# Town of Wrentham



# 2021 Annual Report

# **TOWN OF WRENTHAM**



FOUNDED IN 1660 - INCORPORATED 1673

2020 CENSUS - POPULATION – 12,155 (as of 6/30/21) Voters – 9,409 (as of 06/30/21)

# TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 07-01-20 THROUGH 06-30-21

# **Board of Selectmen**

JOSEPH F. BOTAISH II, CHAIRMAN (Term Expires 2022)

STEPHEN J. LANGLEY, VICE CHAIRMAN (Term Expires 2022)

> CHARLES R. KENNEDY, CLERK (Term Expires 2023)

> > JAMES E. ANDERSON (Term Expires 2024)

CHRISTOPHER G. GALLO (Term Expires 2024)

KEVIN A SWEET, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR STEPHANIE DUQUETTE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT AMANDA VASAPOLLO, BOARD SECRETARY/LICENSING CLERK

> Moderator EDWARD GODDARD (Term Expires 2022)

Town Clerk CYNTHIA L. THOMPSON, CMC/CMMC

> Assistant Town Clerk ELLEN C. WOJCIK, CMC

# POLITICAL REPRESENTATION

#### SENATORS IN CONGRESS

Honorable Elizabeth A. Warren Honorable Edward J. Markey

#### **CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT – 4th**

Honorable Joseph P. Kennedy III

#### STATE SENATORIAL DISTRICT NORFOLK, BRISTOL & MIDDLESEX Rebecca L. Rausch

# STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

9th Norfolk Shawn C. Dooley

# **COUNTY SEAT - NORFOLK COUNTY, DEDHAM**

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Joseph P. Shea, Quincy Francis W. O'Brien, Dedham

Peter H. Collins, Milton

REGISTER OF DEEDS William P. O'Donnell

COUNTY ENGINEER Joseph McNichols

COUNTY TREASURER James E. Timilty

DISTRICT ATTORNEY Michael Morrissey

SHERIFF Jerome P. McDermott

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# Births, Marriages, and Deaths

# **Recorded in the Town of Wrentham, Massachusetts**

	Fiscal Year 20	Fiscal Year 21
Births	86	101
Marriages	40	37
Deaths	216	132

# Minutes of the November 16, 2020 Special (Fall) Town Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Edward Goddard at 7:30 p.m. at the King Philip High School auditorium. There were 115 voters in attendance. The auditorium was set up for social distancing requirements and masks were required by all per the Governor's order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Moderator Goddard.

Selectmen Langley made a motion to waive the reading of the warrant. *Motion passed unanimously*. Tellers appointed were Leo Immonen and Jeffrey Hall.

The Moderator reviewed the outline and agenda of the town meeting and verified with the Town Clerk that the warrant was posted properly and motions were submitted on time. All non-registered voters were seated in the socially distanced rows on the left side of the auditorium and wore "non-registered voter" stickers.

The Moderator recognized the Election Workers who worked very hard to make 2020 a successful election year.

# **TOWN MEETING ARTICLES**

<u>Article 1</u> – Selectmen McGovern recognized Brenda McGinn and Molly McDonald as the Town of Wrentham 2020 Volunteers of the Year. Ms. McGinn handmade and delivered masks during the pandemic and Ms. McDonald is president of KP Cares and had developed a mentoring program for incoming freshmen.

Article 2 – Move that the Town accept the 2019 Town Report.

# Motion carried.

<u>Article 3</u> – Move that the Town vote to authorize the Library Trustees to dispose of books and materials in the best interest of the Town.

# Motion carried.

<u>Article 4</u> – Move that the Town vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$187,574 for the following capital items.

Capital Project/Item	Amount
Roadside Boom Mower	\$115,685
Public Safety HVAC Chiller	\$71,889

Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Article 5</u> – Move that the Town approve a lease purchase financing agreement in accordance with M.G.L. c. 44, §21C with a total obligation of \$266,917 to pay costs of acquiring an equipped Dodge RAM 5500 lifeline, Class 1 ambulance 4x4 for the use of the Fire Department, the term of such lease purchase agreement not to exceed the useful life of the ambulance as determined by the Town Administrator; that the Town Administrator, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to execute and deliver such lease-purchase agreement and any and all other related documents which shall contain such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall approve, and that the sum of \$57,257.33 is appropriated from ambulance receipts to pay costs of the first year's payment under said lease purchase agreement.

# Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Article 6</u> – Move that the town vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds the sum of \$98,000 to fund the Wrentham Fire union contract.

# Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Article 7</u> – Move that the Town vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Eagle Brook Boulevard as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto necessary for the maintenance of such way, by voluntary conveyance.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 8</u> – Move that the Town vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Black Birch Drive as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto necessary for the maintenance of such way, by voluntary conveyance.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 9</u> – Move that the Town vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Black Birch Circle as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto necessary for the maintenance of such way, by voluntary conveyance.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 10</u> – Move that the Town vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Red Fox Run as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto necessary for the maintenance of such way, by voluntary conveyance.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 11</u> – Move that the Town vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Partridge View Lane as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto necessary for the maintenance of such way, by voluntary conveyance.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 12</u> – Move that the Town vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Partridge View Lane North as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto necessary for the maintenance of such way, by voluntary conveyance.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 13</u> – Move that the Town vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Partridge View Lane South as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto necessary for the maintenance of such way, by voluntary conveyance.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 14</u> – Move that the Town vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Killdeer Drive as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto necessary for the maintenance of such way, by voluntary conveyance.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 15</u> – Move that the Town vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Pheasant Run Court as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto necessary for the maintenance of such way, by voluntary conveyance.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 16</u> – Move that the Town vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by amending Article 1.7 to add "Non-Criminal Disposition" subsection, as printed under Article 16 in the warrant for this Town Meeting.

# Motion carried unanimous.

<u>Article 17</u> – Move that the Town vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by deleting exiting language of subsection 18.9.a.6 and replacing in place thereof the wording as printed under Article 17 in the Warrant for this Town Meeting.

A couple of residents asked what types of signage would be affected by the violations of this bylaw.

Motion carried unanimous.

Article 18 – Move that the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws as follows:

1. By inserting to Article 2, "Definitions" the following new definition in appropriate alphabetical order:

PARKING FACILITY, COMMERCIAL: A building or lot or any other part thereof for the storage of licensed motor vehicles for a fee. No service station may be carried on in said facility. Off-street parking authorized under Section 6.4 shall not be defined as a commercial parking facility.

2. By inserting to subsection 4.2, "Use Regulation Schedule" the Commercial use designation of "PARKING FACILITY, COMMERCIAL" to read as follows:

C. COMMERCIAL USES	R- 301	R- 431	R- 871	B-1	B-2 <sup>3</sup>	C-1 <sup>2</sup>	C-2	C-3	CRSP	VZ-A VZ-B	C-1N	C-1S	CRSP -1
34. PARKING FACILITY, COMMERCIAL	N	N		SPA	SPA	SP/ SPA (PB)	SPA	SPA		SP/ SPA (PB)	SP/ SPA (PB)	SP/ SPA (PB)	Ν

There was a brief presentation given by the engineering firm "Bohler" in representation of this Landowner Petition. There was much discussion about increased traffic, lighting, fencing and parking in general, in opposition from abutters from the Wrentham Woods development.

Mr. Woodhams made an amendment to the original motion.

MOVE that the Town vote to amend the main motion under Article 18 by replacing in the Use Table, the notation SP/SPA (PB) with the notation "N" in the B-1, B-2, C-1, C-2, C-3, VZ-A, VZ-B and C-1N district.

The amended motion carried 73 – yes, 23- no.

After some additional comments, some residents were still in general opposition and others were in support of this amendment.

A vote was taken on the amended motion and failed.

Motion fails 50 – yes, 32 – 45 as it needed a 2/3 majority vote.

Ms. Thompson, member of the General Bylaw Review Committee, gave a report of Articles 19 through 24.

<u>Article 19</u> – Move that the Town vote to renumber and recaption the General Bylaws of the Town as set forth in the documentation file in the office of the Town Clerk entitled "Final

Draft of the Town of Wrentham, Massachusetts," dated September 2020 prepared by General Code LLC.

Motion carries unanimously.

<u>Article 20</u> – Move that the Town vote to renumber and recaption the Zoning Bylaws of the Town as set forth in the documentation file in the office of the Town Clerk entitled "Final Draft of the Town of Wrentham, Massachusetts," dated September 2020 prepared by General Code LLC.

Motion carries unanimously.

<u>Article 21</u> – Move that the Town vote to amend Article 4.10. Section 7, Fees, Fines and Other Charges as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting.

Motion carries unanimously.

<u>Article 22</u> – Move that the Town vote to amend Article 6.80. Prohibition of Illicit Discharges to the Storm Drain System as printed in the warrant for this Town Meeting.

Motion carries unanimously.

<u>Article 23</u> – Move that the Town vote to delete ART. 7.11, SECTION 11. Earth Removal Operations in Existence and renumber the remaining sections accordingly.

Motion carries unanimously.

<u>Article 24</u> – Move that the Town vote to revise ART. 7.70, Section 4 by adding a new paragraph C as follows:

# C. Prohibition

Retail establishments shall only provide reusable check-out bags or recyclable paper bags at the point of sale that comply with the definition in Section B.

and renumber the remaining sections accordingly.

# Motion carries unanimously.

Scott Manchuso, Chairman of the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) gave a brief overview of Articles 25 through 30. He gave balances of money that would be allocated and how much would remain in the fund. Andrea Sweed, Chairperson of the Finance Committee (FinCom) stated that a presentation was given to FinCom by the CPC and FinCom voted to recommend passing of all six (6) articles.

<u>Article 25</u> – Move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$27,100.00 from the Open Space and Recreation Reserve account and/or the Undesignated Fund Balance and/or the Budgeted Reserve account of the Community Preservation Fund, for the purpose of purchasing a mechanical aquatic weed harvester and trailer. Mr. Ken Wagner, member of the Lake Pearl Study Committee spoke on this subject. There was a question on whether Lake Pearl would still be chemically treated on a yearly basis.

# Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Article 26</u> – Move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$26,000.00 from the Open Space and Recreation Reserve and/or Unrestricted account of the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of funding the Roderick School Playground Project.

Dr. Allan Cameron, Superintendent of the Wrentham Elementary explained the location and the equipment intended for the playground at the Roderick School.

# Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Article 27</u> – Move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 from the Open Space and Recreation Reserve and/or Unrestricted account of the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of funding the Rice Complex Walking Path Project Engineering Study.

Chuck Adelsberger, member of the Recreation Committee outlined where the path would be located at the Rice Complex.

# Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Article 28</u> – Move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$80,000.00 from the Open Space and Recreation Reserve and/or Unrestricted account of the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of funding the Metacomet Greenway Feasibility Project.

Chuck Adelsberger spoke about the possibility of a 17 mile rail-trail/greenway that could connect Wrentham to surrounding towns from Walpole to North Attleboro. There was much debate and discussion on this intended project and whether a feasibility study would be appropriate. Some residents were in opposition; other residents supported the study.

Motion carried yes – 68, no - 18.

<u>Article 29</u> – Move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$54,200.00 from the Housing Reserve and/or Unrestricted account of the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of funding the Housing Authority Bulkhead and Storm Door Replacement.

# Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Article 30</u> – Move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 from the Open Space and Recreation Reserve and/or Unrestricted account of the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of funding the Council on Aging's Raised Garden Bed.

Motion passed unanimously.

Selectmen Langley made a motion to adjourn sine die at 9:50 PM. *Motion passed*.

A True Copy, Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Cynthia L. Thompson, Town Clerk

# Minutes of the Annual Town Election - April 5, 2021

The Annual Town Election was held on Monday, April 5, 2021. Polling hours were from 7:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m. The Warrant was properly posted.

The Town was notified on March 16<sup>th</sup> that the Governor had extended early voting for municipal elections held on or before June 30, 2021 (Chapter 5 of the Acts of 2021). The last day to apply for a Vote by Mail application was Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> and the last day to apply for an Absentee Ballot was Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at noon. There were less than 100 requests for both Absentee and Mail in Ballots.

The polls were declared open at 7:00 a.m. by Warden Mary Geromini. There were no voters present at that time. The Specimen Ballot, Instructions to Voters, Voters Bill of Rights, and Zero Tabulations from Precinct 1, Precinct 2 and Precinct 3 were posted. The AutoMark handicap voting machine was turned on.

Election workers were as follows:

- Precinct 1 Clerk Kendra Farling
- Precinct 1 Check- In Lyn Freeman and Nancy Mure
- Precinct 1 Ballots Box Attendant and Extra Person Carolyn Collins and Marguerite Pennini
- Precinct 2 Clerk Leo Immonen
- Precinct 2 Check-In Paul Freeman and Dave Simpson
- Precinct 2 Ballot Box Attendant and Extra Person Michael Smith and Todd Duffy
- Precinct 3 Clerk Lynn Hallion
- Precinct 3 Check-In Karen Heinz and Karen Suchy
- Precinct 3 Ballot Box Attendant and Extra Person Mary Carlson and Ann Fiske

Special thanks to the Elementary School custodian staff and the Town's facilities department to make sure that personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies were readily available as well as sneeze guards placed on every table throughout the polling location. Also to the Wrentham Police Department for working the detail (Officer Jeff Smith, Officer Steven Eaton, Officer Jonathan King and Officer Dan Morris).

The ballot boxes were opened by Officer Smith and Town Clerk, Cynthia Thompson observing. The ballot boxes proved to be empty and the zero tabulation tapes were run and posted. The keys were handed over to Officer Smith.

The turnout was steady throughout the day. At the time of this Annual Town Election, there were a total of 9,434 registered voters in Wrentham. There were 71 requests for Mail in Ballots and 26 requests for Absentee ballots. This election had a total of 1,015 voters making it a little over 10% total turnout.

Mail in Ballots and Absentee Ballots were processed by the Precinct Clerks during the day. There were a no issues with the ImageCast tabulators and two residents took advantage of the Automark machine. At 8:00 p.m. Warden, Geromini closed the polls. The voting machines were programmed for tabulation and two sets of tapes were run. Tellers reconciled their books and write-in votes were recorded. Results were ready by 9:00 p.m. There were several races on the ballot that no nomination papers were pulled, so required write-in votes. There was a total of 513 write-in votes at the end of the evening

There were zero (0) provisional ballots, a few spoiled ballots and one affirmation.

All materials were returned to Town Hall by 10:30 p.m. and official results were posted on the Town's website on Tuesday, April 6th.

The Town Clerk would like to thank all the staff members who worked at this election, especially in this unique situation to make the day run smoothly.

Attest:

Cynthia L. Thompson, Town Clerk

Results of the election are as follows:

# Annual Town Election - April 5, 2021 - Tally Sheet - Official Results

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Official
Board of Assessors (1) - 3 years				
Write-Ins	29	34	50	113
Blanks	278	295	330	903
Total	307	329	380	1016
Board of Health (1) - 3 years				
Blanks	287	307	346	940
Write-Ins	20	22	34	76
Total	307	329	380	1016
Board of Selectmen (2) - 3 years				
James E. Anderson	194	205	227	626
Christopher G. Gallo	194	239	224	657
Timothy M. Konowitz	132	128	210	470
Blanks	90	81	93	264
Write-Ins	4	5	6	15
Total	614	658	760	2032
Fiske Public Library Trustee (2) - 3 years				
Maureen Osolnik	244	262	307	813
Blanks	356	387	435	1178
Write-Ins	14	9	18	41
Total	614	658	760	2032
King Philip School Committee (1) - 3 years				
Marc Waxman	213	225	254	692
Blanks	82	91	106	279
Write-Ins	12	13	20	45
Total	307	329	380	1016
Moderator (1) - 1 year				
Edward J. Goddard	236	261	302	799
Blanks	71	66	77	214
Write-Ins	0	2	1	3
Total	307	329	380	1016

Annual Town Election - April 5, 2021 - Tally Sheet - Official Results							
		Precinct 1		Precinct 2		Precinct 3	Official
Planning Board (3) - 3 years							
Robert W. Cass		219		234		274	727
Blanks		612		690		804	2106
Write-Ins		90		63		62	215
Total		921		987		1140	3048
Wrentham School Committee (2) - 3							
years							
Erin Greaney		170		171		216	557
Philip George Jordan		164		198		236	598
Michael R. Crotty		130		150		135	415
Blanks		150		138		169	457
Write-Ins		0		1		4	5
Total		614		658		760	2032
Bold Italics - Winner							

# Minutes of the June 7, 2021 Annual Town Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Edward Goddard at 7:30 PM at the King Philip Regional High School Auditorium. As of June 7, 2021 there were 9,407 registered voters of which 55 were in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Selectman Christopher Gallo. Tellers appointed were Jerry McGovern and Jeff Plympton.

The warrant was properly posted and all motions were received in a timely fashion. Selectmen Stephen Langley motioned to waive the reading of the Town Meeting Warrant.

The Moderator announced the reappointments to the Finance Committee: Fran Manchuso, Bill Harrington and Marj Immonen. He congratulated newly elected Selectmen Gallo, the reelection of Selectmen Anderson, newly appointed Finance Director, Michael King and recognized Jerry McGovern for his past 20 years of dedication to the town as Selectmen, Finance Committee member and his work on the Town Charter.

# **TOWN MEETING ARTICLES**

Article 1 – Move that the Town accept the 2020 Annual Town Report.

Passed unanimously.

<u>Article 2</u> – Move that the Town vote to fix the salary and the compensation of elected officials as provided Chapter 41, Section 108, of the Massachusetts General Laws:

Town Clerk	\$75,060.00
All Other Elected Officials	\$0.00

# Passed unanimously.

<u>Article 3</u> – Move that the Town vote to authorize the Library Trustees to dispose of books and materials in the best interest of the Town.

# Passed unanimously.

<u>Article 4</u> – Move that the Town vote to approve the Town of Wrentham's Water Enterprise Fiscal Year 2022 for the sum of \$2,439,995 as shown in the Wrentham Finance Committee's Recommendations under Table B-1.

