order of conditions(1), one (1) extension – order of conditions (NOI) and one (1) certificate of compliances, one (1) enforcement order, and one (1) record order of conditions. The commission also reviewed ten (10) forest cutting plans.

Conservation members regularly met on the third Saturday of the month for regular scheduled meetings; prior to the scheduled meetings the commission meets for site visits. The public is encouraged to attend the commissions meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Freddy Friedman, Chair
Dr. John Schreiber, Vice Chair
Rona Easton
David Hosford
David Herrick

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

For fiscal year 18, July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, the New Marlborough Police Department recorded a total of 1,364 calls for service. The Department logged 19 Incident Reports, 25 Arrests, 18 Motor Vehicle Accidents and 260 Traffic Citations. This is an increase in all areas from the previous year (FY17), which logged 1,130 Calls for Service, 196 Traffic Citations, 16 Incident Reports, 24 Arrests and 10 Motor Vehicle Accidents.

The New Marlborough Police Department continued to serve the community with utmost pride, creating new relationships and nurturing old ones with the residents and businesses within Town. This year we worked with many other agencies on a wide variety of cases including the Sheffield Police, Monterey Police, Great Barrington Police, Sandisfield Police, Massachusetts State Police, Massachusetts Environmental Police, Connecticut State Police, the Department for Children and Families, Elder Services, the Brien Center and the Berkshire County District Attorney's Office.

The Police Department was encumbered by staffing issues in fiscal year 18, including the loss of Officer Kyle Kemp who took a full-time position with the Stockbridge Police Department, resulting in his resignation in New Marlborough. Officer Nick Felix also resigned to accept a full-time position with the City of North Adams. Both Officers were great assets for the Town with their knowledge, community policing practices, and relationships built within the Town. Officer Daniel Hamill was appointed as Interim Police Chief for the Town of Otis. Thankfully, he continues to be employed here in New Marlborough, though with less frequency. Officer Edwin Deming also remains active in an auxiliary role helping with special Town events. Fortunately, Officers John Mullen and Dan Hamill, in addition to myself, were able to temporarily fill the void left from these vacancies.

During the Annual Town Meeting in May, the Town accepted and voted to exchange the "permanent part-time" position to a "full-time" position. This full-time position was filled by Officer John Mullen, who had been working in the "permanent part-time" role. Officer Mullen will need to attend the Full-Time Police Academy mandated by the Municipal Police Training Committee, which is roughly 1000 hours of training. This is located at the Western Massachusetts Police Academy location in Springfield. This addition of a second full-time police officer will give the Town more adequate police coverage, from 8 a.m. until 12 a.m. five days a week and 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. the remaining two days. In FY 18 the Town accepted and voted to add one eight-hour shift per week for part time work, having patrol coverage of 8 a.m. until 12 a.m. three nights a week and 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. the remaining five days.

The New Marlborough Police Department is proud to serve all community members and will maintain strong working relationships with not only its citizens, but also with other Law Enforcement Agencies, Fire and Rescue Services and the Highway Department to help provide a safe community within the Town of New Marlborough.

Respectfully submitted,

Graham Frank, Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

The New Marlborough Highway Department had a very productive 2017-2018 season. A new pavement project including Clayton Mill River Road, Konkapot Road, Brewer Branch Road and Umpachene Falls Road, began in late summer. In addition to new pavement, old concrete posts and cables were removed, and new guardrails were installed. Line painting in the fall marked the completion of this major project. During this time, Mill River Great Barrington Road and Brewer Hill Road underwent a full depth reclamation and a base course of asphalt. The final project of the year was the resurfacing of Norfolk Road, New Marlborough Southfield Road and Canaan Southfield Road which included the installation of shoulder material.

Throughout the year, the highway crew continued to aggressively tackle the brush and thick overgrowth behind the guardrails and up the banks with the Kubota tractor which we share with the Town of Sheffield. They also graded unpaved roads as needed; added, replaced and cleaned culverts; patched potholes; removed trees which blocked the roads and many other duties required to keep the residents of New Marlborough safe on Town roads. Through the Berkshire County Sheriff's Office, we were able to take advantage of a Community Service program which allows inmates to participate in work details outside of their facility. These members worked for several days in August cleaning up our roadsides. This is a very sought after program and we are hoping to be able to utilize these service again in the future. The paved roads received their yearly application of crack seal and lines were repainted as needed.

The winter of 2017-18 started out rather mild, allowing a crew from the State to work on the Hadsell Street Bridge. They were able to put the deck in place before the operation had to shut down for the winter.

