

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND  
MASSACHUSETTS  
2007 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT  
*FAREWELL TO A HERO***



***Marine Lance Corporal***  
**WALTER K. O'HAIRE**  
**5/15/86 - 5/9/07**



Students, business owners and residents line Union Street to view the procession.

Walter K. O'Haire (Wally) was laid to rest on his 21<sup>st</sup> birthday. He was killed in action in Al Anbar province, Iraq when he came under enemy fire while patrolling on foot with his platoon. O'Haire was one of nine children in a close-knit family who cared for more than 50 foster children. He joined the Marines to fulfill a promise he made to his father, Thomas R. O'Haire. While in the Marines he often returned home on weekends from Camp Lejeune in North Carolina to visit friends and family in Massachusetts. Nicknamed "Wally Gator" after the Hanna-Barbera cartoon who used to escape from the zoo, O'Haire was restlessly active throughout his life. He was also nicknamed "Last Word Wally" a name he picked up because of his insistence on having the final say in any argument. Wally was known to always have a smile on his face. A motorcade started in South Boston where O'Haire spent the first 10 years of his life. Traffic was halted on the Southeast Expressway and Route 3 to make way for the giant motorcade as it approached Holy Family Church in Rockland.

Forever with us in our mind, heart & soul Rockland pays tribute to our fallen hero.

Walter K. O'Haire

Photograph by Christine J. McGuiness (also back cover)

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**ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE**

**TOWN OFFICERS**

**OF THE**

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND**

**MASSACHUSETTS**



**For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2007**

**IN MEMORIAM  
2007**

February 6	Dorothy C. Crager	Secretary, Sewer Dept.
March 18	Richard E. Mitchell	Housing Authority Industrial Commission
April 10	Peter R. LeMotte	Sewer Commissioner
April 10	Dorothy Hayes	Election Official
June 19	George E. Briggs	Water Department
June 21	Marilyn H. Wheeler	Secretary, Treasurer's Office
June 21	James Dearnley	Police Officer
July 30	Judith A. Haman	School Teacher Democratic Town Committee
September 19	Doris M. Higgins	School Teacher Library Trustee
October 11	John DiTocco	Council on Aging
October 24	Mark Lelyveld	Housing Authority
November 9	Barbara J. Roberts	Adm. Assistant, Tax Office
November 14	Rita Henderson	Election Official
December 23	Mary "Marita" Talbot	Election Official
December 25	Frank Bono	Director of Music

# **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

## **2007 FEDERAL OFFICERS**

**2007 – 110th U.S. Congress (2nd Session)**

### **UNITED STATES SENATORS IN CONGRESS**

(Washington, D.C.)

Six year term

Two elected from Eleventh Massachusetts Congressional District:

Edward M. Kennedy (D-Barnstable)

John F. Kerry (D-Boston)

### **UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**

(Washington, D.C.)

Two year term

Tenth Congressional District

William D. Delahunt (D-Quincy)

## **STATE OFFICERS MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

### **GOVERNOR**

Deval L. Patrick, Milton (D)

### **LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

Timothy P. Murray, Worcester (D)

### **SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH (4 year term)**

William Francis Galvin, Boston (D)

### **ATTORNEY GENERAL (4 year term)**

Martha Coakley, Medford (D)

### **TREASURER (4 year term)**

Timothy P. Cahill, Quincy (D)

### **AUDITOR (4 year term)**

A. Joseph DeNucci, Newton (D)

### **COUNCILLOR (2 year term) Fourth District**

Christopher A. Iannella, Jr., Boston (D)

**MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**  
(General Court)

SENATE (40 Members)

**SENATE PRESIDENT**

Therese Murray, Plymouth (D)

**STATE SENATOR (2 year term)**

Norfolk & Plymouth District

Michael W. Morrissey, Quincy (D)

State House, Room 413D, Boston, MA 02133

(617) 722-1494

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

160 Representatives elected

**SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE (2 year term)**

Salvatore F. DiMasi, Boston (D)

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE (2 year term)**

5th Plymouth District

Robert J. Nyman, Hanover (D)

State House, Room 527A, Boston, MA 02133

(617) 722-2020

**PLYMOUTH COUNTY OFFICERS**

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY (4 year term)**

Timothy J. Cruz, Marshfield (R)\*\*\*

**CLERK OF COURTS (6 year term)**

Francis R. Powers, Scituate (D)\*\*\*

**REGISTER OF PROBATE & INSOLVENCY (6 year term)**

Robert E. McCarthy, E. Bridgewater (D)\*

**REGISTER OF DEEDS (6 year term)**

John R. Buckley, Jr., Brockton (D)\*\*\*

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (4 year term)**

One elected every 4 years

Two elected every 4 years

Timothy J. McMullen, Pembroke (D)\*\*\*

John P. Riordan, Marshfield (D)\*\*

Jeffrey M. Welch (D)\*\*

**COUNTY TREASURER (6 year term)**

Thomas J. O'Brien, Kingston (D) Appointed \*\*\*

SHERIFF (6 year term)

Joseph D. McDonald, Jr., Kingston (R)\*\*

\* Elected November 5, 2002

\*\* Elected November 2, 2004

\*\*\* Elected November 7, 2006

### COUNTIES IN MASSACHUSETTS (14)

Barnstable	Franklin	Norfolk
Berkshire	Hamden	PLYMOUTH (Rockland)
Bristol	Hampshire	Suffolk
Dukes	Middlesex	Worcester
Essex		Nantucket

ROCKLAND POSTMASTER

Mark Laramee

### TOWN OF ROCKLAND INFORMATION

**First Settled:** The town first settled around 1673. It was formerly the northeast section of Abington. Population was 4,000 when incorporated under its present name.

**Name:** Rockland derived its name geologically from its rocky nature. A “large rock” is mentioned in the description of the Town Seal.

**Incorporated:** March 9, 1874. (Acts of 1874-Chapter 44)

**Town Seal:** For complete description of Town Seal, see Town of Rockland By-Laws, Article XXVIII, Section 28.02

**County:** Plymouth

**Location:** Southeastern Massachusetts. Rockland is approximately 20 miles from Boston; 8 miles from Brockton, and is bordered by the following towns:  
North by Weymouth and Hingham  
South by Hanson  
East by Norwell and Hanover  
West by Whitman and Abington

**Population:**

FEDERAL CENSUS	TOWN CENSUS
2000 - 17,670	2007 - 18,045
1990 - 16,123	2006 - 17,100
1980 - 15,370	2005 - 16,874
1970 - 15,674	2004 - 17,111

**Total Registered Voters:** As of December 31, 2007– 11,186

Town Charter: Adopted March 8, 1969 at Annual Town Election. Charter became effective on January 1, 1970.

Annual Town Election: Second Saturday in April

Annual Town Meeting: A date to be determined by the Board of Selectmen not later than January 31 each year

Type of Government: Open Town Meeting

Land Area: 10.07 Square miles

Miles of Streets: 61 ½ miles

Number of Parcels: 5,600

Altitude: Highest: 180 feet above mean sea level  
Lowest: 92.73 feet above mean sea level

Latitude: North 42° 8m

Longitude: West 70° 55m

Topographic Characteristics: Gently rolling terrain with one hill (Beech Hill) in the south which rises to about 180 feet, which is 80 feet above general local elevation of 100 feet above mean sea level. Rockland is highest point of land in Plymouth County.

U.S. Geological Survey Topographic Plates:  
Rockland is shown on Whitman and Weymouth Quadrangles

Rockland is included in the following areas and districts:  
Tenth Massachusetts Congressional District  
  
Fourth Councilor District  
  
Norfolk & Plymouth Senate District  
  
Fifth Plymouth State Representative District  
  
Boston Metropolitan Area

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND  
2007  
ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>TERM EXPIRES</b>
<b>TOWN CLERK</b>	
Mary Pat Kaszaneck	2009
<b>TOWN TREASURER</b>	
Karen M. Sepeck	2009
<b>TOWN COLLECTOR</b>	
Lisa C. Clark	2009
<b>TOWN MODERATOR</b>	
Paul L. Cusick, Jr.	2010
<b>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b>	
Mary A. Parsons, Chairman	2008
Louis U. Valanzola	2008
Lawrence J. Chaffee	2009
James F. Simpson	2010
Michael E. Zupkofska	2010
<b>BOARD OF ASSESSORS</b>	
James McKinnon, Chairman	2008
Jillene M. Smith	2009
Harvey J. Smith	2010
<b>BOARD OF HEALTH</b>	
Victoria T. Deibel	2008
Stephen B. Nelson, Chairman	2009
Patricia A. Halliday	2010
<b>BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES</b>	
Marie Buchan Colburn	2008
Christina C. Denenberg (Resigned 7/31/07)	2008
Kathleen M. Looney, Chairman	2009
Richard L. Tetzlaff	2009
James A. Flanagan	2010
Denise M. Wallace	2010
<b>BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS</b>	
Mark F. Maguire	2008
Robert F. Mahoney, Chairman	2009
Richard T. Furlong	2010

**BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS**

William E. Stewart	2008
Walter L. Simmons, Chairman	2009
Gerald F. Esposito III	2010

**BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS**

William T. Low	2008
Thomas W. Hannigan	2009
Raymond Campanile, Chairman	2010

**HIGHWAY SUPRINTENDENT**

Robert Corvi, Jr.	2010
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**HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Irene Boudrot, Resident Commissioner	2006
Rita M. Howes (Appointed by State)	2007
Mary Jane Letizia (Appointed to replace Richard E. Mitchell)	2008
Robert A. Sullivan	2009
Eldridge W. Buffum, Chairman	2010
Richard E. Mitchell (Deceased)	2011
Angelo J. Triantaffellow	2012

**PLANNING BOARD**

Thomas Henderson (Appointed to replace Reginald Newcomb)	2008
Reginald Newcomb, Jr. (Resigned 10/8/07)	2008
Mark S. Gardner	2009
Robert W. Baker, Chairman	2010
Donald J. Cann	2011
Deborah A. O'Brien	2012

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Michelle E. Pezzella	2008
Thomas F. Mills, Jr.	2009
Mark S. Norris, Chairman	2009
Michael P. Mullen, Jr.	2010
Marilyn J. Werkheiser	2010

**APPOINTED OFFICERS – COMMITTEES, ETC.  
2007**

ACCOUNTANT, TOWN (Appointed by Selectmen)

Eric A. Hart

AGING, COUNCIL ON (Appointed by Selectmen)

Edward Borges	2008
Rita M. Howes	2008
Linda Mann (Resigned 2/28/07)	2008
Barbara McGarry	2008
Audrey Ryan	2008
Lurana Crowley	2009
Grace DiTocco	2009
Mary A. Ellis	2009
Ruth E. Gobeil	2009
Nancy Callahan	2010
Cynda Childs	2010
Eleanor Cole	2010
W. John DiTocco (Deceased)	2010

AGING, COUNCIL ON, DIRECTOR (Appointed by Selectmen)

Margaret Bryan (Appointed 1/16/07)

AGING, COUNCIL ON, VAN DRIVER (Appointed by Selectmen)

Ellin M. Schneider

AMERICAN'S WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) COORDINATOR

Bradley A. Plante

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (Appointed by Selectmen)

Patricia A. Whittemore	2010
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ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (Appointed by Selectmen)

SPECIAL ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS

(Appointed by Selectmen)

ANIMALS, INSPECTOR OF (Appointed by Selectmen)

Patricia A. Whittemore	2008
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ASSISTANT ASSESSOR/APPRaiser (Appointed by Assessors)

Joseph A. Gibbons

ASSISTANT TAX COLLECTOR (Appointed by Selectmen)

Jill Stewart

ASSISTANT TO TOWN CLERK (Appointed by Town Clerk)

Randalin S. Ralston

ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER (Appointed by Treasurer)  
Jane Sforza

BUILDINGS, INSPECTOR OF (Appointed by Selectmen)  
John T. Spaulding (Resigned 2/5/07)  
Thomas E. Ruble 2010

Robert Curran - Alternate Building Inspector 2008

BURIAL AGENT, TOWN (Appointed by Board of Health)  
Mary Pat Kaszanek

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)

Jan Doney Elfadel	2008
Thomas Flammio	2008
Kathryn V. Green	2009
John Cole Green	2010

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen (2), School Committee (1), Finance Committee (2) and Moderator (2))

Selectmen	- Bernard Dunphy	2008
Finance Committee	- Michael Johnson	2008
Moderator	- Joseph Waisgerber	2008
Selectmen	- Richard Phelps	2009
Finance Committee	- John Ellard	2010
School Comm.	- A. Scott MacKinlay	2010
Moderator	- Kenneth Murphy	2010

CHARTER MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)

Mark S. Norris	2008
Keven D. Pratt	2008

CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER (Appointed by Selectmen)  
Bradley A. Plante (Resigned 12/31/07)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)

Heidi Hosmer  
Carol Perilli  
Barbara Hagopian

CONSERVATION COMMISSION (Appointed by Selectmen)

Charlene Judge	2008
Roland A. Pigeon	2008
Victor Solari	2008
Douglas A. Golemme, Chairman	2009
Lorraine M. Pratt	2010
Angelo J. Triantaffelow	2010

Associate Member:  
James J. Corbett

CONSERVATION CORPS (Appointed by Conservation Commission) George H. Anderson, Director	
CONSTABLES (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Gregory Collins	2008
Adam P. Loomis	2008
Jerold Loomis	2008
John Torchio	2008
Robert Brown	2009
Donald Ferguson	2009
Kevin Dalton	2010
Kevin C. McKenna	2010
COUNSEL, LABOR (Appointed by Selectmen) Murphy, Lamere & Murphy, P.C.	2008
COUNSEL, TAX TITLE (Appointed by Selectmen) Attorney Laura Brown	2008
COUNSEL, TOWN AND FOR LAND USE (Appointed by Selectmen) Kopelman and Paige, P.C.	2008
CULTURAL COUNCIL (Appointed by Selectmen) Two Year Term - Appointed 2006 Janet Counihan Jane Tetzlaff Two Year Term – Appointed 2007 Claire Garvey Dorothy McCauley	
DEPUTY COLLECTOR OF TAXES (Appointed Annually by Tax Collector) John Y. Brady	2008
DESIGN REVIEW BOARD – Planning Board Members Robert W. Baker Donald J. Cann Mark S. Gardner Deborah A. O’Brien	
DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (Appointed by Selectmen) Robert Bowles	2008
DOG HEARING OFFICER (Appointed by Selectmen) Bradley A. Plante (Resigned 12/31/07)	2008

ENERGY COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Frank DelPrete	2008
Heidi Hosmer	2008
Michael P. Mullen Jr.	2008
James R. Paul, Jr.	2008
Carol Perilli	2008

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANTS

Mary B. Stewart	(Appointed by Selectmen)
Jeanne Gianatassio	(Appointed by Police Chief)
Mary P. Ryan	(Appointed by Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Appointed by Moderator – 15 Members)

Larry Ryan	2008
John Ellard	2008
Robert B. MacDonald	2008
Anne M. McDonald (Resigned 9/29/07)	2008
Diane M. Sullivan (Resigned 10/10/07)	2008
Cora Leonard	2009
Michael Johnson	2009
William H. Minahan, Jr., Chairman	2009
Joseph Reis	2009
Paula Ferguson	2010
Steven J. Savicke	2010

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

(Appointed by Selectmen)

J. Michael Sammon

FIRE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)

Mark G. Flaherty  
 James F. Killinger  
 Edward Kimball  
 Arnold Laramee  
 Patricia Murphy  
 James Reardon  
 Charles Williams

FOREST COMMITTEE, TOWN (Appointed by Conservation Commission)

George Anderson  
 Virginia M. Anderson  
 Albert Ingeno  
 Robert Ingeno

GAS INSPECTORS (Appointed by Selectmen)

William Stewart	2008
Gary Young – Alternate	2008

HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

HEALTH AGENT (Appointed by Board of Health)

Janice McCarthy

HISTORICAL COMMISSION (Appointed by Selectmen)

Adrienne Donovan

2008

Peter Dow

2008

James R. Paul, Jr.

2009

Lawrence Donovan

2009

A. Dean Sargent

2009

William Ferguson

2010

HOUSING AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

(Appointed by Housing Authority Commissioners)

Carolyn J. Gunderway

Resident Commissioner

Irene Boudrot

INTERNET COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)

Sterling Smith

2007

Barbara Hagopian

2008

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

(Appointed by Library Trustees)

Beverly C. Brown

MBTA ADVISORY BOARD (Appointed by Selectmen)

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)

Burton Chandler

2008

Mary Jane Letizia

2008

Anton F. Materna

2008

John R. Melvin

2008

Thomas Murrill

2008

METROPOLLITAN AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (Appointed by Selectmen)

MUNICIPAL HEARINGS OFFICER (Appointed by Selectmen)

James F. Killinger

2008

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL AREA AGENCY ON AGING

(Appointed by Selectmen)

Cynda Childs

Ruth Gobeil – Alternate

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Katherine Kirby	2008
George H. Anderson	2009
Michael Bromberg	2009
Donald Cann, Chairman	2009
Scott MacFaden	2009
James Norman	2009
Edward Givler	2010
PARK DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENT (Appointed by Park Commissioners)	
Peter Ewell	
PARKING CLERK (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Elizabeth A. Parker	2008
PERMANENT TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE	
(5 Members Appointed by Moderator)	
Kenneth Dunn (Appointed by School Department)	
Gregory Tansey	2008
Christopher Vlachos	2008
Stanley N. Cleaves	2009
Paul F. Fimian	2009
Robert Manzella	2010
PLUMBING INSPECTOR CIVIL SERVICE (Appointed by Inspector of Buildings)	
William Stewart	2008
Gary Young – Alternate	2008
PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY COMMISSION (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Lawrence J. Chaffee	2008
POLICE CHIEF (Appointed by Selectmen)	
John M. Llewellyn	
PRIDE COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)	
RECYCLING COORDINATOR (Appointed by Board of Health)	
Bernard J. Dunphy	
REGISTRARS OF VOTERS (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Randalin S. Ralston	2008
Mary Ann Ceurvels	2009
Teresa Dow	2010
Mary Pat Kaszanek, Clerk (member ex-officio)	

RENT CONTROL BOARD (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Walter E. Paul	2008
Andy Triantaffelow	2008
Teresa Burt	2009
Mark Flaherty	2009
James A. Kaszanek (Resigned 5/14/07)	2009
Laura Hernandez	2010
Kathleen Post	2010
Michael Reed	2010

ROCKLAND AMBULANCE STUDY COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Eric Hart	2008
James Hannigan	2008
Kevin Henderson	2008
Edward McVeigh	2008
James Simpson	2008
Charles Williams	2008

ROCKLAND COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Thomas W. Banks	2008
Richard T. Furlong	2008
Karen Guerrette	2008
Paul Daigle	2010
Denise Morin	2010

ROCKLAND SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE	
(Appointed by the Moderator, School Comm., & Selectmen)	
Moderator - Richard Penney	2009
Selectmen - Jared Valanzola	2009
Moderator - Arnold F. Laramée	2010
Moderator - Thomas Mills	2010
Moderator - John Rogers	2010
Selectmen - Donald F. Walsh II	2010
School Committee - Marilyn Werkheiser	2010
School Committee - Pamela Worden	2010
Moderator - Richard Jones	2010
Capital Planning Committee Member - Richard Phelps	
Finance Committee Member - John Ellard	
School Committee Member - Michelle E. Pezzella	
Selectmen Member - Lawrence Chaffee	
Superintendent of Schools - John Retchless	
Asst. Superintendent of Schools - Doric Scarpelli	
Rogers Middle School Principal - Paul Stanis	

ROUTE 3 ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)

ROUTE 18 TASK FORCE (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Robert Baker, Chairman of the Planning Board	
Robert Corvi, Jr., Highway Superintendent - Alternate	
SCHOOLS, SUPERINTENDENT OF (Appointed by School Committee)	
James A. Kerrigan - Retired	
John Retchless	
Joseph P. Cucinotta - Assistant to Superintendent - Resigned	
Doric Scarpelli - Assistant Superintendent	
SEWER SUPERINTENDENT	
John Loughlin	
SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)	
SOUTH SHORE COALITION – (Appointed by Planning Board)	
George Anderson	
SOUTH SHORE RECYCLING COOPERATIVE (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Stephen B. Nelson	2009
Rudolph Childs	2010
Victoria Deibel	2010
SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Gerald F. Blake	2010
SOUTH SHORE TRI-TOWN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (Appointed by Selectmen)	
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	
John W. Rogers	2008
John R. Ward	2012
ADVISORY BOARD	
Robert Long	
TEEN CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Appointed by Selectmen)	
Elaine Cormier	2010
Paul Daigle	2010
Melinda Eisenberg-Paul	2010
Ralph Frechette	2010
Paula Lincoln Kilburn	2010
Denise Morin	2010
Beth Ryan	2010
Mark Underwood	2010
Patricia White	2010
Vin Hult - Associate	2010

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR (Appointed by Selectmen) Bradley A. Plante - Resigned 12/31/07	
TREE WARDEN (Appointed by Selectmen) Robert Corvi, Jr.	2008
VETERAN'S AFFAIRS DIRECTOR AND VETERAN'S BURIAL AGENT (Appointed by Selectmen) Anton Materna	2009
WATER DEPARTMENT Daniel F. Callahan, Manager, Joint Water Works	
WEIGHTS & MEASURES, INSPECTOR OF (Appointed by Selectmen) John "A" Spaulding (Resigned 2/5/07) Thomas E. Ruble	2010
WIRES, INSPECTORS OF (Appointed by Selectmen) James R. Paul, Jr. James J. Sawaya Alternate, Charles C. Pratt	2008 2008 2008
WRPS David J. Murphy, General Manager	
YOUTH COMMISSION (Appointed by Selectmen) Judith Cusick Richard T. Furlong Kathleen Daggett Laurie Dolan Lisa Wright Murphy	2008 2009 2010 2010 2010
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR (Appointed by Youth Commission) Karen Guerrette	
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (Appointed by Selectmen) Stanley Cleaves Robert Manzella, Chairman Anton Materna Rita M. Howes Peter McDermott	2008 2008 2009 2010 2010
Associate/Alternate Members: Alan McPhee Gregory Tansey	2008 2008
ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER John T. Spaulding (Resigned 2/5/07) Thomas E. Ruble - Appointed 3/19/07	2010

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
APRIL 14, 2007**

The Annual Town Election was held in the Rockland High School Gymnasium, 52 MacKinlay Way for Precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4, and the R. Stewart Esten School on Summer Street for Precincts 5 and 6 on Saturday, April 14, 2007. A Warrant issued by the Selectmen March 19, 2007 was posted in each of the six precincts March 28, 2007 by Jerold Loomis, Constable of Rockland.

Our new AccuVote machines were used for the first time in each of the six precincts. Cards of instructions advising voters how to use the voting system (fill in the oval next to the candidate of your choice), Abstracts of the Laws imposing penalties on voters and Massachusetts Voters' Bill of Rights were posted as required by the Laws of the Commonwealth.

In addition to the AccuVote machines, we had a new AutoMARK machine in each polling location for use by handicapped voters. These machines were provided by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to comply with the National Voter Registration Act of 2002. They have touch screens, VAT for a blind person as well as a braille keypad, headphones, a Puff-Sip device for use by a handicapped voter in marking their ballot etc. The ballot is not tabulated in these machines, it is tabulated in the voters precinct.

The polls were opened at 8:00 a.m. Election officials in each of the six precincts printed a zero tape of all candidates to ensure there were no votes on the tabulator and that each candidate was listed. The tape was posted in a conspicuous place in the precinct.

The polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. Total ballots cast were 3,280, 32% of the 10,140 registered voters. In addition, there were 3 provisional ballots. Absentee ballots included were 13 in precinct 1, 22 in precinct 2, 24 in precinct 3, 16 in precinct 4, 27 in precinct 5 and 20 in precinct 6.

Unofficial results were posted in the Rockland Town Offices. Official results were declared as follows:

	<b>PREC.1</b>	<b>PREC.2</b>	<b>PREC.3</b>	<b>PREC.4</b>	<b>PREC.5</b>	<b>PREC.6</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>TOWN MODERATOR for Three Years</b>							
Blanks	128	173	100	88	157	113	759
<b>Paul L. Cusick, Jr.</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>2482</b>
Write-Ins	4	7	6	6	7	9	39
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>
<b>SELECTMEN for Three Years (vote for TWO)</b>							
Blanks	146	177	98	105	165	131	822
Kelli A. O'Brien-							
McKinnon	167	263	136	156	262	221	1205
Keven D. Pratt	145	224	124	106	188	154	941
Joseph M. Reis	106	138	96	68	111	75	594
<b>James F. Simpson</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>1528</b>
<b>Michael E. Zupkofska</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>1457</b>
Write-Ins	6	1	1	1	1	3	13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1040</b>	<b>1448</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>1366</b>	<b>1064</b>	<b>6560</b>

**ASSESSOR for Three Years**

Blanks	175	221	131	129	212	150	1018
<b>Harvey J. Smith</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>2235</b>
Write-Ins	5	9	3	3	3	4	27
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

**BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBER for Three Years**

Blanks	160	214	134	119	202	139	968
<b>Patricia A. Halliday</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>2295</b>
Write-Ins	6	1	3	0	5	2	17
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT for Three Years**

Blanks	166	258	125	129	202	148	1028
<b>Robert Corvi, Jr.</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>2166</b>
Write-Ins	15	13	11	13	17	17	86
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

**HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSIONER for Five Years**

Blanks	175	237	131	147	214	158	1062
<b>Angelo J. Triantaffelow</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>2168</b>
Write-Ins	10	6	8	4	8	14	50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES for Three Years (Vote for TWO)**

Blanks	389	539	296	295	469	330	2318
<b>James A. Flanagan</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>2117</b>
<b>Denise M. Wallace</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>2102</b>
Write-Ins	4	2	8	1	2	6	23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1040</b>	<b>1448</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>1366</b>	<b>1064</b>	<b>6560</b>

**PARK COMMISSIONER for Three Years**

Blanks	167	216	121	118	175	146	943
<b>Richard T. Furlong</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>2317</b>
Write-Ins	6	1	5	0	4	4	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

**PLANNING BOARD MEMBER for Five Years**

Blanks	60	82	39	47	71	61	360
<b>Deborah A. O'Brien</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>1557</b>
Michael Gilmore	141	197	99	96	132	123	788
G. Scott Wheeler II	91	125	83	76	131	62	568
Write-Ins	2	0	3	0	0	2	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS for Three Years (Vote for TWO)**

Blanks	383	544	317	307	484	347	2382
<b>Michael P. Mullen, Jr.</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>2209</b>
<b>Marilyn J. Werkheiser</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>1943</b>
Write-Ins	7	0	8	1	6	4	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1040</b>	<b>1448</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>1366</b>	<b>1064</b>	<b>6560</b>

**SEWER COMMISSIONER for three Years**

Blanks	168	237	126	120	199	157	1007
<b>Gerald F. Esposito III</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>2245</b>
Write-Ins	9	2	5	2	4	6	28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

**WATER COMMISSIONER for Three Years**

Blanks	158	225	118	125	201	158	985
<b>Raymond Campanile</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>2270</b>
Write-Ins	7	1	4	1	6	6	25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

**QUESTION 1**

"Shall the Town of Rockland be allowed to assess an additional three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) in Real Estate and Personal Property taxes for the purpose of replacing and installing a roof at the Rockland Memorial Library, including all associated labor and disposal of materials of said roof and including costs incidental and related thereto, for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand and seven?"

Blanks	4	19	8	4	14	11	60
<b>Yes</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>1738</b>
No	268	343	159	176	333	203	1482
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

**QUESTION 2**

"Shall the Town of Rockland be allowed to assess an additional six hundred seventy five thousand dollars (\$675,000.00) in Real Estate and Personal Property taxes for the purpose of funding the Town's operating budget for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand and seven?"

Blanks	5	18	7	2	13	11	56
Yes	192	261	197	165	261	248	1324
<b>No</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>1900</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>3280</b>

A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:

MARY PAT  
KASZANEK  
TOWN CLERK

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MAY 7, 2007**

**QUORUM: 300**

**ATTENDANCE: 310**

**REGISTERED VOTERS: 10,156**

A quorum being present, the Special Town Meeting was called to order by Town Moderator Paul L. Cusick, Jr. at 7:10 p.m. He announced the Return of the Warrant by Jerold Loomis, Constable of Rockland.

A motion was made, and seconded, and the Town voted to adjourn the Special Town Meeting to open the Annual Town Meeting.

After the Annual Town Meeting was opened, and adjourned, and a quorum being present, the Special Town Meeting was again called to order. A motion was made, and seconded, and the Town voted the first action be on the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

**ARTICLE 1**

The Town **unanimously voted to take from Certified Free Cash** the sum of Two Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$212.00) to pay an unpaid bill from FY06 to Bell Traffic Signal Maintenance Company, Inc., for repair of the traffic signal at Highland and Market Streets.

**ARTICLE 2**

The Town voted to **transfer** the sum of Fourteen Thousand Six Hundred Forty Five Dollars (\$14,645.00) **from the Overlay Reserve** for the purpose of providing Sick Leave Buyback for a retiring member of the RITE Union in accordance with the union contract.

**ARTICLE 3**

The Town voted to **take from Certified Free Cash** the sum of Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Four Dollars (\$8,924.58) for fifty-four (54) sick days accumulated from an employee who has passed away.

**ARTICLE 4**

The Town voted to **transfer** the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) **from the Overlay Reserve** to the revaluation account for the purpose of continuing the FY 2009 Cyclical Reinspection Program and Data Conversion.