The appropriation will be allocated as follows:

To direct expenses the sum of	\$1,875,609
By transfer to the general fund for indirect expenses the sum of	\$564,386
Said sum is to be sourced as follows:	
From Water Enterprise Fund Revenue the sum of	\$2,364,995
By transfer from the Water Enterprise Retained Earnings to the	\$75,000
Water Enterprise Operating Capital Budget the sum of	

# Passed unanimously.

<u>Article 5</u> – Move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$48,126,325 to fund the Town's Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022) to be expended as follows:

General Government	\$3,511,227
Public Safety	\$6,767,519
Public Works	\$2,397,895
Human Services	\$490,215
Culture & Recreation	\$533,045
Education – Wrentham	\$12,966,277
Education – King Philip Regional	\$11,631,726
Education – Tri-County, Norfolk Agricultural	\$1,143,167
Debt Service	\$546,694
Insurances & Employee Benefits	\$8,138,560

# Total General Fund Expenses

\$48,126,325

And that the foregoing appropriation be sourced as follows:

Raise and Appropriate the sum of	\$45,101,939
Appropriate by transfer from the Ambulance Receipts Reserve Account to the Fire Department's Salary Accounts the sum of	\$720,000
Appropriate by transfer from the Cemetery Receipts Reserve Account the sum of	\$20,000
Appropriate by transfer from the Septic Loan Program the sum of	\$20,000
Appropriate by transfer from the Water Enterprise Fund the sum of	\$564,386
Appropriate by transfer from unappropriated funds in the treasury the sum of	\$1,700,000

Town Administrator Sweet gave a brief PowerPoint presentation on the FY22 budget.

# Passed unanimously.

<u>Article 6</u>- Move that the Town vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$40,000 and to transfer from Water Retained Earnings the sum of \$60,000 to the Town's "Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB)" trust fund.

Passed unanimously.

<u>Article 7</u> - Move that the Town vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$499,284 for the following capital items:

Department	Equipment	Cost
Public Safety-Fire	ALS Ambulance (Lease payment 2 of 5)	\$57,258
Public Safety-Fire	Engine 2 (Lease payment 3 of 7)	\$83,633
Public Safety-Fire	SCBA Replacement (Lease payment 4 of 5)	\$55,393
Facilities	Replace 2013 Ford Explorer with	\$40,000
	Department pickup truck or van	
School	Replacement dishwasher for Delaney School	\$65,000
DPW	Replace 2009 Ford F-550 4x4 6-Wheel Dump truck w/plow	\$78,000
Recreation	Replace 2012 Dodge Ram Pickup Truck	\$35,000
Water	New Ford F-550 4x4 6-Wheel Dump	\$85,000
	truck w/plow & sander	

Passed unanimously.

<u>Article 8</u> – Move the Town appropriate \$1,950,000 to fund the purchase of water meters, including all associated equipment, payment of costs and expenses related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to G.L. c. 44, §7, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor. Any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with G.L. c. 44, §20, thereby reducing by a like amount the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs.

There was discussion from the residents on the borrowing for the water meters. Mr. Sweet gave an overview to help explain the needs for more accurate water usage reports, quarterly water billing, the use of a customer portal for monitoring residents' water usage and DEP requirements.

Passed by a vote of 38 – yes, 7 – no.

<u>Article 9</u> – Move that the Town vote to amend Section 18-7 – Revolving Funds (formerly Article 4.10 Section 8E paragraph vii.) of the General Bylaws of the Town of Wrentham by adding one revolving fund to the table as follows:

i.	ii.	iii.	iv.	V	vi.
Revolving	Department,	Fees,	Program	Other	Fiscal
Fund	Board, Committee	Charges or	or Activity	Req./	Years
	Agency or Officer	other	Expenses	Report	
	Authorized to	Expense	Payable		
	spend from the	Credited to	from Fund		
	Fund	Fund			
Public	Town	Proceeds,	Expenses		Fiscal Year
Health	Administrator/Public	charges,or	and wages		2022 and
Alliance	Health Manager	other receipts	expended		subsequent
		receivedby	to support		years
		activities or	Alliance		
		programs to	activities		
		support	or		
		cross-	programs		
		jurisdictional			
		regional			
		shared			
		services			
		and/or fee for			
		services			

Passed unanimously.

<u>Article 10</u> – Move that the Town vote to authorize the total expenditures for the following revolving funds pursuant to MGL c. 44, Section 53E  $\frac{1}{2}$  for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 to be expended in accordance with the bylaws heretofore approved.

Fund	Approved Total Expenditures
Police Equipment	\$50,000
Recycling and Solid Waste	\$50,000
Firearms Licenses	\$25,000
Wrentham Cultural Council	\$10,000
Communications	\$20,000
Public Health Alliance	\$75,000

Passed unanimously.

Article 11 – Move that the Town vote to renumber and recaption the Zoning Bylaw of the Town by: (a) designating the Zoning Bylaw as Chapter 390 of the new Town Code; (b) renumbering each section of the Zoning Bylaw accordingly; (c) inserting section titles therein; and (d) updating internal references to reflect the new numbering system, all as set forth in the document on file in the office of the Town Clerk entitled "Final Draft of the Town of Wrentham, Massachusetts," dated September 2020, prepared by General Code LLC.

As part of the codification of the Zoning Bylaw, the following style changes were made:

- 1. Capitalization. Only proper nouns are capitalized in the text. "Town," when referring to the Town of Wrentham, is capitalized.
- 2. Citation of numbers. Numbers one through nine are written out in text format, while 10 and above, fractions, decimals and dates appear in numeric format.
- 3. Statutory citations. Any citations to the Massachusetts General Laws appear in the

From FY2022 estimated revenues for Budgeted Reserve:

following format: MGL c.\_\_\_, §\_\_\_\_. **4. "Bylaw."** The word "bylaw" is included as a single word, without a hyphen.

# Passed unanimously.

Article 12 – Move that the Town vote to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation Fund annual revenues in the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for administrative expenses, committee preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal year 2022:

# **Appropriations:**

From FY2022 estimated revenues for committee administrative expenses:	\$16,000
From Fy2022 estimated revenues for bond payments	\$58,280
Reserves:	
From FY2022 estimated revenues for Historic Preservation Reserve:	\$32,200
From FY2022 estimated revenues for Community Housing Reserve:	\$32,200
From FY2022 estimated revenues for Open Space Reserve:	\$32,200

\$151,120

Passed unanimously.

The FinCom reviewed the Community Preservation accounts and unanimously recommended this article pass.

Motion by Selectmen Anderson to adjourn sin die at 8:13 p.m. Motion carries.

A True Copy, Attest:

Cynthia L. Thompson, Town Clerk

# **Report of the Town Accountant**

In accordance with Chapter 41, section 61, of the Massachusetts General Laws, I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Town Accountant for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

All invoices and payrolls presented during the fiscal year by the various departments were examined for accuracy and legal compliance prior to submission to the Town Administrator for approval and the Treasurer for disbursement of funds.

The Treasurer's cash was examined and found to be in order. Notices of the condition of appropriations and accounts were furnished, written and verbal, to the various departments and boards each month during the fiscal year.

A Combined Balance Sheet was submitted to the Department of Revenue's Division of Local Services/Bureau of Accounts for review. In accordance with Chapter 59, Section 23 of the Massachusetts General Laws, "Free Cash" as of July 1, 2021 was certified at \$2,314,706; and the Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings as of July 1, 2020 was certified at \$3,174,366.

The accounting records of the Town are maintained under the Uniform Municipal Accounting System as promulgated by the Director of Accounts. In an effort to convey the budgetary conditions and financial health of the Town, UMAS defined financial statements follow this narrative. Several special revenue summary sheets are included to highlight the activity of funds outside the Town's omnibus budget. In accordance with Chapter 44, Section 53G a report of special accounts held for the employment of outside consultants follows.

An audit of FY2021 activity has been performed by the firm Roselli, Clark & Associates, CPA. Please contact the office to request any additional information.

I would like to express thanks to all Town officials and department staff for the continued cooperation they have extended to the department. In addition, I would like thank our accounts payable clerk, Annemarie Foley for her continued dedication to the department and the Town of Wrentham. I look forward to another successful year ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Dupras Town Accountant Town of Wrentham

# Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups as of June 30, 2021 (Unaudited)

	Gov	Governmental Fund Types	S	Proprietary Fund Types	id Types	Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Groups	Totals
		Special	Capital		Internal	Trust and	Long-term	(Memorandum
	General	Revenue	Projects	Enterprise	Services	Agency	Debt	Only)
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	7,946,807.78	4,984,252.31	1,130,898.97	4,260,494.96		3,516,798.26		21,839,252.28
Investments						68,647.95		68,647.95
Receivables:								
Personal property taxes	68,410.69							68,410.69
Real estate taxes	358,035.12							358,035.12
Allowance for abatements and exemptions	(267,738.97)							(267,738.97)
Tax liens	744,450.51							744,450.51
Deferred taxes	56,911.70							56,911.70
Motor vehicle excise	306,290.46							306,290.46
Other excises	3,509.64							3,509.64
User fees				587,795.42				587,795.42
Utility liens added to taxes				27,767.22				27,767.22
Departmental		1,440,544.05						1,440,544.05
Special assessments		252,609.54						252,609.54
Due from other governments	5,127.37							5,127.37
Other receivables								0.00
Foreclosures/Possessions	243,510.49							243,510.49
Prepaids								00.00
Due to/from other funds								0.00
Working deposit								0.00
Inventory								0.00
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation								0.00
Amounts to be provided - payment of bonds				5,388,731.92			2,593,414.56	7,982,146.48
Amounts to be provided - vacation/sick leave				15,439.00			294,050.90	309,489.90
Total Assets	9,465,314.79	6,677,405.90	1,130,898.97	10,280,228.52	0.00	3,585,446.21	2,887,465.46	34,026,759.85
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</u>								
Liabilities:								
Warrants payable	752,018.99	133,577.05		289,173.58		2,848.88		1,177,618.50
Accounts payable	150,500.92			2,180.00				152,680.92
Accrued payroll	1,088,841.48							1,088,841.48
W ithholdings	29,815.92							29,815.92
Accrued claims payable	65.91							65.91
Due to/from other funds								00.0
Due to other governments								0.00
Other liabilities								00.0

General         Revenue         Projects           158,721.85         744,450.51         56,911.70           56,911.70         243,510.49         306,290.46           306,290.46         1,440,544.05         1,440,544.05           35,509.64         2,52,609.54         1,440,544.05           18,557.12         1,440,544.05         252,609.54           18,557.12         2,52,609.54         0.00           327,909.04         2,704.20         0.00           3,881,104.03         1,829,434.84         0.00           964,089.25         1,221,202.40         2,000	ا ا ص مُ	0.00	Agency 4,707.30 59,766.96	Debt 2,593,414.56 294,050.90	Only) 158,721.85 74,450.51 56,911.70 243,510.49 306,290.46 3,509.64 3,509.64 587,795.42 27,765.42 1,440,544.05 1,440,544.05 252,609.54 18,557.12 0.00 330,613.24 4,707,30 59,766.96 59,766.96
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# TOWN OF WRENTHAM M.G.L. CHAPTER 44, SECTION 53G AT JUNE 30, 2021

	July 1, 2020	Additions	Withdrawals	Interest	June 30, 2021
CONSERVATION					
Wrentham Prop LLC	2,570.68	-	-	1.31	2,571.99
Toils End	346.64		-	0.14	346.78
Bab Trust Clemmey	1,824.03	-	0.00	0.90	1,824.93
Park Street	10,792.78	-	-	5.39	10,798.17
Ledgewood	443.12	-	120	0.24	443.36
Lot 5 Rosegate	889.32	-	1997	0.46	889.78
Ledgeview (Madison)	812.12	-	-	0.38	812.50
40/50/60 Ledgeview Way	539.74	-		0.24	539.98
CONSERVATION Total	18,218.43	-		9.06	18,227.49
PLANNING					
Meadowview InvestPreserve Oak Hill	190.06	-		0.12	190.18
Badus Brook	696.08	-	696.08	0.03	0.03
Ridge Estates	502.14	-	502.16	0.02	
Ruby Wyllie	1,848.96	-	-	0.93	1,849.89
Deer Brook Estates	3,018.00	-	2,812.50	0.77	206.27
Ledgeview	1,214.41	1,850.29	3,064.89	0.19	3=1.
Park Place - bella Rose, LLC	21,609.73	-	9,698.21	9.24	11,920.76
35 Commerical Drive	3,291.93	-	-	1.67	3,293.60
Naskart - Edgewood Dev	7,997.27	-	1 <b></b>	4.01	8,001.28
Rosegate - Maple	15.06	-	-		15.06
Demetra Estates	184.28	1,500.00	1,684.46	0.18	-
500 Thurston Street	1,454.52		1,454.58	0.06	
500 Thurston Street Major Mod	-	11,250.00	8,827.50	2.14	2,424.64
473 East St	-	2,700.00	2,413.75	0.33	286.58
Wrentham Highlands LLC	-	15,600.00	15,140.05	1.98	461.93
613 West St	-	12,500.00	7,581.47	1.57	4,920.10
PLANNING Total	42,022.44	45,400.29	53,875.65	23.24	33,570.32
ZBA					
EAGLE BROOK DEVELOPMENT	179.30	2,201.20	2,380.87	0.37	-
ROSEGATE OF WRENTHAM	756.24	-	756.48	0.24	
EAGLE BROOK COMMONS	2,839.14	-	0.50	1.43	2,840.57
ZBA Total	3,774.68	2,201.20	3,137.35	2.04	2,840.57

#### TOWN OF WRENTHAM

#### OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS (29) SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY - FY 2021

Special Bayanya Eurod	Balance June 30, 2020	Receipts	Salaries	Evpanore	Transfers In / (Out)	Balance June 30, 2021
Special Revenue Fund SELECTMEN:	June 30, 2020	Receipts	Salaries	Expenses	in / (Out)	June 30, 2021
Hatch Gift Fund	1,116					1,116
Flagpole Lighting Gift Fund	5					5
Gift Drive	22,474					22,474
Boat Ramp Gift Fund	546					546
Town Hall Flood Insurance	340	50,499		28,957		21,542
Fown Hall Flood Insurance		00,499		20,907		21,042
CONSERVATION:						
Gift Fund	766			-		766
Restricted Gift Fund	4,228					4,228
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POLICE:	100000000	10.00		1756103		
Gift Fund	17,636	73		711		16,998
Dog Gift Fund	864					864
FIRE:						
Outside HazMat	2,257					2,257
Gift Fund	308	1.39	2020			308
BDA Alternative	500	40,000				40,000
DESTRICTION		10,000				10,000
ANIMAL CONTROL						
Gift Fund	1,377					1,377
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SCHOOLS:						
Gift Fund	43,017	3,986		1,606		45,397
Scholarship - Tax Checkoff Program	3,181					3,181
Education - Tax Checkoff Program	4,908					4,908
School Playground Gift Fund	2,984	88,750		87,090		4,644
YMCA Breakfast	1,880					1,880
DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS:	201010-01-02-01					A10.00 COV //
Gift Fund - Cemetery	2,215					2,215
Gift Fund - 911 Memorial	100					100
RECYCLING PROGRAM:	1.074					4.074
Hazardous Waste Day Gift Fund	1,371					1,371
Recycling Gift Fund	1,766					1,766
BOARD OF HEALTH	00.074	440.054		141.140		440.000
Septic Loan Program	86,371	143,851		111,413		118,809
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES:						
Gift Fund	17,069	260		2,782		14,547
Gitti and	17,005	200		2,102		14,047
COUNCIL ON AGING:						
Gift Fund	6,549	6,200		3,246		9,503
Elderly/Disabled - Tax Checkoff	2,195	0,200		0,210		2,195
Enderly Disabled Tax encoder	2,100					2,100
VETERANS:						-
Gift Fund	1,121	128		1		1,121
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LIBRARY:						
Gift Fund	10,274	62		135		10,201
Gifts - Lilla Pond	30,682	80590		csalik		30,682
Gifts - Battikha	501					501
Gifts - Macdougald	545			ж.		545
Gifts - Webster Book	4,550			71		4,479
Gifts - Fiske Friends	5,485	379				5,864
Gifts - Fiske Trustees	12,000	47				12,047
Gifts - ADA	7					7
RECREATION:						
Playspace Gift Fund	8,563			8,562		ণ
HISTORICAL COMMISSION:	0.000.000.000	3 849				1000 C
Gift Fund	5,635	1,100				6,735
Lillla Pond Gift Fund	19,947					19,947
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Olde Fiske Gift Fund	10					10
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CULTURAL COUNCIL:	2,217	-				0.000
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Gift Fund	2,200					

#### TOWN OF WRENTHAM

#### REVOLVING FUNDS (28) SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY - FY 2021

Special Revenue Fund	Balance June 30, 2020	Receipts	Salaries	Expenses	Transfers In/(Out)	Balance June 30, 2021
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:	Curio 00, 2020	Receipto	Culuitos	LAPONOOU	ingouy	00110 00, 2021
Insurance Recovery	21,709	29,717		28.624		22,802
Clear Channel	4,287	20,000		1,794		22,493
DISABILITY COMMITTEE:						
Parking Violations	72,416	6,950				79,366
POLICE:						
Vehicle Revolving Fund (53E 1/2)	135,226	35,580		39,593		131,213
Firearms Licenses (53E 1/2)	39,151	36,775		26,925		49,001
SCHOOLS:						
Lost Books Account	3,566	123				3,689
Wrentham Institute	32,319	37,360	800			68,879
Activities Account	97,642	2,457		2,402		97,697
Kindergarten Tuition	215,841	207,032	241,556			181,317
WPS Facilities	161,633	62,903		31,776		192,760
School Non Resident	24,412	54,000	28,699	2012/2010/02		49,713
RECYCLING PROGRAM:						
Composting Program (53E 1/2)	31,211	10,825				42,036
RECREATION:						
Recreation Revolving Fund (53D)	16,855	271,076	62,984	161,835		63,112
SPECIAL EVENTS:						
Community Events Fund (53 E 1/2)	4,973					4,973
TOTAL, REVOLVING	861,241	774,798	334,039	292,949	-	1,009,051

# **Report of the Finance Director**

The table below illustrates the manner in which the tax levy was determined for each of the following fiscal years.