Overall, the winter season seemed average for the Berkshires. Our first winter storm with significant snowfall occurred the weekend of December 9th. After that, we had a few storms which brought significant snow. On April 16th a Nor'easter knocked down trees and disrupted power for up to 12 hours in parts of New Marlborough. The highway crew worked diligently with the electric and phone companies to clear the roads.

In July, a 2017 Chevrolet Silverado pick-up truck was purchased to be used in day-to-day operations and also as a back-up plow truck during the winter months. Thank you to voters who approved its purchase at a town meeting last year.

The highway garage is 15 years old and this year the furnace had to be replaced. Plumbing issues required professional attention, the overhead doors underwent regular maintenance, and the wash basin holding tank and the floor drain holding tank were pumped. Additionally, a new LED flood light was installed outside along with improved LED lighting in the bay areas.

The Highway Department continues to receive funding from the MSPCA to assist the Town in purchasing and maintaining water flow devices which humanely, non-lethally and ecologically control beaver-related flooding. There are 15 sites throughout New Marlborough where these devices have been installed. Thanks to these water flow devices, we have encountered fewer blocked culverts in the last few years.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT *(continued)*

The University of Massachusetts Transportation Center is responsible for educating and training individuals throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Between 2017 and 2018, David Colucci, William Ruane and Peter Wilson were recognized as Road Scholars; and Charles Loring and Paul Krom were recognized as Master Road Scholars. These ranks were achieved by attending a series of classes and workshops throughout the years. The crew will focus on continuing their education in the areas of roadway safety, worker safety and workforce development.

I'd like to extend my appreciation to the Highway crew. Thank you Paul Krom, Dave Colucci, Bill Ruane, Bob Palmer, Pete Wilson, Larry Davis, Jr., Laura Worth and Bob Russell. Additionally, thank you to the Town Hall Staff, the Fire Department and the Police Department. Without their help and dedication, my job would have been impossible. And finally, thank you to the Town Administrator and the Board of Selectmen for their continued support to the New Marlborough Highway Department.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles M. Loring, III
Highway Superintendent

NEW MARLBOROUGH FIRE AND RESCUE REPORT

JULY 1, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2018

For the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, New Marlborough Fire and Rescue responded to a total of 180 calls:

Structure fires in town	0
Other fires in town	1
Chimney fires	0
Mutual aid structure fires & other calls	4
Motor vehicle accidents	8
Major brush fires	2
Fire alarms	40
Carbon monoxide alarms	14
Trees down/wires down	14
Medical calls in town	81
Mutual aid medical calls	14
Service & other calls	2
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Total Calls 2017-18	180
2016-17	175
2015-16	158
2014-15	174

In fiscal year 2017-18 (July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018) New Marlborough Fire and Rescue (NMF&R) responded to 180 calls, which included 18 calls for assistance in neighboring communities. After three major fires, including two structure fires, in 2016-17, the Department is pleased there were no structure or brush fires in town during the past year.

As continues to be the case, medical calls in town and to neighboring communities account for the largest volume of the Department's calls. The town was fortunate to gain the services of two Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) during the course of the year, but, as been oft noted, the number of available EMTs, particularly during daytime hours, remains at a critically low level. This is true region-wide, not only in New Marlborough. Residents interested in serving their community in a fashion that can truly make a difference among their neighbors are encouraged to consider becoming an EMT.

Though fires did not account for significant activity in 2017-18, the year proved to be busy for the Department, with fire alarms accounting for 40 calls, up from 25 in the previous year. All homeowners are reminded to register their alarm systems with the town and to provide their alarm company with the name and contact information of a keyholder who can respond in the event of an alarm activation. Homeowners with central alarm systems are also strongly encouraged to install a Knox-Box — a secured key system that enables access to properties in the event of an emergency. This can save considerable time in the event of an alarm activation.

NMF&R also continues to benefit from strong relationships with emergency services in neighboring communities. The Department's boat was used in June during a multi-department search for a missing person in Monterey, and the Department provided additional mutual aid services during the year to Great Barrington and Sandisfield, and the Connecticut communities of Lakeville and Norfolk.

The Department is also appreciative of the town's purchase last year of an extraction washer with which to clean turnout gear, the protective pants and coats worn by firefighters. As awareness of cancer prevention continues to grow in the fire service, efforts continue to limit firefighter exposure to toxins that are found in soot and smoke and typically absorbed in firefighter gear. The new washer provides a more thorough cleaning and, ultimately, will result in safer conditions for firefighters. On that note, diesel exhaust is another area of concern, and, in the year ahead, the Department is looking to replace and/or install exhaust particulate filters on all of its diesel apparatus.