**ARTICLE 5**

The Town voted to **Pass Over** transferring from available funds the sum of Fifty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$58,000.00) to supplement the School Department budget for fiscal year 2007 to offset expenses incurred for emergency repairs to the ceiling of the Rogers Middle School.

**ARTICLE 6**

The Town unanimously voted to **take from Certified Free Cash** the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars and Sixty Four Cents (\$1,799.64) for the purpose of paying an unpaid bill

from the prior fiscal year to Cingular Wireless for providing wireless service to Police Department laptop computers.

**ARTICLE 7**

The Town voted to **transfer from Town Meetings and Elections** to the Town Clerk's budget the sum of Six Thousand Forty Eight Dollars (\$6,048.00) for the purpose of funding the salary of the Administrative Assistant.

A motion was made, and seconded, and the Town voted to dissolve the Special Town Meeting.

A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:

Mary Pat Kaszanek  
Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MAY 7, 2007**

**QUORUM: 300**

**ATTENDANCE: 524**

**REGISTERED VOTERS: 10,156**

A quorum being present, the Annual Town Meeting was called to order by Town Moderator Paul L. Cusick, Jr. He announced the return of the warrant by Jerold Loomis, Constable of Rockland.

He asked that all stand to salute the flag and remain standing for a moment of silence for our deceased friends and employees of the town Beverly A. Borges, Richard E. Mitchell and Dorothy C. Crager.

He announced the meeting is being taped.

He introduced those on stage with him, Town Clerk Mary Pat Kaszaneck, Assistant Town Clerk Radalin Ralston, Town Administrator Bradley Plante, Town Accountant Eric Hart and Town Counsel Jonathan Silverstein. He introduced the newly elected officials Selectmen James F. Simpson and Michael E. Zupkofska, Park Commissioner Richard T. Furlong and School Committee Members Michael P. Mullen, Jr. and Marilyn J. Werkheiser.

He then introduced the “hardest working committee in town” the Finance Committee and asked that they stand and remain standing, Roy Cameron, John Ellard, Paula Ferguson, Michael Johnson, Cora Leonard, Robert MacDonald, Anne McDonald, Chairman William Minahan, Steven Savicke, Larry Ryan and Diane Sullivan, and thanked them for their hard work.

He called on Finance Committee Chairman Mr. Minahan to say a few words. Mr. Minahan said he had good news tonight, on working cooperatively with each department, our budget is balanced. He thanked retiring Vice-Chairman Roy Cameron for his more than 20 years of service to the town. He thanked Kelli O’Brien-McKinnon and Keven Pratt for their years of service on the Board of Selectmen. He went on to explain this years finances as did Finance Committee member Michael Johnson who is also Chairman of the Capital Planning Committee and Finance Committee Member Larry Ryan.

The Moderator asked that non-registered voters sit in the designated area in the front of the auditorium and invited residents to sit in the empty seats down in the front of the auditorium.

The Moderator explained the Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the meeting are on the front page of the Warrant. A motion was made and seconded and the Town voted to adjourn this meeting to return to the Special Town Meeting.

A quorum being present the Annual Town Meeting was again called to order.

A motion was made and seconded and the Town voted the first action be on the Finance Committee recommendation.

A motion was made and seconded and the Town voted all articles be taken in order except Article 47 that will be taken up after the budgets, Article 3.

Tellers Ed Borges, Tony Materna, Margaret Schnabel and George Anderson were sworn in.

**ARTICLE 1**

The Town cast their votes in the Annual Town Election for the election of candidates for the following offices:

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|---|--|
| One Town Moderator for three years                | Two Library Trustees for three years         |
| Two Selectmen for three years                     | One Park Commissioner for three years        |
| One Assessor for three years                      | One Planning Board Member for five years     |
| One Board of Health Member                        | Two School Committee Members for three years |
| One Highway Superintendent for three years        | One Sewer Commissioner for three years       |
| One Housing Authority Commissioner for five years | One Water Commissioner for three years       |

And voted “yes” or “no” on two questions.

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QUESTION 2 – Shall the Town of Rockland be allowed to assess an additional Six Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand (\$675,000.00) in Real Estate and Personal Property taxes for the purpose of funding the Town’s operating budget for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand and seven.

**ARTICLE 2**

The Town voted to fix the salaries and compensation of all elective officers of the Town in the amounts indicated in the Department Budgets and made such salaries and compensation effective July 1, 2007, in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41 Section 108, as amended, and to raise and appropriate such sums of money for the ensuing year and that all sums be appropriated for the specific purpose designated; and that the same be expended on for such boards and commissions of the Town as voted.

**ARTICLE 3**

The Town voted to raise and appropriate and or take from available funds as indicated, such sums of money necessary for the ensuing year as detailed in the Departmental Budgets.

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008

		Total Appropriation 2007-2008	Raise and Appropriate	Available Funds	Other Source
<b>A.</b>	<b>MODERATOR - Dept. #114</b>				
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>				
	Salary	\$	-		
	<b>Sub-Total</b>	\$	-		
	<b>TOTAL - MODERATOR</b>	\$	-		
<b>B.</b>	<b>BOARD OF SELECTMEN - Dept. #122</b>				
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>				
	Salaries - Selectmen (5)	\$	-		
	Salary, Town Administrator	\$	87,360.00		
	Salary, Executive Assistant	\$	37,747.00		
	Salary, Part-Time Clerical	\$	-		
	Executive Assistant Longevity	\$	1,500.00		
	Proficiency Incentive	\$	500.00		
	Vacation Coverage	\$	2,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	129,107.00		
	<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>				
	Copy Machine Maintenance & Supplies	\$	4,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	4,000.00		
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>				
	Sundries	\$	3,400.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	3,400.00		
	<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>				
	Selectmen - MMA Dues	\$	-		
	Advertising	\$	500.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	500.00		
	<b>TOTAL - BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b>	\$	137,007.00	\$	137,007.00
<b>C.</b>	<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE - Dept. #131</b>				
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>				
	Secretary	\$	1,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	1,000.00		
	<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>				
	Expenses	\$	-		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	-		
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>				
	Finance Committee Supplies	\$	-		
	<b>Sub-total</b>				
	<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>				
	Finance Committee - Reserve Fund	\$	35,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	35,000.00		
	<b>TOTAL - FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>	\$	36,000.00	\$	36,000.00

Note: \$ 117,000 was taken from the Reserve Fund and added to the Library

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

**D. TOWN ACCOUNTANT - Dept. #135**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
Salary - Town Accountant	\$	73,500.00	
Salary - Clerical	\$	12,548.00	
Salary - Assistant Town Accountant	\$	30,867.00	
Vacation Coverage	\$	2,700.00	
Longevity - Assistant Town Accountant	\$	-	
Proficiency Incentive	\$	1,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	120,615.00	
<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>			
Data Processing	\$	32,792.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	32,792.00	
<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
Sundries	\$	3,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	3,000.00	
<b>TOTAL - TOWN ACCOUNTANT</b>	\$	156,407.00	\$ 156,407.00

**E. ASSESSOR - Dept. #141**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
Salary - Appraiser	\$	65,623.00	
Salaries - Assessors (3)	\$	-	
Salary - Clerical	\$	65,580.00	
Longevity	\$	600.00	
Proficiency Incentive	\$	1,000.00	
<i>Educational Incentive</i>	\$	1,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	133,803.00	
<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>			
Legal Services	\$	1,000.00	
Maps/Engineering	\$	4,000.00	
Computer Software	\$	6,000.00	
Binding Tax & Deed Books	\$	400.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	11,400.00	
<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
Sundries	\$	3,335.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	3,335.00	
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>			
Auto Allowance	\$	1,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	1,000.00	
<b>Less Overlay Released (5,355.00)</b>			
<b>TOTAL - ASSESSORS</b>	\$	149,538.00	\$ 144,183.00                      \$ 5,355.00

**F. TREASURER - Dept. #145**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>		
Salary - Treasurer	\$	56,160.00
Salary - Assistant Treasurer	\$	38,129.00
Salary - Clerical	\$	29,970.00
Vacation Coverage	\$	2,080.00
Longevity	\$	3,200.00
Proficiency Incentive	\$	1,000.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	130,539.00

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>				
Treasurer - Postage	\$	3,325.00		
Tax Title	\$	8,412.00		
Legal	\$	1,500.00		
Payroll Processing Fees	\$	37,000.00		
Medicaid Billing Processing Fees	\$	19,000.00		
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	69,237.00		
<b>5400 Supplies</b>				
Sundries	\$	1,814.00		
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	1,814.00		
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>				
Treasurer - Dues/Meetings	\$	600.00		
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	600.00		
<b>Transfer - Water (\$ 1,906.00)</b>				
<b>Transfer - Sewer (\$ 1,906.00)</b>				
<b>TOTAL - TREASURER</b>	\$	202,190.00	\$ 198,378.00	\$ 3,812.00

**G. TOWN COLLECTOR - Dept. #146**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>				
Salary - Town Collector	\$	56,160.00		
Salary, Assistant Collector	\$	30,986.00		
Salary, Clerical	\$	5,000.00		
Vacation Coverage	\$	2,575.00		
Longevity	\$	800.00		
Proficiency Pay	\$	500.00		
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	96,021.00		
<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>				
Tax Title Lien - Land	\$	800.00		
Postage/Maintenance Supplies	\$	10,000.00		
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	10,800.00		
<b>5400 Supplies</b>				
Sundries	\$	3,600.00		
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	3,600.00		
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>				
Dues/Meetings/Travel	\$	1,000.00		
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	1,000.00		
<b>Transfer - Water (\$ 8,500.00)</b>				
<b>Transfer - Sewer (\$ 8,500.00)</b>				
<b>TOTAL - TOWN COLLECTOR</b>	\$	111,421.00	\$ 94,421.00	\$ 17,000.00

**H. LEGAL SERVICES - Dept. #151**

<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>				
Town Counsel - Legal Services	\$	50,000.00		
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	50,000.00		
<b>TOTAL - LEGAL SERVICES</b>	\$	50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

<b>I.</b>	<b>TOWN CLERK - Dept. #161</b>				
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>				
	Salary, Town Clerk	\$	56,160.00		
	Salary, Assistant Town Clerk	\$	38,129.00		
	Salary, Clerical	\$	26,700.00		
	Vacation Coverage	\$	1,734.00		
	Longevity	\$	1,300.00		
	Proficiency Incentive	\$	1,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	125,023.00		
	<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>				
	Town Clerk - Bookbinding	\$	400.00		
	By-Law & Charter	\$	1,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	1,400.00		
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>				
	Sundries	\$	1,500.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	1,500.00		
	<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>				
	Dues & Meetings	\$	1,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	1,000.00		
	<b>To be taken from 25292 27760 -\$ 500.00</b>				
	<b>TOTAL - TOWN CLERK</b>	\$	128,923.00	\$	128,423.00 \$ 500.00
<b>J.</b>	<b>TOWN MTGS/ELECTIONS - Dept. #162</b>				
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>				
	Town Meetings/Elections - Personnel	\$	11,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	11,000.00		
	<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>				
	Town Meetings/Elections - Purchase	\$	6,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	6,000.00		
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>				
	Town Meetings/Elections - Supplies	\$	3,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	3,000.00		
	<b>TOTAL - TOWN MTGS/ELECTIONS</b>	\$	20,000.00	\$	20,000.00
<b>K.</b>	<b>REGISTRAR OF VOTERS - Dept. #163</b>				
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>				
	Salary - Registrars (4)				
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	-		
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>				
	Sundries	\$	7,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	7,000.00		
	<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>				
	Auto Allowance	\$	-		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	-		
	<b>TOTAL - REGISTRAR OF VOTERS</b>	\$	7,000.00	\$	7,000.00

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

<b>L.</b>	<b>PLANNING BOARD - Dept. #175</b>			
	<b>Personnel</b>			
	<b>5100 Salaries - Board Members</b>			
	Salary - Secretary	\$	4,500.00	
	Town Planner			
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	4,500.00	
	<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>			
	Engineering & Consultants			
	<b>Sub-total</b>			
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
	Sundries & Expenses	\$	725.00	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	725.00	
	<b>TOTAL - PLANNING BOARD</b>	\$	5,225.00	\$ 5,225.00

<b>M.</b>	<b>TOWN HALL - Dept. #192</b>			
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
	Vacation Coverage	\$	1,634.00	
	Custodian Longevity	\$	0.00	
	Salary - Custodian	\$	16,182.00	
	Proficiency Incentive	\$	500.00	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	18,316.00	
	<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>			
	Utilities/Maint/Supplies	\$	40,500.00	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	40,500.00	
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
	Town Hall Supplies	\$	2,019.00	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	2,019.00	
	<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>			
	Property Maintenance	\$	2,019.00	
	Postage	\$	3,300.00	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	5,319.00	
	<b>TOTAL - TOWN HALL</b>	\$	66,154.00	\$ 66,154.00

<b>N.</b>	<b>TOWN REPORTS - Dept. #195</b>			
	<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>			
	Town Report and Warrant	\$	13,000.00	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	13,000.00	\$ -
	<b>TOTAL - TOWN REPORTS</b>	\$	13,000.00	\$ 13,000.00

<b>O.</b>	<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Dept. #171</b>			
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
	Salary - Secretary	\$	900.00	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	900.00	
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
	Sundries			
	Postage			
	<b>Sub-total</b>			

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

### 5700 Other Charges and Expenses

Dues for MACC

Auto Allowance/Enforcement Officer

**Sub-total**

<b>TOTAL - CONSERVATION</b>	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	
<b>COMMISSION</b>			

### P. ZONING BOARD - Dept. #176

#### 5100 Personnel

Salary - Recording Secretary	\$ 4,050.00	
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<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 4,050.00</b>	
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#### 5200 Purchase of Services

Advertising	\$ 500.00	
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<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	
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#### 5400 Supplies

Postage	\$ 75.00	
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Expenses	\$ 375.00	
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<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 450.00</b>	
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<b>TOTAL - ZONING BOARD</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	
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### Q. POLICE DEPARTMENT - Dept. #210

#### 5100 Personnel

Salary - Chief	\$ 87,218.00	
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Salary - Deputy Chief(1)

Salary - Executive Assistant	\$ 42,706.00	
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Salary - Administrative Assistant	\$ 33,931.00	
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Salary - Lieutenants	\$ 73,773.00	
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Salaries - Officers	\$ 1,676,333.00	
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Salary - E911 Dispatchers	\$ 141,187.00	
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Salary - Animal Control Officer	\$ 37,374.00	
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Salary - Part-time Attendant - Animal Control Officer

Salary, Inspector of Animals	\$ 1,107.00	
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Vacation Coverage - Animal Control Officer

Holiday Coverage - Animal Control Officer

Longevity	\$ 16,200.00	
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Proficiency Incentive	\$ 1,500.00	
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Holiday Pay	\$ 97,176.00	
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Substitute Payroll	\$ 220,000.00	
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Salary - Custodian	\$ 26,700.00	
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P.I. Training

Clothing Allowance	\$ 37,700.00	
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Educational Incentive	\$ 270,012.00	
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Crossing Guards	\$ 20,000.00	
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<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 2,782,917.00</b>	
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#### 5200 Purchase of Services

Station Maintenance	\$ 9,500.00	
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Cruiser Maintenance/Fuel	\$ 53,800.00	
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Vehicle Expense - Animal Control Officer	\$ 2,800.00	
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Professional Medical Care - Animal	\$ 500.00	
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Control Officer

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

Teletype	\$	3,500.00
Radio & Repeaters	\$	4,700.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>74,800.00</b>
<b>5400 Supplies</b>		
Sundries - Police/ <i>heat, elect./telephone/supplies</i>	\$	73,352.00
Sundries - Animal Control Officer	\$	500.00
Dog Care Expenses - Animal Control Officer		
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>73,852.00</b>
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>		
Police Other Charges/Expenses	\$	3,800.00
Dog Kennel Expense - Animal Control Officer		
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,800.00</b>
<b>TOTAL - POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,935,369.00 \$ 2,935,369.00</b>

**R. FIRE DEPARTMENT - Dept. #220**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>		
Salary - Chief	\$	83,065.00
Salary - Deputy Chief	\$	78,599.00
Salary - Captain	\$	70,158.00
Salaries - Lieutenants	\$	202,320.00
Salary - Permanent Men	\$	1,448,035.00
Salary - Executive Assistant	\$	44,991.00
Fire Alarm Superintendent	\$	-
Overtime Payroll	\$	40,000.00
Salary - Call Firefighter	\$	2,500.00
Payroll - Call Men	\$	6,779.00
Longevity Payroll	\$	23,400.00
Proficiency Incentive	\$	500.00
Holiday Pay	\$	107,801.00
Substitute Payroll	\$	69,495.00
Clothing Allowance	\$	37,500.00
Call Men - Clothing	\$	500.00
Training Payroll	\$	62,305.00
College Credits	\$	35,189.00
EMT Incentive	\$	4,200.00
Call - EMT	\$	500.00
Payroll - Defibrillator	\$	750.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,318,587.00</b>
<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>		
Telephone	\$	8,400.00
Equipment - Maintenance & Repair	\$	53,700.00
Gas & Diesel	\$	14,000.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>76,100.00</b>
<b>5400 Supplies</b>		
Building Maintenance & Supplies	\$	14,300.00
Office Supplies & Advertising	\$	4,500.00
Educational Materials	\$	7,100.00
Ambulance Supplies	\$	18,800.00
Heating Oil	\$	8,000.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>52,700.00</b>

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

### 5700 Other Charges and Expenses

Fire Other Charges/Expenses	\$	1,200.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL - FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>		<b>\$ 2,448,587.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,448,587.00</b>

### S. BUILDING DEPARTMENT - Dept. #241

#### 5100 Personnel

Salary - Inspector	\$	55,092.00	
Salary - Assistant Inspector	\$	-	
Salary - Administrative Assistant	\$	36,909.00	
Salary - Part-time Clerical	\$	-	
Building Inspector Longevity			
Administrative Assistant Longevity	\$	300.00	
Proficiency Incentive	\$	500.00	
Vacation Coverage	\$	797.67	
Education - Bldg. Inspector	\$	500.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>94,098.67</b>	

#### 5200 Purchase of Services

Seminars	\$	155.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>155.00</b>	

#### 5400 Supplies

Sundries	\$	1,299.59	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,299.59</b>	

#### 5700 Other Charges and Expenses

Auto Allowance	\$	1,529.15	
Dues & Meetings	\$	165.00	
Demolition Costs			
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,694.15</b>	
<b>TOTAL - BUILDING DEPT.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>97,247.41</b>	<b>\$ 97,247.41</b>

### T. GAS INSPECTOR - Dept. 242

#### 5100 Personnel

Salary - Inspector	\$	5,215.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,215.00</b>	

#### 5700 Other Charges and Expenses

Auto Allowance	\$	480.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>480.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL - GAS INSPECTOR</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,695.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,695.00</b>

### U. PLUMBING INSPECTOR - #243

#### 5100 Personnel

Salary - Inspector	\$	8,562.15	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,562.15</b>	

#### 5700 Other Charges and Expenses

Auto Allowance	\$	395.85	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>395.85</b>	
<b>TOTAL - PLUMBING INSPECTOR</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,958.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,958.00</b>

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

**V. WEIGHTS/MEASURES - Dept. #244**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
Salary - Inspector	\$	4,208.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	4,208.00	
<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
Sundries			
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	-	
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>			
Auto Allowance	\$	55.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	55.00	
<b>TOTAL - WEIGHTS/MEASURES</b>	\$	4,263.00	\$ 4,263.00

**W. WIRING INSPECTOR - Dept. #245**

<b>Personnel</b>			
<b>5100 Salaries - Inspectors (2)</b>	\$	22,183.00	
On Call Coverage	\$	3,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	25,183.00	
<b>Other Charges and Expenses</b>			
<b>5700 Auto Allowance</b>	\$	677.00	
Bi-Annual Certification	\$	400.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	1,077.00	
<b>TOTAL - WIRING INSPECTOR</b>	\$	26,260.00	\$ 26,260.00

**X. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Dept. #291**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
Clerical	\$	350.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	350.00	
<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>			
Uniforms	\$	2,000.00	
Radio Repairs	\$	800.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	2,800.00	
<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
Sundries	\$	300.00	
Gas	\$	2,400.00	
Equipment	\$	2,500.00	
Vehicle Maintenance	\$	2,000.00	
Generator Maintenance	\$	800.00	
Training Expenses	\$	2,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	10,000.00	
<b>TOTAL - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	\$	13,150.00	\$ 13,150.00

**Y. TREE DEPARTMENT - Dept. #294**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
Labor	\$	45,946.00	
Longevity	\$	0.00	
Uniforms	\$	900.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	46,846.00	

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>			
Vehicle Maintenance	\$	4,500.00	
Hired Equipment	\$	1,933.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	6,433.00	
<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
Supplies/Clothing/Equipment	\$	5,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	5,000.00	
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>			
Tree Replacement			
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	-	
<b>TOTAL - TREE DEPARTMENT</b>	\$	58,279.00	\$ 58,279.00

**Z. WASTE COLLECTION/DISPOSAL - Dept. #433**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
Salary - Landfill Attendant	\$	33,581.00	
Salary - P/T Landfill Attendant	\$	16,335.00	
Longevity	\$	1,000.00	
Proficiency Incentive	\$	750.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	16,335.00	
<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>			
Data Processing	\$	10,000.00	
South Shore Recycling	\$	4,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	14,000.00	
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>			
Landfill Maintenance	\$	7,000.00	
Refuse Collection	\$	579,012.00	
Disposal Fee (SEMASS)	\$	486,961.00	
Bulky Rubbish Pick-Up	\$	30,000.00	
Hazardous Waste Collection	\$	5,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	1,107,973.00	
<b>TOTAL - WASTE COLLECTION/DISPOSAL</b>	\$	1,138,308.00	\$ 1,153,946.00 \$ 19,693.00
<b>\$19,693.00 Funded from Revolving Account</b>			

**AA. SEWER DEPARTMENT - Dept. #449**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>		
Superintendent	\$	63,860.00
Salary - Administrative Assistant	\$	31,698.00
Salaries - Commissioners (3)	\$	-
Vacation Coverage	\$	1,500.00
Insurance/Benefits	\$	24,000.00
Proficiency Incentive	\$	500.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	121,558.00
<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>		
Computer Services	\$	5,000.00
Sewer Emergency Fund	\$	15,000.00
Contract Operations Exp.	\$	1,371,393.00
Flow/Loads Adjustment		
Industrial Pre-treatment	\$	30,000.00
Storm Drainage/Rivers & Streams	\$	30,000.00

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

Legal Services	\$ 5,000.00	
Metal Study	\$ 30,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 1,486,393.00</b>	
<b>5400 Supplies</b>		
Sundries	\$ 20,000.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 125,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 145,000.00</b>	
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>		
Auto Allowance	\$ 675.00	
Debt & Interest Payments	\$ 145,406.00	
Temporary Interest	\$ -	
Facility/Vehicle Insurance	\$ 40,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 186,081.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL - SEWER DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$ 1,939,032.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,939,032.00</b>
<b>TO BE TAKEN FROM ESTIMATED SEGREGATED SEWER RECEIPTS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 338, ACTS OF</b>		

**BB. BOARD OF HEALTH - Dept. #510**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>		
Salary - Health Agent	\$ 54,080.00	
Salary - Administrative Assistant	\$ 36,910.00	
Salary - Secretary/Clerical	\$ 11,372.00	
Salaries - Commissioners (3)	\$ -	
Fill-In RE: Inspections/Part-time Clerical	\$ -	
Vacation Coverage - Clerical	\$ -	
Salary - Landfill Attendant	\$ -	
Longevity	\$ 600.00	
Proficiency Incentive	\$ 700.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 103,662.00</b>	
<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>		
Health & Hospitals	\$ 2,599.00	
South Shore Recycling Cooperative	\$ 0.00	
Data Processing	\$ 0.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 2,599.00</b>	
<b>5400 Supplies</b>		
Sundries - Health Agent and Training	\$ 500.00	
Office Supplies	\$ 700.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 1,200.00</b>	
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>		
Commissioners' Auto Allowance	\$ 600.00	
Auto Allowance - Health Agent	\$ 2,400.00	
Legal Services	\$ 500.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 3,500.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL - BOARD OF HEALTH</b>	<b>\$ 110,961.00</b>	<b>\$ 105,553.00 \$ 5,408.00</b>

**CC. VISITING NURSE - Dept. #522**

<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>		
Visiting Nurse Association	\$ 8,000.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 8,000.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL - VISITING NURSE</b>	<b>\$ 8,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,000.00</b>

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

**DD. TRAFFIC CONTROL - Dept. #293**  
**5200 Purchase of Services**  
 Traffic Lighting \$ 20,000.00  
**Sub-total** \$ 20,000.00  
**TOTAL - TRAFFIC CONTROL** \$ 20,000.00 \$ 20,000.00

**EE. HIGHWAY - Dept. #421**  
**5100 Personnel**  
 Salary - Superintendent \$ 60,000.00  
 Labor \$ 248,803.00  
 Administrative Assistant \$ 37,051.00  
 Longevity \$ 2,200.00  
 Uniforms \$ 5,400.00  
 Highway Police Details \$ 5,000.00  
 Highway Police Calls \$ 4,500.00  
 Proficiency Incentive \$ 500.00  
**Sub-total** \$ 363,454.00  
**5200 Purchase of Services**  
 Utilities \$ 9,000.00  
 Machine Maintenance \$ 13,000.00  
 Materials & Hired Equipment \$ 96,677.00  
 Radio Repair \$ 1,500.00  
 Street Striping \$ 15,000.00  
**Sub-total** \$ 135,177.00  
**5400 Supplies**  
 Building Maintenance \$ 1,100.00  
 Gas/Oil/Diesel, Etc. \$ 21,000.00  
 Misc. Tools & Supplies \$ 4,000.00  
**Sub-total** \$ 26,100.00  
**5700 Other Charges and Expenses**  
 Auto Allowance \$ 100.00  
 Dues & Meetings \$ 100.00  
**Sub-total** \$ 200.00  
**TOTAL - HIGHWAY** \$ 524,931.00 \$ 524,931.00

**FF. SNOW/ICE CONTROL - Dept. #423**  
**5200 Purchase of Services**  
 Snow Removal \$ 150,000.00  
**Sub-total** \$ 150,000.00  
**TOTAL - SNOW/ICE CONTROL** \$ 150,000.00 \$ 150,000.00

**GG. STREET LIGHTING - Dept. #424**  
**5200 Purchase of Services**  
 Street Lighting \$ 62,500.00  
**Sub-total** \$ 62,500.00  
**TOTAL - STREET LIGHTING** \$ 62,500.00 \$ 62,500.00

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

<b>HH.</b>	<b>VETERAN'S SERVICES - Dept. #543</b>		
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>		
	Salary - Agent	\$	42,806.00
	Longevity	\$	-
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	42,806.00
	<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>		
	Postage	\$	325.00
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	325.00
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>		
	Sundries	\$	150.00
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	150.00
	<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>		
	Auto Allowance	\$	400.00
	Veteran Benefits	\$	117,896.00
	Dues/Meetings	\$	625.00
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	118,921.00
	<b>TOTAL - VETERAN'S SERVICES</b>	\$	162,202.00
		\$	162,202.00

**II. SCHOOL DEPARTMENT - Dept. #390**

**REGULAR EDUCATION**

**1000 Administration**

1100 - School Committee Expense	\$	-
1200 - Salary, Superintendent's Office		
1200 - Salary, Superintendent's Office Personnel		
1200 - Office Expenses		
1400 - Salary Business Office		
1400 - Legal Services		
1400 - Administrative Technology		

**Sub-total**

**2000 Instruction**

2100 - Salary, Supervision		
2200 - Salary, Principals		
2200 - Salary, Principal Clerical		
2200 - Office/Bldg. Expense		
2200 - Principals' Special Projects		
2300 - Salary, Instructural		
2300 - School Supplies/Expenses (Library)		
2300 - Professional Development		
2400 - Textbooks/Equipment		
2500 - Salary, Librarian/Aides		
2500 - Library Expenses		
2600 - Audio - Visual		
2700 - Guidance Salaries		
2700 - Guidance Expenses		
2800 - Psych. Serv., Test, Etc.		

**Sub-total**

**3000 Other School Services**

3100 - Attendance		
3200 - Sal., Nurses/School Phys.		
3200 - Health Expenses		
3300 - Transportation		
3510 - Athletic Equip/Expenses		

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

3510 - Coaches/Athletic Fees  
 3520 - Extra Curr. Sal  
 3520 - Other Student Activities  
 3600 - School Security

**Sub-total**

**4000 Maintenance**

4000 - Salary, Custodians/Maintenance  
 4000 - Operations/Maintenance  
 4000 - Bldg. Maint. Projects  
 4400 - Computer Networking/Maint.