	 Fiscal 2022	 Fiscal 2021	 Fiscal 2020	 Fiscal 2019	 Fiscal 2018
Gross Amount to be Raised					
Appropriations	\$ 51,295,479	\$ 48,714,521	\$ 49,178,437	\$ 46,385,246	\$ 44,850,840
Other Local Expenditures	322,901	79,790	29,312	19,494	32,725
State & County Charges	1,334,212	1,152,267	1,091,015	708,171	553,963
Overlay Reserve	51,075	332,406	100,000	35,775	5,316
Total Gross Amount to be Raised	 53,003,667	 50,278,984	50,398,764	47,148,686	 45,442,844
Less Estimated Receipts & Other Revenue:					
Estimated Receipts from State	5,132,577	5,091,332	5,105,880	5,200,915	5,109,510
Estimated Receipts - Local	6,598,865	6,072,500	6,443,196	5,979,889	5,617,981
Available Funds Appropriated:					
Free Cash	2,146,467	1,924,599	2,778,774	1,897,921	1,939,422
Other Available Funds	797,258	677,257	1,262,221	925,725	863,319
Free Cash & Other Revenue Used					
To Reduce Tax Rate	-	-	-	-	-
Total Estimated Receipts & Revenue	 14,675,167	 13,765,688	15,590,071	14,004,450	 13,530,232
Net Amount to be Raised (Tax Levy)	 \$38,328,500	 \$36,513,295	\$34,808,693	\$33,144,236	 31,912,611
Property Valuation	\$ 2,639,306,244	\$ 2,477,708,478	\$ 2,313,060,629	\$ 2,221,323,306	\$ 2,121,275,220

#### TAX LEVY COMPUTATION

SOURCE: Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

# **Assessed Valuations and Tax Levies**

Property is classified for the purpose of taxation according to its use. The legislature has in substance created three classes of taxable property: (1) residential real property, (2) open space land, and (3) all other (commercial, industrial and personal property). Within limits, cities and towns are given the option of determining the share of the annual levy to be borne by each of the three categories. The share required to be borne by residential real property is at least 50 per cent of its share of the total taxable valuation; the effective rate for open space must be at least 75 per cent of the effective rate for residential real property (where used as the taxpayer's principal residence) and up to 10 percent of the valuation of commercial real property (where occupied by certain small businesses). Property may not be classified in a city or town until the State Commissioner of Revenue certifies that all property in the city or town has been assessed at its fair cash value. Such certification must take place every three years, or pursuant to a revised schedule as may be issued by the Commissioner.

Related statutes provide that certain forest land, agricultural or horticultural land (assessed at the value it has for these purposes) and recreational land (assessed on the basis of its use at a maximum of 25 percent of its fair cash value) are all to be taxed at the rate applicable to commercial property. Land classified as forest land is valued for this purpose at five percent of fair cash value but not less than ten dollars per acre.

Fiscal Year	 Real Estate Valuation	Personal Property Valuation	 Total Assessed Valuation	Residential Tax Rate Per \$1,000 Valuation	Ta Pe	nmerical ax Rate r \$1,000 aluation	 Tax Levy	ax Levy Capita(1)
2022	\$ 2,559,526,584	\$ 79,779,660	\$ 2,639,306,244	\$ 13.67	\$	18.18	\$ 38,328,500	\$ 3,499
2021 (2)	2,398,041,978	79,666,500	2,477,708,478	14.07		17.42	36,513,295	3,333
2020	2,246,957,139	66,103,490	2,313,060,629	14.25		18.39	34,808,693	3,177
2019	2,162,071,586	59,251,720	2,221,323,306	14.12		18.24	33,144,236	3,025
2018	2,063,110,450	58,164,770	2,121,275,220	14.24		18.25	31,912,611	2,913

(1) 2010 federal census.

(2) Revaluation year.

# **Classification of Property**

The following is a breakdown of the Town's assessed valuation of real estate and personal property for fiscal years 2020, 2021 and 2022.

	 2022		 2021 (1)		 2020	
Property Type	 Amount	% of Total	 Amount	% of Total	 Amount	% of Total
Residential	\$ 2,137,180,003	81.0 %	\$ 1,979,999,489	79.9 %	\$ 1,863,014,627	80.5 %
Commercial	377,633,981	14.3	372,525,889	15.0	344,029,512	14.9
Industrial	44,712,600	1.7	45,516,600	1.8	39,913,000	1.7
Personal	79,779,660	3.0	79,666,500	3.2	66,103,490	2.9
Total Real Estate	\$ 2,639,306,244	100.0 %	\$ 2,477,708,478	100.0 %	\$ 2,313,060,629	100.0 %

(1) Revaluation year.

#### **Largest Taxpayers**

The following is a list of the ten largest taxpayers in the Town based upon assessed valuations for fiscal 2022.

Name	Nature of Business	Total Assesse Valuation for Fiscal 2022	d Amount of Tax	% of Total Value
Premium Outlet Partner LP	Outlet mall	\$ 234,728,10	0 \$ 4,267,357	8.89 %
PP Wrentham Investors LLC	Apartments	44,667,50	0 610,605	1.69
Massachusetts Electric	Utility	26,887,06	0 488,000	1.02
Eversource Gas Co	Utility	10,450,99	0 189,685	0.40
New England Power Company	Utility	9,500,22	0 172,429	0.36
Ledgeview Hospitality	Hotel	9,028,30	0 164,134	0.34
Supercharged Racing of Wrentham LLC	Recreation	7,906,60	0 143,742	0.30
Verizon New England Inc	Utility	7,712,80	0 139,987	0.29
Capstan Holdings I LLC	Manufacturing	7,558,60	0 137,415	0.29
The Shops at Wrentham, LLC	Retail	7,322,40	0 133,121	0.28
Total		\$ 365,762,57	0 \$ 6,446,475	13.86 %

The following table sets forth the Town's tax levy for the following fiscal years, the primary levy limits based upon 2.5% of estimated full value and the maximum levy limits as determined by the State Department of Revenue.

			For Fiscal Year		
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Primary Levy Limit(2)	\$65,982,656	\$61,942,712	\$57,826,516	\$55,533,083	\$53,031,981
Prior Fiscal Year Levy Limit	36,202,237	34,103,831	32,444,086	31,144,397	29,957,601
Amended Prior Year Growth	(30,205)	-	23,292	-	-
2.5% Levy Growth	904,301	852,596	811,684	778,610	748,940
New Growth (3)	581,738	1,245,810	824,769	521,079	437,856
Overrides	<u> </u>	-	-	-	-
Growth Levy Limit	37,658,071	36,202,237	34,103,831	32,444,086	31,144,397
Debt Exclusions	675,455	701,704	715,654	690,301	748,402
Capital Expenditure Exclusions	-	-	-	-	-
Other Adjustments	-	-	20,038	20,048	20,058
Tax Levy Limit	38,333,526	36,903,941	34,839,523	33,154,435	31,912,857
Tax Levy	38,328,500	36,513,295	34,808,693	33,144,236	31,912,611
Unused Levy Capacity (4)	5,026	390,646	30,830	10,199	246
Unused Primary Levy Capacity (5)	\$28,324,585	\$25,740,475	\$23,722,685	\$23,088,997	\$21,887,584

# Unused Levy Capacity (1)

(1) Source: Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

(2) 2.5% of assessed valuation.

(3) Allowed increase for new valuations (or required reduction) – certified by the Department of Revenue.

(4) Tax Levy Limit less Tax Levy.

(5) Primary Levy Limit Less Growth levy Limit.

The following table sets forth the operating budgets for fiscal 2018 through 2022 as voted by the Annual Town Meetings. Said budgets may exclude Mandatory Items and expenditures for "non-operating" or extraordinary items authorized under "special" warrant articles at special town meetings.

#### **Budget Trends**

	Fiscal 2018	Fiscal 2019	Fiscal 2020	Fiscal 2021	Fiscal 2022
General Government	\$ 1,771,809	\$ 1,898,342	\$ 3,061,645	\$ 3,394,868	\$ 3,511,227
Public Safety	5,288,963	5,609,802	6,138,352	6,105,427	6,767,519
Education	22,477,042	23,042,921	23,742,246	24,752,725	25,741,170
Public Works	2,609,612	2,573,103	2,067,700	2,120,743	2,397,895
Human Services	422,331	471,071	472,117	503,652	490,215
Culture and Recreation	482,127	494,314	504,527	522,847	533,045
Insurance and Other	6,702,438	7,052,068	7,291,743	7,734,147	8,138,560
Water Department Enterprise	2,032,856	2,135,239	2,166,490	2,363,950	2,439,995
Debt Service	1,565,730	1,350,587	1,059,154	667,971	546,694
Totals	\$ 43,352,908	\$ 44,627,447	\$ 46,503,974	\$ 48,166,330	\$ 50,566,320

#### **Unassigned General Fund and Free Cash (Uniform System of Accounting)**

Under the Massachusetts Uniform System of Accounting an amount known as "free cash" is certified as of the beginning of each fiscal year by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue, Bureau of Accounts. This unrestricted fund balance is generated when actual revenue collections exceed budget estimates and/or unexpended appropriation balances lapse at year end to the general treasury.

The following table reflects the Unassigned General Fund Balance and amount of free cash certified by the Bureau of Accounts for the following fiscal years:

	U	Unassigned		Certified	
Fiscal	Ge	General Fund		Free Cash	
Year	(J	(June 30) (1)		(July 1)	
2021	\$	4,561,484	\$	2,314,706	
2020		4,725,042		2,386,997	
2019		4,230,705		1,897,540	
2018		5,148,606		2,968,589	
2017		4,704,987		2,189,101	
2016		4,297,744		1,661,838	

(1) Unassigned General Fund Balance. Extracted from audited financial statements.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. King, CMMT Finance Director

# **Report of the Treasurer/Collector**

# COLLECTOR'S RECEIPTS JULY 1, 2020 - JUNE 30, 2021

Description	Amount
2021 Personal Property Taxes Including Interest and Fees	1,365,603.51
2020 Personal Property Taxes Including Interest and Fees	28,087.11
2021 Real Estate Taxes Including Interest and Fees	34,615,433.54
2021 CPA Including Interest and Fees	286,250.82
2020 Real Estate Taxes Including Interest and Fees	492,333.16
2020 CPA Including Interest and Fees	3,821.06
2019 Real Estate Taxes Including Interest and Fees	117,585.70
2019 CPA Including Interest and Fees	750.29
2018 Real Estate Taxes Including Interest and Fees	1,322.27
2018 CPA Including Interest and Fees	7.71
In Lieu of Taxes	4,606.16
2021 R.E. Septic Betterment - Principal Including Interest and Fees	36,577.47
2021 R.E. Septic Betterment - Committed Interest	4,492.37
2020 R.E. Septic Betterment - Principal Including Interest and Fees	10,322.91
2020 R.E. Septic Betterment - Committed Interest	801.59
2019 R.E. Septic Betterment - Principal Including Interest and Fees	10,245.73
2019 R.E. Septic Betterment - Committed Interest	263.85
Septic Betterment Payoff - Principal	82,468.76
Septic Betterment Payoff - Interest	908.50
2021 Motor Vehicle Excise Including Interest and Fees	1,875,654.94
2020 Motor Vehicle Excise Including Interest and Fees	358,867.12
2019 Motor Vehicle Excise Including Interest and Fees	36,133.36
2018 and Prior Years Motor Vehicle Excise Including Interest and Fees	14,202.06
2021 Boat Excise Including Interest and Fees	7,533.71
2021 Water Charges Including Interest and Fees	2,989,143.56
2020 Water Charges Including Interest and Fees	252,342.85
2019 and Prior Years Water Charges Including Interest and Fees	25,822.33
2021 Water Liene Including Interest	453,646,00
2021 Water Liens Including Interest	153,616.62
2020 Water Liens Including Interest 2019 Water Liens Including Interest	5,416.41
Zo 13 Water Liens including interest	530.75
Municipal Lien Certificates	21,175.00

TOTAL \$42,802,321.22

# **Report of the Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee (FINCOM) is responsible for considering all articles on the Town Meeting Warrant, to make a written report including recommendations regarding the warrant articles and to move all articles of a financial nature. FINCOM acts as an advisory committee to the town and seeks to consider the operating needs of the entire town for people of all ages. Primary in consideration is Public Safety (police, fire, roads and water), education, and state and federal regulatory requirements while maintaining adequate monetary reserves for unexpected critical events and favorable bond ratings to minimize interest expense for borrowings.

The town's fiscal year (FY) begins on July 1 and ends on June 30th. Wrentham held two town meetings during FY 2021. The fall 2020 meeting addressed supplemental spending to the previously passed FY 2021 budget and the spring 2021 meeting passed the FY 2022 budget. Supplemental items are additions to the budget that were unknown or unforeseen at the time of the annual town meeting.

At the November 2020 town meeting, FINCOM supported and the meeting approved \$115,685 for a roadside broom mower for the DPW and \$71,889 to replace the HVAC chiller in the Public Safety Building. Both were to replace aged equipment posing a high risk of operational failure. FINCOM also supported and the meeting approved entering into a lease purchase agreement of \$266,917 for a Class 1 ambulance. This was done to replace a current ambulance with serious steering column issues. Ambulance purchases are typically funded through the ambulance receipt fund. As part of this article, the initial payment of \$57,257.33 for the first-year lease payment was sourced from that fund. Lastly, FINCOM supported and the meeting approved \$98,000 to fund the Wrentham Fire Union. Contract. This represents the incremental monies required for the current budget as the contract had not been signed at the time the budget was finalized at the spring town meeting. FINCOM also reviewed the six articles proposed by the Community Preservation Committee. We met with representatives of the committee, reviewed the balances in the accounts, posed many questions and held significant discussions before taking votes on whether to recommend supporting their passage.

At the spring 2021 Town Meeting, FINCOM recommended a FY 2021 operating budget of \$48,126,325 and a water enterprise budget of \$2,439,995. Education continues to constitute an overwhelming majority of budget dollars at 53% followed by Insurance and Benefits and Public Safety at 17% and 14% respectively. The Operating Budget increased \$2,323,945 (5%) over FY20. Rising insurance costs are a large driver of the increase. FINCOM recommended and Town Meeting approved \$499,284 in capital spending. We had limited capital spending in 2020 due to the uncertainties posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Current purchases account for the lease payments for the Fire Department for ambulances, fire trucks and SEPA equipment and the purchase of vehicles for the facilities and recreation departments as well as a dump truck/sander for the DPW. We also recommended replacement of a dishwasher at the Delaney school. FINCOM supported and the meeting approved \$1,950,000 to replace residential water meters. This was last done over 10 years ago. The new meters will allow for guarterly versus current biannual billing. Quarterly billing enables homeowners to better monitor and respond to spikes in water usage and address repairs or make other adjustments. The principal and interest will be applied to water bills for life of the borrowing. FINCOM also recommended funds for

OPEB. This government mandated fund represents Other Post-Employment Benefits for town employees. This brought the balance to \$580,752 which is a small portion of our true liability. Commitment to funding OPEB strengthens our overall bond rating for future borrowings.

FINCOM continues to anticipate the imminent need to fund a new DPW garage and looming Tri-County Regional Vocational building renovations. Maintaining adequate stabilization account balances and ratios are always important in order to obtain the most favorable borrowing terms and bond ratings and thus minimize interest expense. To this end, we are encouraged to see the town's debt expense reduced significantly over the years as former debt has been paid down and off and new debt avoided, when possible, through prudent purchasing and funding decisions. My thanks as always go to my colleagues on the Finance Committee. This is a fine group of people who always work in a collegial manner to make considered and objective recommendations to meet the immediate as well as the longer-term best interests of all Wrentham resident.

Respectively Submitted, Andrea J. Sweed, Chairman, Marjorie Immonen, Secretary Members: Dwayne Hancock, Fran Manchuso, Paul Malagrifa, William Harrington, and Christopher Pflum

# **Report of the Board of Assessors**

The Board of Assessors was organized as follows:

Thomas DiPlacido	Chairperson		
Irene Levesque	Vice Chairperson		
Edward O'Neil	Member of the Board		
Our Staff:			
Ann MacCarthy, M.A.A	Principal Assessor		
Robert Scotton	Data Collector		
Claire F. Copeland	Principal Clerk		
Total Number of Parcels	4928		
Single Family Dwellings	3585		
Condominiums	226		
Residential Vacant Land	372		
Commercial & Industrial	205		
Mixed Use	32		
Chapter 61, 61A, & 61B	42		
Misc. & Others	129		
Personal Property	337		
Value of Real and Personal Property	\$2,477,708,478.00		
Split Tax Rate - Residential Tax Rate	\$14.07		
- Commercial Tax Rat	e \$17.42		
- Personal Property R	ate \$17.39		
New Growth Taxation from New Constru	iction \$80,623,210.00		

January 1, 2020 was the effective date of assessment for Fiscal Year 2021 which began on July 1, 2020. The valuations for Fiscal Year 2021 were based on qualified arms-length sales in calendar year 2019. At the Tax Classification Hearing held on December 8, 2020, the Board of Selectmen voted to continue a split residential/commercial tax rate for Fiscal Year 2021, in order to make any tax increase more equitable between the two classes of property. The Board of Selectmen also voted to adopt a Small Commercial Exemption of 10%.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas DiPlacido Irene Levesque Edward O'Neil Chairperson Vice Chairperson Member of the Board

# **Report of the Board of Health**

Organization: During FY 2021, the Board of Health structure was George Smith Chairperson, Dr. Brian Kelly Vice-Chairperson, and Dr. Peter Roman Clerk.