Most importantly, FY 2017-18 proved to be safe for all New Marlborough emergency service members, who dedicate considerable time and energy to the community throughout the year. As always, new members are welcome, and residents with an interest in volunteering may stop by the fire station in Southfield at 7 p.m. on any Tuesday night or speak with a current member for more information.

The Department also wishes to acknowledge the passing of former Fire Chief William Simpson, who was a 28-year member of NMF&R, including nine years as chief, until his retirement in 2003. Bill provided countless hours of dedicated service and leadership, and we are thankful to him and his family for their contributions to the Department and the town of New Marlborough.

Finally, the Department wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen, Board of Finance, the Emergency Services Fund, the Highway Department, and Police Department, for their continued support. We look forward to maintaining professional and timely service to all in the town of New Marlborough.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles M. Loring, Chief
New Marlborough Fire and Rescue

PLANNING BOARD 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

After many years of dedicated service to the Town, Patricia Hardyman resigned from the Planning Board in the summer of 2018. However, her seat did not sit vacant long, as new members Eric Schaefer and Lonn Combs were appointed to the Board. The board reorganized minimally this year, with Peter Tiso continuing to serve as Chair and Mark Carson as Vice Chair. James Mullen continues to serve on the board as well, and is again the delegate to the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission with Lonn Combs now as alternate delegate. Jane Tant continues to provide excellent service as clerk for the Board, but the board is currently looking to relieve her at her request.

Review of ANR (approval not required) forms continued. A total of \$750 was collected in Fiscal Year 2018.

This year, the Board successfully passed an update to the Town's protective by-laws regarding solar photovoltaic systems at the annual town meeting. At a subsequent special town meeting, a temporary moratorium on marijuana establishments was put in place despite the Board's recommendation against the measure. In addition, the board worked with interested residents to form an ad-hoc committee to help do research and conduct outreach to help guide the Board in considering possible future actions related to Marijuana establishments in the Town. This work may be aided by a regional District Local Technical Assistance (DLTA) block grant from the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission that provides assistance from their professional staff for towns considering the issue. Finally, the Board continues to work to revisit possible changes to zoning and/or village districting and is currently discussing previous efforts to do so while considering the options for future ones.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Tiso, *Chairman*

BUILDING DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

The Building Department received and processed One Hundred Fourteen applications for permits and periodic inspections for the period July 1, 2017 thru June 30th, 2018.

Permits issued:

- 77 Residential Building Permits
- 2 Commercial Building Permits
- 6 Solid Fuel Burning Appliances Permits
- 8 Temporary Structures Permits
- 2 Sheet Metal Permits

Fees collected by the Building Department total TwentySix Thousand Three Hundred Forty One and 0/100 dollars, (\$26,341.00) with an estimated construction value of 4.8 million dollars.

I thank The Board of Selectmen and The Town of New Marlborough residence for the opportunity to serve the community once again this year.

If you have any questions or desire further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

The Building Department office hours are Mondays 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm and Thursdays 8:00 am to 10:00 am.

Telephone: 413-229-0277

Fax: 413-229-6674

E-mail: owright@newmarlboroughrna.gov

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas M Carmody CBO
Building Commissioner
Owen Wright
Assistant Building Inspector

PLUMBING INSPECTION REPORT

This department issued 26 plumbing permits and conducted 50 on-site inspections. A total of \$3,160.00 in fees were collected.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Krupski
Plumbing Inspector

GAS INSPECTION REPORT

During the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, this department issued 47 permits and conducted 54 on-site inspections. A total of \$3,240.00 in fees were collected.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Krupski
Gas Inspector

ELECTRICAL INSPECTION REPORT

Our Department provides inspections for all electrical work done in the Town for all properties.

The inspector of wires issued 58 electrical permits during the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and it is estimated Dick did some 100 inspections.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael P Leining

REPORT OF THE TRANSFER STATION

The Town of New Marlborough Transfer Station continued to operate efficiently during FY18. Newly designed stickers were issued, again two for the price of one to residents. The price of the sticker increased to \$125 if purchased prior to August 15 and \$150 if purchased after that date. A total of 242 stickers were issued during FY18. The hours of the Transfer Station remain as follows:

Wednesday and Sunday	9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

In addition, 221 tons of trash was collected. We are grateful to the residents who recycled 107 tons (up 10 tons from FY17) of materials in the single stream container. The Town collected 65 tons of Construction and Demolition materials, 10.5 tons of tires (up 5 tons from FY17) and 11 tons of metal.