**Sub-total**

**5000 Insurance**

5100 - Separation Benefits  
 5200 - Unemployment  
 5500 - Teacher Salary Deferral

**Sub-total**

**6000 Community Services**

6200 - Salary, Custodians/Maint.  
 6200 - Operations/Maintenance  
 6900 - Transportation - Non-Public

**Sub-total**

**7000 Acquisition of Equipment**

7300 - Acquisition of Equipment

**Sub-total**

**TOTAL FOR REGULAR SCHOOL DAY PROGRAM**

**SPECIAL EDUCATION, Chapter 766**

Salaries  
 Expenses  
 Tuition/Transportation, Other Programs  
**TOTAL - SPECIAL EDUCATION, Chapter 766**

**BUDGET TOTALS - SCHOOLS (Requested)**

**Fin. Committee Increase voted at TM 5/02**

**BUDGET TOTALS - SCHOOLS**                    17,539,488.00    17,539,488.00

**JJ.                    SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL - Dept. #390**

**5700 Other Charges and Expenses**

South Shore Regional Vocational

**Sub-total**

**TOTAL - SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL**    \$ 1,141,509.00    \$ 1,141,509.00

**KK.                    LIBRARY - Dept. #610**

**5100 Personnel**

Salary - Director	\$ 58,717.00
Salaries - Staff	\$ 294,872.00
Longevity	\$ 600.00
Proficiency Incentive	\$ 2,000.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 356,189.00</b>

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

**5200 Purchase of Services**

Operating Expenses	\$ 51,206.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 51,206.00</b>

**5400 Supplies**

Books & Related Materials	\$ -
Library Supplies	\$ 4,000.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>

<b>TOTAL - LIBRARY</b>	<b>\$ 411,395.00</b>	<b>\$ 411,395.00</b>
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**Note: \$117,000.00 was taken from the Finance Committee Reserve Fund and added to Library Staff Salaries**

**LL. MISCELLANEOUS & UNCLASSIFIED - Dept. #430**

**5200 Purchase of Services**

Audit	\$ 34,280.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 34,280.00</b>

<b>TOTAL - MISCELLANEOUS &amp; UNCLASSIFIED</b>	<b>\$ 34,280.00</b>	<b>\$ 34,280.00</b>
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**MM. COUNCIL ON AGING - Dept. #541**

**5100 Personnel**

Salary - Director	\$ 42,970.00
Salary - Van Driver	\$ -
COA Aide	\$ -
Vacation Coverage	\$ -
Longevity	\$ -
Proficiency Incentive	\$ -
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 42,970.00</b>

**5200 Purchase of Services**

COA - Van/Maintenance	\$ 0.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>

**5400 Supplies**

Sundries	\$ 2,000.00
Supplies	\$ 1,600.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 3,600.00</b>

<b>TOTAL - COUNCIL ON AGING</b>	<b>\$ 46,570.00</b>	<b>\$ 46,570.00</b>
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**NN. YOUTH COMMISSION - Dept. #542**

**5100 Personnel**

Salary - Director	\$ 42,970.00
Salaries - Park Staff	\$ 22,122.00
Longevity	\$ 600.00
Administrative Assistant	\$ 5,000.00
Proficiency Incentive	\$ 500.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 71,192.00</b>

**5200 Purchase of Services**

Telephone	\$ 700.00
Maintenance - Hartsuff Park	\$ 3,526.00
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$ 4,226.00</b>

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
Park - Sundries	\$	3,500.00	
Office Supplies & Postage	\$	1,500.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL - YOUTH COMMISSION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>80,418.00</b>	<b>\$ 40,000.00 \$ 40,418.00</b>

**OO. PARK DEPARTMENT - Dept. #630**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
Salary - Park Superintendent	\$	55,124.00	
Salaries - Commissioners (3)	\$	-	
Salaries & Labor	\$	91,687.00	
Longevity	\$	1,800.00	
Benefits for new position	\$	0.00	
Uniforms	\$	2,700.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>151,311.00</b>	
<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>			
Sundries	\$	7,500.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>	
<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
General Maintenance	\$	15,472.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,472.00</b>	
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>			
Commissioners Auto Allowance	\$	0.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL - PARK DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>174,283.00</b>	<b>\$ 174,283.00</b>

**PP. CELEBRATIONS - Dept. #692**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
Secretary - Memorial Day			
Secretary - Tri-Town Parade			
<b>Sub-total</b>			
<b>5700 Other Charges and Expenses</b>			
Memorial Day Observance			
Tri-Town Parade Celebration			
<b>Sub-total</b>			
<b>TOTAL - CELEBRATIONS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**QQ. RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION - Dept. #911**

<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
Contributory Retirement	\$	2,049,302.00	
Pensions	\$	8,152.00	
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,057,454.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL - RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,057,454.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,057,454.00</b>

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

<b>RR.</b>	<b>HEALTH INSURANCE - Dept. #914</b>			
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
	Group Insurance (Town Share)	\$ 5,041,496.00		
	Transfer - Free Cash	\$ -		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$ 5,041,496.00		
	<b>TOTAL - HEALTH INSURANCE</b>	\$ 5,041,496.00	\$ 4,921,767.22	\$ 119,728.78
<b>SS.</b>	<b>FICA EXPENSE - Dept. #916</b>			
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
	Fica Expense	\$ 267,120.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$ 267,120.00		
	<b>TOTAL - FICA EXPENSE</b>	\$ 267,120.00	\$ 267,120.00	
<b>TT.</b>	<b>LIABILITY INSURANCE - Dept. #945</b>			
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
	Town Insurance	\$ 546,061.00		
	Unemployment Insurance	\$ 15,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$ 561,061.00		
	<b>TOTAL - LIABILITY INSURANCE</b>	\$ 561,061.00	\$ 561,061.00	
<b>UU.</b>	<b>WATER DEPARTMENT - Dept. #480</b>			
	<b>5100 Personnel</b>			
	Salary - Commissioners	\$ -		
	Wages, Comp. & Labor	\$ 0.00		
	Police Details	\$ 15,000.00		
	Water - Insurance & Retirement	\$ 35,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$ 50,000.00		
	<b>5200 Purchase of Services</b>			
	Engineering	\$ 35,000.00		
	Collection Office	\$ 9,500.00		
	Field Support & Overhead	\$ 15,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$ 59,500.00		
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>			
	Office Supplies & Overhead	\$ 20,000.00		
	Systems Maint/Development	\$ 100,000.00		
	Building Maintenance	\$ 10,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$ 130,000.00		
	<b>5600 Intergovernmental</b>			
	Joint Expenses (1/2)	\$ 1,502,545.82		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$ 1,502,545.82		
	<b>5700 Other Charges and Expense</b>			
	Freight & Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 500.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$ 500.00		
	<b>5900 Debt Service</b>			
	Bond	\$ -		
	Debt & Interest	\$ 450,000.00		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$ 450,000.00		
	<b>TOTAL - WATER DEPARTMENT</b>	\$ 2,192,545.82		\$ 2,192,545.82
	<b>TO BE TAKEN FROM ESTIMATED WATER RECEIPTS TO BE COLLECTED</b>			

## DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2007-2008, CONTINUED

<b>VV.</b>	<b>INT. &amp; MAT. DEBT. - #710</b>			
	<b>5900 Debt Service</b>			
	Debt	\$	215,000.00	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	215,000.00	
	Interest	\$	115,850.00	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	115,850.00	
	<b>TOTAL - INT. &amp; MAT. DEBT</b>	\$	330,850.00	\$ 330,850.00
<b>WW.</b>	<b>TEEN CENTER - Dept. #144</b>			
	<b>5400 Supplies</b>	\$	-	
	Sundries	\$	-	
	<b>Sub-total</b>	\$	-	
	<b>TOTAL - TEEN CENTER</b>	\$	-	-

#### **ARTICLE 4**

The Town voted to Pass Over raising and appropriating, borrowing or transferring from available funds a sum of Six Hundred Seventy Five Thousand (\$675,000.00) for the purpose of funding the Town's operating budget or Line Items contingent on the passage of a Proposition 2 ½ Ballot Question.

A motion was made and seconded to reconsider the Celebrations budget and the Town voted not to reconsider. A motion was made and seconded to reconsider articles 3 and 47 and the Town voted not to reconsider these articles.

#### **ARTICLE 5**

The Town voted to re-establish a revolving account in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53E 1/2, not to exceed One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00) in FY2008 for fees collected for participation in Youth Commission programs and activities and to be expended by the Youth Commission for expenses related to those programs and activities.

#### **ARTICLE 6**

The Town voted to Pass Over approving the Womansplace Crisis Center request from the Town of Rockland that \$3,500.00 be raised or taken from available funds and appropriated to the Center in fiscal year 2008 in lieu of services provided to the sexual assault survivors and their families and that the Center enter into a contract with the Town for these services.

#### **ARTICLE 7**

The Town voted to re-establish a revolving account in accordance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ not to exceed (\$50,000.00) Fifty Thousand Dollars in FY2008 from fees collected from the Rockland Fire Department permit fees which will be used to upgrade Fire Alarm System and associated expenses to be expended by the Fire Department.

#### **ARTICLE 8**

The Town voted to Pass Over raising and appropriating or taking from available funds the sum of (\$12,480.00) Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Dollars to purchase a topdresser for our fields.

#### **ARTICLE 9**

The Town voted to Pass Over raising and appropriating or taking from available funds the sum of (\$26,277.00) Twenty Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars to purchase a replacement for our 1996 S10 truck.

#### **ARTICLE 10**

The Town voted to Pass Over raising and appropriating or taking from available funds the sum of (\$13,904.00) Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred Four Dollars to replace the fencing around the stadium.

#### **ARTICLE 11**

The Town unanimously voted to accept M.G.L. Chapter 32, Section 90C to allow the Town to grant an increase on account of superannuation for employees who served the Town for a period of not less than twenty-five years, equal to one-half of the rate of regular compensation payable to employees of the Town holding similar positions as of this date.

#### **ARTICLE 12**

The Town voted to establish a revolving account in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ to be credited with disposal fees, not to exceed Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars

(\$75,000.00) in FY08, to be expended by the Board of Health for fees collected to purchase and maintain existing and new equipment for the Beech Street Recycling Center and to pay salaries of personnel.

#### **ARTICLE 13**

The Town voted to adopt this article to authorize the Board of Health, which has custody and declared the property surplus, to transfer to the Selectmen, who will offer for sale through sealed bid, the property located at the corner of VFW Drive and Pleasant Street, formerly used as the Town of Rockland sanitary landfill.

#### **ARTICLE 14**

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$10,000.00) Ten Thousand Dollars to purchase (1) police motorcycle, including the trading in of (1) motorcycle currently in use as a down payment.

#### **ARTICLE 15**

The Town voted to Pass Over raising and appropriating or taking from available funds the sum of (\$34,000.00) Thirty Four Thousand Dollars to replace existing portable radios.

#### **ARTICLE 16**

The Town voted to Pass Over raising and appropriating or taking from available funds the sum of (\$62,000.00) Sixty Two Thousand Dollars to purchase and equip two (2) police cruisers.

#### **ARTICLE 17**

The Town voted to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) for the purpose of replacing the Memorial Library Roof, that is beyond repair contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2 ½ Capital Exclusion Ballot Question.

#### **ARTICLE 18**

The Town voted to Pass Over raising and appropriating or taking from available funds the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) or any lesser sum for the purpose of replacing the Memorial Library roof including costs incidental, and relative thereto, and to raise this appropriation, the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00), under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(3A) of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore.

#### **ARTICLE 19**

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) for monitoring of the closed Beech Street municipal landfill in accordance with the Department of Environmental Protection requirements.

#### **ARTICLE 20**

The Town voted to Pass Over authorizing the Board of Selectmen to request a special act of the General Court, in the form set forth below, amending the Town Charter to require the Town to approve a balanced budget prior to July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approve amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court; and provided further that the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition:

An Act Relative to the Charter of the Town of Rockland

Section 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the charter of the Town of Rockland, which is on file in the office of the archivist of the commonwealth as provided in Section 12 of Chapter 43B, is hereby amended by adding Section 6.07; The Town must approve a “Balanced Budget” annually prior to July 1<sup>st</sup>, the start of the new fiscal year. Should the Town not meet this requirement by July 1<sup>st</sup> the new fiscal year operating budget will be based on the previous fiscal year budget until a new “Balanced Budget” is approved.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon passage

**ARTICLE 21**

The Town voted to Pass Over reestablishing a revolving account in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) from all passport revenue and for the Town Clerk to fund the partial salary of a passport agent and related supplies and equipment.

**ARTICLE 22**

The Town voted to continue the revolving account established in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) from passport photo fees collected and for the Town Clerk to replenish supplies needed to maintain this service.

**ARTICLE 23**

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$9,500.00) for the second year of a five year lease/purchase agreement for six voting machines.

**ARTICLE 24**

The Town voted to Pass Over raising and appropriating or taking from available funds the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to update our town and zoning maps from 1975 to date.

**ARTICLE 25**

The Town voted to authorize the School Department to continue establishment of a revolving account in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in FY08, for fees collected for School Bus Transportation to be expended by the School Committee.

**ARTICLE 26**

The Town voted to establish a revolving account in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 77, Section 53E ½, not to exceed One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) in FY 2008 for fees collected for use of the building which will be used to provide utilities, custodial and maintenance services to be expended by McKinley Community Center Building Committee through the Selectmen’s Office.

**ARTICLE 27**

The Town unanimously voted to amend the current zoning districts of the Town of Rockland by removing references to the R-1 zone as shown on the current Town zoning map for the parcel shown as Lot 16 on the Town Assessor’s Map 60 and replacing the same with the reference of B-2.

## **ARTICLE 28**

The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the legislature for special legislation in a form substantially similar to the following:

**SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Town of Rockland may establish and maintain a special account known as the School Building Capital Trust Fund and may raise and appropriate money therefore. The fund shall be used solely toward the design, engineering, land purchase, construction and any other costs associated with the construction or rehabilitation of Rockland Public Schools.

**SECTION 2.** The proceeds of all sales of land or buildings by the Rockland Public Schools shall be placed into this School Building Capital Trust Fund.

**SECTION 3.** The Town of Rockland may appropriate by majority vote at any annual or special town meeting and interest within the fund for any capital purchase or principal debt payment for any capital purchase associated with the construction or rehabilitation of Rockland Public Schools. Capital purchase shall mean the purchase of any item with a cost of at least \$50,000 and a life expectancy of 5 or more years.

**SECTION 4.** If the Town department or committee responsible for oversight of a capital purchase determines that the purchase is complete, any remaining balance appropriated for that purchase shall remain in the School Building Capital Trust Fund.

**SECTION 5.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

## **ARTICLE 29**

The Town voted not to authorize the Board of Selectmen to request a special act of the General Court, in the form set forth below, amending the Town Charter to allow non-registered voters to serve on the Rent Control Board provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approve amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court; and provided further that the Board of Selectmen is here by authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition:

An Act Relative to the Charter of the Town of Rockland

Section 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Charter of the Town of Rockland, which is on file in the office of the archivist of the commonwealth as provided in Section 12 of Chapter 43B, is hereby amended by changing Section 2.1, D to read; Elected and appointed town officials must be registered voters in the Town of Rockland, except the two members of the Rent Control Board representing the owners of the mobile home parks, or as otherwise provided by this Charter or the Town By-Laws.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

A motion was made and seconded to reconsider Article 29 and the Town voted not to reconsider Article 29.

## **ARTICLE 30**

The Town voted to amend the By-law Article 24.01 Public ways and Common lands by adding the following new section:

### **“Automated Red Light Violations and Civil Penalties” Section X**

- (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Town of Rockland hereby adopts a civil enforcement system for red light camera system violations as outlined in this section. Said system imposes monetary liability on the owner of a vehicle for failure of an operator thereof to comply with traffic control indications in the Town of Rockland in accordance with the provisions of this Section.
- (2) The Rockland Police Department shall be responsible for administering the Automated Red Light System. Specifically, the Rockland Police Department shall be empowered to install and operate red light camera systems within the Town of Rockland. The Rockland Police Department shall maintain a list of system locations where red light camera systems are installed. The Rockland Police Department will make the determination as to which intersection locations will be utilized.
- (3) Any citation for an automated red light system violation pursuant to this Section known as a **“Notice of Liability”** shall:
  - (a) Be processed by a sworn Police Officer authorized to issue citations for violation of traffic signals.
  - (b) Be forwarded by first-class mail or personal service to the vehicle’s registered owner’s Address as given on the state’s motor vehicle registration, and
  - (c) Clearly state the manner in which the violation may be applied.

### **Definitions. (X.b)**

- (1) “Automated red light system” is the equivalent of “Traffic control signal monitoring device” or “Traffic control photographic system.” Said system/device is an electronic system consisting of a photographic, video or electronic camera and a vehicle sensor installed to work in conjunction with an official traffic controller and to automatically produce photographs, video or digital images of each vehicle violating a standard traffic control.
- (2) It is prima facie evidence that the person registered as the owner of the vehicle with the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (or with any other State vehicle registration office) was operating the vehicle at the time of the offense set out in subsection above.
- (3) Notwithstanding subsection I(2) above, the owner of the vehicle shall not be responsible for the violation if, within twenty-one (21) days from the date listed on the “Notice of Liability,” as set forth in subsection (d)(3) below, he furnishes the Hearing Officer: A law enforcement agency/record bureau stating that the vehicle involved was reported as stolen before the time of the violation.

- (4) An imposition of liability under the Section shall not be deemed a conviction as an operator and shall not be made part of the operating record upon whom such liability is imposed.
- (5) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to limit the liability of an operator of a vehicle for any violation of subsection I(1) herein.
- (6) This Section shall not apply to violations involving vehicle collisions.

**Penalty; Administrative Appeal. (X.d)**

- (1) Any violation of subsection I(1) herein shall be deemed a non-criminal violation for which a civil penalty of \$100.00 shall be assessed and for which no points authorized by Massachusetts General Laws (“Point system for license suspension”) shall be assigned to the owner or driver of the vehicle, nor shall such imposition of a penalty be subject to a merit rating for insurance purposes and no surcharge points shall be imposed in the provision of a motor vehicle insurance coverage.
- (2) A notice of appeal shall be filed with the Hearing Officer within twenty-one (21) days from the date listed on the “Notice of Liability.” The failure to give notice of appeal or pay the civil penalty within this time period shall constitute a waiver of the right to contest the citation and will be considered an admission. Said failure shall result in an additional penalty of \$50.00, for a total penalty of \$150.00. Appeals shall be heard through an administrative process established by the Town of Rockland Police Department. A decision in favor of the Town of Rockland may be enforced by means of a civil action.
- (3) The Town of Rockland, via its Police Department and Town Counsel may establish procedures for the collection of the civil penalties imposed herein, and may enforce the penalties by a civil action in the nature of a debt. If the penalties set forth in subsection (2) and (3) of section (d), above, remain unpaid for more than **30 (thirty) days** after the date on which the ticket was issued, the penalties shall be collected, together with any interest and penalties thereon, by civil suit or other appropriate means of collection.
- (4) Whoever violates any provision of this by law, the violation of which is subject to a specific penalty may be penalized by a non criminal disposition as provided in General Laws, Chapter 40, section 21D.

**ARTICLE 31**

The Town voted to establish a revolving account in accordance with MGL Chapter 44 Section 53 ½F to be credited with the penalties from Automated Red Light Violations as defined by Article 24.01 Section X of the Town By-Laws, not to exceed Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in FY 08, to be expended by the Rockland Police Department to purchase police vehicles or other operational equipment.

A motion was made and seconded to reconsider articles 30 and 31 and the town voted not to reconsider these articles.

**ARTICLE 32**

The Town voted not to recommend amending the definition of “Frontage, Street” in Section II of the Zoning Bylaws to delete the existing language, which states: “The total linear footage of property

immediately adjacent to existing streets” and replace it with the following definition: “The total contiguous linear footage of property immediately adjacent to one existing street.”

### **ARTICLE 33**

The Town voted to Pass Over raising and appropriating or taking from available funds the sum of Fifty Two Thousand Thirty-Four Dollars and Forty Cents (\$52,034.40) to pay the sick-time-buy-back for a retiring firefighter in accordance with the Collective Bargaining agreement between the Town of Rockland and the IAFF Local 1602.

### **ARTICLE 34**

The Town voted to Pass Over establishing an Enterprise Fund in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 subsection 53F ½ to be credited with Waste Collection receipts in FY08. Funds to be expended by the Board of Health to pay costs associated with waste collection and disposal recycling services and all other associated costs and expenses.

### **ARTICLE 35**

The Town voted 139 in favor, 55 opposed (two-thirds being 129) to amend the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Rockland as follows:

To amend I-1 Limited Industrial, Uses Requiring Special Permit, by adding: 12. Conversion and/or renovation of industrial building or buildings to multifamily residences, or, to multifamily residences and uses otherwise allowed in the zoning district by right or by special permit. Conversion and/or renovation pursuant to this section shall only be allowed by special permit from the Planning Board.

A motion was made and seconded and the Town voted not to reconsider Article 32.

### **ARTICLE 36**

A motion was made, and seconded, and the Town voted 40 in favor, 139 opposed, not to amend this by-law by deleting section i).

A motion was made, and seconded, and the Town voted 141 in favor, 25 opposed (two-thirds being 110) to amend the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Rockland as follows:

To amend Section VII.B by adding the following provisions:

6. Provisions relating to conversions and/or renovations of existing factories or other industrial building or buildings in the I-1 zoning district.
  - a) It is the intent and purpose of this section to provide a method to rehabilitate, renovate and/or convert old, decaying, under utilized, abandoned or decrepit factories or other industrial buildings with the I-1 zoning district to multifamily residences, or multifamily residences and uses otherwise allowed in the zoning district by right or by special permit.
  - b) Conversion, rehabilitation and/or renovation of factories or other industrial building or buildings will be allowed under the Special Permit process pursuant to this section provided that:
    - i. exterior design shall be in harmony with neighborhood and general character of the Town;
    - ii. landscaping will be included in the conversion to enhance conversation;

- iii. each dwelling unit's floor area will not be less than 650 square feet; and
- iv. the other applicable provisions of this section are compiled with.

Notwithstanding anything contained in Section V (A)(6) of this By-Law to the contrary this Section VII (B)(6) shall control the conversion, rehabilitation and/or renovation of factories or other industrial buildings to residential use or residential and mixed use in the I-1 zoning district.

- c) The Planning Board shall be the special permit granting authority for special permits issued pursuant to Section IV, I-1 Limited Industrial, Uses Requiring Special Permit 12.
- d) The Planning Board shall also have the authority to grant, in connection with such special permit applications authorized hereunder, special permits to grant relief from any other applicable provisions of the By-Laws in the I-1 zoning district, other than off-street parking requirements, including those regulations set forth in Section V of this By-Law, when it finds said requirements unreasonable due to (1) conditions unique to the size or shape of the lot; (2) the location of the building or buildings on the lot; (3) the age, condition or architectural or structural features and/or characteristics of the building or buildings; or (4) the Planning Board finds that such relief will further the intent of this section without derogating from the public good.
- e) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to eliminate the duties of the Design Review Board as set forth in Section XIII of the By-Law. All plans relating to application for special permits pursuant to this section shall be reviewed pursuant to Section XIII.
- f) A building or structure eligible for conversion and/or renovation pursuant to this section shall be not less than 75 years of age as reasonably determined by the Planning Board. The applicant may Provide such evidence of a structure's or building's age as available.
- g) No building or structure renovated and/or converted pursuant to this section shall cause an increase in the total gross floor area of the building or structure; provided, however, that an increase in total gross floor may be allowed to accommodate accessory uses and/or structures for parking, recreational use or other amenities deemed desirable by the Planning Board.
- h) Off-street parking facilities shall be as set forth in Section VI of this By-Law.
- i) Any special permit granted hereunder may, at the request of the applicant, make provisions for the development of a portion of the units as affordable housing for persons of low or moderate income, as defined under the regulations of the Department of Housing and Community Development, and shall meet the requirements for Local Initiative Program ("LIP") units or otherwise quality so as to be included in the computation of the total of affordable housing units in the Town of Rockland under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 40B, secs. 20-23. The affordable units shall be marketed through a housing organization approved by the Planning Board, and shall be subject to restrictions that assure continued affordability in perpetuity. The applicant shall submit copies of proposed deed riders and covenants to impose resale restrictions, conforming to State regulatory requirements for affordable units should the applicant desire to develop a portion of the units as affordable housing.

- j) Permitted Principal Uses allowed by right in the I-1 zoning district under this By-Law shall not be allowed in any multifamily residential unit established under the provisions of this section.
- k) All applications filed under the provisions of this section shall be submitted with a Phase I environmental site assessment prepared in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 21E and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder and a report prepared by a licensed structural engineer which details the structural features and integrity of the buildings to be rehabilitated, renovated and/or converted.

A motion was made, and seconded, and the Town voted not to reconsider Article 36.

A motion was made, and seconded, and the Town voted not to reconsider Article 35.

#### **ARTICLE 37**

The Town voted to appropriate from the State Sewer Relief Funds the sum of Forty Six Thousand One Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars (\$46,139.00) to be expended by the Sewer Commission as part of the Town's ongoing program to identify and remove sources of Inflow and Infiltration as required under the terms of the NPDES Permit issued to the Town by the United States EPA and Massachusetts DEP.

#### **ARTICLE 38**

The Town voted to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to take from the Sewer Department Unrestricted Fund Balance the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) to be expended by the Sewer Commission as part of the Town's ongoing program to identify and remove sources of Inflow and Infiltration as required under the terms of the NPDES Permit issued to the Town by the United States EPA and Massachusetts DEP.

#### **ARTICLE 39**

The Town unanimously voted to rescind its vote under Article #64 of the 2000 Annual Town meeting which voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow the amount of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00).

#### **ARTICLE 40**

The Town voted to Pass Over amending the existing Zoning Map of the Town of Rockland as follows:

By removing portions of the following lot from an Industrial District and establishing the same as a Residential District, making the entire lot within the Residential District:

The land situated in Rockland, in the County of Plymouth and being shown as Lot 1 on a "Plan of Land in Rockland, Mass. Land owned by Evelyn F. Shaw dated April 4, 1964, C.L. Baxter Hanover, Mass. Reg. Surveyor", duly recorded with Plymouth Deeds (the "Property"); the Property then being conveyed to David N. Bailey on November 8, 1968 as recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds at Book 3483, Page 463; the Property then being conveyed by Trust to Kimberly Bailey Rizy as Trustee under the Will of David N. Bailey (Norfolk Probate and Family Court Division of the Massachusetts Trial Court, Docket No. 04P0639-FE1 and District Court of the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Wyoming and for Crook County, Probate Docket No. 5250); the Property being further delineated by the Town of Rockland as Lot 61 on Map 18 and located at the Rear of 1059 Union Street, Rockland, Massachusetts and more particularly described as follows:

N. 21 45' 47" W by Lots 1 and 2 shown on said plan 152,885 feet to a drill hole set in a stone wall and land formerly of Henry L. Shortall, thence turning and running;

N. 67 07' 15" E by said stone wall and land formerly of Shortall, 437.45 feet to another drill hole in the wall, thence turning and running;

NORTHWESTERLY again by another stone wall and land formerly of Shortall to a corner of two stone walls and land of Lorenzo A. Medico et ux, thence turning and running;

EASTERLY by said other wall, by land of Medico et ux to a Land Court disk set in a stone wall at the northwesterly corner of land of Henry A. Bourque et al, Trustees as shown on a "Plan of Land in Rockland, Mass., Prepared for Plymouth Eastern Development Company" dated July 15, 1968 by Perkins Engineering Associates and recorded with a deed from Lincoln A. Shaw et ex to Borque et ali, Trustees dated August 2, 1968, thence running;

S. 24 20' 55" W by said land of Borque et ali Trustees as shown on said plan 328.29 feet to land of Robert J. Williams et ux, thence turning and running;

WESTERLY by land of said Williams et ux and land now or formerly of Stanley W. Feener, Lavina Avenue and lands of Lillie A. Dorgen and William W. Monafo to a drill hole in the stone wall at the point of beginning.

The present street address of the premises is 1059 (Rear) Union Street, Rockland, Massachusetts 02370.

#### **ARTICLE 41**

The Town voted to Pass Over amending the existing Zoning Map of the Town of Rockland as follows:

By removing portions of the following lot from an Industrial District and establishing the same as a Residential District, making the entire lot within the Residential District:

The land situated in Rockland, in the County of Plymouth and being shown as Lot B on a plan of land on Union Street, Rockland, Massachusetts, dates October 23, 1968, by Loring M. Jacobs, Registered Land Surveyor of Norwell, Massachusetts recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 14, Page 1104 (the "Property"); the Property then being conveyed to David N. Bailey on November 5, 1968 as recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds at Book 3482, Page 160; the Property then being conveyed by Trust to Kimberly Bailey Rizy as Trustee under the Will of David N. Bailey (Norfolk Probate and Family Court Division of the Massachusetts Trial Court, Docket No. 04P0639-FE1 and District Court of the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Wyoming in and for Crook County, Probate Docket No. 5250); the Property being further delineated by the Town of Rockland as Lot 60 on Map 18 and known as 1119 Union Street, Rockland.

#### **ARTICLE 42**

The Town voted to Pass Over authorizing the Selectmen to sell at a private sale that parcel of land on the easterly side of Abington Street, formerly a portion of Weymouth Street, which was created by the relocation of Weymouth Street by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Decree #4868, and being that parcel of land lying between the relocated layout of Abington Street and Parcel 1 Map 3 on the Rockland Assessor Maps, all in accordance with M.G.L. Ch 30B.

#### **ARTICLE 43**

The Town voted to accept Massachusetts General Law Chapter 60 section 3C to design and designate a place on its municipal tax bills or the motor vehicle excise tax bills, or to mail with such bills a separate form, whereby the taxpayers of said city or town can voluntarily check off, donate and pledge an amount not less than one dollar or such other designated amount which shall increase the amount otherwise due, and to establish a city or town scholarship fund, the purpose of which shall be to provide educational financial aid to deserving city and town residents in accordance with this section and to establish a city or town educational fund, the purpose of which shall be to provide supplemental educational funding for local educational needs or to provide funding to existing adult literacy programs.