Appointments:

Brian Kelly, MD	Milk Collector and Inspector
George Smith	Milk Collector and Inspector
Peter Roman, MD	Milk Collector and Inspector
Wade Saucier and Tom Houston	Consulting Engineer/Agent/Septic
	Inspector
Rob Casper	Agent/Sanitarian/Housing Inspector
Chris Wider	Inspector of Animals
Cindy Thompson	Burial Agent
Ellen Wojcik	Burial Agent
Richard Ross, Funeral Director	Burial Agent
Robert Morrill	Burial Agent
Elizabeth Bugbee	Betterment Loan Coordinator

<u>Title 5 Loan Program</u>: Since1997, the Board of Health has assisted homeowners with loans to repair failed septic systems. Funds for these loans come from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust. In FY21, \$120,129 was distributed.

**<u>Rabies</u>**: The annual Board of Health Rabies Clinic did not take place in FY21 due to restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Permits and Licenses: The statistics below refer to permits/licenses issued for FY2021.

Disposal Works	89	Septic Installers	56	Campgrounds & Motels	3
Construction Permits					
Percolation Tests	104	Private Wells	14	Food Service	42
				Establishments	
Retail Establishments	26	Mobile Food Service	23	One Day/temp Food Permits	19
Septage Handlers	20	Offal,	2	Public Swimming	6
		garbage/rubbish		Pools/beach	
Priv. Swimming Pools	15	Tobacco	10	Frozen Dessert	2
Catering	6	Funeral Director	1	Rec Camps -children	1

<u>Sanitary Inspections</u>: In compliance with the provisions of Title VIII of the State Sanitary Code, opening inspections were conducted by a Registered Sanitarian at all the public and semi-public beaches and pools. Inspections were also conducted at all seasonal recreation

camps. Routine, comprehensive and follow up inspections, as applicable, were conducted at all schools, nursing homes, retail and food service establishments, mobile food operations, motels, campgrounds, and temporary food facilities.

**<u>Complaints</u>**: Numerous complaints about environmental, nuisance, noise and odor, housing and sanitary issues were addressed by the Board of Health. As in previous years, the Board has continued its policy of investigating or addressing all complaints, regardless of whether they are made orally, or in writing, with or without the complainant's name being given.

<u>Animal Inspections</u>: The Animal Inspector responded to several dog bite reports and inspected farms.

**<u>Summary</u>**: The Board strongly believes that its mission is to serve public health and the environment while fulfilling its statutory responsibilities under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. It greatly appreciates the expertise and services of its agents and extends its sincere thanks to Wade Saucier and Rob Casper, who have served the public in good stead.

## **Report of the Board of Selectmen**

Between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 (FY2021), the Board of Selectmen met twentytwo (22) times to vote on policy, make committee and board appointments, approve alcohol, common victualler, and Class I, II, III auto licenses applications/renewals and hear other matters brought before them.

Their additional responsibilities include approving the budget and town meeting warrants for the annual and special town meetings held each year in accordance with the Town Charter. With support of the Town Administrator and his staff, the Board is able to review and vote on items pertaining to the operation of the Town at all levels.

Licenses issued by the Board of Selectmen in FY2021: 24 Liquor Licenses; 36 Common Victualler Licenses, 16 Entertainment Licenses, 3 Automatic amusement Licenses; 10 Special Licenses, and 9 Class I, II, III Licenses.

Some highlights of the Board of Selectmen actions during FY2021:

The Board of Selectmen reappointed Town Administrator Kevin Sweet in February for a 3-year term, received the Public Health Excellence Grant for Shared Services establishing the Metacomet Public Health Alliance, adopted the Water Bill Abatement/Adjustment Policy, and updated the License Fee Schedule. The Selectmen took part in the gift acceptance of the Persian Gulf War Memorial on the Town Common and dedicated the new playground at Rice Complex to longtime resident and recreation committee member Jane D'Amico. The Board individually and as a group, participated in various community activities in FY21, including a Memorial Day remembrance/memorial service, placing wreaths on monuments on the Common.

Following catastrophic water damage to the Town Hall, the Selectmen approved a Local Disaster Declaration in May, the Town Hall was able to reopen to the public in September.

Following the Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, which includes an extension until April 1, 2022 of the remote meeting provisions of the Governor Charlie Baker's March 12, 2020 Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of Open Meeting Law, the Board continued to meet remotely via Zoom.

Selectman Gerard McGovern's term ended and he did not seek re-election. At the April 2021 Town Meeting, Christopher Gallo was elected to the Board.

# **Report of the Building Commissioner**

I am pleased to submit the fiscal year 2021 Annual Report of the Building Commissioner.

Thank you to Kevin Sweet, Town Administrator, and especially the Department of Inspections staff: Michelle Aker, Administrative Assistant; Donald Jordan, Local Building and Mechanical Inspector; William Cooke, Wiring Inspector; Shawn Wills, Assistant Wiring Inspector; Gerald Smolinsky, Plumbing and Gas Inspector; and Walter Burlingame, Assistant Plumbing and Gas Inspector for all of their support and efforts with the operation of this department through a very difficult year to keep construction moving forward.

Also, thank you to Fire Chief Antonio Marino and Deputy Fire Chief Robert Maduskuie for all of their collective assistance and support with the administration of our joint jurisdictional matters and for all of their cooperative efforts.

We are committed to ensuring a safe building environment, while providing excellent customer service and I thank you for the opportunity to serve the Wrentham community.

The following is an accounting of permit and inspection activity for the 2021 fiscal year, in addition to annual permit revenue:

Building/Mechanical Revenue \$292,161 Wiring \$76,178			Building/Mechanical Inspections Wiring Inspections			
Plumbing		\$38,195	5 Plu	mbing Inspection	าร	114
Gas		\$18,74	0 Ga	s Inspections		67
CI		<u>\$ 2,000</u>	<u>)</u> Ce	rtificate of Inspec	ctions	<u>32</u>
TOTAL		\$427,27	4	Total	nspections	2430
New Dwellings60Solar73Commercial29Signs22Total Permits Issue	Building Plumbing Gas Wiring <b>2239</b>		875 269 221 568	Demolitions Foundations Occupancy Pools	8 48 43 23	

Respectfully submitted,

John G. Naff, CBO Building Commissioner/Zoning Enforcement Officer

# **Report of the Community Preservation Committee**

Wrentham voted to adopt the Community Preservation Act in 2016, and subsequently established the Community Preservation Committee in 2017. Wrentham voted to enact a 1% surcharge on real estate property tax with an exclusion of the first \$100,000 of each taxable parcel of residential property. A taxpayer receiving a regular exemption or tax abatement would also receive a pro rata reduction in the surcharge.

During FY22, Wrentham Community Preservation Act fund collected \$292,263 in local taxes and received a partial state match of \$79,126 on the funds collected in the previous fiscal year. That equates to a 28.63% match of the funds collected locally. Total receipts were \$371,389 for FY22.

In January 2021, The Wrentham Community Preservation Committee (CPC) published its first Community Preservation Plan, with input from several committees around town. The Plan presents a description of the CPA as it applies to the Town, a definition of CPA goals, and procedures by which the CPA is administered. It represents an informational document for the citizens of the Town, a guideline for applicants seeking project funding through the CPA, and blueprint for this and future CPA Committees in making recommendations to Town Meeting for project funding.

CPA funds may be utilized for specific purposes in the areas of Open Space and Recreation, Historic Preservation and Community Housing.

Once a project is submitted to the CPC, the committees and if the project is approved, it moves to Town Meeting, where residents vote and have the final say if the project gets funded. A majority is required to pass funding for a CPC project, and a two-thirds vote is required to approve a project that requires funding via a bond.

At the Special Town Meeting in November 2020, the Town voted to approve the following projects:

- Mechanical Weed Harvester \$27,100 these additional funds enable the town to purchase this harvester, and use it to help preserve Lake Pearl. Expected delivery is Summer 2022.
- Roderick School Playground \$26,000 these funds, when added to funds already raised through donations, helped enable the purchase of a new playground at the Wrentham Public Schools. This playground is completed.
- Rice Complex Walking Path Engineering \$100,000 This project will conduct the engineering studies to add a walking pathway at the Rice Complex for use by the public. Preliminary work ahead of engineering is in progress.
- Metacomet Pathway Feasibility Study \$80,000 This project will assess the feasibility of adding a multi-purpose train along or near the rail bed that travels through town to connect up to other communities. This project is underway.
- Housing Authority Bulkhead and Storm Door Replacement Project \$54,200 will fund the material purchase for replacement of these important weather barriers to help preserve this housing. Due to COVID, this project has not yet started.

• Raised Garden Bed - \$1,200 - will fund the building of a raised bed garden at the Senior Center, which will replace the one that is in disrepair. Expected build date is Spring/Summer 2022 with local volunteer help. Was delayed due to COVID.

Residents are encouraged to learn about the project guidelines and inquire about bringing projects forward for consideration by the CPC. Those guidelines are available on the Town website under the Community Preservation Committee section.

Respectfully Submitted for the CPC,

Scott Manchuso Wrentham CPC Chair

## **Report of the Conservation Commission**

During Fiscal Year 2021, the Conservation Commission held 25 regular remote meetings using Zoom. There were 14 public hearings for Notices of Intent and 5 meetings for a Request for Determination of Applicability and 0 Abbreviated Notice of Resource Delineation. Orders of Conditions were issued to 10 applicants. The Agent issued 2 Enforcement Orders and enforced the Town's recently enacted Illegal Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Bylaw. In three instances stormwater damaged private property and the Town's roads. The Conservation Agent, Daryl Luce, and Commission addressed the areas focusing on Compliance, repairing the damage and resolving the problems constructively. In addition, 28 Certificates of Compliance were issued. The Agent and/or Commissioners made over 50 site visits during the year to evaluate on-going or proposed work, flag wetlands and check wetland lines as well as to advise or assist residents regarding issues ranging from beavers to trees. The Agent and Chair also worked with Town officials to implement the IDDE Bylaw and support the Town's Master Plan effort.

Members of the Commission took classes and attended training seminars offered by the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions (MACC) and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Members were trained in the basics of everything from effective meeting skills to the science and policy of wetlands protection and open space management. Both Agent Luce and staff member Heather Ledbetter also pursued Conservation Commission educational opportunities through the MACC and the DEP.

The Commission amended their regulations to require climate change impacts to be addressed in applications.

The Commission continues to maintain a focus on stewardship of the properties under its care. Volunteers have helped in maintaining the Town's open spaces. The Agent, Darryl Luce with assistance from Troop 131 Eagle Scout, E.J Crisci and his fellow Scouts replaced the existing Birchwold wooden walkway with a new, 60-foot-long, walkway. Birchwold was certified as a Monarch butterfly way station. The Agent also worked with a UMass Amherst GIS student, Nathan Quinn on mapping the Birchwold property. In February the Wrentham Cub Scouts, Pack 131 held their annual Klondike derby at

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Birchwold. With the Agent's assistance, Braden Kennedy, a Troop 131 Scout, marked and upgraded trails at Trout Pond and Knuckup Hill for his Eagle Scout project.

The Commissioners and volunteers conducted a May cleanup of many of the Conservation properties including Birchwold, Joe's Rock, Crocker Pond, Trout Pond and Knuckup Hill. Treatments continue at Birchwold and Crocker Pond to control the invasive plants: black swallowwort, Japanese knotweed and oriental bittersweet. Early detection, repeated monitoring, and active intervention seems to have brought the outbreak in Birchwold under control.

The Commission thanks the many volunteers listed below who have assisted in maintaining the conservation properties this year by participating in clean up days and removal of invasive plants.

Gordon Smith	Janet Sozio
John and Kathi Redman	Betty Rico
Megan Ostrelich	Carly and Grace Ostrelich
Kelly Snead	Dan Morris
Kim Coffin	Patrick Kelly
Matthew Ktajewski	Kris Magnussen
Bell & JasonTucker	Sonya & Tim Schey
Brenda Trapini	Nancy B
Janet Frye	Mike & Cheryl Druding
Manny Martins	Matt & Katherine Ginnetty
Monica Lebre	Mary Hepburn
Chris & Cait Lanza	Gordon Smith

Respectfully submitted,

Leo Immonen

Chair, Conservation Commission

## **Report of the Council on Aging**

The Council on Aging is pleased to submit the following report for FY2021 to the Selectmen and Citizens of Wrentham. The Council is the officially designated agency to evaluate, promote and encourage new and existing services and activities for residents of Wrentham who are age 60 or older. When assistance is required to help seniors obtain services to which they are entitled, the Council becomes the link between the senior's needs and the services that are available. Our goal is to establish and monitor programs to ensure continuity and growth in needed services and activities for seniors.

**SUPPORT SERVICES:** Outreach to Wrentham seniors is a major part of the work we do here at the Center. Our Outreach Coordinator, Frances Padula, coordinates and conducts such programs as fuel assistance, food stamp applications (SNAP), protective services and friendly visits to Wrentham seniors either in their homes or at the Senior Center. There were no home visits or visits to the Senior Center from December 2020 through March 2021, but our Outreach Worker did help seniors via the phone. Our SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders) volunteer counselor is an important part of the support services offered at the Center, but all SHINE appointments had to be done via telephone for the majority of the fiscal year. A podiatrist has office hours at the Senior Center one day a month. The Veterans' Agent has office hours every Monday afternoon.

**ACTIVITIES:** We have a wide range of continual activities here at the Center, many focused on both physical and mental well-being. Sit & stretch, Qi Gong, Yoga class, line dancing, walking group, manicures and pedicures as well as educational forums and varied speakers assist with this important focus. We have continued with our Minds in Motion classes for brain health. We have a painting class, knitting/crochet class, movies, book group and a games group; all focused on social interaction and general well-being. We also offer various day trips and some overnight trips for interested seniors.

**VOLUNTEERS:** We have more than 18 volunteers who put in 283 hours of volunteer service.

**LUNCH PROGRAM AND SENIOR VAN:** The senior lunch program has been suspended since March 2020 but we now have a Grab & Go lunch program once a week. The home delivered meals continued to be a very important part of the services we offered here at the Senior Center and were not suspended throughout the shutdown period. Meals were delivered by volunteers who delivered over 6,525 meals. HESSCO Elder Services runs the

program in conjunction with the Council. The GATRA van transports seniors and/or the disabled to the Center, grocery shopping, errands, and for local medical and dental appointments. Our van was in operation during the entire fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted by Janet Angelico, Director of the Senior Center, for the Wrentham Council on Aging: Kendra Farling (Chair), Nancy Mure, Ann Smith, Robert Ayers, Carolyn Collins, Paul Bruneau, and Wayne Burt.

# **Report of the Cultural Council**

The goal of the Wrentham Cultural Council is to enhance the vitality of the Wrentham community by engaging residents in the Arts, Humanities, and Interpretive Sciences. This is usually accomplished through three primary activities: Grant awards, the Arts on the Common event, and functions in the Old Fiske Museum.

## Cultural Grant Program

The Wrentham Cultural Council awards grants to help fund local cultural events on an annual basis. This is made possible through funding provided to local cultural councils by the state of Massachusetts through its Arts and Humanities fund. A list of the recipients and activities awarded in grants by the Wrentham Cultural Council for 2021 is provided below:

Diane Edgecomb	Animal Tales for Summer Reading (Fiske Library)
Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary	Mass Audubon Sensory Friendly Days
Fuller Craft Museum	Craft Inspires
Fuller Craft Museum	Fuller Craft @ Home
Live Arts	LiveArts Concert Series
Hit and Run History	The True Story of Shakespeare's Shipwreck
King Philip Music Association	Summer Lesson Program
Neponset Choral Society	2020-2021 Concert Series
Rachel Daly	Hornithology Summer Horn Ensemble
The UnCommon Theater	Elf the Musical
Nicole Burch	The Road to Diversity and Understanding Community Forums

## Arts On the Common

The annual Arts on The Common festival was suspended for 2020 and 2021 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Plans are underway to resume the festival on June 4, 2022.

## Old Fiske Museum

The museum has been closed to the public due to the Covid-19 pandemic, however we have been planning a joint exhibit with the Historical Commission on the history of the building as the original Fiske Library. The plan is to have the exhibit open for Memorial Day Weekend 2022. We have purchased some new display cases thanks to a Sweatt Fund grant.

We held one Poetry Night in the Cultural Council Gallery over the summer. The format of the evening is open microphone, and anyone can read up to three poems, either original poems or the work of a favorite poet. This will continue as a quarterly event.

Please contact the Wrentham Cultural Council (<u>contactwcc@wrentham.ma.us</u>) if you would like more or information or have an interest in being added to our mailing list.

Submitted by the Wrentham Cultural Council:

Evelyn Zepf – Chair and Secretary Diane McKenna – Treasurer Members: Karen Becker--Publicity Betsy Connors Don Smith, Tara Jones, Jude Haughy Jean Matilla.