My thanks go to Alvin Stalker, Bobby Litchfield and Gary Miller, who work conscientiously to help residents and keep the Transfer Station operating smoothly. An additional “thank you” goes to Marilyn Fracasso and Tara White who worked diligently to keep the Swap Shop organized and uncluttered. And thank you to the residents who were conscientious and careful about recycling.

We look forward to serving the community during FY19.

Respectfully submitted,

Freddy Friedman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SENIOR TAX WORK-OFF ABATEMENT PROGRAM 2018

It is again my great pleasure to report to you that fourteen seniors worked a total of one thousand and ninety eight hours for the Town of the New Marlborough this past fiscal year. As you know seniors who work within this program may receive minimum wage per hour (\$11) up to a total of \$1500 (137 hours!) as an abatement to their real estate taxes. Two seniors worked more than the allotted hours or a total of 214 hours for which they could receive no compensation.

It may interest you to know that because of the success of our program the Executive Director of the Dalton Council on Aging requested our help in establishing a similar program in Dalton. The result of our sharing our experience and our forms that town now has a viable and successful Senior Tax Work-off Abatement program!

In New Marlborough seniors help when voting occurs, but they also stuff tax bills, help in the library, clean the highway garage, tidy the shed at the transfer station, take minutes for meetings and help with the Council on Aging activities. New Marlborough is indeed fortunate to have dedicated, reliable, efficient and caring seniors ready to respond at a moment's notice.

It is my privilege to be able to continue serving our town and helping our seniors.

Respectfully submitted,

Prudence Spaulding MSW
Director of Senior Services

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING 2018

This year had been a busy one for our four Council on Aging members, with continued efforts of “outreach”. We sponsored three luncheons (spring, summer and fall) featuring informative speakers. These included the robotics team from the Southern Berkshire Regional School District (middle school), programs covering Rabies, Lyme disease and a speaker from the Berkshire Center for Justice talking about “guardianship” in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

We reached out to those in need, referring them to appropriate sources for help. And we continued to collect food from the state food distributions (once a month) sharing this with some seniors and others. In addition, we were grateful that the COA was awarded a \$5,000 grant from the State.

We supported our town (together with the Town of Cheshire)’s application for a Community Block Grant, which if awarded will provide some funds to rehabilitate some of our senior’s houses. This was done with a mailing and brought several folks calling, asking questions and making applications “just in case”. (July 2018, just heard the grant has been accepted so maybe some of our seniors will benefit from it!)

We spoke at Town Meeting about the different programs offered, and spent some time alerting the attendees to the fact that the obtaining of a motor vehicles license has changed. We sent an informative flyer published by the Department of Motor Vehicles to all our seniors. Many of them have thanked us for this!

This past year we sent a mailing (included in the street listings mailing from our town) asking if the recipient would like a call if there was a long power outage. About thirty responded affirmatively. We are now working with the Emergency Management Director to get these calls plotted on the town map and have been asking for volunteers to make the calls. So far we have not received any volunteers to do this! We are also looking for a knowledgeable senior to set up and run a Facebook page for our COA, some of our neighbor COAs state that theirs has been very helpful.

We have been working with other nearby COA Directors, namely those from Sheffield, Great Barrington, Monterey, Alford, Egremont, Otis, Sandisfield, Mt. Washington and Tolland. Sharing ideas and experiences has proved very helpful. While all would like to see more affordable housing available, the desperate need of public transportation in South Berkshire County remains the greatest need. Our town is served by Southern Berkshire Elderly Transportation Corporation (upon which board one of our members sits). This past year though they had only contracted to come once day a week to our town, the need was so great that for many months they came five days a week and now at least three days a week. Though this is a great service, the time when seniors would like to go to other functions namely visiting friends or attending church etc. there is no public transportation.

Six of our seniors continue to attend the Wellness swim at Kilpatrick Athletic Center, and have swum a total of two hundred and fifty three times!

Our seniors continue to be most generous in providing useable, clean clothing, linens, towels, and sheets for the St. Mother Theresa food and clothing distribution offered the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 10AM to noon at St. Peters Center on East Street in Great Barrington.