Any amounts donated to the scholarship fund or educational fund shall be deposited into a special account in the general treasury and shall be in the custody of the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall invest said funds at the direction of the officer, Board, Commission, Committee or other agency of the city or town who which is otherwise authorized and required to invest trust funds of the city or town and subject to the same limitations applicable to trust fund investments, except as otherwise specified herein. Interest earned upon such fund shall remain there with and shall be used for the purpose of said fund without further appropriation.

There shall be a scholarship committee and educational fund committee to consist of the superintendent of the city or town schools or designee thereof, and no fewer than four residents of the city or town appointed by the Board of Selectmen to a term of three years. The scholarship committee or educational fund committee shall select the recipients of and amounts of financial aid from the scholarship fund and education fund and shall be guided by any criteria established by the scholarship committee or educational fund committee subject to any ordinance or by-law and further subject to Massachusetts General Law chapter 60 section 3C.

#### **ARTICLE 44**

The Town voted to accept Massachusetts General Law Chapter 60 section 3D to design and designate a place on its municipal tax bills or the motor vehicle excise tax bills, or to mail with such bills a separate form, whereby the taxpayers of said city or town can voluntarily check off, donate and pledge an amount not less than one dollar or such other designated amount which shall increase the amount otherwise due, and to establish a city or town aid to the elderly and disabled taxation fund for the purpose of defraying the real estate taxes of elderly and disabled persons of low income.

Any amounts donated to the said fund shall be deposited into a special account in the general treasury and shall be in the custody of the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall invest said funds at the direction of the officer, Board, Commission, Committee or other agency of the city or town who is otherwise authorized and required to invest trust funds of the city or town and subject to the same limitations applicable to trust fund investments, except as otherwise specified herein. Interest earned upon such fund shall remain there with and shall be used for the purpose of said fund without further appropriation.

There shall be a taxation aid committee to consist of the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, the city or town Treasurer and three residents of the city or town appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Said board shall adopt rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this section and to identify the recipients of such aid.

**ARTICLE 45**

The Town voted not to amend the current zoning districts of the Town of Rockland by removing references to the R-2 zone as shown on the current Town zoning map for the parcel shown as Lot 3 on the Town Assessor’s Maps 55 & 60 and replacing the same with the reference of all of B-2.

**ARTICLE 46**

The Town of Rockland unanimously voted to acquire for conservation and recreation purposes, by negotiated purchase or otherwise, a Conservation Restriction over a certain property located on Plain Street, known as the Rockland Golf Course, consisting of 74.30 acres in Rockland, more or less, shown as Map 50 Lot 005 on the Rockland Assessors Maps. Said Conservation Restriction is to be conveyed to the Town of Rockland under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, as it may hereafter be amended and other Massachusetts statutes relating to Conservation, to be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission of the Town of Rockland. The Rockland Conservation Commission shall also be authorized to file on behalf of the Town of Rockland any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and /or reimbursements from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or the United States under the Self-Help Act (Chapter 132A, Section 11) and/or any other state or federal programs including those in aid of conservation land acquisition and to receive and accept such grants and reimbursements, including grants from private parties, for this purpose and/or any others in any way connected with the scope of this Article; and the Conservation Commission in conjunction with the Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to transfer the amount of any financial contributions received by the Town of Rockland designated for the purchase of the Rockland Golf Course Conservation Restriction to the Trust for Public Land; and the Conservation Commission in conjunction with the Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to enter into all agreements, and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of The Town of Rockland to affect said purchase or action in relation thereto.

Article 47 was taken out of order, at the end of the budgets, Article 3.

**ARTICLE 47**

The Town voted not to approve raising and appropriating or taking from available funds the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars (\$375,574.00) to fund the cost of maintaining the current level of manning for the Rockland Fire Department at seven (7) fire fighters per shift.

**ARTICLE 48**

The Town voted to Pass Over appropriating from taxation, transferring or taking from available funds a sum of money to add to the stabilization fund.

A motion was made, and seconded and the Town voted to dissolve the meeting at 11:10 p.m.

A true record, attest:

Mary Pat Kaszanek  
Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
DECEMBER 10, 2007**

**Quorum:**

**Attendance:**

A quorum being present, the Special Town Meeting was called to order by Town Moderator Paul L. Cusick, Jr. at 7:10 p.m.

He announced the return of the Warrant by Jerold Loomis, Constable of Rockland.

He asked that all stand and salute the flag and remain standing for a moment of silence for our deceased friends and employees of the Town George E. Briggs, Marilyn H. Wheeler, James Dearnley, Geraldine Cleary, Doris M. Higgins, W. John DiTocco, Barbara J. Roberts and Rita Henderson.

He announced the meeting is being taped and introduced the people on the stage with him, Town Clerk Mary Pat Kaszanek, Assistant Town Clerk Randalin Ralston, Accountant Eric Hart and Town Administrator Bradley Plante and announced, as most of you know, Mr. Plante is leaving December 31<sup>st</sup>. He thanked him for his contributions to the Town of Rockland and wished him well in his future endeavors.

He then introduced the Finance Committee and asked that they stand, John Ellard, Paula Ferguson, Larry Ryan, Michael Johnson, Cora Leonard, Bob MacDonald (and he wished him a Happy Birthday,) Bill Minahan Jr., Chairman, Joseph Reese and Steve Savicke, and he thanked them for their work.

He called upon the Chairman of the Finance Committee William Minanan to say a few words. Mr. Minahan explained the deficit was \$375,679.13 and explained the recommendations of the Finance Committee and asked that we all follow the recommendations of the Finance Committee for the eleven articles on the Warrant this evening.

At this time the Moderator swore in the tellers for the evening, George Anderson, Donald Cann, James Kaszanek and Anton Materna.

Mr. Minahan made a motion, it was seconded, and the Town voted the first action be on the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Mr. Minahan made a motion, it was seconded, and the Town voted that all articles be taken in order.

**ARTICLE 1**

The Town voted to transfer \$40,000.00 from the Overlay Surplus to the Revaluation Account for the purpose of continuing with the F.Y. 2009 cyclical Reinspection program.

**ARTICLE 2**

The Town unanimously voted to take from certified free cash the sum of One Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars (\$1, 979.00) for an unpaid bill to Bell Traffic Signal for labor and materials in replacement of traffic signal components at the intersection of Spring and Summer Streets

**ARTICLE 3**

The Town of Rockland unanimously voted to acquire for active recreation purposes, by negotiated purchase or otherwise, a Conservation Restriction over a certain property located on Plain Street, known as the Rockland Golf Course, consisting of 64 acres in Rockland, more or less, shown as Map 50 Lot 005 on the Rockland Assessors Maps. Said Conservation Restriction is to be conveyed to the Town of Rockland under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 45, Section 3, as it may hereafter be amended and other Massachusetts statutes relating to Conservation, to be managed and controlled by the Park Commission of the Town of Rockland. The Rockland Park Commission shall also be authorized to file on behalf of the Town of Rockland any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and /or reimbursements from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or the United States under M.G.L. Chapter 933 Acts of 1977, and/or any other state or federal programs including those in aid of recreation land acquisition and to receive and accept such grants and reimbursements, including grants from private parties, for this purpose and/or any others in any way connected with the scope of this Article; and the Park Commission in conjunction with the Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to enter into all agreements, and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of The Town of Rockland to affect said purchase.

**ARTICLE 4**

The Town unanimously voted to take from certified free cash the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) for an unpaid bill to Camp, Dresser & McKee, Inc. for engineering services performed by order of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, Office of Dam Safety, regarding the Studley (Reed’s) Pond Dam resulting in a Dam Safety Phase I Inspection Report.

**ARTICLE 5**

The Town unanimously voted to transfer \$5,000.00 from the Passport Revolving Account #2111164-54000 to the Health Insurance Budget RR.

**ARTICLE 6**

The Town unanimously voted to take from certified free cash the sum of Nine Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and 56 cents (\$9,184.56) to cover an unpaid bill to Town Counsel, Kopelman & Paige for legal services for the month of June 2007.

**ARTICLE 7**

The Town voted to reduce the Fiscal Year 2008 department budgets as follows:

<u>Page</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>TM Approved</u>	<u>Reduction</u>	<u>Notes</u>
5	E	Assessors	\$ 149,538	\$ 7,800	Clerical Position
Voted not to reduce this budget.					
50	TT	Liability Insurance	546,061	39,000	
Voted to reduce this budget \$39,000.00.					
41	KK	Library	411,395	20,000	
Voted to reduce this budget \$25,000.00.					
39	II	School Dept.	17,539,488	10,000	
17	O	Police Dept.	2,935,369	10,000	
19	R	Fire Dept.	2,448,587	10,000	
44	OO	Park Dept.	174,283	10,000	
Voted not to reduce these four budgets.					

**ARTICLE 8**

The Town voted to pass over rescinding its vote under Article 60 of the May 8, 2006 Annual Town Meeting, entitled "Mobile Home Park Rent and Eviction Control".

**ARTICLE 9**

The Town voted to establish a Revolving Account in accordance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) from fees associated with Leisurewoods and Hillcrest mobile home parks for rent control hearings and matters for the Rent Control Board to fund all associated expenses for their operations.

**ARTICLE 10**

The Town voted to pass over appropriating from taxation or transferring from available funds a sum of money to the stabilization fund. (2/3 vote required pursuant to Section 14 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2003)

**ARTICLE 11**

Will the Town vote to fund Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$306,679.13) of the Health Insurance budget item RR, approved at the Annual Town Meeting of May 7, 2007 for \$5,041,496.00 through a transfer from certified free cash thus reducing raise and appropriate by said \$306,679.13.

A motion was made, and seconded, and the Town voted to dissolve the meeting.

A true record, attest:

Mary Pat Kaszanek  
Town Clerk

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ROCKLAND  
2007**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PARTY A</u>	<u>PARTY B</u>
<b>January</b>		
20	Craig William Newton	Kathy Louise Outlaw
<b>February</b>		
19	Steven Alfred Balentine	Courtney Ann Leffler
23	Mark Kenneth Schotte, Jr.	Amy Elizabeth Mills
27	Peter Anthony Shinney	Janet Louise Shinney
<b>March</b>		
10	Fred Walter Eastman	Laurie Lee Dignan
17	Adam Douglas Carmichael	Patricia Lynn McGuiness
21	Fabio Junior Da Silva	Wanessa Duarte Ladario
21	Joanne Marie Lowrey	Beverly Debra Baecher
<b>April</b>		
15	Henry Bryant Kennedy III	Mabel Lorena Martinez Valencia
20	Fabricio Oliveira Almeida	Gislayne Silva Matos
20	Patrick Costa Torrezani	Emily Elaine Bootier
21	Frederick Neil Kawa	Kathleen Mary Botelho
28	John Francis Warren Barker	Janet Pitron Leon
<b>May</b>		
5	Eugene Francis Berrio, Jr.	Katharine Ann Merritt
5	Robert Joseph Morley	Liana Katherine Ily
9	Mac Weldon White	Heather Bianca Maddy
12	Phillip Donald Hunt	Crystle Anne Chandler
12	Corey Joseph Woodward	Lisa Marie Ciano
26	Nabeel William Mahrouk	Robin Marie Toner
26	Michael Robert Spinney	June Elizabeth Poste
27	Jason Richard MacKenzie	Kaitlin Brooke McCarthy
<b>June</b>		
9	Daniel Jeremiah Verteramo	Katherine Leigh Hickson
16	Brian Carter Johnson	Kristen LaCivita
16	Stephen Luca Mancini	Jennette Laura Houston
16	Steven Michael McDonald	Angela Caizzi
16	Christopher James Mullen	Suzanne Christine St. Germaine
23	Michael Alan Garofalo	Melinda Joan Cobis
23	Joseph John Labresh	Michelle Marie Duchaney
23	Lance Mortland, Jr.	Courtney Nicole Cooper
23	Terrence Leo Reale	Joan Ann Williams
23	Brian Alan Siegal	Danielle Denise Belisle
30	Christopher Michael Allison	Caitlyn Jean Sherlock
30	Peter Val Austin, Jr.	Sharlene Helen Morrison
30	Ralph Brand, Jr.	Krystal Lee Troy

30	Kelly Brian McWilliams	Abigail Amaro
30	Steven Paul Somers	Julie Anne Inglis
<b>July</b>		
6	Melody Marie Hager	Ellen Marie McNamara
7	William Lawrence Houldcroft, Jr.	Emily Alison Barrett
7	Mark Robert Mitchell	Jennifer Jean Bragel
7	Douglas Joseph Rodney	Lucia Angela Marie D;amarino
14	Brian John McDonald	Jennifer Lee Mahan
20	Benjamin Joseph Wood	Jacqueline Marie Lane
21	Gregory Michael Berry	Cindy Marie Spellane
25	Mark Gerard McNeill	Ana Lucia dos Reis
28	Justin Michael Knudsen	Jillian Colby Stockwell
28	Warren William Magee, Jr.	Lisa Monette Parsons
28	Leo Francis Mahoney	Kaitlyn Rose Dwyer
28	Russell Paul Rioux	Lisa Marie Herman
28	Derek Joseph Shadrick	Heidi Melissa Jenkins
31	Thomas Richard Reardon	Marita Louise Beckwith
<b>August</b>		
4	Stephen Robert Moran	Elizabeth Driscoll Hohol
18	Randy Justin Paris	Jennifer Lynne Perry
22	Romulo Luciano Cordeiro	Camila Rocha Lino
23	James Joseph Gastringer	Star Ann Palmer
25	Robert William Miller	Julie Anne Cronin
25	Jesse Lee Torrez	Holly Nicole Guevremont
28	Dennis James Rynne	Jiratcha Parisataporn
31	Keith Edward Naymie	Janet Marie Reane
<b>September</b>		
8	Daniel Patrick Murry	Alicia Marie Petrelli
14	John Francis Kerr	Casey Lyn Farrell
15	Adam David Amontea	Aja Davis Folino
15	Coleman Patrick Clifford	Kristen Leigh Jackson
15	Chester Loren McDonald IV	Samantha Marie Grant
15	Darrell Lee Smith	Mallory Leigh Taylor
18	Branden Caldwell Galpin	Mary Elise Silvia
21	Ronald James Healy Jr.	Stacey Marie Townson
22	George Harry Barrows	Nicole Patricia Lucas
22	Thomas Anthony Foresta, Jr.	Laura Jane Aitken
22	Thomas Michael Hunt	Heather Marie Wilhelm
22	Matthew James Williams	Debra Jean Langley
22	Michael Benjamin Wormald	Particia Mary Coleman Waibel
24	James Antonio Gamache	Tiffany Helen Ciriello
29	Mark Francis Maguire	Mary Margaret Reardon

**October**

2	Alan Elliott Blake	Karen Arlene Miller
6	Michael James Credit	Sherrir-lee Ann Nathan
6	William McStowe Jr.	Kirsten Brandie Smith
6	Matthew James Muzrall	Kaitlynn Marie Damon
6	Thomas William Reynolds	Shelley Ann Edwards
7	Robert Daniel Young	Jennifer Lynne Becker
13	Jeremiah Leonard Donovan	Mary Elizabeth Gay
13	Raymond Ross Last, Jr.	Donna Marie Cassidy
14	Bradford James Turner	Brandy Hannah Coble
20	Benjamin John Tieso	Jacqueline Elizabeth Buckley

**November**

3	Daniel Augustine Kuja	Juliann Rogers
9	Dean John Mini	Maureen McDonnell
10	Stephen Paul Donovan	Mary Theresa Smith
17	Mark Joseph Mahoney	Nancy Jean LoRe

**December**

1	Ronald Wayne Lazisky, Jr.	Jillian Lee Budrick
2	James John Hollis	Karen Lee Grimley
15	Adriano Cesar Nogueira	Fabiana Ferreira Bastianele
16	Christopher Robin Woodward	Amy Lynne Rothhaar
25	Eric Aram Hart	Laurie Jean Dorney
28	Michael John Burke	Kim Charisse Critchfield
28	James Francis Lane	Gloria Diane Hanrahan
31	Lawrence Phillip Kington	Diane Christine Levine

**DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OR ROCKLAND  
JANUARY-DECEMBER 2007**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>RESIDENCE</b>
<b>January</b>		
1	Roger D. Bradshaw	Rockland
1	Russell L. Quackenbush	Rockland
5	Leonard B. Sawyer	Rockland
7	Albert L. Sprague	Rockland
10	Mary M. Tegan	Whitman
11	Margaret H. Medico	Rockland
13	William E. McCarthy	Rockland
17	Robert E. Gabardi, Sr.	Rockland
23	John V. Nightingale	Rockland
23	C. Lorraine Regan	Rockland
24	Brigid T. Kelley	Rockland
26	Claire C. Hauser	Rockland
26	Charles Wilson	Rockland
27	Gertrude Treannie	Rockland
29	Joan C. Keane	Rockland
31	Norman J. Audette	Abington
31	Patrick F. Healy	Avon
<b>February</b>		
3	Timothy F. Sheehan	Rockland
4	Gary W. Trechok	Rockland
5	Raymond Louis Quinn	Carver
9	Paul N. D'Amore	Rockland
11	Carol Dillon	Rockland
12	Ronald Charles Preuss	Rockland
15	Nicaletta Kane	Rockland
15	Harold R. Morse	Rockland
17	Franklin Kinsman	Rockland
19	Anna Briget Colton	Boston
19	George R. Reiser	Rockland
20	Lawrence A. Damon	Rockland
21	Jean Monfils	Rockland
27	Irene J. Adduci	Rockland
28	John A. Cassani	Rockland
28	Christine A. Doyle	Brockton
28	Hiram R. Reeves	Norwell

**March**

1	Beatrice E. Franceschini	Rockland
1	Kathleen W. Stephens	Rockland
3	Priscilla F. Fucillo	Rockland
4	John J. Roust	Rockland
6	Janet McLeman	Rockland
10	John Patrick Oates Jr.	Rockland
12	Anthony A. Abban	Rockland
12	Alfred R. Danehy	Rockland
13	Lawrence Thomas O'Neil Jr.	Rockland
15	Elizabeth Ann DeFelix	Rockland
15	Victor K. Pryles	Rockland
18	Richard E. Mitchell	Rockland
20	Mary L. Doyle	Rockland
20	Laurian M. Joyce	Rockland
21	Rose M. Barbuto	Weymouth
21	Ernest N. LaCombe	Abington
22	Richard N. Bowley	Rockland
25	Lillian A. Kabachus	Rockland
25	Kelly M. Molly	Rockland
29	Chester H. Pratt Jr.	Rockland
31	Charles F. Brunke	Rockland
31	Elva I. Flynn	Brockton

**April**

3	Marilyn Cory Barboza	Rockland
8	Rita M. Coffey	Rockland
8	Gordon A. Minnis	Rockland
10	Dorothy Hayes	Rockland
13	William H. White	Scituate
15	Eileen S. Curran	Rockland
16	Frederick S. Banden Jr.	Rockland
16	Elsa M. Gallinger	Pembroke
17	Elwyn C. Ferris	Whitman
22	Robert H. Bates	Whitman
27	Theodora Lutes	Rockland
28	Frederick Francis Dubois	Rockland
30	Roy T. Cavicchi	Rockland

**May**

4	Mark W. Hanson	Rockland
6	Randall R. Martin	Hingham
8	John M. Hanberry	Hanover
12	John A. King	Rockland
18	Alexander S. Barghout	Rockland
19	William M. Evans	Rockland
20	Dolores M. Giannetti	Weymouth
28	Craig X. McLay	Rockland
31	Georgette M. MacDonald	Abington

**June**

2	Eleanor Dunbar	Rockland
7	Josephine M. Meninno	Quincy
8	Charlotte A. Russo	Rockland
9	Mary E. Worth	Rockland
10	Dorothy M. O'Brien	Rockland
17	Lois M. Gonsalves	Rockland
17	Charles M. McGeoghegan	Rockland
17	Barbara Violet Mott	Rockland
19	George E. Briggs	Rockland
20	M. Ester Pettengill	Rockland
21	James J. Dearnley	Rockland
22	Francis Michael Mulready	Rockland
22	Albert John Novak	Weymouth
23	John Emilio Marengi	Rockland
26	Noel Margaret Osgood	Rockland
27	Marjorie R. Wise	Abington

**July**

2	Carole A. Cobb	Rockland
3	Helen Porcella	Rockland
3	Joseph Fielding Willard	Rockland
7	Kathleen M. Bradway	Rockland
17	Emory G. Ladner	Rockland
21	Mary A. Murphy	Rockland
22	Geraldine Cleary	Rockland
23	Jack J. Kosofsky	Quincy
23	Catharine Elizabeth Olive	Duxbury
23	Carole A. Tierney	Rockland
25	Arthur L. Cody	Rockland
25	John Arthur Calderwood	Rockland
25	Andrew J. Trozzi	Rockland
26	Diane L. Gresham	Rockland
30	Martha J. Jannotta	Pembroke

**August**

1	Henry J. Hunt	Rockland
1	Joseph A. McGillivray	Rockland
7	Elizabeth S. Smemo	Rockland
8	Maxine Ethel Benson	Rockland
12	Thomas F. Munroe	Rockland
13	Joseph Jefferson Holland Jr.	Rockland
13	Grace E. Treco	Abington
14	Catherine N. Paul	Abington
15	William Lewis	Rockland
22	Mary Ann Brubaker	Rockland
27	Charles John Panetsos	Scituate
30	William Earl Yetman	Weymouth

**September**

3	Rose L. Caplice	Rockland
3	Francis L. Jackson	Rockland
4	Eleanor M. Gray	Rockland
7	Mary D. Ross	Rockland
8	Thomas Joseph Teehan	Abington
10	Diane Carreiro	Rockland
15	Alfred Mariani	Rockland
19	Doris M. Higgins	Rockland
19	Peter M. Shoughrow	Rockland
21	William G. Doherty	Rockland
23	Julia M. Farrell	Rockland
27	Robert J. Berkeley	Rockland
27	Mark S. Egan	Rockland
29	Robert J. Wasielewski, Sr.	Rockland
30	Mohammed M. Hassan	Rockland

**October**

1	Rollin W. Bailey	Norwell
2	Lawrence P. Parnell Jr.	Rockland
2	John J. Tolan	Rockland
3	Mary Mahoney	Rockland
5	Albert J. Lyne	Rockland
6	Edna L. Flanagan	Rockland
8	George A.Z. Clark	Rockland
11	Warren John DiTocco, Sr.	Rockland
11	Myrtle O. Goode	Rockland
14	Judith Smedile	Rockland
16	Edna C. Berryman	Revere
16	Charles A. Sheputa	Rockland
18	Edward J. Morrison, Jr.	Rockland
21	Joseph E. Murphy	Abington
23	George MacDonald	Weymouth
24	Joan M. Adams	Rockland
24	Mark Lelyveld	Rockland
25	Dorothy E. Ramsey	Rockland
26	Mary Ann Cole	Rockland
27	Geraldine R. Peterson	Rockland
29	Frederick A. Bicknell	Abington
29	Raymond R. Binder	Rockland
30	Kirk Sayian	Rockland

**November**

1	Mildred E. Gilmore	Rockland
2	Doris L. Cashman	Rockland
4	John C. Allo	Rockland
4	Richard E. Deal	Rockland
9	Daniel O. Mohoney	Marion
9	Barbara J. Roberts	Rockland

10	Aubrey L. Bollin, Sr.	Rockland
14	Rita M. Henderson	Rockland
17	Agnes Rose Daley	Rockland
21	Rose A. Darmetko	Rockland
22	George M. Foster	Rockland
25	Richard Vargus	Rockland
30	John F. Crowley Jr.	Rockland

**December**

1	Helen B. Eutemey	Rockland
1	David O'Leary	Rockland
7	Laura V. Fleming	Rockland
9	John Gerard Hickey	Rockland
12	Anna Bottazzi	Rockland
12	Loretta J. O'Sullivan	Rockland
16	Robert J. Martin	Pembroke
18	Rosemary Bulger	Rockland
19	Veronica E. Najarian	Rockland
21	Ann M. Howland	Rockland
23	Mary R. Talbot	Rockland
25	Frank G. Bono	Rockland
25	Jacob Tagger	Rockland
27	Ellen M. Gibbs	Rockland
29	Hazel P. Ennis	Rockland
29	George S. Wheeler, II	Rockland
30	Laura Jean Fitzgerald	Rockland

## VITAL STATISTICS REPORT

	*2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Births	220	198	215	225	219
Marriages	98	94	95	105	94
Deaths	188	209	191	195	178

\* Incomplete Returns

### DOG LICENSES

Number of Licenses sold.....	700
Total amount collected	\$5,533.00
Fees	524.25
Paid to Town Treasurer	\$5,008.75

### FISH & WILDLIFE LICENSES

Number of Licenses sold.....	237
(including stamps)	
Total Amount Collected.....	\$4,556.00
Fees .....	219.75
Paid to Comm. of Massachusetts .....	\$4,336.25

### REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

2007

Registered Voters January 1, 2007.....	10,326
Registered Voters December 31, 2007.....	11,186

### ENROLLMENT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2007

#### POLITICAL PARTIES

Democrats	3,266
Republicans	1,194
Green-Rainbow	6
Working Families	12
Unenrolled	6,638

#### POLITICAL DESIGNATIONS

America First Party	1
American Independent	1
Inter. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party	15
Libertarian Party	49
Reform Party	3
Veteran Party America	1
TOTAL	11,186

## **INFORMATION ON VOTER REGISTRATION**

Residents must be 18 years of age or older, born in the United States, or be a Naturalized citizen.

Once registered, residents do not have to re-register unless they have left Rockland and have been taken off the voting list. If they return to Rockland, they must re-register.

There are no residency requirements. You may move into Town one day and register to vote the next day.

**There are 2 political parties in Massachusetts: Democratic and Republican Party.**

In addition to the political parties there are political designations. If you enroll in any political designation you may not vote in any state or presidential primary.

## **INFORMATION ON VOTER REGISTRATION**

### **CLOSING DATES BEFORE MEETINGS & ELECTIONS**

Special town meetings: No later than 8:00 p.m. on the tenth day preceding such meeting.