# **Report of the Fire Department**

Please accept the annual report for the Fire Department activities and status of your Fire Department from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

#### Fire Department response overview last three years activity levels:

#### Call volume

Summary	2021	20	)20	2019
Fire - NFIRS Series 100	27	2	26	25
Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat (No Fire) - NFIRS Series 200	6		6	6
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident - NFIRS Series 300	1712	153	89	1563
Hazardous Condition (No Fire) - NFIRS Series 400	133	ç	97	86
Service Call - NFIRS Series 500	194	22	22	261
Good Intent Call - NFIRS Series 600	187	17	2	182
False Alarm & Falls Call - NFIRS Series 700	295	24	6	260
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster - NFIRS Series 800	2		1	2
Special Incident Type - NFIRS Series 900	42	14	10	538
Total <b>Fire</b>	2598	244	9	2923
How many responses per year per category		2021	2020	2019
"Structure Fire" (Of the NFIRS Series 100 calls, NFIRS Codes 111-12	0)	17	15	8
"Vehicle Fire" (Of the NFIRS Series 100 calls, NFIRS Codes 130-138)		5	5	6
"Vegetation Fire" (Of the NFIRS Series 100 calls, NFIRS Codes 140-1	43)	3	7	4
Total		25	36	25

Total acreage per year		2021	2020	2019
Total acreage of all vegetation fires		9	6	18
Rescue and emergency medical service incidents				
How many responses per year per category?	2021	. 2	020	2019
"Motor Vehicle Accidents" (Of the NFIRS Series 300 calls, NFIRS Codes 322-324)	729	64	3	767
"Extrications from Vehicles" (Of the NFIRS Series 300 calls, NFIRS Code 352)	24	3	8	36
"Rescues" (Of the NFIRS Series 300 calls, NFIRS Code 300, 351, 353-381)	3		0	0
EMS-BLS Response Calls	408	39	4	449
EMS-ALS Response Calls	917	87	0	830
EMS-BLS Scheduled Transports	0		0	0
EMS-ALS Scheduled Transports	0	1	0	0
Community Paramedic Response Calls	0	1	0	0
Total	2081	194	5	2082
Mutual and automatic aid				
How many responses per year per category?	20	21	2020	2019
Amount of times the organization received Mutual Aid	369	2	34	211
Amount of times the organization received Automatic Aid	48		25	24
Amount of times the organization provided Mutual Aid	136		79	62
Amount of times the organization provided Automatic Aid	14		5	7
Of the Mutual and Automatic Aid responses, amount that were	27		24	26

How many responses per year per category?	2021	2020	2019
structure fires			
Total	594	367	330

#### Equipment and Apparatus:

The department currently maintains three class "A" pumpers, a heavy-duty ladder truck, 2,500 gallon tanker/pumper, two ambulances, two brush trucks and three support vehicles. The condition of the fleet has been improved significantly with the addition of a new Class "A" pumper and a new Ambulance. Costly repairs and the age of the fleet will remain a focus as we explore replacement strategies either through capital or grant alternatives.

Vehicle		<b>Condition</b>
Car 1	2019 Chevy Traverse	Excellent
Car 2	2019 Chevy Traverse	Excellent
Car 3	2012 Ford Explorer	Fair
Engine 1	2013 Class A pumper	Fair (Frame Rot Concerns)
Engine 2	2020 Class A pumper	Excellent
Engine 3	1994 Class A pumper	Fair
Ladder 1	1997 Aerial Ladder	Fair
Tanker 1	2500 gal. Tanker	Fair
A1	2017 Ambulance	Excellent
A2	2019 Ambulance	Excellent
Squad 1	2001 F450	Good( Pump Replaced)
Squad 2	1994 F350	Poor
Squad 3	2013 F350	Excellent

#### Promotion(s):

Firefighter/Medic Robert Holst, Firefighter/ Medic Patrick McMorrow, and Firefighter/Medic Matthew Levine were promoted to Permanent Fire Lieutenant.

Firefighters Michael Bourque, Alex Acorroni, Paul Dwelly, Tyler Gover, and Peter Rowe were all hired as part of the adequate staffing SAFER Grant and all were successfully promoted to Permanent Full-time Status.

#### Additions:

Firefighter/Medic Brendan Black and Firefighter/Medic Michael Falter

#### **Retirements:**

Captain Kenneth J. Jefferson

Captain Jefferson's career spanned four decades between auxiliary, call, and career service. He is a former president, secretary, treasurer, and charter member of Wrentham Permanent Firefighters Association Local 2579.

He performed the duties of Deputy Fire Chief and mentored many throughout his career. There is no doubt he would have been a great Chief if he decided to pursue that role on a permanent basis. Regardless of rank and pay, he contributed at a Chief Officer level.

In addition to his many skills and assets he secured countless grants resulting in almost \$2 million in grant allocations which provided much needed equipment and growth to our department. His leadership and expertise will be sorely missed.

#### Fire Department Staffing (March 13,2022)

## **Chief of Department**

Antonio R. Marino

## Deputy Fire Chief

Robert A. Maduskuie

#### Admin/ EMS Coordination & Education

Capt./Medic Joseph Padykula

Fire & Life Safety Educator Capt./Medic Patrick J. McMorrow

#### Shift Staffing

<u>Group 1</u>	Group 2	<u>Group 3</u>	<u>Grou</u>	<u>o 4</u>
Captain R. Holst Lt. P. Connolly FF/Medic DuVarney FF/Medic R. Kirby FF/EMT T.Gover FF/Medic A.Tranquillino	Captain P. McMorrov Lt. M. Sabourin FF/Medic T. DeCosta FF/Medic T. Cornetta FF/Medic A. Acorroni FF/Medic M. Falter FF/Medic A. Campior	Lt. M. He FF/Med FF/Medi FF/EMT FF/Medi e	ic R. Healy ic M. Bourque P. Rowe ic B. Black	Captain Donovan Lt. M. Levine FF/Medic R. Juergens FF/Medic J. Prairie FF/EMT P. Dwelly FF/Medic R. Mansfield FF/Medic A. Kidwai
		Call Membe	<u>ers</u>	

Thank you to all of the members of the Wrentham Fire Department for their commitment and hard work. Your dedication and loyalty to duty are in the highest regard to public safety.

I would also like to thank the community for their continued commitment to us as a department. We are committed to providing the highest level of service to protect you, your families, and your property.

Respectfully submitted,

Antonio R. Marino Chief of Department

# **Report of the Fiske Public Library**

FY21 has been challenging for us all due to the continuation of the Covid-19 virus. We have seen a reduction of programs, new registration and overall borrowing. We are seeing a huge increase in all remote usage and are grateful to the Sweatt Fund appropriations for these options: downloadable audio, video, magazines and all other formats. We were required to close the building from April 5-May 25 but we allowed people to pick up items using a curbside pickup option.

We have been fortunate that we, again, have received support from the Friends of the Fiske whose book sales have provided funding for Zoom access for remote programs and passes to museums.

The Board of Trustees has been supportive and hopeful as we navigate through the closure. In addition, the staff and volunteers have been most helpful throughout and they are most appreciated.

REGISTERED PATRONS	5425
BOOKS & MAGAZINES	7566
AUDIO DISKS	105
VIDEOS	2112
ELECTRONIC BOOKS	11,231
DOWNLOADABLE AUDIO	4183
MATERIALS IN ELECTRONIC FORMAT	40
LOANS TO OTHER LIBRARIES	14514
CIRC. TO RESIDENTS OF OTHER TOWNS	996

## STATISTICS

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Tobichuk, Director

# **Report of the Historical Commission**

The Wrentham Historical Commission is responsible for collecting, preserving and maintaining Town history. The main activities of the Commission in FY2021 involved:

Old Fiske Museum - Traditionally, the Old Fiske Museum is open the first Sunday of each month from 1:00 to 4:00 P.M., as well as additional openings on Memorial Day, Wrentham Day, and the December Holiday Open House. The museum has provided much enjoyment to many visitors throughout the year as well as being a resource for historical and genealogical information. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the open houses were put on pause in March 2020. The Historical Commission looks forward to reopening the museum when it is safe to do so. In FY 2021, Trefler & Sons of Needham MA continued their work restoring two more of the Cowell paintings depicting Wrentham buildings using C.P.A. funds.

Donations and Archives - The Commission continued to accept a variety of Wrentham related objects and memorabilia from various sources, including Wrentham residents and their relatives. The generosity of the many individuals who have donated items pertaining to Wrentham's history or provided financial support is greatly appreciated.

Wampum House - Since the summer of 2013, this historic home has undergone several improvements which included replacement of the sills, some interior and exterior repairs, interior painting as well as electrical work. During FY 2021, a member of the commission started to develop a plan for landscaping the property. In the past, the Wampum House was one of the historic sites in town that the Wrentham Elementary School children would visit as part of their Wrentham history project.

Demolition Permits - Two demolition permit requests for structures older than fifty years were received, reviewed and approved.

Public Education & Resources - The Commission provides assistance to the public with many areas of research involving matters of Wrentham history as well as family genealogy. Through the Commission, historic plaques are available for residents with older homes. Mounted on the outside of the home, they identify original owners and the date the home was built. No new plaques were provided this year. Information on how to obtain a plaque is available on the Commission's Town website. An email address is also available on the Commission website as well as a Facebook link to provide more communication options for any information needed.

Respectfully Submitted, Kim Shipala, Secretary W.H.C.

# **Report of the Housing Authority**

The Wrentham Housing Authority (WHA) is comprised of 66 one-bedroom apartments for elderly/handicapped households, 15 family units and 20 Alternative Housing Vouchers (AHVP).

The Wrentham Housing Authority's administrative staff includes Executive Director Ashley O'Sullivan and Resident Service Coordinator Susan Jacobson. The maintenance department includes Kendel Joyce.

The WHA has 9,933 applicants on its waitlists. There are 5,999 family applicants, 2,186 elderly/handicapped applicants and 2,959 AHVP applicants on the waiting list.

Emergency applicants are given a priority status when applying for housing; Veterans,

Wrentham residents, and those that work in Wrentham receive a preference.

In FY2021, the WHA housed eight tenants in elderly/handicapped housing at Garden Lane and four families at New Emerald Lane.

There was a total of 159 work orders completed in FY2021. Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) that were completed in FY2021 included paving repairs, an office remodel and two apartment turnovers at New Emerald Lane (~\$100,000). The WHA received \$109,398 in Capital Improvement Funds from the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for FY2021. Ongoing CIP projects include the replacement of 12 septic systems, creation of two ADA units, fire alarm system repairs, waste pipe replacement, two cast iron tub replacements and a creative placemaking grant project that includes recreation improvements

The Board of Commissioners meet the second Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. for their monthly meeting that is open to the public.

The board consists of the following members: William Conrad Carol Mollica Christine Heffernan Eliot Jamgochian Alan Richard

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# **Report of the Information Technology Department**

We are pleased to submit the fiscal year 2021 annual report of the Information Technology Department.

The Information Technology (IT) Department continues to provide proactive, progressive support for; Public Safety (Police, Fire), Town Hall, DPW, Building, COA and Library facilities and departments, (excluding Schools). IT remains on plan to address and implement long range technology updates, upgrades and new technologies during Covid-19 to support residents and personnel well into the next decade.

The pandemic continued to be punishing and has impacted almost every decision of our lives and through this struggle a significant effort was expended to upgrade and implement internal hardware, software and security measures to enable remote access connectivity providing town employees the tools to work remotely to continue to provide the best service possible to town citizens and public. Those crucial hardware, software and security solutions remain in place to ensure continued, uninterruptible delivery of the town's services to its citizens.

In summary; Fiscal 2021 IT efforts also included:

Continued the planned replacement and upgrade of aged servers, operating systems, and network infrastructure of "aging, out of warranty, end of support" with new hardware, software and security available from industry leaders. Note: equipment taken out of production is either redeployed where possible or the hard drive is removed or scrubbed clean to industry standards before donating or recycling.

Many desktops, laptops and tablets deployed in FY'20 include Microsoft's latest version of Windows 10 Professional and other devices deployed [in FY'20] running Windows 7 operating system have be upgraded to Windows 10 Pro operating system as well as new wireless access devices installed in town buildings.

IT partnered with the Facilities department to temporarily migrate select town hall departments and employees from the Town Hall to mobile office trailers and later back to the Town Hall. Efforts included the acquisition of new hardware (desktops, laptops,

phones, and peripherals) to ensure continued uninterrupted business during the town hall office rebuild.

The Town of Wrentham, like many other municipalities, partnered with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Technology Services & Security cybersecurity awareness training program to improve our cybersecurity knowledge to the risks and dangers of cyberattacks thru email, phishing and other scenarios. IT's mission and vision is to; *drive for a common purpose, improve communications and collaboration, provide process improvement, and create and streamline bi-directional communication* among and between residents and town personnel.

IT continues to collaborate with town officials and departments to integrate and align technology with plan objectives to ensure the efficient and effective implementation of the Town's initiatives. IT will provide, maintain, and sustain the infrastructure, systems, security, and operational support services to support on-going business needs of the Town departments to best serve its residents.

IT is committed to delivering Town employees and residents with the highest and most cost-effective level of public service possible.

We thank you for the opportunity to serve the Wrentham community.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck DiPirro, Information Technology, Director

# **Report of the Metacomet Emergency Communications Center (MECC)**

For the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 our staff processed:

28,485 911 Calls 86,892 Business Lines Calls 13, 411 Fire CAD Incidents 56, 297 Police CAD Incidents

Our goals are to dispatch appropriate police, fire, ambulance and rescue services in accordance with established protocols with the least possible delay after a request is received or requirement is known to exist and to provide consistent quality service with constant regard to safety of the public and responding public safety personnel.

The MECC staffs highly skilled, trained, professional telecommunicators ready to assist, day or night. Rest assured we stand ready to help you in your time of need.

Respectfully,

Gary M Premo, ENP Executive Director

# **Report of the Norfolk County Mosquito Control**

Norfolk County Mosquito Control District (NCMCD) operations apply an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach to mosquito control that is rational, environmentally sensitive, and cost effective.

### Surveillance

NCMCD is engaged in an intensive monitoring process through weekly field collections and data analysis in collaboration with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) to detect for disease-vectoring mosquitoes. Virus isolations assist us in focusing our surveillance to hot zones thereby allowing us to alert nearby towns of a potential epidemic. Public requests for service alert us to high numbers of nuisance mosquitoes.

Virus Isolations in the town: 4 samples submitted, no isolations in 2021 Requests for service: 151

## Water Management

Communication with residents and town/state/federal officials, site visits, monitoring, wildlife management, and land surveys while maintaining regulatory compliance is integral to the management of waterways that may contribute to mosquito breeding. Pre- to post-management documentation allows us to assess the efficacy of our work. Tire collections remove a common breeding site of mosquitoes.

Culverts cleared	39 culverts
Drainage ditches checked/hand cleaned	2,150 feet
Intensive hand clean/brushing*	1,900 feet
Brushing for WM access	0 feet
Mechanical water management	0 feet
Tires collected	50

\* Combination of brush cutting and clearing of severely degraded drainage systems or streams by hand.

## Larval Control

When mosquito larval habitat management is not possible, larval mosquito abatement is the most environmentally friendly and effective method of mosquito control. An intensive monitoring program, aides in our decision to effectively target culprit locations.

Spring aerial larvicide applications (April)100.4 acresLarval control - briquette & granular applications by hand7.9 acresAbandoned/unopened pool or other manmade structures treated0

## **Adult Control**

Adult mosquito control is necessary when public health and/or quality of life is threatened either by disease agents, overwhelming populations, or both. Our surveillance program, along with service request data and state of the art GPS and computer equipment, allow us to focus our treatments to targeted areas.

Adult aerosol ultra-low volume (ULV) applications from trucks3,752 acresBarrier applications on municipal property0 applications

Respectfully submitted, David A. Lawson, Director

## **Report of the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds**

The COVID-19 pandemic continued to impact all of us in 2021. While many sectors of our economy were still negatively affected by the pandemic, the Norfolk County real estate economy in 2021 remained not only viable but was one of the strongest in a decade.

I am pleased to report the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds continued to remain open and operational for the recording of land documents every work day throughout this continuing pandemic. The Registry of Deeds building opened to the general public on June 7. Registry personnel are again processing in-person recordings while vigilantly maintaining Covid related protocols. The use of electronic recording for our institutional users such as banks, law firms and title companies increased dramatically. In addition to electronic recording, users had the option to submit documents via regular mail, Federal Express or by placing documents in our drop-off box located just outside our main entrance at 649 High Street, Dedham, MA.

I am particularly proud of our staff who continued to work diligently throughout these difficult times. In February, our employees were recognized as "Every Day Heroes" by D'Angelo Grilled Sandwiches. This recognition program honors groups of individuals who stand out in their community during the COVID-19 pandemic. The unsung heroes for 2021 were members of the Registry of Deeds Information Technology Department. The behind the scenes efforts of our Chief Information Officer and Network Administrator made certain that Registry employees could socially distance from one another and perform their jobs, some remotely for the first part of the year, all the while ensuring that each and every real estate document received by the Registry was safe, secure, and accessible to all members of the public. In addition to supporting the internal work and staff of the Registry, our IT Department acted as lifelines to members of the real estate bar and real estate community whose reliance on technology had never been greater or more essential.

The results of these efforts was a highly active Norfolk County real estate market benefitting sellers and buyers of real estate, lending institutions, the real estate legal community and all others with a vested interest in the local real estate economy. By keeping the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds open, recording fees collected were forwarded to the state and county helping to pay for important public initiatives including education, health care, and police and fire expenses. We are thankful to our partners in the real estate community and most importantly the citizens of Wrentham and all of Norfolk County. Their patience with us has been critical to the Registry of Deeds being able to continue its core mission of recording land documents in a safe and secure environment.

The Registry suffered a setback when a fire broke out in the building on a February weekend. We lost some IT equipment, supplies and microfilm but all of our records are intact and remain backed-up. We were open for business on the following Monday morning.

The Registry of Deeds is the principal office for real property records in Norfolk County and operates under the supervision of the elected Register, William P. O'Donnell, who has held the position since 2002. Its mission is to maintain and provide for accurate, reliable and accessible land records to all residents and businesses of Norfolk County. The Registry receives and records hundreds of thousands of documents annually. It houses more than 8.5 million land documents dating back to 1793 when George Washington was President. The Registry is a primary and indispensable resource for title examiners, mortgage lenders, municipal officials, homeowners, title examiners, real estate attorneys, genealogists and others with a need for land record information. More information can be found on our website – www.norfolkdeeds.org.

#### 2021 Achievements

Cyber Security issues and incidents, especially those involving municipalities, remained topical and captured the thoughts and dominated the efforts of the Registry of Deeds Information Technology Team. The IT team doubled their training and education of staff and employees concerning the perils of phishing, spoofing, and Trojan Horses to minimize potential risks to information security. The IT Department acquired an incident response server and multiple computers so that in the event of a cyber-attack the offline server and computers could be activated thwarting cyber attackers from sabotaging Registry operations.