We took a trip this past summer to the Erie Canal, and what a trip it was! This is the oldest continuing serving canal in North America. Eight seniors attended both musical

concerts given by Berkshire Hills Regional School District, and about ten attended the Christmas program provided by Southern Berkshire Regional School District. And now this summer we are planning a trip to Mt. Greylock and perhaps the Hudson River!

In closing it must be noted that there are only four active members of the New Marlborough Council on Aging. They are diligent, faithful and hardworking however new members would be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Prudence Spaulding MSW
Director of Senior Services

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board of Appeals welcomed Courtney Turner as a new member on March 19. On April 9, the Board of Selectmen appointed Courtney Turner as Chair of the ZBA. The Board also appointed Dan Litchfield and Sharon Fleck as members of the ZBA, with John Bellinger and Helen Liveten as Alternates; their terms will expire on June 30, 2019.

On July 26, 2018, Courtney Turner, Chair, Dan Litchfield and Sharon Fleck attended an informational meeting in Pittsfield, hosted by Berkshire Regional Planning, on land use law in Massachusetts.

Although the Board only meets when there is an appeal to be heard, there were no appeals brought to the Board during FY18.

Respectfully submitted,

Courtney Turner

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Over the past year, I have worked closely with John Field evaluating dead, dying and diseased trees that require removal and/or pruning. The most dangerous of these trees have been selected and will be a priority for maintenance. The focus this past year has been to maintain and remove trees along Canaan Southfield Road, Norfolk Road and Rt. 57. In addition, Rt. 183 has had three massive and very hazardous white pine trees removed. I am always available to take calls from residents regarding trees that have fallen or are dangerous.

I look forward to working with the Town this year in maintaining those trees that put the public at risk.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan Redman

ACCOUNTING OFFICER REPORT 2018

EXPENDITURES 7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Department	Budget	Carry Forward/Amended	Expended
MODERATOR	145.00		145.00
WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT	2825.00	131.25	2956.25
Selectmen's Salaries	8550.00		8550.00
Berk Reg Group Purchasing	600.00		600.00
Selectmen's Expenses	2800.00	1479.54	4279.54
Contingent	3000.00		1631.28
TOTAL SELECTMEN			14,802.04
Town Administrator	34,334.0000		34202.48
Administrative Secretary	29,132.00	59.43	29191.43
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE			63,393.91
TOWN COUNSEL	10,000.00		9,999.96
FINANCE COMMITTEE	500.00		376.97
AUDIT		37,000.00	
Town Accountant	17,366.00		17,366.00
Town Accountant Expenses	4,515.00		3,412.16
TOTAL TOWN ACCOUNTANT	18,069.00	3.14	21,484.30
GRANT WRITER EXPENSES	700.00		0
Assessor's Salaries	6,000.00		11,708.63
Assessor's Clerk	18,410.00	5,708.63	18,456.73
Assessor's Tax Map Update	2900.00	250.00	2175.00
Assessor's Consultant	6375.00		0.00
Assessor's Revaluation	16,500.00		16,500.00
Cyclical Reinspection		20,000.00	10,000.00
Property Cards On-Line	1,600.00		1,600.00
Assessor's General Expense	1,900.00		991.19

EXPENDITURES 7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Department	Budget	Carry Forward/Amended	Expended
Assessor's Computer Cont	4520.00	254.00	4550.85
TOTAL ASSESSORS			60,339.52
Treasurer Salary	17,734.00		17,665.96
Assistant Treasurer	2,000.00		448.89
Treasurer's Expense	3,300.00	1419.30	4,081.48
Tax Title (Treasurer)	6,000.00		3,535.91
Treasurer Software/Support	3,864.00		3,510.00
TOTAL TREASURER			27,034.85
Tax Collector Salary	25,663.00		24,795.26
Tax Collector Expense	6,080.00		5,869.73
Tax Collector Computer Serv	6,500.00		6,504.75
Tax Title (Collector)	500.00	262.50	759.25
TOTAL COLLECTOR			36,898.19
Town Clerk Salary	31,392.00	48.81	31,440.81
Election Expense	2,225.00	150.00	2,016.26
Street Listing	800.00		798.04
Town Clerk Expense	2,200.00		2,135.90
Town Records Preservation	4,000.00	220.00	4,180.00
TOTAL TOWN CLERK			40,548.01
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	2,000.00		1,584.03
Planning Board Clerical	1,300.00		750.00
Planning Board Expenses	873.00	939.13	176.90
TOTAL PLANNING BOARD			926.90
BOARD OF APPEALS	300.00		0.00
Town Hall Clerical	8636.00	566.64	9,169.52