Every state or town election or town meeting: No later than 8:00 p.m. on the twentieth day preceding such election or town meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Ceurvels  
Teresa R. Dow  
Randalin S. Ralston  
Mary Pat Kaszanek  
BOARD OF REGISTRARS

## TOWN TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Rockland:

I hereby submit my report as Town Treasurer for year 2007

### CASH RECEIPTS JULY 2006

**\$10095961.52**

	Monthly Receipts	Disbursements
Jul-06	\$7777459.11	\$6046634.40
Aug	\$3348358.13	\$5069045.88
Sept	\$5174912.60	\$4121944.14
Oct	\$5787906.21	\$4437280.59
Nov	\$2647402.09	\$4627318.68
Dec	\$5120264.27	\$5782382.56
Jan-06	\$6115453.30	\$4085465.13
Feb	\$2797068.17	\$4175911.81
Mar	\$5957217.94	\$5280337.51
Apr	\$5759419.33	\$4642636.94
May	\$3202045.50	\$5571545.00
June	\$5683419.78	\$6176971.55

Total cash receipts less disbursements:

**30-Jun-07**

**\$59370926.43**

**\$60017474.19**

Balance cash receipts 6/30/2007

**\$9449413.76**

Statement of Accounts 6/30/2007

Balance cash receipts 6/30/2007

\$9449413.76

Warrants dated 7/1/2007 paid 6/30/2007

-2387314.78

Statement of Accounts 6/30/2007

7062098.98

Tax Title:

Bal FWD 7/1/06

\$272604.67

Taxes added to Tax Title:

\$156236.29

less payments

-73194.28

payments and redemptions

voids

transferred to tax possession

Bal 6/30/2007

\$355646.68

Trust Funds: 6/30/2007

School Scholarships

\$693758.02

Perpetual care lots

\$87272.39

Grace bequest tree fund

\$7898.69

I would like to thank Jane Sforza and Donna Shortall for another year of hard work and dedication throughout the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, all the town departments that we work with and the Citizens of Rockland for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sepeck  
Treasurer

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND – YTD GROSS 2007 (ALL)**

NAME	YTD GROSS		
		Cirigliano, Eric	700.00
Aitken, Richard	46,456.58	Clark, Lisa C	57,932.61
Alongi, Raymond C	17,680.00	Clearo, William E	55,358.64
Araujo, Henrique	320.00	Coache, David H	960.00
Ashton, Barry	126,383.60	Coakley, Brian P	92,607.88
Austin, Marie	4,400.00	Cooper, Matthew	1,660.00
Ayube, Vincent S	845.63	Corn, Chrstine	320.00
Bailey, Victoria	320.00	Corvi Jr, Robert	60,888.80
Baker, Richard	102,875.40	Coulstring, Susan	2,151.00
Baker, Robert	50,670.08	Craig, Cassandra	579.38
Banfill, Adam Roger	1,300.00	Cranshaw, Brian L	820.00
Banks, Dianne L	4,400.00	Crawford, Matthew S	933.75
Banks, Gregory	215.00	Cronin, Kathleen	185.00
Barros, Brett M	320.00	Cunningham, Joseph G	320.00
Beasley, Cathleen M	4,542.72	Curran, Robert P	1,770.00
Beatrice, Christopher	150.00	Daly, Timothy	2,680.00
Billings, Douglas N	31,224.67	Decourcy, David J	54,222.90
Bonardi, Lois	110.00	Deibel, Victoria T	700.00
Borges, Beverly A	11,073.09	Delprete, Daniel G	84,631.15
Bowles, Jane E	350.00	Delprete, Wayne	82,858.65
Bradford, Marlys L	4,050.00	Direnzo, Candace	3,285.00
Briggs, Joseph M	640.00	Direnzo, Jeffrey A	13,702.88
Briggs, Kevin J	8,620.00	Direnzo, John A	56,621.76
Brockmeir, Michael	160.00	Ditocco, Mark J	82,637.00
Brown, Beverly C	59,659.21	Dolan, James W	450.00
Brown, Kristen	380.00	Donnelly Jr, Paul D	88,976.99
Brundige, Sean D	78,632.30	Donnelly, June	39,029.07
Bryan, Margaret	42,184.06	Donovan, Dennis	83,651.29
Buiel, Joseph L	84,528.73	Dooley, Paul F	50,823.06
Burrill, Bette L	39,559.08	Dooner, Donald	1,977.92
Butka, Melissa	18,618.49	Dooner, Kyle	946.00
Byers Jr, Michael D	69,617.04	Dow, Teresa R	750.00
Callahan, Ann M	1,880.00	Draper, Matthew R	640.00
Callahan, Daniel F	82,367.79	Dudek, Thomas A	59,137.16
Callahan, Daniel W	160.00	Duffey, Scott F	108,547.28
Callahan, Kimberly A	499.38	Duhaine, Richard J	101,122.55
Callahan, Nancy	135.00	Dunlap, Seth A	1,520.00
Cameron, Kristel J	64,372.92	Eramo Jr, Richard A	18,107.42
Campanile, Raymond	641.66	Eramo, Gerard	85,944.11
Campbell, Ralph E	640.00	Eramo, Justin D	3,660.00
Cann, Donald J	275.00	Erickson, Craig	91,477.95
Casper, James E	61,941.46	Esposito III, Gerald F	525.00
Ceurvels, Mary Ann	750.00	Esposito Jr, Joseph F	2,800.00
Chaffee, Lawrence	500.02	Everett, Ronald A	60,109.97
Chapin, Timothy	320.00	Everett, Wayne M	41,592.04
Chernicki, Peter M	73,684.97	Ewell, Peter	60,170.49
Childs, Cynda	9,344.78	Ferguson, William A	89,025.42

Fitzgerald, Thomas J	320.00	Hindy, Christopher	46,124.32
Fitzpatrick, James	73,121.75	Horsch, William	135.00
Flannery, Brad T	44,921.62	Hurley, John	93,008.58
Flipp, Delshaune	17,557.53	Hussey Jr., Donald	101,716.68
Fogg Jr, John N	960.00	Hussey, Richard M	4,680.00
Foley, Eric	160.00	Hussey, Robert W	63,283.90
Foley, Martin F	3,260.00	Jackson, Wayne	87,275.34
Fotopoulos, Gloria	135.00	Jonah, Timothy J	4,187.52
Furlong, Carole	10.00	Kaszanek, Mary P	58,591.85
Furlong, Celine A	50.00	Kelly, Christine J	110.00
Furlong, Richard T	87,019.16	Kelly, Mary A	110.00
Furlong, Thomas	10.00	Ketterer, Judy	2,310.75
Gabriel, Elliot	320.00	Kilgour, Mark	960.00
Gabriel, Mark	320.00	Killinger, James F	440.00
Gallagher, Kevin M	33,412.14	Kimball, Charles V	125.00
Gamble, Scott	160.00	King, Stephen M	77,773.25
Gannon, John	13,402.98	Kingston, Lauren A	2,300.00
Gardner, Mark S	150.00	Kirby, Jennifer	297.00
Gatulis, Ann M	19,304.46	Kirslis, Erika L	754.76
Gay, Mary Ann	500.00	Kozak, Michael H	2,100.00
Gay, Mary E	1,946.08	Langill, David T	4,844.64
Gay, Richard	254.00	Lapointe, Joseph M	61,933.67
Geddry, David	62,730.14	Laurence, Bobbe	160.00
George, David	4,352.00	Leary, Colleen E	477.75
Giacchetti, Jaclyn M	378.00	Leonardi-Smith, Cora	110.00
Gianatassio, Jeanne	44,448.50	Lincoln, John A	72,464.94
Giannini Jr, Albert	60,671.16	Llewellyn, John	112,905.04
Gibbons, Joseph A	64,879.74	Llewellyn, Susan J	68,577.32
Gilcoine, Nancy	9,843.72	Long, Jane E	30,868.13
Glass, Tammie	4,761.00	Long, Marilyn	2,501.64
Golemme, David	75.00	Loranger, Stephen	1,720.00
Golemme, Karianne J	4,950.00	Loring, James M	320.00
Griffin, Philip E	320.00	Loughlin, John F	63,742.14
Guerrette, Karen	42,894.60	Low, William T	791.67
Hall, Amanda M	51,882.82	MacDonald, Charles E	43,012.62
Hall, Elizabeth M	180.00	MacDonald, Robert D	32,336.03
Hall, Joanne E	54,169.60	MacDonald, Thomas W	81,330.03
Hall, Robin	19,501.93	Maguire, Gary	3,075.00
Halliday, Patricia	700.00	Maguire, Mark F	150.00
Hannigan, Thomas	641.67	Mahoney, Matthew	80.00
Harrington, Ann E	135.00	Mahoney, Michael	1,676.27
Hart, Eric A	75,160.67	Mahoney, Paula	125.00
Heaney, Thomas L	86,002.01	Mahoney, Robert F	150.00
Heffernan, Faith T	135.00	Malafrente, Victor	42,891.97
Henderson, Thomas J	75,502.51	Manning, Teresa A	31,931.07
Hennessy, Paul C	45,282.71	Margolis, Scott H	93,170.22
Hickey, David A	320.00	Mariani, Ashley	96.00
Hickey, Matthew	1,560.00	Mariani, Marie A	496.00
Higgins, John	43,476.54	Marsolais Jr., Eugene P	320.00

Materna, Anton F	42,726.88	Oman, Jonathan R	640.00
McCarthy, Maureen	210.00	Oshry, Marc	101,092.93
McCarthy, David	175.00	Pappaceno, Brian J	48,689.48
McCarthy, Janice R W	56,380.25	Parker, Elizabeth A	43,619.56
McClure, Diane E	34,491.39	Parsons, Mary A	500.02
McCormack, William M	5,384.20	Paul Jr, James R	11,374.75
McCraith, John J	4,548.38	Peterson, Eric S	91,893.87
McDermott, Peter	18,432.88	Petrucci, Christopher	320.00
McDonald, Brian J	40,821.12	Phelps, Edward	90,806.39
McEnelly, Margaret E	110.00	Pierre, Hilaire V	640.00
McGarry, William	187.50	Pigeon, Gregory A	90,161.73
McGuinness, Christine J	34,163.55	Plante, Bradley A	87,199.00
McGuinness, Leanne T	31,774.67	Post, Peter	19,869.05
McKinnon, James	525.00	Poulin, Jacob N	320.00
McMahon, Michael D	320.00	Powers, Sean E	320.00
McPhee, Alan W	1,974.82	Pratt Jr., Charles	1,865.56
McPherson, Charles J	135.00	Pratt, Keven D	288.77
McPherson, Margaret M	110.00	Pratt, Lynne C	34,063.30
McVeigh, Emily M	15,737.33	Pratt, Ryan Leo	90.75
Mellen, Jessica E	2,217.50	Ralston, Randalin S	41,445.42
Mellen, Kimberly	637.50	Ralston, Scott	125.00
Mellen, Rebecca	1,666.90	Rice, Robert W	700.00
Miller III, Roger L	760.00	Richardi, Francis A	61,577.65
Miller, Darrell	920.00	Riordan, Thomas J	45,462.35
Miller, Rosemary M	12,887.58	Rogers Jr., Joseph H	12,457.60
Miller, Sherrie L	380.00	Rogerson, L'Oren	1,782.00
Miller, Winnifred	34,611.05	Rovelto, William O	1,660.00
Montalbano, John J	70,237.60	Royal, Thomas E	101,372.58
Montalvo, Corinne	4,554.76	Royal, William T	75,973.67
Moriarty, John E	320.00	Ruble, Thomas E	43,546.59
Morton, Crissa	1,976.26	Ryan, Mary P	45,790.40
Mullen, Michael	89,527.83	Ryan-Murray, Pamela J	96.00
Murphy, Daniel P	49,714.45	Salvati, Linda	27,060.30
Murphy, Dolores S	2,496.86	Salvucci Jr, Daniel A	320.00
Murphy, Eleanor L	12,825.00	Sammon, J. Michael	104,550.21
Murphy, Helen	36,389.80	Sammon, John J	98,454.13
Murrill, Thomas	352.00	Sammon, Stephen P	101,272.21
Nelson, Stephen B	700.00	Sanger, Lisbet Freyja	21,140.71
Newcomb Jr, Reginald	150.00	Savicke, Steven	1,000.00
Newcomb, Debra	20,791.66	Sawaya, James J	11,134.75
Norton, Patrick J	65,266.19	Schnabel, Ethan L	57,322.56
Novio, Richard M	83,393.40	Schneider, Ellin M	26,583.59
O'Brien, Deborah A	4,003.09	Schultz, GERALYN	27,546.13
O'Brien, Kevin P	320.00	Schwenderman, James L	47,388.89
O'Brien, Paul J	380.00	Schwenderman, Susan E	32,085.75
O'Brien-McKinnon, Kelli	288.77	Sciara, John F	96,541.78
O'Connor Jr., John T	91,189.13	Sepeck, Erik M	45,704.52
O'Connor, Jan	144.00	Sepeck, Karen M	59,331.75
Odea, Edward	83,883.64	Sepeck, Mark	43,135.72

Sforza, Jane B	40,965.71	Togo, Sheila W	50.00
Shallies, William	79,302.74	Tolan, Peter	200.00
Shaul, Richard W	380.00	Tracy, Michael P	87,622.79
Sheehan, Kelleigh	1,906.14	Tweed, Jeanne A	135.00
Shortall, Betty F	110.00	Valanzola, Louis U	500.02
Shortall, Donna M	31,378.15	Vielkind, Patrick D	1,674.50
Shortall, Lee	100.00	Viglas, Thomas A	30,004.57
Simmons, Walter	525.00	Waisgerber, Mary L	135.00
Simpson III, James F	70,398.43	Waletkus, Alan E	320.00
Simpson Jr., James	211.25	Walling, Judith E	1,565.14
Simpson, Beverly A	29,322.17	Walsh, Elizabeth A	981.97
Smith, Harvey	525.00	Walsh, Michael	212.50
Smith, Jillene	525.00	Walsh-O'Connor, Marcie B	2,478.77
Snow, Jullian C	110.00	Welch, Richard E	28,177.51
Somers, Richard L	67,624.72	Welch, Rodney	114,023.33
Somers, Steven P	88,423.27	Welch, Ryan A	918.13
Souza, Paul	2,280.00	Wentworth, John A	90,887.02
Spaulding, John	9,103.89	Whitman, Robert C	915.00
Spear, Tristen L	2,325.00	Whittemore, Patricia	38,358.25
Stewart, Catherine A	86.74	Williams III, Charles O	92,681.33
Stewart, Jill	33,304.87	Williams, Kenneth	372.90
Stewart, Mary	41,300.84	Wilson, Dwayne K	160.00
Stewart, William E	14,633.33	Wooley, David L	94,958.33
Strobel, Cara	2,003.88	Wotton, Samuel	1,600.13
Sullivan, Francis M	440.00	Young, Mary E	135.00
Sullivan, Glenn	56,403.51	Zeoli, Nicholas P	121,081.41
Sullivan, Joshua N	80.00	Zielinski, Joseph	76,003.63
Tanzi Jr, Ralph J	60,856.38	Zupkofska, Michael	211.25
Tanzi, Sossio	53,721.09		Count
Taylor, Philip	362.50	347	\$9,400,682.37

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT NAME	YTD 2007 gross		
		Buckley, Margaret	\$80,702.77
		Bulens, Kathleen I	\$28,714.19
Adamo, Dorothy	\$11,061.73	Buote, Kelli	\$2,108.00
Adams, Marcia	\$61,958.27	Burke, Catherine	\$14,140.39
Allen, Carol A	\$16,650.13	Burke, Gale	\$60,208.27
Anders, Cynthia	\$63,058.27	Burke, Patricia	\$7,100.35
Anderson, Virginia	\$63,738.39	Burley, Nancy	\$70,855.82
Armstrong, Angelina	\$14,007.78	Burnieika, Christopher	\$6,278.00
Armstrong, Karen A	\$38,337.00	Burns, Maryann	\$18,965.90
Bailey, Alanna	\$80,691.66	Burrill, Carol L	\$47,104.21
Bailey, Thomas	\$5,068.00	Burrill-Olson, Alicia	\$13,199.09
Baker, Karen	\$11,640.59	Burwen, Russell	\$46,822.20
Balas, Joan	\$12,073.70	Cable-Murphy, David	\$69,514.36
Barrett, Christine	\$6,383.40	Cahill, Carol	\$44,878.69
Barrett, Maureen	\$60,208.27	Caldeira, Robert	\$15,979.50
Barry, Janet	\$13,251.89	Caliri, Emelia	\$43,379.69
Beal, Patricia	\$63,458.27	Callahan, Patrick	\$44,140.00
Beaucaire, Deborah	\$1,975.00	Camirand, Marian	\$37,834.66
Beaudet, Elizabeth	\$3,191.47	Cann, Janet	\$73,851.04
Bell, Stephen	\$69,249.87	Canney, Judith	\$10,450.75
Bellino, Leonard	\$70.00	Caplice, Donna	\$38,330.73
Benson, Margaret	\$14,043.51	Capone, Steven	\$1,770.00
Bigsby, Chad	\$46,822.20	Carchedi, Debra	\$420.00
Bissonnette, Michele	\$68,039.26	Carey, Mara	\$64,955.19
Bistany, Pamela	\$8,967.92	Caristi, Marya	\$5,132.00
Black, Margaret	\$70,907.55	Caron, Catherine Riley	\$2,552.99
Bogus, Margaret A	\$63,194.27	Carson, Dennis	\$28,925.47
Bohn, Elizabeth	\$89,354.36	Cary, Neil	\$11,496.97
Bois, Ann	\$5,195.60	Casagrande, James	\$68,630.32
Bonardi, Sarah	\$420.00	Casagrande, Patricia	\$62,288.27
Boughter, Beverly A.	\$14,971.54	Casagrande, Steven	\$61,982.48
Boylan, Connie L	\$15,226.52	Casey, Lee A	\$15,925.39
Boyle, Patricia	\$17,583.71	Casper, James	\$640.00
Bradford, Laura	\$70.00	Catino, Andrew	\$42,388.07
Bradford, Marlys	\$15,379.02	Cawley, Patricia	\$11,723.17
Brennan, Cheryl	\$15,086.41	Cerri, Barbara	\$3,128.00
Brennan, Dianne	\$15,405.64	Clark, Maureen	\$15,175.02
Brickley, Carol A	\$61,958.27	Clay, Diana H	\$63,599.08
Brown, Jo-Ellen	\$140.00	Coakley, Brian	\$160.00
Brown, Paula	\$29,977.38	Cobbett, Evelyn	\$16,010.74
Brown, Timothy	\$6,474.00	Cobbett, Samantha	\$2,170.00
Brownell, Denise	\$11,602.76	Cobis, Christine	\$630.00
Brownell, Maxwell	\$2,688.75	Coen, Helen M	\$68,694.26

Cole, Jennifer	\$4,137.84	DelPrete, Christine	\$3,272.88
Collins, Kristin	\$42,946.92	Delprete, Carol	\$47,377.00
Collins, Matthew	\$210.00	DiCienzo, Denise	\$5,192.93
Collins, Sarah	\$33,644.92	DiGregorio, Beverly	\$46,689.49
Collins, Stephanie	\$12,669.12	Doe, Sandra	\$5,358.75
Comeau, Philip	\$1,492.50	Doering, Edna Rose	\$26,718.25
Concannon, Maryellen	\$12,455.97	Doig, George	\$630.00
Condon, Helen M	\$1,100.00	Donahoe, Phyliss	\$3,200.41
Connell, Deborah	\$16,218.31	Dondero, Marie T	\$67,669.19
Contrino, Debra	\$2,917.00	Donnelly, Paul	\$160.00
Cook, Janet	\$65,499.99	Dowdall, Sandra	\$17,929.63
Corbett, Katharine J	\$66,132.59	Doyle, Theresa	\$12,097.78
Corr, Diane	\$79,511.95	Dressler, Eugene	\$56,235.42
Costello, Joan Foley	\$53,258.19	Duffey, Karen	\$61,448.68
Coulstring, Patricia	\$17,325.02	Duncan, Diane	\$10,909.55
Coulstring, Susan	\$4,144.00	Dunin, Heather A.	\$48,778.25
Cousin, Joann	\$12,425.81	Dunn, Anne Marie	\$67,789.16
Cowgill, Angeline	\$60,486.04	Dunn, Carla	\$10,309.58
Craig, Kathleen M	\$10,921.75	Dunn, Colleen	\$980.00
Crane, Karen	\$3,686.00	Dunn, Kenneth	\$62,542.51
Crawford, Elizabeth	\$3,156.96	Dunn, Mary	\$46,674.97
Crawford, Joanne	\$275.40	Dupont, Laurie	\$24,456.87
Credon, Denise	\$20,378.34	Duquette, Sue-Ellen	\$38,979.02
Cristoforo, Nicole	\$840.00	Duross, Lynda	\$25,651.46
Cronin, Kathleen A	\$43,393.96	Dutra, Lisa	\$6,720.25
Crooks, Diane M.	\$18,670.16	Elfman, Brenda	\$64,819.19
Crovo, Peter	\$43,539.74	Ellis Berry, Kathryn	\$5,991.00
Crowe, Sheila	\$2,001.00	Ellis, Jane	\$43,057.00
Cucinotta, Joseph	\$70,738.85	Ellis, Tamao Buffalo	\$638.00
Cullinan, Timothy J	\$85,789.50	Enos, Glen E	\$72,069.19
Curley, Caitlyn	\$15,559.92	Eramo, Justin	\$18,759.17
Curran, Denise	\$19,319.11	Ernest, Patricia	\$7,103.34
Curtin, Karen	\$910.00	Ewell, Catherine	\$10,324.71
Cusick, Judith	\$57,407.67	Ewell, Kathryn	\$1,149.00
Damon II, Fredrick E	\$94,737.39	Ewell, Peter	\$1,118.00
Damon, Frances	\$44,012.00	Fallon, Kathleen	\$490.00
Davenport, Crystallyn	\$3,172.50	Fallon, Patricia	\$56,074.24
Davidson, Denise	\$51,271.01	Farley, Amy	\$30,571.09
DeLong, Joshua	\$3,225.00	Farrell, Susan	\$2,500.00
Deacon, Jean E	\$16,515.39	Faulstich, Jill	\$4,874.74
Dearth, Gail	\$6,170.38	Fee, Miriam	\$9,918.75
Decourcy, David J	\$346.00	Feinstein, Brenda	\$20,566.34
DelPrete, Brenda	\$12,836.12	Fernandes, Hope	\$86,117.88

Ferris, Jillian	\$6,370.00	Gunning, Leah	\$2,162.09
Ferris, Lindsey	\$0.00	Haapaoja, Joyce	\$18,106.66
Ferry, Kathleen	\$51,815.28	Hafner, Eric	\$59,013.41
Fiore, Jayne	\$11,328.00	Haggerty, Michael	\$42,524.91
Flanagan, James	\$56,822.77	Hall, Judith	\$2,690.10
Flanagan, Mary T	\$81,470.43	Hamilton, Elizabeth	\$10,477.56
Flanders, Anne	\$23,128.94	Hanlon, Marie	\$280.00
Foley, Maryann	\$5,596.00	Hannigan, Dale	\$12,176.35
Folino, Steve	\$3,234.00	Hannon, Deborah	\$140.00
Folsom, Brenda	\$71,390.20	Hanrahan, Dorothy E	\$8,835.25
Folsom, Jacquelyn	\$1,087.50	Hansen, Susan W.	\$68,205.19
Foresta, Deborah	\$70,505.93	Harden, Matthew	\$24,363.34
Forlizzi, Colleen	\$61,989.07	Hardigan, Patrick	\$2,197.50
Fournier, Barbara A	\$12,854.74	Harris, Christine	\$47,496.96
Franzen, Deborah	\$67,074.02	Harris, Ellen F	\$63,458.27
Frates, Janice	\$44,510.00	Hayes, Diane	\$65,732.59
Fredericks, Richard	\$19,433.00	Heney, Lori	\$10,123.94
Gallagher, Kevin	\$3,739.84	Hicks, Catherine	\$18,050.50
Gammon, William	\$4,896.00	Higgins, Joy	\$43,427.69
Garden, Diane	\$268.50	Hnatkovich, Tonia	\$980.00
Garofalo, Anthony	\$2,430.00	Hocking, Carol	\$37,175.02
Garofalo, Michael	\$910.00	Hocking, Judith	\$1,592.87
Garrity, Kathleen	\$6,073.37	Hoffman, Kathy Anne	\$63,775.76
Garvey, Claire	\$43,807.00	Hogan, Deborah	\$43,915.12
Gattine, Richard	\$70,164.69	Hogan, Ernest	\$4,670.00
Gatulis, Ann M	\$19,245.00	Hologitas, Sara	\$25,011.51
Gay, Mary Ann	\$6,010.68	Houston, Laure	\$17,082.61
Gay, Mary Elizabeth	\$45.00	Hoyo, Samantha	\$62,731.07
Gay, Richard	\$44,655.75	Hughes, Steven	\$71,316.68
George, Jamie	\$55,541.64	Hurley, John	\$480.00
Gibson, Sandra	\$75,922.77	Jackson, Doris	\$15,400.74
Glikman, Alexis	\$13,627.63	Jacobs, Adam	\$630.00
Goldman, Carol	\$11,339.72	Johnson, Craig	\$59,437.45
Golemme, David	\$46,078.90	Johnson, Kimberly	\$4,954.72
Golemme, Geraldine	\$17,776.45	Kane, Dawn	\$1,683.95
Grass, Catherine	\$26,344.24	Keene, Kerry	\$18,978.75
Grattan, Nancy	\$68,800.52	Kelley, Robin	\$68,711.45
Graziano, Gary	\$90,664.34	Kelliher, Kerri	\$40,140.53
Green, Karen	\$46,708.82	Kelly, John C.	\$39,914.83
Greene, Maureen	\$46,103.20	Kelly, Kelly Ann	\$25,144.02
Grieves, Marcia	\$66,532.59	Kelly, Paul	\$21,908.06
Griffin, Linda	\$1,500.00	Kemenes, Carol A	\$67,945.44
Grimmett, Randal	\$89,533.40	Kerrigan, James	\$169,113.95

Kerrigan, Paul	\$19,766.00	Linehan, Jessica	\$59,498.54
Ketterer, Judy Ann	\$13,171.45	Liquori, Nicholas	\$40,225.28
Kidd, Emily	\$50,786.16	Llewellyn, Susan	\$416.00
Kilgallen, Catherine	\$15,615.61	Logan, Angela	\$3,080.00
Killinger, Jan Marie	\$60,208.27	Lombardi, Sandra	\$54,931.60
Kimball, Dawn	\$2,802.00	Lonergan, Susan	\$68,394.44
Kimball, Matthew	\$70.00	Long, Ellen	\$8,290.93
King, April	\$40,140.53	Looney, Shannon	\$67,714.19
Kirby, Jennifer	\$480.00	Lords, Scott	\$54,018.48
Kirslis, Joyce	\$10,366.88	Losciuto, Ruth A.	\$67,895.19
Kline, Paula	\$52,630.18	Loughlin, Doreen	\$12,952.73
Knight, Ashley	\$634.50	Low, Donna	\$6,609.48
Knight, Catherine	\$12,545.88	Lund, Elaine	\$202.50
Knobel, Mary	\$41,243.51	Lyon Murphy, Edith J	\$15,120.40
Kohn, Gerald	\$26,180.00	MacAllister, Richard	\$38,644.28
Korszeniewski, James	\$56,974.01	MacDonald, Christina	\$17,723.14
Krajewski, Jessica	\$38,445.28	MacDonald, Heather	\$35,820.58
Labollita, Barbara	\$57,146.48	MacDonald, John	\$750.00
Lacombe, Janet M	\$39,481.00	MacDonald, Kimberly	\$280.00
Lamb, Donna	\$43,143.40	MacDonald, Thomas	\$320.00
Lamlein, Kerry Morast	\$57,401.14	MacKenzie, Kaitlin	\$770.00
Lampert, Paula	\$7,844.05	Macquarrie, Catherine	\$13,059.67
Langill, David	\$31,848.45	Mahon, Lois A	\$15,738.40
Langley, Patricia	\$14,413.85	Mahoney, Diane	\$12,912.88
Lannin-Cotton, Madeline	\$72,625.03	Mahoney, Paula	\$41,091.50
Lavertue, Kathryn	\$18,501.54	Mahoney, Robert	\$3,655.00
Lavertue, Kenneth	\$2,850.00	Maloney, Jean	\$11,350.34
Learning, Melinda	\$69,020.38	Marciante, Sheree	\$70.00
Leary, Michael	\$3,000.00	Margolis, Julie	\$140.00
Leary, Robert L	\$68,555.47	Margolis, Scott	\$420.00
Leary, Tracey	\$70.00	Mariano, Laurie	\$67,639.26
Leavitt, Janet	\$22,802.93	Mark, Jean	\$65,818.35
Leblanc, Angela	\$21,167.07	Martin, Barbara	\$1,730.75
Leclair, Alicia	\$17,836.00	McCarthy, David	\$46,075.09
Leeman, Dorothy	\$4,222.77	McDermott, Christine	\$3,133.54
Lelyveld, Susan	\$420.00	McDonald, Charles	\$57,128.60
Lenihan, Deirdre	\$1,431.00	McDonald, Matthew	\$4,200.00
Lent Beldotti, Jodi	\$8,288.00	McDonnell, Julie	\$55,547.94
Leone, Re	\$7,420.00	McDonough, Amanda	\$54,143.26
Lester, Steven	\$72,383.58	McDonough, Anita	\$5,001.58
Leverone, Charles	\$3,206.00	McFarland, Linda	\$65,249.08
Levine, Beverly	\$71,898.47	McFarlin, Donna	\$195.75
Levine, Robert	\$25,021.00	McGarry, Shani	\$10,529.17

McGarry, William	\$44,284.41	Netto, Patricia	\$57,146.48
McGonnigal, Sharon	\$82,107.94	Nichols, Sherrie	\$7,027.00
McGrath, Carol	\$89,805.36	Nigro, Laurie	\$210.00
McKinnon, Donna	\$8,881.07	Novio, Richard	\$480.00
McNamara, Lisa	\$63,058.27	O'Brien, Kathleen	\$66,569.19
McSharry, Carol	\$9,213.50	O'Brien, Shirley	\$34,220.70
McSharry, Lauren	\$840.00	O'Connell, Joanne M.	\$66,532.59
McSharry, Leah	\$3,653.20	O'Donnell, George	\$63,623.27
McSolla, Dorothy	\$11,291.69	O'Duggan, Erin	\$32,981.68
McVay, Sheila M	\$1,750.00	O'Haire, Maureen	\$22.50
Meisterman, Elissa	\$38,372.91	O'Rourke, Sarah	\$11,313.73
Mellen, Nancy	\$12,267.41	Okola, Catherine L.	\$63,532.59
Mellor, Jane	\$1,009.25	Olson, Curt	\$46,166.80
Merten Fleming, Patricia A	\$66,123.27	Orzechowska, Agata	\$21,033.40
Merzon, Jennifer	\$1,330.00	Osborne, Elizabeth	\$67,669.19
Messier, Daniel	\$2,625.00	Owen, Kenneth S	\$74,167.08
Messier, Karen	\$16,308.30	Pacheco, Joan W	\$82,199.21
Mignacca, Kathleen	\$20,942.50	Page, Jean M	\$37,835.02
Miklos, Mary	\$72,491.59	Panaro, Urban	\$10,543.25
Millen, Margaret	\$2,375.61	Paradiso, Michael	\$43,702.13
Miller, Alicia	\$50,290.20	Parker, Barry R	\$63,223.27
Miller, Patricia	\$41,405.00	Parnaby, Hillary	\$15,613.27
Minahan, Julie	\$40,469.03	Patton, James L	\$83,619.27
Minton, Aaron	\$19,283.58	Patton, Susan D	\$96,113.92
Mitchell, Amanda	\$850.80	Paulding, Kathleen A.	\$70,336.86
Mitchell, Diane	\$35,526.04	Paulding, Kathleen B.	\$2,940.00
Mitchell, Lynda	\$7,551.20	Paylor, Paula	\$68,839.26
Mondville, Sharon	\$14,926.39	Pelissier, Paula A	\$68,315.91
Moscardelli, Theresa	\$840.00	Pelrin, Karen M	\$16,459.62
Mulholland, Martha	\$4,480.00	Perfetuo, Jill	\$210.00
Mullaney, Joan	\$61,958.27	Perkins, Jeffrey E	\$66,324.47
Mulready, Valerie	\$65,549.28	Phelps, Ann	\$2,338.50
Murphy, Eleanor	\$2,029.35	Phelps, Edward	\$800.00
Murphy, Jaime	\$490.00	Phelps, Susan	\$64,819.19
Murphy, Lori	\$3,805.95	Phillips, Lorna	\$71,505.93
Murphy, Mary	\$16,607.28	Pierce, Joann D	\$68,582.38
Murphy, Robert	\$75,309.79	Pistorino, Mary	\$44,605.32
Murphy, Susan	\$13,644.27	Placente, Dorothy	\$14,125.73
Murray, Roberta	\$70.00	Pratt, Ryan	\$2,775.00
Myers, Edmund	\$5,791.50	Reale, Kelley	\$15,355.00
Najarian, Paul	\$490.00	Reed, Andrew	\$2,400.00
Naughton, John	\$910.00	Regan, Joanne	\$7,945.48
Nee, Karen	\$46,822.20	Reinbold, Elisa	\$66,569.19