The Registry of Deeds Customer Service and Copy Center continues to provide residents and businesses with quality service. These requests included the filing of Homesteads, accessing deeds, verifying recorded property documents and assisting those in need of obtaining a mortgage discharge notice. Customers can contact the Customer Service and Copy Center at 781-461-6101, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30AM to 4:30PM.

# In calendar year 2021, *the Registry collected approximately \$82 million dollars in revenue.*

The Registry of Deeds continues to address legislative issues to benefit consumers. In 2022, we will continue to advocate for filed legislation that accomplish mortgage transparency by requiring mortgage assignments be recorded at the appropriate Registry of Deeds.

This year saw a record number of electronic recording filers, <u>approximately 2,500.</u> The Registry is approaching 80% of its recorded land recordings being done electronically.

Norfolk Registry of Deeds was the first registry in Massachusetts to record electronically registered land documents. This started in the Land Court section of the Registry of Deeds in 2017 and was crucial in remaining operational during the COVID-19 pandemic. At the onset of the pandemic, 25% of the registered land documents recorded were done via electronic recording which has grown now to 70%.

In 2021 we hit a milestone of recording our <u>40,000th Registry of Deeds book</u>. At the end of 2021 we were at Book 40210. For the sake of security and redundancy, we store our documents 3 different ways: hard copy, electronically and by microfiche.

In calendar year 2021, the Registry processed over <u>13,000 Homestead applications.</u> The law Chapter 188 (M.G.L.) provides limited protection of one's primary residence against unsecured creditor claims.

The internet library of images, accessible to the public through the Registry of Deeds' online research system at <u>www.norfolkdeeds.org</u> continues to expand. Today, all documents dating back to the first ones recorded in 1793 are available for viewing.

Our website includes a genealogy page and a section highlighting land records of notable people – United States Presidents, military heroes, noted authors and leaders in their fields of education, environment and the law

The Registry's website <u>www.norfolkdeeds.org</u> routinely updates the public on such news as real estate statistics, answers to frequently asked questions, along with detailing of our consumer programs. Additionally, we also write a monthly column for various Norfolk County newspapers and their online websites. We also distribute a weekly press release to alert residents of the latest happenings as well as to remind them of our consumer services.

The Registry's free Consumer Notification Service allows any county resident to opt in to this free notification service and be alerted when any land document – fraudulent or otherwise – is recorded against their name. For more information, please see our website at: <u>www.norfolkdeeds.org</u>.

Despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Registry was able to restart some of its community outreach programs. We expect that in 2022 we will be able to visit each of the Norfolk County communities for office hours and continue our partnerships with Interfaith Social Services of Quincy, Father Bill's & MainSpring of Quincy, the VA Boston Healthcare System, Voluntary Service Program and InnerCity Weightlifting on our 'Suits for Success' program, and New Life Furniture Bank of MA in Walpole to assist those who are in need of household items. We were grateful to be able to resume our Annual Holiday Food Drive and Toys for Tots campaigns in 2021.

# Wrentham Real Estate Activity Report January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021

During 2021, **Wrentham** real estate activity saw decreases in both total sales volume and average sales price.

There was an 8% increase in documents recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds for **Wrentham** in 2021, resulting in an increase of 286 documents from 3,772 to 4,058.

The total volume of real estate sales in **Wrentham** during 2021 was \$168,605,096, a 24% decrease from 2020 Also, the average sale price of homes and commercial property was down 33% in **Wrentham.** The average sale price was \$600,018. However, the 2020 numbers were impacted by an \$84.5 million commercial sale recorded on 12/2/2020.

The number of mortgages recorded (1,013) on **Wrentham** properties in 2021 was down 3% from the previous year. Total mortgage indebtedness increased 12% to \$398,360.711 during the same period.

There were no foreclosure deed filed in **Wrentham** during 2021, a decrease from the previous year when there was 1 foreclosure deed filed.

Homestead activity increased 11% in **Wrentham** during 2021 with 297 homesteads filed compared to 267 in 2020.

Finally, our objective at the Registry will always be to maintain, secure, accurate and accessible land records for the residents and businesses of Norfolk County. It is a privilege to serve you.

Respectfully submitted by,

William P. O'Donnell Norfolk County Register of Deeds

# **Report of the Planning Board**

The Planning Board consists of seven (7) elected members:

Michael McKnight, Chairman James Lawrence, Clerk Stephen Schwarm Thomas Wrynn Charles Woodhams, Jr., Vice Chair Everett Skinner, Jr. Robert Cass

The Planning Board holds its regular meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. and all meetings are open to the public. After March 2020 the meetings were held virtually using Zoom as permitted by the Governor's 3/10/20 Emergency Order to Suspend Certain Provision of the Open Meeting Law. One of the Planning Board's major roles is to review the Zoning By-Laws periodically and research and prepare amendments, as necessary. The Planning Board is also responsible for holding public hearings for ALL proposed amendments to the Zoning By-Laws. Due to COVID-19, there were no Planning Board articles submitted for Town Meeting.

Another major role of the Planning Board is to review and render decisions on applications for Site Plan Approval, Special Permits and applications for modifications to properties on scenic roads. The following were the approvals issued by the Planning Board for such projects:

- 513 South St. (513 South St., LLC) Scenic Road Permit
- 53 & 55 Lake St. (Paul/Carolyn McSweeney) Approval Not Required
- 474 Madison St. (Danna W. Burt) Approval Not Required
- 977 & 987 East St. (William Harfst & Stanley Benjamin) Approval Not Required
- 473 East St. (473 East St., LLC) Special Permit/Site Plan Approval
- 265 Williams St. (Suzanne Brunelli) Scenic Road Permit
- 105 Beach St. & 431 South St. (Ataraxia Realty Trust) Approval Not Required
- West St. & Hancock St. (Wrentham Highlands, LLC) Special Permit/Site Plan Approval
- 155, 165,175 Lafayette Ave (Park Place Wrentham, LLC) Approval Not Required
- 195, 205,215, 219 Lafayette Ave (Park Place Wrentham, LLC) Approval Not Required
- 613 West St. (Endriunas Bros., LLC) Definitive Subdivision Plan & Special Permit

- 500 Thurston St. (Kayrouz Petroleum, LLC) Approval Not Required
- 279 & 281 South St. (Denise Miner-Hart) Approval Not Required
- 95 Cherry St. (Patrick & Kathy McSweeney) Scenic Road Permit
- 439 & 443 Franklin St. (Matthew & Laurie Ellis) Approval Not Required
- 500 Thurston St. (Kayrouz Petroleum, LLC) Approval Not Required
- 719 East St. (Gulinar Karam) Approval Not Required
- 15 Foxborough Rd. (Heldon Realty Trust) Special Permit
- 5 Everett St. (Margaret P. Hubbell) Special Permit

The Board welcomes public comments, participation, and recommendations concerning the Board's activities. For information regarding meeting agendas or other questions, please call the Planning Office at 508-384-5441. Please also check our website at www.wrentham.ma.us.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike McKnight, Chairman Wrentham Planning Board

# **Report of the Police Department**

#### Official Roster:

- 1. Chief of Police Bill McGrath
- 2. Deputy Police Chief George C. Labonte
- 3. Lieutenant Mike Robillard
- 4. Sergeant Detective Jim Barrett
- 5. Sergeant Rick Mayhew
- 6. Sergeant Jeff Smith
- 7. Sergeant Barry McGrath
- 8. Sergeant Dan Morris
- 9. Patrolman Detective Bob O'Connell
- 10. Patrolman Steve Hearon
- 11. Patrolman School Resource Officer Todd Schwalbe
- 12. Patrolman Scott Ellis
- 13. Patrolman Jon Coliflores
- 14. Patrolman Dave Halloway
- 15. Patrolman Derick Cassidy
- 16. Patrolman Pete Lown
- 17. Patrolman Steve Eaton
- 18. Patrolman Mark Miscavage
- 19. Patrolman Matthew Smith
- 20. Patrolman Michael Flinn
- 21. Patrolman Jacob Halloway

Community Resource Dog "Cruiser"

#### Part Time Police Officers

Joe Collamati, Retired Police Chief Dick Gillespie, Retired Acting Police Chief Chris Cowley, Retired Police Officer Ed Fitzgerald, Special Officer Pete Preston, Special Officer Jonathan King, Special Officer Pat Griffin, Special Officer Peter Littlefield, Special Officer Gerald Thayer, Special Officer Bartley Folan, Special Officer

Grace Conforti, Administrative Assistant

A Message from Police Chief Bill McGrath:

2022 Welcome Back to Normal

Jim Anderson, Retired Police Chief Bob Casavant, Retired Police Officer Patrick Norton, Intermittent Officer Bill Leary, Special Officer Fred True, Special Officer Bob Forsythe, Special Officer Paul Connolly, Special Officer Naif Rojee, Special Officer Charles Stone, Special Officer Every indication indicates Covid-19 is fading, giving way to normal life for all of us.

First and foremost, we remember those we lost, many our own relatives and friends. May they rest in eternal peace and never be forgotten.

Second, thank you to police officers, firefighters and everyone in the realm of public safety and healthcare who persevered through this long uncertain, scary journey. And hats off to everyone else who kept the rest of us supplied with basic comforts and essentials; the food deliveries, truck drivers, staff in the stores and pharmacies that remained open during shut down.

As winter gives into spring, we hope to see unmasked, smiling faces everywhere, enjoying the beauty and warmth the new season has to offer, reflecting on the past and looking to the future with a renewed sense of appreciation and optimism.

#### <u>Memoriam</u>

Retired Chief Paul Schwalbe passed away at his home in Middleboro Massachusetts on June 17, 2021. Chief Schwalbe retired long ago, but never left! He presided over the annual Memorial Day parade almost every year, leading the police officers as they marched to the cemetery and monuments. A true product of Wrentham, his family name going back generations, Chief Schwalbe was the "go to guy" for historical information, the kind you don't find in books. He knew the names, where they lived, the stores, the factories, the parents, grandparents, the tragedies, the triumphs, told in his own captivating way, whether it be in his commanding U.S. Marine tone of voice or through his captivating sense of humor. His depth of knowledge and always welcomed presence will be missed in this station and town.

### Our Mission, Protect & Serve

Police officers sign up for the job to help people. Protect and Serve. Wrentham police officers do this every day. With dedicated police officers, as we are lucky to have, the Mission to Protect & Serve is made easier, yet is not always easy. Wrentham officers get the job done with compassion, fairness, empathy, kindness and respect. They don't learn these traits in the training academy. They arrive this way, products of quality upbringing. We build on that foundation to make great police officers.

Wrentham officers respond quickly and do their best to fix what's wrong regardless of how dangerous, how traumatic, how emotional, and how sad. They save lives more than ever, with CPR, Narcan and AED's. They train in verbal de-escalation techniques, use of less-lethal weapons so they can bring someone into custody with little or no injury. When not answering calls, Wrentham police officers are ambassadors of goodwill. It's called Community Policing. In between responding to calls, they visit our schools, shoot hoop with the kids, read a book with kindergartners, drop in on a class, and make an appearance at recess. They stop by the Senior Center for coffee, share breakfast with the folks at the Nursing Home, volunteer for Special Olympics, support the Food Pantry, donate to Project Mittens, walk, run, dance, play softball, play basketball to raise money for charities, change flat tires for people who can't and the list goes on. Wrentham Police officers do this every day.

When you're sleeping, we're awake. Patrolling your neighborhoods and businesses, checking things out, seeing what's out of place. When you wake up, we're still here for you. Here to handle anything and everything we're called for and rest assured, we see it all and handle it all. So don't hesitate to call us regardless of how little or big the problem is. We'll show up and do our best to fix it.

Report of Incidents for FY21: July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

Incident	<u>FY '21</u>
209A Violations	30
911 Accidental	999
Arrests:	106
Animal Complaints	52
Assault & Battery:	20
Alarm Calls:	303
Ambulance Calls:	912
Assist Fire Department:	310
Assist Motorist	252
Breaking & Entering	7
Building Checks	1,936
Breaking & Entering Motor Vehicle:	2
Child Pornography	2
Civil Complaints	54
Criminal Complaints Issued:	267
Custody Dispute	11
Disturbances:	120
Disabled Motor Vehicle	169
Domestic Disturbances	93
Document Service	42
Drug Overdoses:	19
Erratic Operation MV	199
Fireworks Complaints	24
Follow Up Investigations	33
Fraud	172
Harassment	96
Identity Theft:	81
Indecent Exposure	0
	74

Larceny	111
Larceny of MV	11
Licenses to Carry Firearms Issued:	349
Letters of Disinvite Issued:	5
Mental Health Sec. 12:	47
Missing Persons	33
Motor Vehicle Stops:	3,138
Motor Vehicle Crashes:	340
Narcotics Violations	24
Noise Complaint	89
Operating MV Under the Influence	13
Parking Complaints	225
Police Escorts	5
Property Destruction	84
Protective Custody	6
Radar Assignments	368
Rape	0
Restraining Order Violations:	23
Road Hazards	185
Robbery	3
Sex Offender Registration:	2
Sexual Assaults	6
Shoplifting:	85
Suspicious Activity:	99
Suspicious Persons	80
Threats, Criminal	35
Trespassing	32
Unattended Deaths:	5
Walking Beat Assignment	369
Warrant Arrests	6
Well Being Checks	<u>207</u>
Total Calls for Service	12,292

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# Report of the Public Health Nurses

Summer: July-August 2020

-Reopened nursing office for appointments only in July, 2020.

-Resumed durable medical equipment loan program for curbside pickup/drop-off.

-Planning initiated for Drive-thru flu Clinics:

- Contacted facilities, recreation department head, senior center department head to come up with a plan for drive-thru flu clinics at different locations.
- Meeting with Sanofi (flu distributor to discuss drive thru protocol and strategies.
- Coordinated with state vaccine service for return of expired vaccine and obtaining new updated state vaccine for this upcoming flu season.

-Continued to field phone calls from residents of Plainville and Wrentham, local companies/businesses, medical facilities, day cares, mall, salons, restaurants, camps, libraries regarding how to handle certain cases of quarantine/isolation/antibody testing, etc.

-Coordinated with schools: King Philip Middle School (Robert Worth, facilities manager and nurses). KPHS (Paul Zinni, Lisa Mobley, school nurses.) Wrentham Elementary Schools (Allan Cameron and Delaney and Roderick nurses) on return to school policies.

-Continued COVID-19 interviewing and surveillance for Wrentham and Plainville as well as contact tracing all contacts.

-Flu Planning: Zoom meeting with Sanofi (flu distributor) to discuss drive-thru flu vaccine protocols and strategies and ordering of private flu vaccine. Coordinated with state vaccine service for return of expired vaccine and obtaining new updated state vaccine for this upcoming flu season. Contacted all volunteers to see who can assist with clinics this year. Coordinated with the Mount St Mary's Abbey, Wrentham Developmental Center, Wrentham Council on Aging, Bennett Gardens and Liberty Pines in flu clinic planning.

-Participated in Healthy KP Coalition webinars/calls.

-Completed outdoor blood pressure clinics at Liberty Pines and Bennett Gardens.

-Participated in weekly DPH webinars and flu and Covid-19 vaccine webinars. Weekly coordination meetings with the CTC liaison and Alyssa Kaiser, Town of Norfolk/VNA public health nurse.

-Attended Wrentham Board of Health and Massachusetts Association of Public Health Nurses (MAPHN) Zoom Meetings.

### Fall: September-October 2020

- Created new Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for drive thru-flu clinics scheduled at Rice Field Complex and Wrentham Council on Aging.

- Performed a dry-run for our drive thru flu vaccine clinic at the Senior Center on Sept 16 with all volunteers present with their task and station assignments. Garret Simonson from the State was on hand to review SOP and procedures.

-Held an outdoor Covid-19 training for bus drivers at Delaney School.

-Ongoing coordination with Norfolk, Wrentham and Plainville school superintendents, nurses, and principals regarding school re-opening protocols.

-Held several clinics out-of-doors and with social distancing protocols in place, although many of our planned flu clinics were cancelled due to community room closures and lack of vaccine supply.

- Administered a total of 700 doses flu vaccine at 10 flu clinics, in-office inoculations as well as our homebound residents.

#### Winter: November- March 2021

-Delivered food to numerous families in town for Thanksgiving.

-Coordinated a gift giving drive: many gift cards (mostly CVS, grocery and Target) were distributed to individuals, families and a large donation was presented to Gilly's House. Distributed numerous meals to individuals and families. We received many donations and are thankful to the Lions Club, Holly Club, St Mary's Church and many generous individuals.

- In January, COVID-19 vaccination clinics commenced starting with first responders at the Public Safety Building and then moved to age 75+ Wrentham population, > 65+ or 2 co-morbidities, teachers and medical professionals in town.

-Held a total of 21 clinics at the Public Safety building, Liberty Pines as well as our homebound residents and > 820 COVID-19 vaccination shots were administered.

-Performed outreach with our elderly population, in particular. Due the pandemic, we discovered that the increased isolation and anxiety felt by everyone required interventions and home visitation with families. Referrals to HESSCO, delivery of Ensure, and family meetings are additional examples of services provided.

#### Spring: April – June 2021

-Ceased affiliation with the Town of Plainville as they opted not to pursue the regionalization process with Wrentham.

-The Town of Wrentham was awarded the Excellence Grant for Public Health in May and discussions began with Franklin and Norfolk in developing the Metacomet Public Health Alliance for shared services.

-Attended numerous meetings with Norfolk town administrators, Board of Health and Senior center director and outreach workers as the regionalization process continued.

#### Overview:

This past year has been challenging for the Public Health Nurses: treading on ground that has not been previously trodden. Community members, school administrators, nurses and businesses have been looking to us for guidance and answers. Trying to stay on top of things has proven to be difficult due to the constant changes in protocols. We have been very busy reporting COVID-19 cases and tracking disease clusters to enforcing public health orders and organizing vaccination clinics.