EXPENDITURES 7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Department	Budget	Carry Forward/Amended	Expended
Town Hall Custodian	8160.00		7,972.32
Town Hall Expenses	34,500.00		32,778.12
TOTAL TOWN HALL			48,895.36
Town Officer's Expenses	200.00		
Town Officer's Bond	1200.00	597.00	1,409.00
TOTAL TOWN OFFICERS			1,409.00
Town Hall Renovations		41,858.50	5,060.00
Town Hall Improvements		28,793.67	
TOTAL TOWN HALL IMPROVEMENTS			5,060.00
PRINTING	2,000.00		2,000.00
911 CO-ORDINATOR	100.00		0.00
TOWN PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	2,612.00		2,612.00
Interest Expense	2,000.00		0.00
Banking Services	200.00		0.00
Ambulance 2010	27,494.00		27,493.58
Town Hall Renovations 2013	13,358.00		13,357.50
2013 Highway Truck	38,758.00		38,757.30
2014 Hwy Truck	24,840.00		24,840.00
2014 Loader	18,103.00		18,102.15
2015 Hwy Truck	47,276.00		47,276.00
Fire Truck 2015	74,800.00		74,800.00
TOTAL LONG TERM DEBT			217,132.95
Workman's Compensation Ins	18,655.00		11,820.00
Health Insurance Offset	2,291.00	5,000.00	7,291.00
TOTAL INSURANCE			19,111.00

EXPENDITURES 7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Department	Budget	Carry Forward/Amended	Expended
Regional Planning Commission	1,256.00		1,173.00
RMV/Air Pollution State Assessments	1,678.00		1,678.00
District Dept Veteran's Services	6,558.00		6,507.00
TOTAL STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS			6122.83
Berkshire County Retirement	125,011.00		125,011.00
Insurance Expense	78,000.00		65,250.00
Group Insurance	196,221.00		173,430.88
Medicare	12,700.00		12,659.02
Veteran's Benefits Chpt 115	10,000.00	6557.49	14,034.33
Longevity Stipend	2,500.00		2,500.00
TOTAL BENEFITS/WITHOLDINGS			392,885.23
Reserve Fund	50,000.00		4,065.97
TOTAL FINANCING USES			4,065.97
BERKSHIRE CTY COMMUNICATIONS	9,984.00		9,983.91
Police Salaries*	105,362.00	2174.19	107,536.19
Police Dept Expenses	22,700.00	3,945.26	26,569.01
Police Dept Expenses		688.00	688.00
Police Rental	6,000.00		6,000.00
TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT			140,793.20
Constable Salary	475.00		475.00
Constable Expense	95.00		0.00
TOTAL CONSTABLE			475.00
Fire Dept Clerical	1,700.00		1,699.92
Firefighter's Stipend*	36,500.00		35,317.27
Fire Protection	58,900.00	7,797.18	66,685.15

EXPENDITURES 7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Department	Budget	Carry Forward/Amended	Expended
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT			103,702.34
NM Rescue Salary	4,992.00		4,992.00
NM Rescue Stipends	20,250.00	2,723.00	22,973.00
NM Rescue Expenses	26,100.00		14,783.58
TOTAL RESCUE EXPENSES			44,618.35
Emergency Mgmt Salary	4,330.00		4,315.00
Emergency Mgmt Expenses	2,000.00	1010.00	2,908.07
Emergency Mgmt Notification System	2,500.00		2,473.25
TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT			9,696.32
Building Inspector Salary	20,381.00	1,800.00	22,176.12
Building Inspector Expenses	2,700.00		2,675.00
Building Inspector Software	2,117.00		2,028.53
TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTOR			26,669.65
SBRSD Operation	2,822,330.00		2,820,880.96
SBRSD Capital	187,190.00	41,886.00	229,076.00
Vocational Education	8,500.00		7,992.00
School Committee Compensation	1,500.00	1,500.00	3,000.00
TOTAL SCHOOL			3,011,070.96
Roads & Bridges Salaries*	294,653.00	2,850.86	287,235.35
Highway Training Expenses	2,300.00		2,041.89
Highway Electricity	4,000.00		4,000.00
Highway Dept Expenses	17,162.00		12,918.98
Highway Uniforms/Gear	3,000.00		2,986.38
Machinery Expense	80,000.00	21,432.67	101,292.87
Propane	10,000.00	1,948.57	11,948.14