Reppucci, JoAnna	\$48,645.60	Sforza, Angela	\$22.50
Retchless, John	\$56,545.34	Shea, Brian	\$73,676.93
Reyno, Paula	\$14,760.34	Shea, Joseph	\$1,050.00
Reynolds, Meemee	\$42,198.92	Shea, Mary	\$60,907.60
Ricciarelli, Joanne	\$5,012.71	Sheehan, Janice L.	\$49,038.45
Riccio, Leanne	\$24,469.70	Sheehan, Kelleigh	\$140.00
Richardson, Jean	\$24,757.50	Sheehan, Matthew	\$8,946.00
Richardson, Susan	\$25,552.39	Sheridan, Pamela	\$31,529.43
Roback, Jennifer	\$43,982.03	Shuman, Samantha	\$4,872.82
Rogers Jr., Joseph	\$2,111.20	Simmons, Susan	\$11,188.94
Rogers, Diane	\$19,704.34	Simpson III, James	\$480.00
Rogers, Stella	\$2,520.00	Skarbek, Edward	\$73,441.87
Rose, Edward	\$49,492.61	Smith, Brenda	\$14,227.99
Ross, Ann Marie	\$24,437.50	Smith, Christine	\$12,174.94
Rossiter, Deborah	\$12,932.28	Smith, Deborah A	\$11,535.75
Rowe, Gregory	\$65,309.48	Smith, Jennifer	\$43,874.42
Rugnetta, Michelle	\$16,770.45	Smith, Nancy	\$31,257.16
Runci, Patrick	\$44,769.60	Smith, Richard	\$46,569.42
Rusconi, Teresa	\$64,819.19	Smith-Taylor, Deborah E	\$69,247.59
Russo, Elizabeth A	\$71,108.64	Snyder, Anne	\$10,141.00
Russo, Helen	\$34,594.85	Somers, Steve	\$160.00
Ryan, Kathi	\$69,468.26	Sommers, Claudia	\$16,134.28
Ryan, Lisa	\$60,426.67	Souza, Carol	\$14,371.00
Ryan, Shawn	\$2,175.00	Stahlbush, Maureen	\$19,929.55
Saftler-Marks, Susan	\$4,048.84	Stanish, Paul	\$97,361.63
Salamone, Julianne	\$1,470.00	Stewart, Catherine	\$1,540.00
Salem, Kathryn	\$99,328.69	Strickland, Adam	\$1,489.50
Salvucci, Richard	\$980.00	Sullivan, Gertrude	\$64,116.69
Sampson, Jeanne	\$15,396.00	Sullivan, Kathleen	\$25,575.21
Sangster, Stephen P	\$104,313.95	Sullivan, Megan	\$2,694.00
Sargent, Ruth	\$8,854.87	Sullivan, Susan	\$15,907.14
Savage-Caprio, Wendy	\$67,669.19	Sutnick, Michael	\$58,118.30
Scarpelli, Doric C	\$122,893.89	Swiatek, Amanda	\$13,962.68
Scarpelli, Jennifer	\$4,595.00	Tanguay, Heidi	\$29,619.78
Schaefer, Kathy A	\$64,856.22	Taylor, Philip	\$51,207.65
Scheufele, Michelle	\$66,569.19	Thibeau, Steven	\$9,930.00
Schipper, Cheryl	\$78,883.85	Thomas, Dympna	\$32,205.68
Schnider, Matthew	\$1,190.00	Thompson, Cheryl	\$57,505.34
Schnider, Rebecca	\$4,690.00	Tolan, Peter	\$50,272.82
Schurga, Michele	\$3,329.92	Toohey, Liam	\$40,048.21
Scopelleti Howes, Mary	\$70,700.02	Toomey, Carol	\$26,592.33
Scott, Lee	\$68,341.82	Trapeno, Beverly	\$18,482.12
Sepeck, Mark	\$1,237.40	Travaline, Peter	\$10,513.00

Trudeau, Cheryl	\$12,876.76	White, Janet	\$70.00
Trudeau, Courtney	\$280.00	White, Lawrence	\$59,319.68
Tufts, Suzanne	\$21,943.67	White, Richard	\$1,020.00
Tully, Gwen	\$71,157.50	Whiting, Joann	\$14,436.36
Van Essendelft, Debra	\$9,327.25	Whiting, Linda	\$192.83
Veiga, Mary M.	\$38,004.85	Whitley, Shirley	\$2,669.66
Victor, Paul	\$46,833.59	Wilcox, Lynne	\$9,125.83
Vieira, Martin	\$18,069.57	Wilkinson, Marlene	\$3,200.80
Vlachos, Donna	\$44,769.60	Willock, Dolores M	\$60,252.43
Wagner, Margaret	\$43,222.55	Winsor, Kim	\$17,468.24
Walsh, Michael	\$45,672.42	Wood, Stephanie	\$54,404.30
Walsh, Theresa	\$16,380.27	Woodward, Amy	\$59,773.75
Wasserman, Jay	\$17,568.63	Woodward, Mary E	\$39,039.22
Watkins, Sarah	\$54,160.20	Woodward, Peter	\$95,566.28
Watson, Judith	\$61,853.46	Woodward, Warren	\$15,565.00
Webber, Melissa	\$42,984.88	Worden, Pamela	\$67,401.19
Weeks, Doris	\$22,900.67	Wyman, Elizabeth	\$22,994.10
Weiner, Beth	\$18,059.08	Young, Katherine	\$49,137.80
Welch, Teala	\$15,630.78	Young, Thomas	\$11,465.56
Wells, Kathleen	\$11,017.86	Zalocha, Rachel	\$23,953.00
Wells, Mary	\$66,939.26	Sum of gross	\$16,748,187.94
Wentworth, John	\$160.00	Count of NAME	557
Whelan, Lisa	\$50,786.16		

## TOWN COLLECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Rockland:

I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Tax Collector's Office for the fiscal year 2007. Taxes and fees collected and turned over to the Treasurer from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

	<u>Current and prior Years</u>
Real Estate	19,252,768.14
Personal Property	285,968.71
Motor Vehicle	1,640,668.33
Sewer Betterment	3,929.79
Committed interest on Betterment	1,649.72
Trash Liens	66,764.78
Sewer Liens	95,907.40
Sewer paid in advance	1,368.00
Municipal lien certificate	16,700.00
Release of Betterment	28.00
Fees and interest	141,215.41
Registry clears	22,740.00
Payment in lieu of taxes	11,375.85
Misc income	0.00
Space tax	79,632.00
Water service receipts	1,484,636.45
Joint Water service receipts	118.50
Sewer service receipts	1,544,768.53
Trash Collection fees	1,110,199.57
Over/Short	-62.70
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	25,760,376.48

I wish to thank my staff, Assistant Tax Collector, Jill Stewart and Administrative Assistant, Emily McVeigh. They have both done a fine job this year. Once again, a sincere thanks to all Town Departments for their assistance and cooperation in fiscal year 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Clark



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## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Report to the Town: 2007

We would like to congratulate James Simpson and Michael Zupkofska on their election to the Rockland Board of Selectmen, each for a 3 year term. We would also like to thank Keven Pratt and Kelli O'Brien McKinnon for their service to the town as members of the Board. They gave of their time freely and worked hard during their time on the Board. We also wish to thank former Town Administrator Brad Plante for his service to the town and wish him well in his retirement. We also wish to express our condolences to the family of former selectman George T. Joy. George passed away in early January 2008. George was a dedicated town servant who always had Rockland as his first priority. His knowledge and friendship will be sorely missed.

This year the town also saw the departure of Building Inspector Al Spaulding. Tom Ruble has taken over the roles of Building Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures. Tom has jumped right into the action, being actively involved with the conversion of the old Codman factory into housing on Plain Street, as well as the demolition of the old shoe factory on Church St. Both of these projects will bring these properties back as active tax generating entities and make them much more eye appealing.

The Memorial Library roof (copper dome) was a priority for the Selectmen and we are happy to report that the work on the roof is nearing completion. We would like to thank the voters of Rockland for showing their support for this much needed project.

The Selectmen have had a number of challenges facing them this year, the least of which has been the town's financial difficulties. Fixed costs have continued to rise by double digits while State Aid has lagged behind as well as State assessments constantly rising. The board in conjunction with the

Finance Committee and Town Accountant worked diligently to reduce the budget due to unexpected revenue shortfalls. Some services were reduced in various town departments; employees have had work hours reduced and some vacant positions are not being filled. All departments have reduced expenses everywhere possible.

This year, Rockland saw a second cable television provider, Verizon; enter the Rockland cable television market. It is the goal of the selectmen to provide competition in the cable TV market which can only help the residents of Rockland get the best cable TV service for the best price. For those residents who have Verizon, selectmen meetings can be seen live and on tape on channel 31.

Rockland saw three new committees take shape in the town this year. The Rent Control Board began operating this year and will begin the task of offering rent relief to the residents of Leisurewoods and Hillcrest. The Board also appointed members to the Energy Committee and the GIC committees. These two committees should both bring long term positive effects towards the cost of energy used by the town in its operations and the costs of health insurance that are shared by town employees and the taxpayers of Rockland.

The board would like to thank all of the town employees for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. We would also like to thank them for their understanding during these very difficult fiscal times.

Sadly, Rockland lost one of its own when LCPL Walter K. O'Haire was killed in action in Iraq on May 15, 2007. Walter gave his life for his country as he made the ultimate sacrifice. The Board would like to thank all of the residents and businesses who participated in the final farewell for LCPL O'Haire. The Board was proud of the way the town came together and gave Walter a heart felt final farewell. The efforts by the police department, fire department, highway department and the school department allowed for a fitting tribute for LCPL Walter K. O'Haire.

The Board of Selectmen would like all the residents of Rockland to keep our men and women, serving around the world, in your thoughts and prayers, as the conflict in the Middle East continues.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary A. Parsons, Chairman  
Louis U. Valanzola, Vice Chairman  
Lawrence J. Chaffee  
James F. Simpson  
Michael E. Zupkofska

## BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We hereby submit our report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007

Amounts required to be raised:

Appropriations at Town Meeting	\$41,397,173.01
Tax Title Expense	\$17,000.00
Court Judgements	\$169,767.00
Cherry Sheet Offsets	\$40,684.00
Teachers' Pay Deferral	\$213,333.00
State & County Charges	\$2,045,186.00
Allowance for Abatement & Exemptions (Overlay)	<u>\$288,635.86</u>
Total Amount to be Raised:	\$44,171,778.87

Local Receipts Not Allocated (estimates based upon prior year)

Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	\$1,620,870.90
Hotel/Motel Room Taxes	\$208,324.00
Penalties & Interest on Taxes	\$ 160,288.18
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$10,931.54
Water	\$2,192,545.82
Sewer	\$1,939,032.00
Trash	\$1,176,894.27
Misc. Fees	\$240,311.18
Licenses & Permits	\$351,680.10
Fines	\$47,347.88
Investment Income	\$331,563.39
School	\$249,885.33
Other	<u>\$688,989.43</u>
FY 2008 Total of Estimated Local Receipts: (Based on FY 2007 Actuals)	\$9,218,664.02

### Estimated Receipts & Available Funds

Total Estimated Receipts from State	\$13,573,558.00
Estimated Receipts (Local)	\$9,218,664.02
Free Cash	\$456,507.69
Other Available Funds	\$467,451.00
Teachers' Pay Deferral	<u>\$160,000.00</u>
Total:	\$23,876,180.71

## Recapitulation Sheet

Gross Amount to be Raised	\$44,171,778.87
Estimated Receipts & Available	<u>\$23,876,180.71</u>
Net Amount to be Raised by Property Tax	\$20,295,598.16
Real Property Valuations	\$1,899,315,260.00
Personal Property Valuations	<u>\$33,598,850.00</u>
Total Property Valuations	\$1,932,914,110.00
Tax Rate per Thousand	\$10.50
Real Property Tax	\$19,942,810.23
Personal Property Tax	<u>\$352,787.93</u>
Total Taxes Levied	\$20,295,598.16
Total of Additional Taxes Levied on Property	
Sewer Assessments added to tax bills	
Principal (Apportionment Betterments)	\$3,763.00
Interest (Apportionment Betterments)	\$1,494.00
Unpaid Sewer Usage Liens	\$124,582.00
Trash Liens	<u>\$90,822.00</u>
Total Additional Taxes	\$220,661.00

The Board of Assessors wish to express our sincere thanks to everyone, including the Town officials, clerical staff and the taxpayers for their cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Harvey Smith, Chairman  
James McKinnon  
Jillene Smith  
Joseph A. Gibbons, M.A.A. Assessor/Appraiser

## **BOARD OF HEALTH**

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

It is with pleasure that we submit the 2007 Annual Report of the Rockland Board of Health.

At the Annual Town Election in April, Patricia Halliday was re-elected to the Board.

Over the past year, the Board has been actively participating in emergency preparedness planning. The Health Agent has attended monthly meetings of the Plymouth County Region 5 Emergency Preparedness Coalition. This group provides support and direction in planning for emergencies which

may affect the public health of its member communities. We have made great progress in establishing plans establishing Emergency Dispensing Site plans in the event of an infectious disease emergency. Plans have also been developed dealing with Continuity of Operations, All Hazards Plans and Risk Communications Plans. These plans were developed by Leigh Mansberger, a contractor hired and paid for by the Emergency Preparedness Coalition. Leigh also provides support and direction for the Town's Emergency Planning Committee. Her assistance has been invaluable.

Again this year, the Town dealt with mosquito-borne disease exposure. Mosquitoes carrying the West Nile Virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis were found in testing pools around Rockland. Town fields were closed to evening activities for several weeks. The State is anticipating another year of high mosquito activity. The Board asks all residents to take the necessary precautions to reduce exposure to the mosquito population.

The Board continues to work with various vendors in furthering its recycling outreach programs. The South Shore Recycling Cooperative is continually providing its member towns with diverse recycling opportunities.

We are continuing with the initial site work in regards to closing the VFW/Pleasant Street Landfill. Camp, Dresser and McKee has filed the necessary paperwork with DEP and the timeframe has been accepted. In the meantime, at the Annual Town Meeting in May the Town authorized the Selectmen to offer the property for sale. Both projects are proceeding.

Solid waste and recycling tonnages remained stable with no significant changes. DEP continues to aggressively check trash loads for unacceptable quantities of recyclable materials. It has also begun to increase its inspections of transfer stations and closed landfills. Failure to comply with regulations could result in fines being assessed.

During the year, 169 complaints were addressed, 211 routine inspections were performed for food service establishments, additional inspections were performed on housing units, swimming pools, schools and mobile vendors. Emergency response services were provided at the requests of the police and fire departments.

As is customary, the Board extends its sincere thanks and gratitude to all departments for their cooperation with specific thanks to Deputy Fire Chief Bill Ferguson, Peter Ewell and his staff at the Park Department, and Sewer Superintendent John Loughlin for their additional assistance and continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Halliday, Chairperson  
Victoria Deibel, Vice Chairperson  
Stephen B. Nelson, Member  
Janice R. W. McCarthy, Health Agent  
J. Patricia Donnelly, Administrative Assistant



## 2007 ANNUAL REPORT, 1/17/2008

The South Shore Recycling Cooperative (SSRC) is a voluntary association of fifteen South Shore towns established by Intermunicipal Agreement and Special Legislation in 1998. Members of the SSRC are: **Abington, Cohasset, Duxbury, Hanover, Hanson, Hingham, Holbrook, Hull (Jan-Jun), Kingston, Marshfield, Norwell, Plymouth, Rockland, Scituate, Weymouth, and Whitman.**

Representatives from each member town are appointed by the Selectboard or Mayor (*see attached list*).

The mission of the SSRC is: “to provide a forum of cooperative management of solid waste by members, to assist each member Town to improve the cost-effectiveness of their recycling efforts by providing economy of scale while maintaining full control over solid waste management; to assist members to improve programs to divert waste materials from the waste stream and to reduce the amount and toxicity of wastes; and to provide such assistance on an individual basis to each member Town and cooperatively in joint programs with other Towns.”

Since 1998, each member town has paid an annual membership fee of \$4,000. In 2007 the SSRC raised **\$60,000** through these fees, which were supplemented with **\$3,977** in grants and sponsorships from MassDEP, Covanta at SEMASS, Bay State Textiles, and Got Books. Those funds pay for the services of the Executive Director and support solid waste and recycling activities during the year to benefit member towns. The SSRC estimates that in 2007 these activities **saved member towns an estimated \$173,400**, and provided **234 hours** of direct services to the towns.

## MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

### Household Hazardous Product Collections

The SSRC extended its contract for the collection and disposal of **household hazardous products** with **Clean Harbors**, Member Towns paid about **26% less** than the State contract rates, and avoided the administrative time to bid, schedule and publicize them. **2,555 residents** attended the fifteen collections held in 2007, and Member Towns saved **\$44,000** for this service. The contract also enabled **110 residents and businesses** to attend other Member Towns’ collections using the **reciprocal arrangement**, which is administered by the Executive Director. The SSRC advertised the events with several thousand **flyers** delivered to the town halls and libraries, and ongoing press releases in all **local papers, on cable TV and the radio**. The Executive Director attended and helped run twelve of the collections, handed out paint stirrers with cost saving instructions on latex paint disposal, provided signs, calculated the **proper billing** for the vendor to ensure that discounts and allowances were credited and visitors billed properly, and flagged several billing errors before they were paid.

### Construction and Bulky Waste

By using an arrangement facilitated by the SSRC with the **Bourne ISWMF**, Member Towns enjoyed a disposal rate of \$75/ton for **construction and bulky waste**, which is **\$12.50/ton less than the gate**

**fee.** With generation of about **7,500 tons**, Member Towns saved roughly **\$94,000** (2006 data).

## **Mattresses**

Cohasset, Hanover, Kingston and Scituate save on mattress recycling by using an SSRC arranged program with Miller Recycling in Plainville to transport and process mattresses for \$14/each, including container rental. This arrangement saved the three participating towns approximately **\$13,300** on the **1,892 mattresses** they collected.

## **Compost and Brush**

The SSRC re-bid the contracts for **brush grinding and compost screening**, which were awarded to Letourneau Corp. and Lion's Head Organics. The grinding contract was used by three of our towns for 8.5 days. Data on screening contract usage was unavailable.

## **Mercury Bearing Waste**

The SSRC helped the thirteen member towns that have contracts with SEMASS to maximize their benefits from the **Material Separation Plan (MSP)**, including the provision by SEMASS of digital thermometers for exchange and reimbursement for mercury disposal costs

## **Paper**

The SSRC facilitated the siting of 76 Abitibi Paper Retriever containers at public and private entities in 2006-07. In 2007, they captured an additional **850 tons** of paper, and returned at least **\$4,250** to the municipalities and local organizations.

## **Textiles**

The SSRC introduced Bay State Textiles, which pays \$50/ton for used clothing and textiles, to the managers. Their competitors pay nothing, and service isn't always good. Eight towns recycled **280 tons** of material through them, for which they were paid **\$14,017**.

## **Books**

The SSRC introduced GotBooks, which pays \$100/ton for used books and other media, to the managers. Eight SSRC towns set up book collections through them, recycled/reused 109 tons of material and earned \$7,887 from it in 2007.



## **PUBLIC OUTREACH:**

### **Mass Recycles Paper! campaign**

The SSRC piloted a paper recovery outreach campaign in 2006 with a grant from MassDEP, which contributed to a **reduction in trash of 4,992 tons in 2006**. Its success resulted in the formation of a statewide campaign through MassRecycle, called "**Mass Recycles Paper!**", chaired by the SSRC Executive Director. The goal is to recover an additional million tons of paper each year from the Mass. trash. The Campaign has broad support from MassDEP, US EPA, the US Postal Service, and the recycling industry. SSRC communities stand to gain about \$500K/year in avoided disposal cost and revenue from the sale of waste paper.

## **Paper recycling information flyers**

The Executive Director designed, customized and printed informational flyers about the benefits of maximum paper recycling, and handed them out to residents at most HHP collections. (see last page)

## **Press Contacts**

The SSRC releases articles and provides information to the local press about waste reduction, recycling, and the proper disposal of hazardous waste. The following articles were released to and published by the local and regional newspapers in 2007:

Waste Ban Sweep 1-07;  
Weymouth Phone Book contest 1-07;  
Hanson joins SSRC 5-07  
Sen. Creedon recognized at SSRC Legislative Breakfast 5-07;  
Trash down in SS towns 11-07  
Sullivan receives MassRecycle member of the Year award 11-07  
SSRC signs Mass Recycles Paper Resolution 11-07;  
Holiday Tips from SSRC 12-07  
Creative Gift Wrap 12-07.

## **Resident Contacts**

The Executive Director fielded **132 calls and emails** from Member Towns' residents in CY07 to answer questions, mostly about hazardous and difficult to manage product disposal.

## **Website**

**ssrc.info** provides town-specific recycling information, household hazardous product collection information, SSRC meeting minutes and annual reports, press releases, a quarterly newsletter, and links to other sites. It was overhauled this past fall.

## **Marshfield Fair Recycling**

With assistance from MassDEP and the Town of Marshfield, the SSRC supported **event recycling programs at the Marshfield Fair** for the fourth year. While public education was the main benefit, five tons of material was also diverted from the trash for recycling, and two tons was composted. Recycling containers from a previous grant are available for loan to all Member Town events.

## **ADVICE, ASSISTANCE AND NETWORKING.**

The Executive Director's help is frequently sought by the solid waste managers. She maintains regular contact with the solid waste managers from each town to stay up to date on their programs, updates them on current trends, and advises on specific needs each town has.

A sample of the assistance she provided and problems she helped solve in 2007 included:

- clarifying the acceptability of expanded polystyrene at the curb
- provision of recycling stickers for barrels and bins
- finding new propane tank vendors
- setting up an antifreeze collection

- scheduling paint management trainings through our HHP contractor at no charge
- collaborating with Cape Cod communities on a regional disposal contract negotiation
- arranging for delivery of free rechargeable battery collection boxes to municipal collection locations
- researching the feasibility of requiring biodegradable trash bags
- researching sneaker and audio-video media recycling options
- identifying and correcting errors on Data Sheets submitted to MassDEP
- planning and publicity for a Phone Book Recycling contest
- providing templates for hauler permits
- providing information on accrued renewable Energy Trust grants.

She also attended Board/ committee meetings in **Hanson, Marshfield, Weymouth and Whitman** and provided the MSW managers with a ten page **directory of service providers**.

### **Paper pricing**

The SSRC subscribes to *Official Board Markets*, on which most towns' paper rebates are based. The Executive Director calculates rebates that should be paid to the municipalities by their paper recyclers and updates the managers each month.

### **Radioactive load rejections**

To counteract the problem of rejected trash loads due to radioactive contamination, the Executive Director researched the sources and consequences, and drafted a letter and flyer about proper disposal methods for patients who are sent home following radiotherapy. She sent it to all nuclear medicine and veterinary facilities in eastern Mass. and posted the flyer on the website.

### **Newsletter**

The SSRC publishes a newsletter filled with information of immediate interest to the South Shore solid waste community, including local solid waste news, regulatory and legislative proposals, meetings and seminars. The newsletter is circulated to over 350 town officials, legislators, regulators and volunteers, and is posted online at [ssrc.info](http://ssrc.info).

### **Monthly Meetings**

The SSRC provides **networking opportunities** and information sharing at our well-attended **Solid Waste Manager meetings**. Each meeting features a guest speaker. Solid waste collection, disposal, recycling service, outreach, pricing and proposed laws and regulations are discussed.

### **ADVOCACY**

The Executive Director, who stepped down as **President of MassRecycle** in May, drafted legislation that would benefit municipal solid waste programs at Senator Creedon's request, met with key legislators to provide input on that and other state solid waste issues, and testified at Budget and legislative hearings. She also attended policy meetings, forums and conferences hosted by MassDEP, Solid Waste Association of North America, the Council of SEMASS Communities, MassRecycle, and the Northeast Resource Recovery Association. In her capacity as MassRecycle President, she was appointed to and attends Mass. DEP Solid Waste Advisory Committee meetings. She shares what she learns with the Managers, and relays the Managers' concerns to the professional and State organizations and regulators.

The SSRC held a **Legislative Breakfast** in May at which **Sen. Robert Creedon** (D-Brockton) was recognized with our “Environmental Hero” award for his sponsorship and support of bills and budget items that promote waste reduction. Sen. Robert Hedlund (R-Weymouth) also spoke at the event. The SSRC exists to serve its member towns by facilitating their solid waste disposal and recycling functions. It always welcomes suggestions on how it can better serve its Members.

Respectfully submitted,



Claire Sullivan, Executive Director, South Shore Recycling Cooperative

## **PLANNING BOARD**

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Rockland:

The members of the Planning Board continue their conscientious work to assure that applications submitted to the Board for consideration meet all of the regulations and by-laws set forth by the Town of Rockland and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In an effort to maintain the highest standard of quality, which is consistent and reflective of the Town of Rockland, the board members make a special effort to work cooperatively with the other Town departments and boards, as well as with the Town Engineer.

During the past year, the Board has reviewed plans for 51 Maple Street, Church Street Condominiums, Pleasantview Industrial Park, and Rand Associates, as well as other projects in the Town of Rockland.

The Planning Board wishes to thank the residents of Rockland and the other Town boards for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Baker, Chairman  
Deborah O'Brien  
Mark Gardner  
Donald Cann  
Thomas Henderson

# ROCKLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Rockland:

I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Rockland Housing Authority for the year 2007. The Board of Commissioners meets on the fourth Monday of the month, alternating between the Studley Court and Garden Terrace Community Rooms.

The staff consists of:

Executive Director  
Leased Housing Administrator  
Financial Bookkeeper  
Maintenance Supervisor

The Annual Meeting was held on Monday, April 23, 2007, and the following officers were elected:

Chairman	Eldridge Buffum
Vice Chairman/State Appointee	Rita M. Howes
Treasurer	Robert Sullivan
Vice Treasurer	Mary Jane Letizia
Affirmative Action Officer	Andy Triantaffellow
Resident Commissioner	Irene Boudrot

The State and Federal Programs administered by the Authority are as follows:

State (400-1)	Elderly/Disabled	42
State (MRVP/MHFA)	Family/Elderly	17
Federal (133-1)	Elderly/Handicapped/Disabled	40
Federal (Section-8V)	Elderly/Disabled/Family	<u>154</u>
Total Units Administered		253

We are under the jurisdiction of the State Division of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and the Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and are audited by these agencies. Once again the Rockland Housing Authority has received a commendation from the Secretary of HUD for being a High Performer.

## Waiting Lists

The Studley Court and Garden Terrace waiting lists are the only open lists at this time. Currently there are 265 applicants on the list for Garden Terrace and 212 applicants on the list for Studley Court.

The Section 8 waiting list is closed.

I wish to extend my sincere gratitude to the Staff and Board of Commissioners for their assistance and dedication this past year. I also extend my thanks to the Rockland Fire Department, the Rockland Police Department, the Rockland Water and Sewer Departments, and the Rockland Highway Department for their service and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn J. Gunderway, PHM, MPHA  
Executive Director

## MEMORIAL LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Rockland:

The following is a report of the Rockland Memorial Library for the Fiscal Year 2007, covering July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007. The library was funded during this period with a town appropriation of \$411,782. Initially, Annual Town Meeting appropriated \$429,687 which was then reduced by \$17,905 at the December 4, 2006 Special Town meeting.

### Services & Statistics

Despite the 4% mid-year cut in budget the library remained open 6 days a week (September through June) and 3 evenings a week year round. The Rockland Memorial Library is a member of the Old Colony Library Network (OCLN) which consists of 26 public libraries and 2 college libraries located primarily on the South Shore. Member libraries share access to over 2 million items by way of a web-based catalog. Any resident with a valid Rockland library card may request and borrow materials from member libraries because the Rockland Memorial Library maintains minimum standards for state certification. Visit the library's website at [www.RocklandMemorialLibrary.org](http://www.RocklandMemorialLibrary.org) to access the library's catalog, view your account to renew and reserve materials, download audio books, search any of the specialized full-text databases, and view the library's calendar of events.

Fiscal year 2007 was a busy and challenging year for the library. Almost 70,000 people visited the library to borrow more than 85,500 items. The loan of magazines increased by 16.4% over last fiscal year's figure. This may be attributed to the downturn in the economy as more people are borrowing copies of, say People Weekly, instead of buying it themselves. Moreover, the circulation of feature film DVDs and videos continues to increase. Library card holders took advantage of their ability to obtain materials from other libraries. Over 15,000 items were obtained from other libraries within Massachusetts and other states, and were delivered to the Rockland library for library card holders to borrow. This is a staggering 37% increase compared to last year. The SouthEastern Massachusetts Regional Library System (SEMLS) of which Rockland is a member provides daily delivery to Rockland. SEMLS estimates the yearly delivery costs of these materials to be \$53,000. This is free to the Town of Rockland because SEMLS is funded by the state.

In addition, almost 650 library card holders per month signed up to use a computer to access the Internet to search for a job, write a report, design a résumé, or check email, etc. The electronic databases provided by the state also fulfill residents' need for information. Young adults continue to utilize the library for school work and personal interests. The library actively purchases books that are needed for the summer reading programs of the Rockland Public Schools and other local schools that residents attend. Both public and private schools sent 80 classes to visit, charge out materials, and/or be instructed on how to use the library and find materials during this fiscal year.