Although our home visits came to a halt due to COVID-19, we have been in touch with the vulnerable residents in our population to make sure they are getting the services they need. We also maintained in-office visits by appointment only with social distancing and for less than 15 minutes. Many of our flu shots were given in the office, as well, since there was a delay in receiving the flu vaccine for our scheduled large drive-thru flu clinics.

Thank you to our volunteers and town employee volunteers from Police, Fire, Facilities and COA for assisting with our COVID-19 vaccination clinics starting in January. They have had our backs every step of the way.

Thank you to the Sweatt Fund Committee for funding our ongoing Ensure distribution program, for the alarming electronic medication boxes, line of credit at Plainville Oil and space heaters for those in need.

The nurses continue to manage the needle disposal program on a weekly basis thanks to a grant from Sturdy Memorial Hospital. This disposal kiosk allows residents to properly discard needles and syringes at no cost.

The equipment loan program continues to be very successful and saves money for many of our residents by loaning medical equipment to those in need.

Throughout the year, the public health nurses page on the Town website was updated and our Facebook page was instrumental in keeping our community up to date on clinics and new and changing Covid-19 guidance.

We look forward to our ongoing partnership with Franklin and Norfolk in the next fiscal year.

Looking forward to a healthier FY 2022 for us all!

Communicable Disease Surveillance Totals July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Disease	Status	Number of Cases
Babesiosis	DISEASE_STATUS_CONFIRMED	5
Campylobacteriosis	DISEASE_STATUS_CONFIRMED	1
Giardiasis	DISEASE_STATUS_PROBABLE	1

Group B streptococcus	DISEASE_STATUS_CONFIRMED	1
Hepatitis A	DISEASE_STATUS_SUSPECT	1
Hepatitis B	DISEASE_STATUS_PROBABLE	2
Hepatitis C	DISEASE_STATUS_CONFIRMED	4
Hepatitis C	DISEASE_STATUS_PROBABLE	5
Human Granulocytic Anaplasmosis	DISEASE_STATUS_SUSPECT	1
Influenza	DISEASE_STATUS_SUSPECT	13
Lyme Disease	DISEASE_STATUS_SUSPECT	37
Novel Coronavirus (SARS, MERS, etc)	DISEASE_STATUS_CONFIRMED	874
Novel Coronavirus (SARS, MERS, etc)	DISEASE_STATUS_CONTACT	556
Novel Coronavirus (SARS, MERS, etc)	DISEASE_STATUS_PROBABLE	156
Novel Coronavirus (SARS, MERS, etc)	DISEASE_STATUS_SUSPECT	38
Salmonellosis	DISEASE_STATUS_CONFIRMED	2
Tuberculosis	DISEASE_STATUS_CONFIRMED	4
Tuberculosis	DISEASE_STATUS_SUSPECT	1
Varicella	DISEASE_STATUS_SUSPECT	1
Vibrio sp.	DISEASE_STATUS_CONFIRMED	1

Be well, Lauren Hewitt, RN and Jeanine Murphy, RN

## **Report of the Public Works Department**

The Department of Public Works is responsible for maintaining the Town's roughly 150 single lane miles of all public roadways; sidewalks; storm water drainage system; the Town common and public parks; grounds maintenance for public buildings; Town-owned cemeteries; Crocker Pond area; Trout Pond area; solid waste and recycling contracting and management; public shade trees; the Yard Waste Drop-off; Public Works and other Town departments vehicle maintenance; maintaining the fuel storage and delivery system for all Town vehicles; snow and ice control; and the Municipal Public Drinking water system; providing safe quality drinking water and fire protection to 99 percent of Wrentham's residents. The department supports multiple other Town departments in the accomplishment of their missions.

The Highway Division actively saves the town money by keeping most requests for service in house. Work such as failing catch basins, arborist work, burials, signs, small drainage repair problems, removing beaver obstructions, roadside mowing, annual cross walk painting, patching pot holes and trenches as well as most other kinds of road repairs are all done with the divisional staff. The division also supports the Water Division performing the necessary paving required after water leaks, repairs and support during the actual repairs. During the snow and ice operations and water main repairs, the divisions routinely work in excess of 24 hours straight.

This year the department completed the Water System Capital Efficiency Plan. The last plan was well over a decade old. This is a long-term planning document used to identify and prioritize our needs. It highlights the most effective use of funding by prioritizing required system upgrades. One facet of this plan was the creation of a town-wide hydraulic model. This modeling is used to gauge water system capacity based on current and future demands. It allows for an assurance with new development projects, the system will have the proper capacity to provide both fire protection and potable water. It will ensure existing customers are not negatively affected by a proposed development.

The plan identified several areas of both current and future concern for the community. Currently during peak demands, all of our wells are functioning without adequate back-up.

If we experience a failure during this time it may limit our ability to provide municipally supplied fire protection as well as adequate potable water. Two of our wells are past their useful life expectancy of fifty-years. Well 3 has already suffered a catastrophic failure and is working with temporary repairs. The replacement of this well will be a priority.

The report also identified the vulnerability of West Wrentham. Currently we only have one feed source from the other end of Town providing service. The Town will be seeking to site a new well in the west end. We will also be looking to add an emergency connection with either Bellingham or Franklin. Accomplishing these goals will give the Town reliability and resiliency for not only today, but for smart future growth.

This year we also completed updating out Pavement Infrastructure Condition Assessment. We continue to suffer with many roads in a serious state of disrepair due to a prolonged lack of providing local funding to properly maintain them. We currently need 14.7 million dollars to repair our roads. Then it is estimated close to 3 million dollars per year to continue to maintain them in their present state. We currently have just over 1 million dollars in available State Aid. Annually we receive anywhere from 250 thousand to 450 thousand dollars in State Aid. This is far from meeting our required needs and has created a situation where we have many roads in complete failure. We are utilizing our limited funding as effectively and efficiently as possible. We have focused our resources on preservation and maintaining roadways that are utilized by the greatest number of residents.

Public Works continued to work with our team of departments to keep the Town compliant with our Environmental Protection Agency Federal Storm Water Permitting. In addition to the routine cleaning of our catch basins and street sweeping. This year we completed our dry weather outfall sampling and were pleased we did not locate any illicit connections. We have worked closely with the Conservation and Building Departments in addressing illicit discharges from development utilizing our By-Law mechanism. Local funding of the storm water program compliance is becoming a major impediment toward our ongoing compliance. As the permit years progress, the cost for compliance and permit deliverables continues to grow.

# **Report of the Recreation Department**

Recreation Director is reporting that our department were able to perform recreation programs and maintain three facilities during all four seasons of 21'.

Director of Recreation & Facilities: Jeffrey H. Plympton Assistant Director: Donna Burt Program Director: Lynne Adams Secretary: Sharon Eagan

Recreation Commission

- 1. Ray Palmer Chair
- 2. Mark Cuddy
- 3. Tim Leavitt
- 4. Jane D'Amico
- 5. Chris Kantlehner
- 6. Greg Klim
- 7. Adam Moon
- 8. Steve Signes
- 9. John Jackson Associate Member
- 10. Chuck Adelsberger Associate Member

In Town User Group Presidents

- 1. WYBSA: Brad MacDonald
- 2. WYS: Charlie Weiblan
- 3. KPYLA: Chuck Boothe

Facilities managed and maintained by Recreation Commission include: Seasonal part-time employees perform all maintenance at all facilities listed.

- 1. Sweatt Field Complex
- 2. Sweatt Beach Facility
- 3. William A. Rice Recreation Complex

Programs and Events managed by Recreation Commission include:

- 1. Norfolk / Wrentham Youth Basketball
- 2. Wrentham Flag Football
- 3. Wrentham Rugby
- 4. Concert on the Common
- 5. Wrentham Day September
- 6. Wrentham Wroad Wrace 5K
- 7. Playground Camp Summer
- 8. Senior Citizen and Town Employee Cookout (Sponsored by Eaglebrooke Saloon)
- 9. Aerobics
- 10. Sweatt Beach (open daily June thru August)
- 11. Swimming Lessons at Sweatt Beach
- 12. Kayaking Canoeing Paddle Boarding (Eastern Mountain Sports)
- 13. Lacrosse & Softball Tournaments
- 14. Bushwacker 5K
- 15. Turkeywacker 5K

- 16. Volleyball Clinics
- 17. Events at Sweatt Beach that include Girl & Boy Scouts
- 18. DARE Camps
- 19. Sports Camps

Organizations involved at facilities include: Users groups pay \$70/\$80 per player fee

- 1. Wrentham Youth Baseball and Softball Association
- 2. Wrentham Youth Soccer Association
- 3. King Philip Youth Lacrosse Association
- 4. King Philip Regional High School Athletic Teams
- 5. Wrentham Elementary Schools
- 6. Wrentham Men's Softball League
- 7. Lotti Softball Tournaments
- 8. Lacrosse & Soccer Tournaments
- 9. Outside User Groups Travel Teams
- 10. Crush Baseball
- 11. Piatelli Lacrosse
- 12. Brand New Ballgame Clinics

**Financial Accounts:** 

- 1. Lifeguards: \$23,000 General Fund
- 30 part-time seasonal employees from March thru November \$38,000 General Fund
- 3. Town Budget Vehicle & Equipment: \$11,500 General Fund
- 4. Revolving Account: supported by In/Out Town User Fee & Recreation programs

#### William Rice Recreation Complex:

Recreation Commission continues to make progress completing town recreation complex. Currently Rice Complex is at 80% completion. Our new building includes Recreation Director's office space, conference room and bathroom are now complete. Concession stand at Rice Complex should be ready for service in spring 2022.

One additional baseball field; 2-mile walking path; 3 synthetic, multi-purpose fields, additional parking and roadway, additional bathrooms and irrigation will complete our goal to have the best recreation complex in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Plympton Recreation & Facilities Director Town of Wrentham

## Report of the Southeastern Regional Services Group (SERSG)

Procurement and other services are provided to the Town of Wrentham by the Southeastern Regional Services Group (SERSG) and have been since the organization's inception in 1993. Annual dues of \$4,100 support one Regional Administrator, who serves twenty-five towns and cities; the last dues increase was in 2012. The Town saves this amount by devoting less skilled-staff time to common procurements and document preparation. SERSG contract prices are generally lower than state contracts and require less time to use.

Wrentham used SERSG contracts for many purchases, had access to subsidized trainings, and participated in five bids between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 to secure vendor contracts. Those contracts were for DPW Services, Office Supplies, Paper, DPW Supplies, and Water and Sewer Treatment Chemicals.

DPW Service bids were received in November and resulting contracts took effect in February 2021. These contracts were for 7 services with an estimated value of \$49,275.

The Town also renewed service contracts with an estimated value of \$349,083.

A new two-year Office Supply contract now provides a 57.8% discount off list price (for nonexcluded items using a standard wholesaler's catalog), with ink and toner cartridges discounted by 32.8%. Wrentham spent \$11,935 on office supplies in fiscal year 2021, while saving \$13,275 off list price.

The Town pays competitive fixed prices for <u>Paper</u> using a SERSG contract, which provides 15 distinct items with both recycled and non-recycled options. By the end of this period, Wrentham had spent \$3451 under this contract.

In spring 2021, contracts were secured for 12 DPW Supply items, and 2 Water/Sewer Chemicals. The estimated value of these combined supply contracts is \$241,335.

Wrentham saves using SERSG contracts instead of state contracts even for common purchases like fuel. This is because per gallon prices for gas and diesel fuel are \$0.07 and \$0.05 lower than the state contract prices respectively. Savings off state contract prices for these two items alone is \$3,255.

SERSG applied for a MassDEP grant on behalf of all members in November 2020, for which Wrentham provided a Letter of Support. Unfortunately, no award was received.

Moira Rouse, Regional Administrator

# **Report of the Wrentham Public Schools' Superintendent**

Wrentham Public Schools faced the many challenges of learning during a health crisis with optimism, patience, and determination. Faculty and staff members developed remote learning resources and teaching practices, distributed food and technology resources to families, and overcame countless other challenges. Students participated in on-line and inperson lessons, made social connections, and successfully adjusted to the significant changes caused by the pandemic. The students' families worked with the students and their teachers to support the students' success in school. Thanks to everyone's hard work, the district continued to make progress with the three Strategic Objectives.

Equity and Excellence.

- Demonstrated achievement and growth on the state-mandated MCAS assessments in English/Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science and Technology/Engineering.
- Created resources and practices for teaching students in school, at home, and through a combination of the two formats.
- Initiated year one of professional development for two new math programs, Bridges for students in preschool through grade 3 and Illustrative Math for students in grades 4 through 6.
- Collaborated with Norfolk, Plainville, and the King Philip Regional School District to provide professional development for staff members in all four school districts.
- Ensured the district had the resources to support remote learning and loaned devices to students who need them.
- Developed summer learning opportunities for students who experienced learning loss during the pandemic.
- Continued the implementation of the new Science and Technology/Engineering Curriculum Framework.

Strategic Objective #2 - Strengthen Family Connections and Community Partnerships.

- Developed and launched an on-line COVID-19 web page with information about the district's response to the pandemic and community resources.
- Offered wellness workshops and assistance with mental health, physical health, and nutrition.
- Restructured the standards-based report cards to include teacher comments.

- Wrote two WPS Updates to students' families and staff members each week during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Solicited feedback from the community about the school experience during the pandemic through surveys.
- Collaborated with leaders and staff members to host major community engagement events, such as Meet and Greet and Open House, remotely.
- Collaborated with Norfolk, Plainville, and the King Philip Regional School District to secure grant funding to hire a shared Director of Wellness and Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

Strategic Objective #3 - Ensure the Schools Are Safe, Innovative, and Inclusive.

- Ensured the buildings were safe for in-person learning during the COVID-19 pandemic by creating and implementing protocols for cleaning, operating, and responding to medical situations.
- Raised money to make the Roderick School playground larger, more fun, and more inclusive.
- Collaborated with the Town Administrator to conduct a facilities review and plan for all buildings, with a focus on Vogel School.
- Collaborated with the Director of Facilities and Capital Projects to prioritize and support major facilities projects in the district.
- Secured grant funding and state support to purchase and install new external and internal security cameras throughout the district.

Wrentham Public Schools is an exceptional school district because of the people in this community. The students are conscientious, kind, and hard working. The faculty and staff members set the standard for excellence in public education. The students' families are wonderful partners in the education of their children. The elected officials, residents, and business owners are committed to public education. I am fortunate to be the superintendent of this outstanding school district.

Respectfully submitted, Allan Cameron, Ph.D. Superintendent of Wrentham Public Schools

# **Report of the Wrentham Public Schools' Principals**

We are pleased to submit our annual report which includes information about the School Council and School Improvement Plan, enrollment, and programs implemented at Wrentham Public Schools during the 2020-2021 school year.

### School Council and School Improvement Plan

The Wrentham Public Schools' School Council was comprised of the following members during 2020-2021: Kathleen Maloney, Principal; Kevin Martes, Principal; Robert Worth, Vice Principal, Jen Jones, Teacher; Kathy Ahern, Teacher; Lynda Hall, Teacher; Jennifer Cotter, Teacher; Marguerite Fifolt, Parent; David Gresham, Parent; Joanne Berthiaume, Parent; Denise Ritchie, Parent; and Jeffrey Schweitzer, Parent.

Throughout the 2020-2021 school year, the School Council identified indicators of progress in each goal in the School Improvement Plan for 2019-2021.

I School Climate

- Goal: During the 2019-2021 school years, physical and emotional safety will be addressed for students and staff.
- II Communication
  - Goal: During the 2019-2021 school years, effective modes of communication will be explored and implemented within the school community, between schools and families, and between schools and the community at large.

### III Learning Environment

• Goal: During the 2019-2021 school years, the learning environment within Delaney and Roderick will continue to improve to foster 21<sup>st</sup> century learning opportunities.

### IV Curriculum and Instruction

• Goal: During the 2019-2021 school years, the learning opportunities in all subject areas will be enhanced to promote student progress and high levels of academic achievement as measured by local and state student assessments and future surveys.

V School Administration

• Goal: During the 2019-2021 school years, processes and procedures will be improved to ensure the safety and security of the buildings to foster a positive learning environment for students.

VI Buildings and Facilities

• Goal: During the 2019-2021 school years, the building structure and facilities will be updated and maintained to provide a clean, safe, and aesthetically pleasing environment that is conducive to learning.

### Enrollment

The Delaney School started the 2020-2021 school year with 496 students in preschool through grade 3, divided into 31 classes. The Roderick School started the school year with 372 in grade 4 through 6, divided into 19 classes.

### **Professional Development**

The district offered Professional Development to all staff on the new math curriculum in the Wrentham Public Schools. Bridges in Mathematics in the Delaney School and Illustrative Math at the Roderick School to improve inquiry based math instruction throughout the 2020-2021 school year. Wrentham teachers also participated in technology professional development to improve skills in Google Classroom, Screencastify, blended learning, and other technology related programs.

### **Social Emotional Learning Committee**

The WPS Social Emotional Learning Committee had a successful 4th year with teachers, paraprofessionals, and support staff who have continued to implement a district framework to promote social, emotional, and behavioral competence for all students. Over the last four years, this has resulted in increased access to general education curriculum and improvement in connection to student learning, self-esteem, and relationships as well as decreased emotional stress.

### **Roderick Playground**

The Roderick Playground Committee finished fundraising efforts with a total of \$88,000 as of November, 2020. The Wrentham Community Preservation Fund contributed the remaining funds to build a \$125,000 playground at Roderick Elementary School. Features of the new playground include 4,700 sq feet of rubber padding, 21 ft tall climbing structure, tipi carousel, supernova, and somersault bars.