EXPENDITURES 7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Department	Budget	Carry Forward/Amended	Expended
Diesel	50,000.00		35,556.30
Roads & Bridges	192,000.00		188,352.91
TOTAL ROADS & BRIDGES			642,427.25
WINTER ROADS*	266,334.00		257,700.36
STREET LIGHTS	4,848.00		4,530.40
Cemetery Salaries*	36,813.00		32,562.93
Cemetery Officers Salary	400.00	1539.40	1939.40
Cemetery Expenses	2700.00		1,523.75
TOTAL CEMETERY			36,026.08
Tree Warden Salary	1,000.00		1,000.00
Tree Work	15,000.00	(3,464.00)	18,413.00
Tree Maintenance Projects	25,000.00		24,248.00
TOTAL TREE WARDEN			40,197.00
Board of Health Officers	1,250.00		1,250.00
Board of Health Salaries	5,000.00	1,960.00	6,959.92
Board of Health Expenses	2,500.00	38.96	1,159.46
TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH			8,744.38
Animal Control Officer Stipend	3,711.00		3,711.00
Animal Inspector Compensation	600.00	96.00	696.00
Animal Inspector Expenses	1,060.00	-96.00	261.67
TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL			4,668.67
Transfer Station Salaries*	20,588.00	310.55	20,898.55
Transfer Station	69,000.00	2,748.13	60,926.43
Household Hazardous Waste	1,200.00	109.00	1,309.00
TOTAL PUBLIC HEALTH			78,141.55

EXPENDITURES 7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Department	Budget	Carry Forward/Amended	Expended
Children's Health Program (CHP)	1,000.00		1000.00
Visiting Nurse Association	2,580.00		2,580.00
Mental Health	200.00		200
Senior Tax Workoff Program	150.00		24.91
TOTAL HEALTH/WELFARE			3804.91
Council on Aging Transportation	5,607.00	5,607.00	
Council on Aging Expenses	250.00		190.00
TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING			190.00
CULTURAL COUNCIL	1,000.00		1,000.00
Library Salaries	56,898.00		52,924.21
Library Trustees	320.00		320.00
Library Expenses	45,048.00		44,945.78
TOTAL LIBRARY			95,190.15
UMPACHENE FALLS PARK	4,300.00	3,853.69	3,396.44
MEMORIAL DAY	700.00		547.13

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance began evaluating and approving budgets for FY18 in January 2017.

The Town Clerk requested a budget of \$5000 for town records preservation; she reported there are hundreds of documents that need to be preserved. A budget of \$4000 was approved as an ongoing practice to preserve documents each year.

The newly formed Agricultural Commission requested a budget of \$200 for signs, which the Finance Committee approved.

The Fire Department requested \$4,000 for a Washington machine for take-off gear, which would allow the gear to be fully washed of contaminants. The Finance Committee endorsed this purchase.

The Finance Committee was endorsed raising the Tree Warden's stipend from \$1000 to \$1250.

Discussions revolved around the declining student population vs. the rising costs associated with the SBRSD schools. Monterey school had closed and opening the Egremont School was under discussion. Further discussions centered on the school assessment spikes and dips, making budgeting difficult. A review of the school assessment will be necessary to avoid these spikes and dips.

The Committee approved payment of the roof and boiler bond at Mt. Everett.

The Committee also approved automatic door openers for the Library, making it ADA compliant.

After an evaluation of the existing road grader, purchased in 1992, the Committee agreed that a new road grader should be purchased, the price of which is \$325,000.

The Finance Committee also endorsed the Police Department adding two extra shifts to its budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Carson, Chair
Marilyn Fracasso
Sandra Fusco-Walker
Steven Klein
Robert Miller
John Pshenishny
Prudence Spaulding

* Salary Breakdowns 2017				
Superintendent	69,994.65			
Employee #1-Paul Krom	53,194.48			
Employee #2-David Colucci	48,613.67			
Employee #3-William Ruane	48,008.57			
Employee #4-Peter Wilson	46,465.46			
Employee #5-Robert Palmer Sr	27,905.48 (Highway Only)			
Employee #6-Laura Worth	8,567.90			
Employee #7-Lawrence Davis	6,420.00			
*Cemetery				
Employee #1-Robert Palmer Sr	21,793.10 (Cemetery Only)			
Employee #2-Tammy Palmer	14,053.81			
*Police Salaries				
Chief of Police	56,785.65			
Employee #1-John Mullen	23,544.85			
Employee #2-Kyle Kemp	2,327.20			
Employee #3-Daniel Hamill	4,135.95			
Employee #4-Nick Felix	5,170.82			
Employee #5-Edward Deming	403.20			
*Transfer Station Salaries				
Employee #1-Alvin Stalker	13,145.50			
Employee #2-Robert Litchfield	6,555.38			
*Stipends-Fire Department				
Firefighters:				
Carpenter, Winona B	400.00			
Davis, Courtney A	1,175.00			
Dvorchik, Robert S	1,500.00			
Dawson, Michelle A	425.00			
Guidi, Danielle	475.00			
Harvey, Edward	750.00			
Herrick, David	725.00			