### Programs for Children, Teens, and Adults

The library participated in the 2006 statewide summer reading program "What's Buzzin' @ your library." Thirty-four programs were offered including Evening Story Times, Afternoons on the Lawn, and other programs for various age groups. In August, the library's annual Summer Reading Celebration for children was generously funded by the Rockland Memorial Library Foundation, Inc. and was enjoyed by all who attended.

Regularly scheduled story times were held for babies and toddlers, and for pre-school children. A new Manga Club for Teens was initiated with great success in October, but later came under the

supervision of the Youth Commission when the library's Youth Services Librarian resigned. A big "Thank you" to the Youth Commission for continuing the program until a new librarian could be hired in May 2007. In June the library held its first Saturday children's program – "Dads & Donuts" – thanks to the generosity of local businesses that provided the refreshments.

Adults and older teens had another opportunity to attend "Introduction to the Art of Pastel," a hands-on program supported in part by a grant from the Rockland Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. This program was filled to capacity. The Book Discussion Group continues to meet once a month with many interesting titles being discussed. The Book Discussion Group is open to all and welcomes new members to participate in the lively discussions. A list of upcoming titles may be found on the library's homepage at [www.RocklandMemorialLibrary.org](http://www.RocklandMemorialLibrary.org).

"Art in the Rotunda," a monthly art display, continues to attract local artists and viewers alike. This year featured works by Clare Schweim, Christine Krahe, Ann Everett, Vincent Baier, and Joan Bryant. Group exhibitions included the Rockland Open Space Committee and the Rockland Senior Center Art Group. Also on display, was "Gardners' in Bloom," a joint showing by the four Gardner sisters of Rockland. The library is pleased to offer space in the Library Rotunda for community artists to display their work. This ongoing art display series is coordinated by volunteer Karen Haffner.

### **Building Maintenance & Problems**

Building problems continue to deplete the library's budget. Repairs to two individual heaters were needed including one that sprang a leak. One very rainy day water seeped up from the floor in the children's room probably due to the deteriorated roof conditions on that corner of the original building. On a brighter note a new "rock garden" was installed near the Belmont Street entrance thanks to the generosity of Kevco Landscaping of Rockland which donated the materials and Peter Post, library custodian, who designed and provided the manpower.

### **Library Roof & Copper Dome**

In order to replace the dome and repair the side roofs on the original 100 year-old building a Capital Exclusion ballot question was presented at the November 2006 election. The question failed as did the Proposition 2½ ballot question for town-wide operating expenses. The Rockland Memorial Library copper dome and roofs had their moment of fame when Joe Shortsleeve filmed a short segment for WBZ-TV which aired on January 19, 2007. The library dome was shown shrouded in its "famous" blue tarp. Another Capital Exclusion ballot question was on the April 2007 ballot and this time it passed! The \$300,000 project will be overseen by the Permanent Town Building Committee who will supervise the restoration and repair work as well as contract with a building consultant who will prepare the building specifications for the bid process while conforming to the state procurement laws. Richard Tetzlaff, Library Trustee, was named as liaison and will work closely with the committee. As a "thank you" for supporting the roof project, the Library Trustees granted a two-week, fine-free period; all items belonging to Rockland that were returned late (even, years late) had their fines waived.

### **Personnel Changes & Staffing Challenges**

In August 2006 Marcie Walsh-O'Connor, Library Cataloger, assumed the open position of Circulation Chief but soon resigned her position to work for Massachusetts College of Pharmacy library where she will be able to receive tuition reimbursement for her master's degree in library science at Simmons College. This is the third employee (all town residents) who eventually went on to study for a master's degree in library science; a remarkable number for such a small public library. In September Freya

Sanger joined the staff as Reference Librarian. Ms. Sanger came to us from the Berkshire Athenaeum (Pittsfield), a large public library where she worked for 6 years, part-time in the Reference and Local History/Genealogy departments. She has a MLS from Simmons and a BA (psychology) from University at Albany (NY). Our creative Youth Services Librarian, Wendi Rosulek, also resigned in October 2006 to take a position with the Boston Public Library system. This necessitated the cancellation of previously scheduled story times since a town-wide hiring freeze precluded filling 3 full-time vacancies that now existed. Christina Frederick, a former employee who was filling in on a temporary basis as a professional librarian after receiving her library degree, also left to become the Assistant Director of the Hull Public Library.

The library was barely able to stay open for its state required hours for certification. Only through the good will and cooperation of our dedicated library employees did this happen. All employees usually work one night shift and alternate Saturdays on a regular basis. During this time the employees willingly worked two (sometimes three) nights and more Saturdays than usual to minimally cover the circulation desk. Only core library services could be offered. Everyone, Library Director included, worked the circulation desk. At times we were scrambling to have enough employees in the building to safely remain open. In January 2007 the Board of Selectmen granted permission to fill 2 out of 3 full-time positions. Robin Hall, formerly a Reference Librarian for Rockland, left her position at the Ventress Memorial Library (Marshfield) to return to us as Library Cataloger. GERALYN SCHULTZ was hired as Youth Services Librarian. Ms. Schultz, a recent MLS graduate from Simmons College, was a preschool and kindergarten teacher for 4 years before pursuing her library degree and has taught cello and piano to children, teens and adults. She holds a Bachelor of Music and an M.A. in Music Literature. The library's piano will finally be put to good use during story times!

### **Grants**

The library received a \$621.16 Public Libraries Fund award by the MA Board of Library Commissioners. This program provides a matching incentive for funds raised by local library foundations and Friends groups from non-municipal sources for the enhancement of library services beyond those provided through municipal funds. In addition, the Rockland Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, funded the "Introduction to Pastels" program described above, and awarded \$440 towards the Museum of Fine Arts museum pass program and \$500 for a children's program for summer 2007.

### **Gifts and Donations**

Beautiful new bookmarks with a color photograph of the library on them were generously donated by the Amos A. Phelps & Son company. The holiday wreath that graced the Belmont Street door is donated annually by Lisa Roberts in memory of her grandfather, John B. Fitzgerald, a former Library Trustee who served 51 years on the Board of Library Trustees.

The library also benefited from monetary donations by groups and individual members of the community. Gifts can be given directly to the library or to the Rockland Memorial Library Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)3 charitable organization. An anonymous gift of \$10,000 was received in December 2006. The Hatherly United Methodist Church donated \$600 and CVS Pharmacy (Rockland) donated \$629. Both were from fundraisers each organization sponsored to benefit the library. Again this fiscal year, the Rockland Lions Club donated \$1,000 which was used to purchase large print books. Eight other individuals donated a collective \$605 given as support for the library roof or the library in general, or as a donation in memory of a deceased loved one. The library is appreciative of all donations, large or small.

**In Appreciation**

The Rockland Memorial Library is a community resource that fosters a love of reading and endeavors to improve the quality of life for Rockland residents. The hardworking and creative staff continues to strive to meet the growing informational, technological and life-long learning needs of the citizens they serve. The library is also fortunate to have dedicated volunteers who donate their time and energy to assist the staff with a variety of tasks ranging from shelving books to unpacking delivery boxes and helping with other special projects.

In April 2007 James Flanagan and Denise Wallace ran uncontested for re-election. Their new terms will be up in 2010. The Board of Library Trustees relies on elected officials who give of their time and talent to support the library by being active board members. In July 2007, after serving on the Board since 2002, Christina Denenberg resigned her seat. Mrs. Denenberg was very active in the Union Street facelift. A joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and Trustees will meet to fill this vacancy.

Lastly, the library and staff would like to thank all the people who continue to support the library both financially and through their patronage. Special thanks is extended to The Rockland Memorial Library Foundation, Inc. and to the Board of Library Trustees for their financial support. Both organizations have supplemented the library budget by covering some of the costs of providing library services for Rockland residents of all ages

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly C. Brown, *Library Director*

Board of Library Trustees:

Kathleen M. Looney, *Chairperson*

Christina C. Denenberg, *Vice Chairperson*

Richard L. Tetzlaff, *Treasurer*

Denise M. Wallace, *Secretary*

Marie Buchan Colburn

James A. Flanagan

## COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Rockland:

The Rockland Council on Aging continues to offer many programs and services to enhance the lives of the Senior Community of Rockland. All senior activities are held Monday through Friday in the Senior Center at the Community Center building. We continue our collaboration with Old Colony Elderly Services, Old Colony Planning Council and The Executive Office of Elder Affairs. The Friends of the Rockland Seniors and the Golden Agers continue to meet at our facility and supports our Council and our activities. Our newsletter "Senior News" goes out monthly to approximately 2,500 homes in Rockland, providing the senior community with information and notice of events and activities.

In February, Eleanor Murphy was appointed to the position of Outreach Coordinator. This position is funded through a grant from The Executive Office of Elder Affairs. Through our Outreach Department we are now delivering books from the library to our homebound seniors. We continue to make weekly visits through our "Friendly Visitor" program.

North River School Culinary Arts program continues to prepare meals for our daily congregate lunch and Meals on Wheels program. This year, over 12,400 meals were cooked on site, either delivered or served on site. Special thanks goes to the Culinary Arts program, Chef instructor Hilary Parker, Nutrition Aide Jean Mann, Nutrition Volunteer Rose Loud, and the students of the Culinary class. Their dedication is greatly appreciated. We are also most fortunate to have a group of volunteer drivers, who deliver meals to homebound seniors no matter what the weather. I can't thank them enough for their dedication.

The Council on Aging Board consists of eleven members who are most supportive of the Center's activities and events. Each year the Board hosts a Holiday Tea. This event each year is well attended and anticipated. Members of the Board serve as delegates to both Old Colony Planning Council and Old Colony Elderly Services. Council meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. and are open to the public.

We have had many fun events take place this past year, Valentine's party, St. Patrick's Day party, Cake Decorating day, Halloween party, Dessert Social, Dress in color week, Easter Bonnet contest, and our Ice Cream Social. We've added a few new activities, Cartooning class, and the "Get Fit" program. The Girl Scouts were Pen pals to some of our seniors and also hosted an afternoon Tea party.

The Council on Aging continues to offer on scheduled days, Reverse Mortgage Specialist, Podiatrist, Attorney consultations, Shine counselors (Serving the Health Information and Needs of Elders), and Chair Massage Therapy. Applications for fuel assistance, food stamps, and SERVE are available through our office.

The Council on Aging would like to thank the following organizations for their generous assistance during the year. Donations were made towards our Meals on Wheels program from The Fraternal Order of the Eagles No. 841 for \$2,500, The Rockland Knights of Columbus for \$2,500, The Rockland VFW Ladies Auxiliary for \$800, and The Rockland Teen Center for \$600. Through a Verizon Grant, the Rockland Friends, Inc., donated \$8,500 to benefit our senior programs. In lieu of their annual Christmas Party, the Golden Agers donated their proceeds to the Council. Thank you to

the Friends of the Rockland Seniors, for their donations towards our postage expenses. The Rockland Knights and the Sons of Italy both sponsored Holiday dinners in November. There is no cost for these dinners and both are greatly anticipated and appreciated each year. Thank you to the Girl Scouts and Brownie Troops who donate table decorations each month for our senior lunchroom.

To the Citizens of Rockland, thank you for supporting, encouraging and participating in what we do. Your donations towards our postage expense, Meals on Wheels program, medical loan closet, books for our library, items for our gift shop, and knitting items for the Neonatal Units in Boston are deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret A. Bryan, Director

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Rockland:

I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Highway Department for the year 2007.

### **MAINTENANCE OF ROADS**

Springtime saw many potholes due to the winter months taking its toll on our roads. During the summer we replaced the cold patch in the potholes with hot top.

### **CATCH BASINS**

Damaged catch basins and manholes were rebuilt or repaired. Other catch basins were cleaned of sand and leaves for proper water flow.

### **TRAFFIC SIGNS AND STREET MARKINGS**

Street lane markings were painted on main roads. Stop lines and crosswalks were also painted. Street signs were installed at the request of the Board of Selectmen and the Police Department.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Other projects during the year were the filling of potholes, patching roads and sidewalks, sanding and plowing Town streets, sweeping roadways, repairing and doing preventive maintenance on all trucks and equipment, as well as assisting other departments with equipment and manpower.

At this time, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the residents and other town departments for their cooperation throughout the year. A special thanks to the men and our Administrative Assistant at the Rockland Highway Department for a job well done over the year.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Corvi, Jr., Highway Superintendent

## **TREE WARDEN**

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Rockland:

The following is a report of the Tree Department for the year 2007

During the past calendar year the Tree Department has had a very busy year with tree trimming.

The William J. Grace Tree Planting Program continues to be very successful with the planting of new trees throughout the Town.

The Tree Department would like to thank the Highway Department and all other department for their continuous help and effort.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Corvi, Jr.  
Tree Warden

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Rockland:

In accordance with Chapter 41, Section 61 of the Massachusetts General Laws, I hereby submit report as the Town Accountant for the fiscal year ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The report includes the Town of Rockland's Financial Statements and the Budget Summary Schedule. I would like to thank the Selectmen for my position and their continued support. I would also like to thank all the department heads and my assistants Delshaune Flipp and Diane McClure for their patience and cooperation. It is a pleasure working with all of the department heads and I thank you for your cooperation through the budget process. Please support the school building committee as there is no greater return on the investment of infrastructure to a town than providing a solid foundation for the education for your children.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric A. Hart  
Town Accountant

**TOWN OF ROACKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS  
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS  
JUNE 30, 2007**

**Primary Government  
Governmental  
Activities/Totals**

<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,553,024
Investments	4,017,811
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles	4,685,903
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>40,255,257</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 53,511,995</u>
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>	
Accounts payable, accrued wages and other current liabilities	\$ 1,882,157
Accrued interest payable	152,573
Provision for refund of paid taxes	349,608
Noncurrent liabilities	
Due within one year	484,553
Due in more than one year	<u>9,958,253</u>
Total liabilities	12,827,144
<b><u>NET ASSETS</u></b>	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	34,527,563
Restricted	6,881,706
Unrestricted	<u>(724,418)</u>
Total net assets	<u>40,684,851</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 53,511,995</u>

# TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS

Statement of Activities  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Net (Expense)</u>
<u>Primary government</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Revenue and</u>
<u>Governmental activities</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>	<u>Changes in Net Assets</u>
<u>General government</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Primary Government</u>
<u>Public safety</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Governmental</u>
<u>Education</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Activities/Totals</u>
<u>Public works</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Activities/Totals</u>
<u>Health and human services</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Activities/Totals</u>
<u>Culture and recreation</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Activities/Totals</u>
<u>Interest and other charges</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Activities/Totals</u>
<u>State and county charges</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Activities/Totals</u>
<u>Total governmental activities/primary government</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Activities/Totals</u>
	\$ 12,943,908	\$ 288,657	\$ 3,989,755	\$ (8,665,496)
	7,035,228	1,406,033	289,693	(5,339,502)
	22,250,321	1,830,386	11,973,349	(8,446,586)
	7,816,345	5,530,217	53,861	(1,811,955)
	1,508,649	1,203,075	118,893	(186,681)
	1,036,639	230,459	123,193	(682,987)
	287,539	-	-	(287,539)
	<u>1,845,005</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,845,005)</u>
	\$ 54,723,634	\$ 10,488,827	\$ 16,548,744	(27,265,751)
			<u>420,312</u>	
				<u>19,647,320</u>
				<u>1,901,901</u>
				<u>174,874</u>
				<u>3,532,715</u>
				<u>414,196</u>
				<u>1,500,954</u>
				<u>27,171,960</u>
				<u>(93,791)</u>
				<u>40,778,642</u>
				<u>\$ 40,684,851</u>

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS  
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2007**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Water Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>	<u>Non-major Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 436,408	\$ 677,079	\$ ,736,163	\$ 703,374	\$ 4,553,024
Investments	2,049,616			1,968,195	4,017,811
Receivables	2,793,727	427,593	361,714	802,176	4,385,210
Total assets	<u>\$ 5,279,751</u>	<u>\$ 1,104,672</u>	<u>\$ 3,097,877</u>	<u>\$ 3,473,745</u>	<u>\$ 12,956,045</u>
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>					
Accounts payable, accrued wages and other current liabilities	\$ 1,602,182	\$ 109,356	\$ 164,357	\$ 6,262	\$ 1,882,157
Provision for refund of paid taxes	349,608				349,608
Deferred revenue	2,603,030	148,718	359,671	802,176	3,913,595
Total liabilities	<u>4,554,820</u>	<u>258,074</u>	<u>524,028</u>	<u>808,438</u>	<u>6,145,360</u>
<b><u>FUND BALANCES</u></b>					
Reserved for:					
Encumbrances and continued appropriations	259,533	532,962	603,165		1,395,660
Unreserved:					
General Fund	465,398				465,398
Special revenue funds		313,636	1,970,684	2,387,109	4,671,429
Capital projects funds				190,926	190,926
Permanent fund	-	-	-	87,272	87,272
Total fund balances	<u>724,931</u>	<u>846,598</u>	<u>2,573,849</u>	<u>2,665,307</u>	<u>6,810,685</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 5,279,751</u>	<u>\$ 1,104,672</u>	<u>\$ 3,097,877</u>	<u>\$ 3,473,745</u>	<u>\$ 12,956,045</u>

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Total fund balances of governmental funds	\$ 6,810,685
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and not reported in funds. The cost of the assets is \$83,718,935, net accumulated depreciation of \$43,463,678.	40,255,257
Accounts receivable are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and are deferred in funds, plus other accruals, net of uncollectibles	4,214,288
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and are not included in funds.	(10,442,806)
Reporting of liabilities on full accrual basis requires accrual of interest on debt.	<u>(152,573)</u>
Net assets of governmental activities	<u>\$ 40,684,851</u>

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Water Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>	<u>Non-major Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Revenues</b>					
Property taxes	\$ 19,544,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,544,502
Excise taxes	1,621,191				1,621,191
Penalties and interest	160,288	5,546			165,834
Investment income	361,877		9,040	17,088	388,005
Departmental, fines, fees and other	3,941,685	3,063,710	2,229,554	2,573,100	11,808,049
Intergovernmental	17,713,554	-	50,358	2,217,855	19,981,767
Total revenues	43,343,097	3,069,256	2,288,952	4,808,043	53,509,348
<b>Expenditures</b>					
Current					
General government	12,678,308			112,704	12,791,012
Public safety	6,029,550			360,740	6,390,290
Education	18,941,129			3,667,127	22,608,256
Public works	827,701	3,317,646	2,152,656	1,211,028	7,509,031
Human services	1,482,150			29,076	1,511,226
Culture and recreation	647,322			277,595	924,917
State and county assessments	1,845,005				1,845,005
Debt service					
Principal	645,000	45,000	8,321		698,321
Interest and other charges	143,531	76,225	38,155	-	257,911
Total expenditures	43,239,696	3,438,871	2,199,132	5,658,270	54,535,969
Revenues over (under) expenditures	103,401	(369,615)	89,820	(850,227)	(1,026,621)
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>					
Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt				1,700,000	1,700,000
Premiums on issuance of long-term debt		19,688	15,543		35,231
Transfers in from other funds	5,876			568,539	574,415
Transfers out to other funds	(68,539)	(502,688)	(2,688)	(500)	(574,415)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(62,663)	(483,000)	12,855	2,268,039	1,735,231
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	40,738	(852,615)	102,675	1,417,812	708,610
Fund balance, beginning of year	684,193	1,699,213	2,471,174	1,247,495	6,102,075
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 724,931	\$ 846,598	\$ 2,573,849	\$ 2,665,307	\$ 6,810,685

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS  
RECONCILIATION OF STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

Revenues and other financing sources over expenditures	
and other financing uses - governmental funds	\$ 708,610
<p>Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures, however, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities.</p>	
Capital outlays during the fiscal year	1,831,698
Depreciation recorded for the fiscal year	(2,569,855)
<p>Revenues are recognized on the modified accrual basis of accounting in the fund financial statements, but are recognized on the accrual basis of accounting in the government-wide financial statements.</p>	
Net change in deferred revenue/accruals	1,110,795
Net change in allowance for doubtful accounts	119,009
<p>The issuance and repayment of long-term debt are recorded as other financing sources or uses in the fund financial statements, but have no effect on net assets in the government-wide financial statements. Also, governmental funds report issuance costs, premiums, discounts and similar items as expenditures when paid, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized on a government-wide basis.</p>	
Principal payments on long-term debt	712,432
Issuance of long term debt	(1,700,000)
Subsidy received on MWPAT bond issue	(144,540)
<p>The fund financial statements record interest on long-term debt when due and revenue from related subsidies when received. The government-wide financial statements report interest on long-term debt and revenue on subsidies when incurred.</p>	
Accrued interest expense	(43,739)
<p>Certain liabilities are not funded through the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund financial statements, however, these liabilities are reported in the government-wide financial statements. The net change in these liabilities is reflected as an expense in the Statement of Activities. Changes in liabilities are as follows:</p>	
Landfill closure and monitoring cost liability	95,000
Compensated absences	(213,201)
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$ (93,791)

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND**  
**BALANCE - BUDGETARY BASIS**  
**GENERAL FUND - BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
<b>Revenues</b>				
Property taxes	\$19,483,653	\$19,483,653	\$19,523,634	\$ 39,981
Excise taxes	1,921,255	1,921,255	1,621,191	(300,064)
Penalties and interest	167,487	167,487	160,288	(7,199)
Investment interest	262,703	262,703	345,528	82,825
Departmental, fees and other	3,999,269	3,999,269	3,941,685	(57,584)
Intergovernmental	13,263,132	13,263,132	13,761,241	498,109
Total revenues	<u>39,097,499</u>	<u>39,097,499</u>	<u>39,353,567</u>	<u>256,068</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
General government	8,973,524	8,796,453	8,725,995	70,458
Public safety	5,861,877	5,864,089	6,029,550	(165,461)
Education	18,975,558	18,855,652	18,854,059	1,593
Public works	834,375	850,138	827,701	22,437
Human services	1,512,238	1,534,275	1,482,150	52,125
Culture and recreation	683,233	688,246	647,322	40,924
State and county assessments	1,771,964	1,771,964	1,845,005	(73,041)
Debt service	793,531	793,531	788,531	5,000
Total expenditures	<u>39,406,300</u>	<u>39,154,348</u>	<u>39,200,313</u>	<u>(45,965)</u>
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(308,801)	(56,849)	153,254	210,103
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>				
Transfers out to other funds		(58,000)	(68,539)	10,539
Transfers in from other funds	5,876	5,876	5,876	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>5,876</u>	<u>(52,124)</u>	<u>(62,663)</u>	<u>10,539</u>
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	(302,925)	(108,973)	90,591	<u>\$ 220,642</u>
Fund balance, beginning of year			<u>1,030,789</u>	
Fund balance, end of year			<u>\$ 1,121,380</u>	
<b>Other budget items</b>				
Free cash appropriations	350,000	360,936		
Overlay surplus		54,645		
Carryover encumbrances and articles	81,129	(178,404)		
Funding of prior year deficits	(128,204)	(128,204)		
Total other budget items	<u>302,925</u>	<u>108,973</u>		
Net budget	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>		

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND  
BALANCE-BUDGETARY BASIS  
WATER FUND - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

	<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</b>
<b>Revenues</b>				
Charges for services and other	\$ 1,924,587	\$ 1,924,587	\$ 1,889,334	\$ (35,253)
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Public works	2,561,524	2,028,562	2,137,724	(109,162)
Debt service	253,729	253,729	121,225	132,504
Total expenditures	2,815,253	2,282,291	2,258,949	23,342
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(890,666)	(357,704)	(369,615)	(11,911)
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>				
Premium on borrowings			19,688	(19,688)
Transfers out	(502,688)	(502,688)	(502,688)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(502,688)	(502,688)	(483,000)	(19,688)
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	(1,393,354)	(860,392)	(852,615)	\$ (31,599)
Fund balance, beginning of year			1,699,213	
Fund balance, end of year			\$ 846,598	
<b>Other budget items</b>				
Appropriations of fund balance	1,077,997	1,077,997		
Carryover encumbrances and articles	315,357	(217,605)		
Total other budget items	1,393,354	860,392		
Net budget	\$ -	\$ -		

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND  
BALANCE-BUDGETARY BASIS  
SEWER FUND - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

	<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</b>
<b>Revenues</b>				
Charges for services and other	\$ 1,798,390	\$ 1,798,390	\$ 2,284,733	\$ 486,343
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Public works	3,034,224	2,431,059	2,194,913	236,146
Total expenditures	3,034,224	2,431,059	2,194,913	236,146
Revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,235,834)	(632,669)	89,820	722,489
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>				
Premium on long term borrowings			15,543	(15,543)
Transfers out	(2,688)	(2,688)	(2,688)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(2,688)	(2,688)	12,855	-
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	(1,238,522)	(635,357)	102,675	\$ 722,489
Fund balance, beginning of year			2,471,174	
Fund balance, end of year			<u>\$ ,573,849</u>	
<b>Other budget items</b>				
Appropriations of fund balance	797,688	797,688		
Carryover encumbrances and articles	440,834	(162,331)		
Total other budget items	1,238,522	635,357		
Net budget	\$ -	\$ -		

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS  
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2007**

	<b>Private Purpose Trust Funds</b>	<b>Agency Accounts</b>
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 87,867	\$ 42,884
Investments	791,787	-
Total assets	\$ 879,654	\$ 42,884
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>		
Due to students and others	\$ -	\$ 42,884
Total liabilities	-	42,884
<b><u>NET ASSETS</u></b>		
Held in trust	879,654	-
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 879,654	\$ 42,884

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS - FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2007**

	<b>Private Purpose Trust Funds</b>
<b>Additions</b>	
Private contributions	\$ 31,010
Interest and dividends	80,430
Total additions	111,440
<b>Deductions</b>	
Scholarships and awards	93,618
Total deductions	93,618
Change in net assets	17,822
Net assets at beginning of year	861,832
Net assets at end of year	\$ 879,654

**Town of Rockland  
Budget Summary  
6/30/07**

	Final Budget	Expenditures	Approp Bal End of Year	Carryover Articles	Encumbrances	Close to Unreserved Fund Balance
Moderator	\$ 265.00	\$ 265.00	-			-
Selectman	\$ 189,405.57	\$ 167,299.44	\$ 22,106.13	\$ 1,252.50	\$ 500.00	\$ 20,353.63
Fin Comm	\$ 2,260.00	\$ 1,222.48	\$ 1,037.52			\$ 1,037.52
Town Accd.	\$ 175,446.05	\$ 175,273.41	\$ 172.64		\$ 156.41	\$ 16.23
Assessors	\$ 238,470.79	\$ 205,145.42	\$ 33,325.37	\$ 33,012.20	\$ 78.75	\$ 234.42
Treasurer	\$ 224,113.00	\$ 217,976.77	\$ 6,136.23		\$ 4,521.98	\$ 1,614.25
Tax Coll.	\$ 137,832.19	\$ 137,801.17	\$ 31.02			\$ 31.02
Legal	\$ 106,354.44	\$ 91,022.77	\$ 15,331.67			-
Town Clerk	\$ 129,975.00	\$ 127,347.72	\$ 2,627.28	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 15,331.67	\$ 1,527.28
Town Mfg	\$ 31,584.57	\$ 27,965.86	\$ 3,618.71			\$ 3,618.71
Registrar	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 11,728.49	\$ 1,271.51			\$ 1,271.51
Cons. Comm.	\$ 825.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 825.00		\$ 225.00	\$ 600.00
Plng Bnd.	\$ 6,925.00	\$ 6,657.76	\$ 267.24			\$ 267.24
Zoning Bnd.	\$ 5,072.55	\$ 4,401.69	\$ 670.86		\$ 75.00	\$ 595.86
Town Hall	\$ 75,354.08	\$ 68,881.99	\$ 6,472.09		\$ 4,356.17	\$ 2,115.92
Town Reports	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 12,033.10	\$ 966.90			\$ 966.90
Retirement	\$ 1,879,583.00	\$ 1,876,816.68	\$ 2,766.32			\$ 2,766.32
Health Insur.	\$ 4,763,365.00	\$ 4,750,313.24	\$ 13,051.76			\$ 13,051.76
FICA	\$ 267,120.00	\$ 265,274.28	\$ 1,845.72			\$ 1,845.72
Liability Insur.&unempl.	\$ 565,111.10	\$ 545,092.43	\$ 20,018.67		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 17,018.67
Audit	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 33,475.00	\$ 1,525.00			\$ 1,525.00
<b>Total General</b>	<b>\$ 8,860,062.34</b>	<b>\$ 8,725,994.70</b>	<b>\$ 134,067.64</b>	<b>\$ 35,364.70</b>	<b>\$ 28,244.98</b>	<b>\$ 70,457.96</b>
Police Dept.	\$ 3,010,524.00	\$ 3,005,150.65	\$ 5,373.35		\$ 1,834.85	\$ 3,538.50
Fire Dept	\$ 2,704,372.00	\$ 2,869,875.21	\$ (165,503.21)		\$ 4,263.85	\$ (169,767.06)
Building Dept.	\$ 97,254.76	\$ 96,927.26	\$ 327.50		\$ 319.74	\$ 7.76
Gas Inspect	\$ 5,695.00	\$ 5,695.00	-			-
Plumb Inspect.	\$ 8,958.00	\$ 8,958.00	-			-
Wghts & Meas.	\$ 4,263.00	\$ 4,263.00	-			-
Wiring Inspect	\$ 23,260.00	\$ 23,260.00	-			-
Emergency Mgmt.	\$ 22,660.00	\$ 15,420.98	\$ 7,239.02		\$ 6,480.00	\$ 759.02
<b>Public Safety</b>	<b>\$ 5,876,986.76</b>	<b>\$ 6,029,550.10</b>	<b>\$ (152,563.34)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 12,898.44</b>	<b>\$ (165,461.78)</b>
Traffic Control	\$ 20,312.00	\$ 15,030.08	\$ 5,281.92		\$ 4,969.92	\$ 312.00
Tree Dept.	\$ 58,279.00	\$ 51,600.13	\$ 6,678.87		\$ 280.08	\$ 6,398.79
Highway Dept.	\$ 543,284.00	\$ 526,532.99	\$ 16,751.01		\$ 1,025.19	\$ 15,725.82
Snow Removal	\$ 176,213.21	\$ 176,213.21	-			-
Street Light	\$ 63,156.00	\$ 58,325.04	\$ 4,830.96		\$ 4,831.06	\$ (0.10)
<b>Total Public Works</b>	<b>\$ 861,244.21</b>	<b>\$ 827,701.45</b>	<b>\$ 33,542.76</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 11,106.25</b>	<b>\$ 22,436.51</b>
Waste Coll./Disp.	\$ 1,131,867.00	\$ 1,091,117.06	\$ 40,749.94			\$ 40,749.94
Landfill Monitor and Gas Vents	\$ -	\$ -	-			-
Board of Health	\$ 119,720.62	\$ 118,915.82	\$ 804.80		\$ 29.63	\$ 775.17
Visiting Nurse	\$ 16,979.00	\$ 16,979.00	-			-
Council on Aging	\$ 90,354.58	\$ 89,440.96	\$ 913.62		\$ 80.00	\$ 833.62
Veteran's Svcs.	\$ 175,641.47	\$ 165,697.33	\$ 9,944.14		\$ 178.47	\$ 9,765.67
<b>Health &amp; Human Services</b>	<b>\$ 1,534,562.67</b>	<b>\$ 1,482,150.17</b>	<b>\$ 52,412.50</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 288.10</b>	<b>\$ 52,124.40</b>