### Wrentham Public Schools – PTO

Our PTO was extremely active, providing a number of events such as the virtual Boosterthon Fun Run and virtual Scholastic Book Fair. The Wrentham PTO President, Katelyn Clough and PTO Board have been very supportive and generous to the Wrentham Public Schools throughout the 2020-2021 school year. Their fundraising included opportunities for the community to purchase Wrentham Spirit Wear throughout the year. They hosted several events to show their appreciation for the staff throughout the 2020-2021 school year.

### **Educational Equity and Social Justice Committee**

The Educational Equity and Social Justice Committee was composed of staff members, parents, and community members to analyze the school culture to promote equity, diversity, and social justice. The sub-committee reviewed current curriculum and instruction, people, and programs and policies to create an action plan for future growth and planned professional development opportunities for the staff.

### Conclusion

Our quest for excellence at the Wrentham Public Schools could only be realized through the collaborative efforts of our many contributors. We were fortunate to receive unwavering support from the Wrentham School Committee, our colleagues, and the community. Respectfully submitted, Kathleen Maloney, Delaney School Principal Kevin Martes, Roderick School Principal

## **Report of the Wrentham School Committee**

The Wrentham School Committee is a five member board, elected at large, concurrently for a three-year term. The School Committee oversees the Wrentham Public Schools, prekindergarten through grade 6, and specifically is responsible for:

- Establishing educational goals and policies for the schools in our district.
- The review and approval of the school system's annual budget.
- Hiring the Superintendent of Schools to serve as the educational advisor and chief executive officer in charge of overseeing the administration of the school system in a manner that is consistent with district goals and policies.

On July 1, 2020 the School Committee members were Tracey Murphy (Chair), Erin DeStefano (Vice Chair), Grey Almeida (Secretary), Katelyn Clough (member), and Veronica Gonzalez (member). After the town election in April 2021, the Committee members became Veronica Gonzalez (Chair), Phil Jordan (Vice Chair), Grey Almeida (Secretary), Katelyn Clough (member), and Erin Greaney (member). In August 2021, Katelyn Clough stepped down and the position was filled by a unanimous vote for Eric Greenburg via a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen.

The fall of 2020 brought much upheaval to the traditional school day as the Covid-19 pandemic surged on, resulting in a hybrid learning format for the majority of students. A remote-only option was also available, with one teacher in each grade (K-6) providing daily online instruction. The teachers, staff, superintendent and administration team should be commended for their commitment to excellence throughout the school year. They created Google classrooms, worked well beyond the hours of a typical school day, provided unwavering support to students and their families, and unceasingly developed new strategies to continue reaching and teaching students. Of particular note is the district's success in properly equipping every student with the necessary technology for at-home learning. The Town of Wrentham, through the federal Covid-19 Relief Package, provided \$350,000 to the schools. The funds were used in part to provide chromebooks, hot spots, increased demands of remote teaching and learning. These devices and subscriptions were made available for every student and staff member to keep at home for the duration of the 2020-2021 school year. Thanks to these efforts, every student in the district was

given the opportunity to engage in online learning, connect with students and staff via Google Meet, and meet educational benchmarks.

During this school year, the School Committee began the process of reviewing and updating their educational goals and policies. This is to ensure the policies align with legal requirements, statewide goals, and standards established by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as well as the Massachusetts Board of Education. The district's budget priorities for the 2020-2021 school year included acquiring two new math programs, Bridges (pre-kindergarten to grade 3) and Illustrative Math (grades 4-6); boosting the number or support staff and mental health professionals to help with any learning gaps from the previous school year due to school closure from the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic; reducing full-day kindergarten tuition; funding a three-year general transportation contract; and increasing school safety measures. The School Committee is grateful for the support of our local government leaders and will continue to advocate for priorities that support the Wrentham Public Schools in a fiscally responsible manner.

Respectfully submitted,

Veronica Gonzalez, Chair Phil Jordan, Vice Chair Grey Almeida, Secretary Erin Greaney, member Eric Greenberg, member

### **Report of the King Philip Regional High School**

Just after a record 2019-2020 school year was completed, we entered an even more remarkable 2020-2021 school year! The delayed school opening for students allowed Massachusetts educators ten days to prepare for what was to come with remote, hybrid, and traditional modes of learning. King Philip administrators and teachers became savvy with conference calls, google classrooms, and approaches using all sorts of technologies that would allow the school year to proceed.

The King Philip District vision "to inspire students to develop their passions and prepare them to succeed in a world of rapid and constant change" took on new meaning as we were challenged to bring our students together in a world where school was opening remotely. To avoid potential exposure to COVID-19, our community began school remotely, then attended in hybrid where students alternated between learning time at home and time at school to reduce class size, and finally transitioned back to daily in person school. Our mission continued to be one where we strove to foster a climate of respect, individual and collective responsibility, creativity, and enthusiasm for learning. As a school district, our 2019-2024 strategic plan focused on teaching, learning, budgeting, and developing community. Technology became a necessary part of all elements of this plan and the school district was appreciative of a Mass state grant which supported purchase completion of one-to-one laptop devices which enabled all students to connect remotely for learning purposes.

The King Philip Regional School Committee, which is essential to the functioning of the school district, comprises nine members, with three members from each of the towns of Norfolk, Plainville, and Wrentham. Six members are elected, with 2 from each of the respective towns with staggered three-year terms. The other three members are appointed by their respective town school committees. The committee, when in person, generally meets twice a month at the King Philip Regional High School in the Library to conduct business. These meetings are open to the public. The emergence of the pandemic, where size of gatherings and social distancing was mandated by the state, necessitated virtual committee meetings that were live streamed to allow public attendance. Dates, times, and links to these meetings are posted on the school district's website at www.kingphilip.org and also posted in the Superintendent's Office.

In addition to the bi-monthly meetings, members of the school committee also serve on subcommittees that meet on an as needed basis throughout the year. Those subcommittees include a Budget & Finance Subcommittee, Policy Subcommittee, Collective Bargaining Negotiations Subcommittees for Unit A (Teachers); Unit B (Custodians); Unit C (Secretaries); Unit D (Teacher Assistants); and, KP Cafeteria Association. School Committee members also serve as representatives to Sick Bank and the Health & Welfare Trust Subcommittee. The work of each of these subcommittees varies depending on the needs of the district.

The Budget & Finance Subcommittee worked with the Superintendent of Schools and Director of Finance & Operations in the preparation of a budget request which would be presented to the residents at each communities' annual town meeting. The subcommittee and the full school committee spent much of their meeting time during the winter and spring months working with the superintendent and administration to develop an operational budget request for the school department. At the annual spring town meetings, the requested budget was approved.

A state grant awarded in the spring of 2019 supported mental and behavioral health, and wellness initiatives, as well as the position of the regional Director of Wellness and the Family Support Social Worker. The Director of Wellness continued work to support the wellness of students, families and staff through programming and resource identification. To increase access to outside mental health services for students, a contract with Interface Referral Service of William James College began in January 2020. Families in the four districts were able to contact the service for assistance in securing a matched outside provider for their student. The Director of Wellness, through another DESE grant supported work in the districts related to universal support for students. Five virtual parent/caregiver wellness education events were held in the spring of 2021 to support families. In the spring of 2021, a KP Active Minds student chapter, affiliated with the national Active Minds organization, was launched, to change conversations around mental health, reduce stigma and increase help- seeking behaviors of students at risk.

With the pandemic continuing into the 2020-2021 school year, the regional Director of Wellness worked to support the needs of the schools and families related to COVID-19. In the summer prior to the school year with food insecurity a high priority, a partnership with the Hockomock YMCA, allowed a summer meals program for the summers of 2020 and

2021 to provide grab and go breakfast and lunches to families for their children. The creation of a Family Wellness Website, accessible by families of the four districts, provides resources for families related to basic needs such as food access and insurance, counseling and mental health resources; grief, substance use; state and local locations for physical activity; and other information. Between September 18, 2020, through June 16, 2021, a total of 75,396 meals 34,455 Lunches and 40,941 breakfasts were provided through our grab and go program. COVID-19 testing clinics for staff were available as they returned to school in-person and following school vacation weeks. The year ended with hosting vaccination clinics for ages 12 and up. Congratulations also, to Wellness Director, Mrs. Dot Pearl, who was named the Massachusetts Inter-Athletic Association Wellness Director of the 2020-2021 school year.

Grant support was also available to hire a Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to support King Philip as well as our three elementary districts. One of the first goals of this position in 2021, was to conduct listening tours and facilitate discussions with groups of parents, teachers, students, and other stakeholders in the tri-town community. The ultimate goal was to learn about the tri-town through hearing diverse experiences, views, and responses to questions about DEI in the community. Findings were shared with the school committee with the expectation to create an equity committee to begin crafting goals and strategic plans for making the student experience even more successful.

Thanks to the continued support of our towns' budgets, our administrative, custodial and grounds team, worked diligently to maintain the status of indoor and outdoor facilities with preventive maintenance, and infrastructure upgrades. Progress to the thirty-year capital replacement plan included a boiler plant, HVAC controls, a domestic hot water heater including significant MASS Save rebates, and communications.

Since the first senior car parade was met with resounding success, 2020-2021 high school seniors couldn't wait to have another. On May 22, KP seniors paraded through Norfolk, Plainville, and Wrentham, in cars of all shapes, sizes, decorations. Instead of a prom, senior night was held on the high school turf field. A donut truck, caricature artist, DJ and more were set up around the track.

Dr. Lisa Mobley, high school principal, dressed in graduate regalia, awarded 298 Diplomas, at King Philip High School graduation which was held at Stonehill College on June 5. We had 6 students who graduated with Distinction, 3 from our Honors Academy, 21 with the Spanish Seal of Biliteracy, and 4 students who received AP Capstone Diplomas. Student Council along with KP Cares helped at graduation.

The year started with full remote learning; students met with their teachers virtually throughout the school day. In mid-October, remote transitioned to hybrid learning for the majority of our students. During hybrid learning, students were in the building with their assigned cohort for part of the week and learned at home for the remainder of the week. Additionally, KPMS students were assigned to learning pods of 10-14 students. Each learning pod had limited interaction with other groups in order to minimize the spread of COVID-19 and stayed in their assigned classroom for most of the school day. For instruction, teachers moved with their supplies on carts from classroom to classroom to meet with their students. Additionally, the middle school offered a remote learning academy for students whose families chose to have their children remain remote for the school year due to the pandemic.

By November 2020, KPMS became one-to-one with Chromebook devices for every student. The change ensured that all students had access to a quality device, allowed for increased personalization of instruction, and enabled students, both at-home and in-person, to actively participate in learning activities. In late April, the school made its final learning model transition – back to full in-person instruction and learning. All students came back into the school building with the exception of those whose families chose to keep their children in the remote learning model for the remainder of the school year.

Throughout the year, communication with students and their families was mostly done through newsletters and virtual meetings. For example, the middle school held regular virtual grade level assemblies for students, "Virtual Open House" allowed families to meet their child's middle school team and related arts teachers after a presentation by the KPMS administration, and virtual town hall meetings were held to share information with the middle school community periodically during the year.

Due to the pandemic, Peace Corps was not operational, so the middle school was not able to sponsor their traditional project. Middle School incorporated more digital resources into their World Language repertoire. High School world language continues to induct students each year and both societies are active outside of school and in the global

community. Students in Spanish at King Philip performed higher than national and state averages.

Opportunities for student activities were also provided virtually and in-person, if possible. In the fall, middle school students participated in the cross-country intramural program. The middle school hosted two book fairs, one online and another in-person. Clubs and activities such as the KP Glee Club, Virtual Art Club, Homework Club, Yearbook Club and Student Council allowed for students to make connections with each other outside of their classrooms. The middle school also held Open Book 2021, a reading initiative in which over one hundred students read the book, The Lions of Little Rock, by Kristin Levine, and participated in an end-of-book celebration outdoors. The King Philip Middle School Kindness Club also continued its involvement in Project 351, a statewide program that empowers teens to make change and progress within the community. Student ambassadors were selected to represent the communities of Norfolk, Plainville, and Wrentham.

At the high school school level, clubs were able to hold virtual meetings and meet in person when possible. Some significant club events were held like a debate on Euthanasia, a field trip to historical locations in Rhode Island for the GSA and Diversity Club, and the Unified Sports and Peer Mentoring June 11 field day. DECA honored senior members, announced new officers, ICDC finalists and champions, and inducted newest hall of fame members. Additionally, the King Philip Leo Club sold ribbons for the Movement for Malia and made posters for the senior parade. Also, the Student Council held a couple of spirit days--USA Day in honor of Memorial Day and KP Spirit Day.

Our Performing Arts program continues to be a source of KP Pride. Throughout the 2020-2021 school year, technology was integrated within the 7th Grade General Music course. As a result of KP becoming a one-to-one technology district, students had the opportunity to utilize music technology resources to enhance their learning. The King Philip Middle School Chorus met remotely on a weekly basis for the majority of the school year. Students continued to develop their vocal technique and work on repertoire to maintain our successful performing ensemble. In May of 2021, the Middle School Chorus program transitioned to in-person singing for the first time in a year. The King Philip Middle School 7th and 8th Grade bands met remotely twice a week for the majority of the school year. Students met once a week in small group sectionals and once a week in full ensemble remotely. Band students worked on basic techniques and prepared a couple of full

ensemble pieces to help maintain our instrumental program. After April vacation, the bands transitioned to in-person classes for the first time since the lockdown the year before. The Band had a number of students accepted into the Southeast Junior District Virtual Festival.

At the High School the KP Pride and Passion Marching Band put together a Marching Band Experience in the fall of 2020. There were no competitive in person performances due to the pandemic. Students rehearsed in a modified band camp and participated in Saturday rehearsals for 4 weeks culminating in a local preview shows for family and friends held on the King Philip athletic field. The High School Jazz Ensemble held virtual and in person rehearsals to help maintain the jazz curriculum. The High School Band and Chorus met in person outside and then moved in doors when the weather required it. Both Ensembles rehearsed masked and distanced in the high school auditorium. The High School Chorus presented a Spring Concert live streamed from the high school auditorium. The High School Symphony Band and Concert Band performed a Spring Concert outside in the Bus Loop of the high school. After the seniors had left school and graduated, the bands prepared and performed a second concert, without the seniors, on the last day of school. A number of High School Band and Chorus students auditioned for and were accepted into the Southeast Senior District Virtual Festival and the Massachusetts Music Education Association All-State Festival.

King Philip Regional High School students have access to comprehensive athletic programs where students compete at the Freshman, Junior V and Varsity levels. Due to COVID, this was a unique year stressing participation and giving students an opportunity to participate in High School athletics. Based on Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) modifications, there were no state tournaments for the Fall, Fall II and Winter seasons. The Hockomock League created postseason opportunities by creating Hockomock Cup tournaments for its student athletes. This included a bracketed tournament and League Champions in Girls Volleyball, Boys Ice Hockey and Girls Tennis. The traditional MIAA structure of three seasons was also modified to a four-season schedule which included a Fall II season which was held between the Winter and Spring. All Spring teams qualified for the MIAA State Tournament with Baseball, Softball, Girl's Tennis and Boys Volleyball winning at least one game. Many individual student athletes excelled in individual sports throughout the year as well. KP had several Herald All Scholastic athletes throughout all seasons.

Sincerely,

- Mr. Paul Zinni, Superintendent of Schools
- Dr. Susan Gilson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
- Ms. Michelle Kreuzer, Middle School Principal
- Dr. Lisa Mobley, High School Principal

# **Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals**

The Zoning Board of Appeals consists of five (5) appointed members and two (2) Associate members:

#### William Casbarra, Chairman John Redman, Clerk/Secretary Keith Langer, Member Shawn Gough, Member

Walter Pelrine, Vice Chair William Burns, Associate Member Faithful Baah, Associate Member

The Zoning Board holds its regular meetings on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. and all meetings are open to the public. After March 2020 the meetings were held virtually using Zoom as permitted by the Governor's 3/10/2020 Emergency Order to Suspend Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law.

The Zoning Board of Appeals held public hearing and acted on the following applications for the Period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021:

25 Lafayette Ave (Meridian Custom Homes, Inc.) - Special Permit/ADU Approved 95 Warren Dr. (Mt. Dog Dev.) - Special Permit Approved 2035 West St. (Thomas & Elizabeth Prall) - Special Permit/ADU Withdrawn 23 Lake St. (K&J Realty Trust) - Special Permit Approved 84 Archer St. (Kendra Priete) - Special Permit Home Occupation Approved 147 Walnut Rd. (Valerie Lorusso) - Special Permit Approved 121 East St. (Farhat & Shehi) - Special Permit Approved 474 Madison St. (Burt & Dubeau) - Special Permit/ADU Approved 83 Thurston St. (Mark & Lynn-Marie Dubeau) - Special Permit/ADU Approved 201 Wampum St. (Ramben, LLC) - Variance Denied 60 Cherry St. (RJG Atlas, LLC) - Special Permit Approved 352 Forest Grove Ave (Nancy Yannuzzi) - Special Permit Approved 132 Wampum St. (John & Kathleen Darling) - Special Permit Approved 105 Beach St. (Anthony Lorusso) - Special Permit/ADU Approved 510 Washington St. (510 Wash, LLC) - Special Permit Approved 600 Washington St. (Carroll Advertising Co., Inc.) - Special Permit Approved 720 West St. (Anthony Lorusso) - Special Permit/ADU Approved 420 Eastside Rd. (Ann Foley) - Special Permit Denied 348 Forest Grove Ave (Tom Souza) - Variance Withdrawn

1132 West St. (Perrelli & Savignano) - Special Permit Withdrawn
9 & 10 Woolford Rd. (George & Cynthia Morin) - Special Permit Denied
95 Cherry St. (Patrick & Kathy McSweeney) - Special Permit Approved
62 Woodland Rd. (Paul Jodice) - Special Permit Approved

The Board welcomes public comments, participation and recommendations concerning the Board's activities. For information regarding meeting agendas or other questions, please call the Planning Office at 508-384-5441. Please also check our website at www.wrentham.ma.us.

Respectfully submitted,

William Casbarra, Chairman Wrentham Zoning Board of Appeals