King, Karisa A	250.00			
Lane, Brittany	1,425.00			
Lane, Mark	1,625.00			
Litchfield, Robert	725.00.			
Loring, Charles M	10,000.00			
Scott, Robert	625.00			
Smith, David A	1,000.00			
Weigle, Travis	725.00			
Wright, Matthew	375.00			

**SPECIAL REVENUE BALANCES
AS OF JUNE 30, 2018**

GOVERNMENT /STATE GRANTS:	Amount
Firefighting Grant	\$1,402.31
Rural Fire Assistance Grant	\$959.75
State Elections	\$2,516.43
State Aid to Libraries	\$11,501.42
Cultural Council Grant	\$11,811.83
Council on Aging	\$3,034.43
Cemetery Preservation Grant	\$2,305.02
Strap Grant	\$18,210.99
Status of Roads Grant	\$1,000.00
Emergency Management Grant	\$3,503.40
Pothole (State)	\$51,673.00
Board of Health Grant-Emerg Prepare	\$168.12
Board of Health Mini Grant	\$256.87
Transfer Station Grant	\$7,440.00
MA Works Grant-Clayton/MR Road	\$783.32
08 Storm Damage Reimbursement	\$6,023.79
Broadband Grant	\$2,890.58
IT Grant	\$2,100.00
TOTAL GOVERNMENT/STATE GRANTS	\$121,800.10
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE:	
Library Gifts & Memorials	3,539.80
250th Anniversary	234.65
Wetland Conservation	94.64
Machinery Earnings	1,848.40
TOTAL OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	\$5,717.49
Comstar Reserved for Appropriation	\$217,750.71
Sale of Cemetery Lots	\$34,410.18
Revolving Accounts	\$25,241.70
Chapter 90 Funds	\$92,208.30

TRUST FUNDS
AS OF JUNE 30, 2018

ITEM	BALANCE 6/30/18
Stabilization Fund	557,443.04
Marcus Rogers Fund	6,620.61
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests	75,956.43
Cemetery Perpetual Care Interest	513.07
Unemployment Fund	39,687.17
New Marlborough Library	7,980.77
Conservation Commission	4,356.19
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	\$692,557.28

LONG TERM DEBT
June 30, 2017

ITEM	BALANCE 6/30/18
Loader	17,484.82
Highway Truck (2013)	0
Fire Truck (2015)	440,000.00
Town Hall Renovations	0
Highway Truck (2014)	24,004.48
Highway Truck (2015)	92,310.00
TOTAL DEBT	\$573,799.30

ALL FUND REVENUES

As of June 30, 2018

Personal Property Taxes	52,172.00
Real Estate Taxes	5,003,097.71
Motor Vehicle Taxes	289,255.00
Farm Animal Excise Tax	316.75
Tax Title Interest	43,710.38
Penalties/Interest on Taxes	27,179.84
MVE State	8,049.10
State Owned Land	45,250.00
Transfer Station Stickers	62,253.25
Building Permits	17,190.60
Fees	6,189.98
Licenses & Permits	9,431.00
Abatements to Surviving Spouses/Elderly	7,523.00
Lottery	56,622.00
State Owned Land	44,668.00
Fines & Forfeits	150.00
Investment Income	3,136.89
Miscellaneous Revenue	10,668.57
Veteran's Reimbursements	4,250.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$5,644,073.44

AGENCY FUNDS

As of June 30, 2018

	DEBITS	CREDITS	ENDING BALANCE
Town Clerk Agency	1,280.82	2,400.00	1,119.18
Tax Collector Agency	5,033.54	20,550.80	15,517.26
Police FID	3,775.00	14,841.74	11,066.74
Unclaimed Checks	0	12,496.15	12,496.15
TOTALS	\$10,089.36	\$50,288.69	\$40,199.33

Respectfully submitted by: Tara B. White
Accountant