**Town of Rockland  
Budgeted Summary  
6/30/07**

	Final Budget	Expenditures	Approp Bal End of Year	Carryover Articles	Encumbrances	Close to Unreserved Fund Balance
Teen Center	\$ 9,071.00	\$ 9,071.00	\$ -			\$ -
Youth Comm.(incl. O.R.)	\$ 80,418.00	\$ 80,417.33	\$ 0.67			\$ 0.67
Library	\$ 411,782.00	\$ 370,684.11	\$ 41,097.89		\$ 1,723.76	\$ 39,374.13
Park Dept.	\$ 185,751.06	\$ 184,436.87	\$ 1,314.19			\$ 1,314.19
Celebrations	\$ 2,950.00	\$ 2,712.19	\$ 237.81			\$ 237.81
<b>Culture &amp; Recreation</b>	<b>\$ 689,972.06</b>	<b>\$ 647,321.50</b>	<b>\$ 42,650.56</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,723.76</b>	<b>\$ 40,926.80</b>
Debt Service-Principal	\$ 650,000.00	\$ 645,000.00	\$ 5,000.00			\$ 5,000.00
Debt Service-Interest	\$ 143,531.25	\$ 143,531.25	\$ -			\$ -
<b>Debt Total</b>	<b>\$ 793,531.25</b>	<b>\$ 788,531.25</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
School Dept.	\$ 18,099,256.82	\$ 17,927,757.81	\$ 171,499.01	\$ 46,811.01	\$ 123,095.38	\$ 1,592.62
S.S. Reg.Schl. Dist.	\$ 926,301.00	\$ 926,301.00	\$ -			\$ -
<b>School Total</b>	<b>\$ 19,025,557.82</b>	<b>\$ 18,854,058.81</b>	<b>\$ 171,499.01</b>	<b>\$ 46,811.01</b>	<b>\$ 123,095.38</b>	<b>\$ 1,592.62</b>
Net Gen Fd	\$ 37,641,917.11	\$ 37,355,307.98	\$ 286,609.13	\$ 82,175.71	\$ 177,356.91	\$ 27,076.51
Assessments	\$ 1,771,964.00	\$ 1,845,005.00	\$ (73,041.00)			\$ (73,041.00)
Snow and Ice Deficit	\$ 74,870.75	\$ 74,871.00	\$ (0.25)			\$ (0.25)
Teacher Pay Deferral	\$ 53,333.00	\$ 53,333.00	\$ -			\$ -
Transfer to Other Funds	\$ 58,000.00	\$ 58,000.00	\$ -			\$ -
Subtotal - G.F.	\$ 39,600,084.86	\$ 39,386,516.98	\$ 213,567.88	\$ 82,175.71	\$ 177,356.91	\$ (45,964.74)
Water	\$ 3,315,253.72	\$ 2,258,948.58	\$ 1,056,305.14	\$ 532,962.39	\$ 52,705.91	\$ 470,636.84
Sewer	\$ 3,034,223.78	\$ 2,194,913.27	\$ 839,310.51	\$ 558,972.28	\$ 39,192.70	\$ 241,145.53
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 45,949,562.36</b>	<b>\$ 43,840,378.83</b>	<b>\$ 2,109,183.53</b>	<b>\$ 1,174,110.38</b>	<b>\$ 2,69,255.52</b>	<b>\$ 665,817.63</b>
<b>Summary of Budget</b>						
Education	\$ 19,025,557.82	\$ 18,854,058.81	\$ 171,499.01	\$ 46,811.01	\$ 123,095.38	\$ 1,592.62
General	\$ 8,860,062.34	\$ 8,725,994.70	\$ 134,067.64	\$ 35,364.70	\$ 28,244.98	\$ 70,457.96
Public Safety	\$ 5,876,986.76	\$ 6,029,550.10	\$ (152,563.34)		\$ 12,898.44	\$ (165,461.78)
Public Works	\$ 861,244.21	\$ 827,701.45	\$ 33,542.76		\$ 11,106.25	\$ 22,436.51
Health, Human Services	\$ 1,534,562.67	\$ 1,482,150.17	\$ 52,412.50		\$ 288.10	\$ 52,124.40
Culture & Rec.	\$ 689,972.06	\$ 647,321.50	\$ 42,650.56		\$ 1,723.76	\$ 40,926.80
Assessment	\$ 1,771,964.00	\$ 1,845,005.00	\$ (73,041.00)			\$ (73,041.00)
Debt Service	\$ 793,531.25	\$ 788,531.25	\$ 5,000.00			\$ 5,000.00
<b>Subtotal - G.F.</b>	<b>\$ 39,413,881.11</b>	<b>\$ 39,200,312.98</b>	<b>\$ 213,568.13</b>	<b>\$ 82,175.71</b>	<b>\$ 177,356.91</b>	<b>\$ (45,964.49)</b>
Teacher Deferral	\$ 53,333.00	\$ 53,333.00	\$ -			\$ -
Other	\$ 74,870.75	\$ 74,871.00	\$ (0.25)			\$ (0.25)
Transfer to Other Funds	\$ 58,000.00	\$ 58,000.00	\$ -			\$ -
<b>Subtotal - G.F.</b>	<b>\$ 39,600,084.86</b>	<b>\$ 39,386,516.98</b>	<b>\$ 213,567.88</b>	<b>\$ 82,175.71</b>	<b>\$ 177,356.91</b>	<b>\$ 39,517,909.15</b>
Water	\$ 3,315,253.72	\$ 2,258,948.58	\$ 1,056,305.14	\$ 532,962.39	\$ 52,705.91	\$ 470,636.84
Sewer	\$ 3,034,223.78	\$ 2,194,913.27	\$ 839,310.51	\$ 558,972.28	\$ 39,192.70	\$ 241,145.53
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 45,949,562.36</b>	<b>\$ 43,840,378.83</b>	<b>\$ 2,109,183.53</b>	<b>\$ 1,174,110.38</b>	<b>\$ 2,69,255.52</b>	<b>\$ 44,775,451.98</b>

Variance

## **OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**

Throughout 2007, the Open Space Committee continued to work on several projects, including the preservation of the Rockland Golf Course.

Members of the committee along with other Town departments and agencies were successful in obtaining an Urban Self Help Grant which will be of help in that project. The committee sponsored an installation for "Art in the Rotunda" at the Rockland Public Library, featuring photographs of local habitat and wildlife.

The committee continues to seek access to the Former South Weymouth Naval Air Station and those in charge of development of the property to plan for a trail system and to ensure that all of the natural features of open space areas are maintained and not disturbed. The committee has asked the South Shore Tri-Town Development Corporation about other concerns as well. Among these are: flooding in Rockland by water coming from the former NAS; providing a permanent conservation restriction on the area of the former NAS shown in plans as a golf course; the 15 foot proximity of a proposed East-West Parkway to a perennial stream; and, permitting access to all concerned entities to view wetlands delineations and re-delineations.

Mr. Anderson of the committee continues in his work as steward of the Rockland Town Forest and deserves much thanks for all that he has done there.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald J. Cann  
Chairman

## **REPORT OF THE JOINT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS**

### **To the Inhabitants of the Towns of Abington and Rockland:**

The Abington/Rockland Joint Board of Water Commissioners respectfully submit the following report of the Joint Water Works for the year 2007.

For the third year in a row we have been offered funding from the Massachusetts Water Abatement Trust. This is a low interest loan that will be utilized to construct sludge handling facilities for the Water Treatment Plant residuals.

On May 5, 2007 we hosted an open house at the Hannigan Water Treatment Plant. The feature of this event was the viewing of the newly constructed Hingham Street Reservoir Expansion. On September 10, 2007 at 10:45a.m. we opened the gate valve between the old and new reservoirs and realized the fruits of the eight year endeavor.

The Abington/Rockland Joint Water Works delivered 1,024,364,852 gallons of water throughout the year. This was an increase of 41,779,439 gallons from 2006. The following record details our monthly pumping rate:

JANUARY	80,758,549 gals	JULY	94,060,340 gals
FEBRUARY	74,264,628 gals	AUGUST	94,436,024 gals
MARCH	78,850,406 gals	SEPTEMBER	85,567,673 gals
APRIL	75,931,953 gals	OCTOBER	87,563,970 gals
MAY	94,898,575 gals	NOVEMBER	79,581,508 gals
JUNE	95,551,442 gals	DECEMBER	82,899,804 gals

After previously investing in upgrading the Hannigan Water Treatment Plant, this year we turned our intentions to our two other sources. We rebuilt the four pressurized filters at the Myers Avenue Water Treatment Plant. Rebuilt the micro screen, replaced the raw and finished water variable frequency drives and replaced the heating and ventilation system at the Great Sandy Bottom Water Treatment Plant.

Also another major event in the 2007 year was our joining the Partnership for Safe Drinking Water. This is a nationally recognized organization with 232 utilities represented. These 232 utilities have 408 water treatment plants. The goal of the organization is an industry wide self assessment and peer review process that will enhance Safe Drinking Water.

**“With Water Works Pride”**

Abington/Rockland Joint Water Works Commissioners

William T. Low, Co-Chairman

John E. Warner, Co-Chairman

Thomas W. Hannigan

Richard D. Muncey, Secretary

Ray Campanile

Steven D. Bradbury

Daniel F. Callahan, Superintendent

**REPORT OF THE  
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Rockland:

The Board of Water Commissioners respectfully submits the following report for the Rockland Water Department for the year 2007.

We would like to begin by expressing our sincere gratitude to the many professionals within the Water Department that diligently serve the Town of Rockland.

We may sometimes lose sight of the fact that these employees indirectly are involved in our daily lives twenty four hours a day, three hundred sixty five days a year. The staff never loses sight of their mission to “to deliver an adequate supply of Safe Drinking Water to all consumers”. Again the professionals within the department accomplished many task in delivering an adequate supply of Safe Drinking Water to the residents of Rockland.

The following is a list of some of the major duties performed by your water department in 2007:

Main Repairs	8
Service Repairs	4
Hydrant Repairs	4
Hydrant Replacements	6
Meter Replacements	152
Gate Valve Replacement	3
Billing and Collection Reconciliations	5995 accounts with quarterly billing

In addition we continued our annual leak detection program. By aggressively listening on every mile of water main and services within the town we can detect and repair any leaks that may not be surfacing. This year we discovered and repaired:

5 service leaks

3 main leaks

2 hydrant leaks

These repairs are the result of the leak detection program and are in addition to the listed repairs above. The estimate loss from these ten leaks was about 107, 00 gallons per day

Thank you for a job well done.

During the past year we continued the water main replacement program. This year's upgrade concentrated on Pleasant Street. Although the construction may have caused some inconveniences, the resulting rewards will be realized in enhanced water quality.

A major contributor to our water main maintenance program is the flushing of our entire water system twice a year. This year, we were only able to achieve this function in the spring of 2007. The limited available water, due to drought restrictions, hindered our annual fall flushing. We did maintain the system throughout the fall by flushing in isolated areas, if a problem was incurred.

**“With Water Works Pride”**

Rockland Board of Water Commissioners

William T. Low, Chairman  
Ray Campanile

Thomas W. Hannigan, Secretary  
Daniel F. Callahan, Superintendent

## **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Rockland;

I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Building Department for the year 2007.

During the year the Inspector of Buildings reviewed and issued 615 Building Permits. The scope of these permits ranged from Detached Single Family Dwellings, Attached Townhouse style Single Family Units, Duplex's, as well as Residential and Commercial Remodeling work.

Building Permit Fees collected totaled \$259,290.05, which reflected a Construction Value of approximately \$26,000,000.00.

Inspections made throughout the year also include Certificates of Compliance issued to establishments such as Schools, Restaurants, Bars, Hotels, Day Care Centers and Multi-Family Structures.

I would like to extend my thanks to the Town Administrator and board of Selectmen along with all Town Departments for their continued assistance and to our Administrative Assistant Bette Burrill for her effort in keeping the office running smoothly.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ruble  
Inspector of Buildings  
Zoning Enforcement Officer

## **GAS INSPECTOR**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen;

The following is my report of Gas Inspections for the calendar year January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

During this period our office issued 244 Gas Permits for revenue of 10,525.00.

My thanks to all departments who worked with us during 2007. A special thanks to our Administrative Assistant Bette Burrill, for keeping our office a smooth running operation.

Respectfully submitted,

William Stewart  
Gas Inspector

## **PLUMBING INSPECTOR**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Rockland;

The following is my report of the Plumbing Inspections for the calendar year January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

During this period our office issued 276 Plumbing Permits for revenue of \$17,979.00.

My thanks to all departments who worked with us during the year 2007. A special thanks to our Administrative Assistant, Bette Burrill, for keeping our office a smooth running operation.

Respectfully submitted,

William Stewart  
Plumbing Inspector

## **WIRE DEPARTMENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Rockland;

In the Year 2007 the Inspectors of Wires issued 488 Electrical Permits. We conducted in excess of 1500 inspections. Wiring Permits fees collected totaled \$77,122.00

Our thanks to all departments who worked with us during the year 2007. A special thanks to our Administrative Assistant Bette Burrill for her continued patience and support. We look forward to a busy and eventful 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Paul & James Sawaya  
Inspector of Wires

## **SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Rockland;

During 2007 the Sealer of Weights and Measures tested and sealed 13 scales and conducted 92 tests of gasoline and diesel meters. All dispensers were sealed. The total amount of fees collected was \$2,200.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Ruble  
Sealer of Weights & Measures

## **REPORT OF THE ROCKLAND LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE:**

The Local Emergency Planning Committee operates under the requirements of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) and Title III: The Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA). The Committee is required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and has ten specific categories of governmental and private sector personnel who are required to participate. These include Law Enforcement, Fire Services, Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Management, Health Care, Hazardous Materials (business that generate Hazmat materials), Public Safety Communications, Public Health, Public Works (Highway, Water, and Sewer), and Government Administrative (Administrators, Selectmen, etc.). In addition service clubs (Lions, Kiwanis, Chamber of Commerce and others) and other civic groups are encouraged to participate on the Committee.

The LEPC meets quarterly in general session with all meetings posted and open to the public. The LEPC and the Fire Department are the receptors of annual reports from hazardous material facilities and critical needs facilities.

Planning for a table-top exercise has been completed and results will be submitted to the State in the near future.

The present committee is made up of the following individuals (with their category designation):

Robert Bowles	Emergency Management
Dan Callahan	Water Department (Local Environmental)
Lawrence Chaffee	Elected Official
Robert Corvi	Public Works
William Ferguson	Firefighting-EMS
John Llewellyn	Law Enforcement
John Loughlin	Sewer Department (Local Environmental)
Janice McCarthy	Health
Gail Miller	Hospital/Public Health
David Murphy	Broadcast Media
Bradley Plante	Town Administrator (through 12/31/2007)
John Retchless	School/Transportation
Michael Sammon	Firefighting-EMS
Doric Scarpelli	School/Transportation

Representatives currently listed from manufacturing facilities are

ITW TACC	Kate Ryan
Globe Composite Solutions	representative to be named
National Coating	Tracy Montour
Venture Tape	Gary Litman

We seek additional representation from churches as well as service organizations.

Meetings are held to deal with public health concerns as they relate to infectious diseases. Planning has been completed for emergency dispensing sites at the Rogers Middle School and the Community

Center. Both have been evaluated by a consultant for the State Board of Health and inventories of needs have been established. There will be planning undertaken, in cooperation with the Board of Health, the School Department, and public safety agencies, to move the site from the Rogers Middle School to the Memorial Park School. In addition a study will be undertaken for adequate access and parking at the Community Center.

As has been the case for the past several years the Chairman has attended a number of sessions dealing with emergency response and planning. Janice McCarthy has attended numerous health and planning sessions. Our extremely capable State consultant, Leigh Mansberger, has been of tremendous assistance in planning and reducing plans to paper.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Bowles  
Chairman

## **REPORT OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**

Requirements established by Homeland Security and the State Emergency Planning Committee have increased during the past year. There continue to be requirements that deal with the planning process that the Town must comply with. As noted last year more emphasis is for regional planning and communication. This is evidenced in having Federal grants reduced in size and aimed toward area programming rather than individual community planning.

The Director has attended monthly MEMA meetings in Bridgewater and has attended training sessions in Taunton, Marlborough, Harwich, Plymouth, and Framingham. The following courses and workshops have been completed: IS-00015.A Special Events Contingency Planning for Public Safety Agencies, IS- 00005.A An Introduction to Hazardous Materials, IS-00300 Intermediate Incident Command System, IS-00400 Advanced Incident Command and Executives System, HUR111 Hurricane Preparedness Workshop Training, and CAMEO/Landview course.

Most of the town employees and officials have completed the requirements of the Federal Government: the National Incident Management System and to the appropriate level of the Incident Command System, both of which are required for all first responder and administrative personnel. New employees will be certified as soon as possible. The Town certification of completion has been filed as required by presidential directive.

The Town received a federal grant that allowed command personnel in both the Police and Fire Departments to complete two advanced Incident Command Courses (IC-300 and IC-400). Final paperwork has been filed and reimbursement for overtime costs and backfill should be received shortly. The grant money did not cover department administrators who will also be required to complete those courses.

The Citizen Emergency Response Team has yet to be made a functioning entity. The implementation of the CERT program should provide individuals trained in disaster preparedness, fire safety, disaster medical operations, light search and rescue, disaster psychology, terrorism, and CERT organization and be available to assist where needed in emergency or other types of situations and should be

available to assist in the operation of the emergency dispensing sites being developed through the MA Board of Health.

The Rockland Auxiliary Police continues to provide regular back-up to the Police Department. The members all complete an annual firearm's qualification, certification in CPR/AED and as first responders, and an annual in-service program. This year's in-service includes First Aid, CPR/AED, Criminal Procedure, Motor Vehicle Law, Missing Children, Defensive Tactics and Domestic Violence. The officers assisted at the following activities:

Memorial Day Parade, Citizen's Scholarship Toll Booths, Special Education, Parent's Advisory Council Toll Booths, So. Shore Regional Vocational School Toll Booth, Playground Committee Carnival and Fireworks, Veterans' Day Parade, Christmas Stroll, and the Plympton Anniversary Celebration.

Assistance was also provided to a number of out of town activities and compassionate assistance was provided at some funerals.

The Auxiliary provides two fully equipped cruisers and manpower back up on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights or other times as determined by the Chief of Police. This has resulted in many thousand hours of unpaid service to the community. Both cars are in need of replacement (age and mileage) and increasingly expensive to maintain. It is likely that car numbered 277 (a 1995 model) will be unusable because of very high cost repairs that must be done before it can be used again and which are not in the reduced budget for this year. Additionally they seem to be unwise given the age and condition of the vehicle in spite of its low mileage for its age. We were able to procure an excellent used cruiser to replace car numbered 276 from East Bridgewater PD. It is very possible that we can do the same again this year in the late spring. In the interim we will be restricted to using one cruiser and providing less coverage on the normal nights the unit is in service. Hopefully the Town Meeting will approve the budget as recommended by the Board of Selectmen which will allow us to continue the Auxiliary Police function and allow for the procurement of the replacement cruiser.

A great deal of attention has been paid to the possibility of a flu or other pandemic and detailed plans have been prepared for two emergency dispensing sites with the leadership provided by the Board of Health and Leigh Mansberger, a consultant for the state.

Continued arrangements exist with the School Department, the American Red Cross, and the school bus contractor for the operation of certified shelters should their need arise.

The diesel generator procured by through a federal grant and funds from the equipment budget has not been connected to the Town Hall power panel at this time due to the Town's lack of funds. It is still possible to use the generator by using portable lighting.

The Rockland Comprehensive Emergency Plan update is completed and has been fully upgraded. A printed copy minus restricted phone contacts and plans that are accessible only by authorized agencies will be made available in the near future and will be located in the Memorial Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Bowles, Director

## **PARK DEPARTMENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Rockland:

The following is a report of the Rockland Park Department for the year ending December 31, 2007.

The main function of the department is to supply the best conditions possible on our fields and parks for the community. We maintain 113 acres of land; 15 ball fields, 2 running tracks and 2 basketball courts for the residents of Rockland. Roughly 18 permits were issued out this past year ranging from company softball games to carnivals to the different scouting groups and church outings.

In the past couple of years we had sprinkler systems installed on two ball fields along with new backstops, etc. This past year we had our Veterans Memorial Stadium sprinkler system finished completely. We hope to have our girl's varsity softball field lit up this year for night games which is desperately needed due to the increase in athletic enrollment. The girl's fields also are slated to have dugouts installed this upcoming year. Rockland Little League has completed dugouts on three of their fields along with installing drainage pipes at the entire Spring Street complex as well. Without all the youth groups stepping up the way they have we would not have the good field conditions that we do.

This past year we had a program help the Town out starting in the spring. "The Trial Court Community Service Program" which is roughly 3 to 4 days per week would send out anywhere from 4 to 24 workers along with supervisors to do whatever we needed done. They have completed jobs in the Town such as: weeding out ball fields, picking up brush and leaves at our cemeteries and pine groves; picking up papers around Town and at our parks. Most of all, our stadium was wire brushed and painted by them at no labor cost to the citizens. The stadium project alone saved us thousands of dollars. I cannot say enough about the service that they provided and I thank you very very much.

As always thanks to all the departments for helping throughout the year and a special thanks to Bob Corvi and the Highway Department for their help day in and day out.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter D. Ewell, Superintendent  
Robert Mahoney, Chairman  
Mark Maguire, Secretary  
Rich Furlong, Field Coordinator

## REPORT OF PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

The Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project are pleased to submit the following report of our activities during 2007.

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

The 2007 season began with a normal water table which decreased into the summer season. Efforts were directed at larval mosquitoes starting with the spring brood. Ground and aerial larviciding was accomplished using B.t.i., an environmentally selective bacterial agent. Upon emergence of the spring brood of mosquitoes, ultra-low volume adulticiding began on May 21, 2007 and ended on September 28, 2007. The Project responded to 12,191 requests for service from residents.

In response to the continued threat of mosquito borne diseases in the district, we increased our surveillance trapping, aerial and ground larviciding, and adult spray in areas of concern to protect public health.

Eastern Equine Encephalitis was first isolated from *Culiseta melanura*, a bird biting species, by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health in Plympton (2 pools) on August 7, 2007. Of the season's total of thirty one EEE isolates, nineteen were from Plymouth County as follows: Halifax- 8/13, 8/16(2), 8/27, 8/30, 9/26, Hanson – 9/5, Kingston – 8/13, 8/16(2), 8/27, 9/26, 10/5, Plympton – 8/7(2), Rockland – 9/26, West Bridgewater – 8/14(2), 8/22.

Based on guidelines defined by the “Vector Control Plan to Prevent EEE” in Massachusetts, nineteen Plymouth County towns were elevated from moderate to “High Level of EEE Risk” effective August 20, 2007. We are pleased to report that in 2007 there were no human or horse EEE cases in Plymouth County.

West Nile Virus was also found within the district. A total of ten birds tested positive for WNV in the following seven towns: Bridgewater (3), Duxbury (1), East Bridgewater (1), Halifax (1), Hanson (1), Lakeville (1) and Middleboro (2). Approximately thirty birds were handled through this Project as a dead bird repository. A total of thirteen isolations of WNV in mosquitoes were found in the following towns: Abington - 8/28, Bridgewater - 8/27(4), 9/12, Hanson – 9/5, Kingston – 8/30, Middleboro – 8/20 and Rockland – 9/21. We are also pleased to report that in 2007 that there were no human or horse West Nile Virus cases in Plymouth County. As part of our West Nile Virus control strategy a total of 63,558 catch basins were treated with larvicide in all of our towns to prevent WNV.

The remaining problem of EEE and WNV continues to ensure cooperation between the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project, local Boards of Health and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. In an effort to keep the public informed, EEE and WNV activity updates are regularly posted on Massachusetts Department of Public Health website at [www.state.ma.us/dph/wnv/wnv1.htm](http://www.state.ma.us/dph/wnv/wnv1.htm).

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

Insecticide Application: 3,125 acres were treated using truck mounted sprayers for control of adult mosquitoes. More than one application was made to the same site if mosquitoes reinvaded the area. The first treatments were made in May and the last in September.

During the summer 2,166 catch basins were treated to prevent the emergence of *Culex pipiens*, a known mosquito vector in West Nile Virus transmission Aerial Application. Larviciding woodland swamps by helicopter before the leaves come out on the trees continues to be very effective. In Rockland this year we aerially larvicided 319 acres.

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

Water Management. During 2007 crews removed blockages, brush and other obstructions from 1,670 linear feet of ditches and streams to prevent overflows or stagnation that can result in mosquito breeding. This work, together with machine reclamation, is most often carried in the fall and winter.

Finally, we have been tracking response time, which is the time between notice of a mosquito problem and response by one of our inspectors. The complaint response time in the Town of Rockland was less than two days with more than 363 complaints answered.

Mosquito Survey. A systematic sampling for the mosquitoes in Rockland indicates that *Cx. pipiens/restuans* was the most abundant species. Other important species collected include *An. quadrimaculatus* and *Cq. perturbans*.

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

Raymond D. Zucker  
Superintendent

Commissioners:  
Carolyn Brennan, Chairman  
Leighton F. Peck, Vice-Chairman  
Kenneth W. Ludlam, Ph.D., Secretary  
William J. Mara  
John Kenney

**ROCKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2007 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT**

**Official Department Roster**

**Chief of Police**

John R. Llewellyn

**Deputy Chief of Police**

currently unfilled

**Operations Lieutenant**

Barry E. Ashton

**Administrative Lieutenant**

currently unfilled

**Sergeants**

Wayne Jackson  
John Wentworth

Rodney Welch  
Nicholas Zeoli

William Shallies  
Gregory Pigeon

**Detectives**

Det. Sgt. John Wentworth

Dennis Donovan

Stephen Sammon

**Patrolmen**

J. Anthony DiRenzo (retired)  
Larry Buiel  
Richard Somers  
Sean Brundige  
Joseph Zielinski  
James Simpson  
Steven Somers  
John Hurley

James Fitzpatrick  
Patrick Norton  
John O'Connor  
Michael Byers  
Brian Coakley  
Richard Phelps  
Ethan Schnable  
James Casper

Ronald EverettJ.  
Gerard Eramo  
Peter Chernicki  
Thomas MacDonald  
Paul Donnelly  
Richard Novio  
Susan Llewellyn

**K-9's**

Boyar

Jessica

**Animal Control Officer**

Patricia Whittemore

**E 9-1-1 Dispatchers**

Wayne Everett

Kevin Gallagher

Brian McDonald

Thomas Viglas

**Executive Assistant**

Jeanne Gianatassio

**Administrative Assistant**

Leanne McGuinness

**Custodian**  
Richard Welch

**Permanent Intermittent Officers**

Charles Tilden                      Kevin Gallagher                      Brian McDonald

**School Police Officers**

Justin Eramo                      Kevin Gallagher                      David Langill                      Joseph Rogers

**Auxiliary Police Officers**

Captain Robert Bowles

Raymond Alongi	Kevin Briggs	Matthew Cooper
Jeffrey DiRenzo	Seth Dunlap	Justin Eramo
Wayne Everett	Martin Foley	David George
Nancy Gilcoine	Timothy Jonah	David Langill
Joseph Rogers	William Rovelto	Phillip Strazulla
Thomas Viglas		

**Crossing Guards**

Cathy Beasley	Deborah O'Brien	Elizabeth Walsh
Judith Walling	Cynthia Clarke	Kenneth Williams
Victoria Lachance	Cynthia Williams	

**Matrons**

Nancy Gilcoine	Elizabeth Hall	L'Oren Rogerson
Jan O'Connor	Pamela Ryan-Murray	Jackie Giachetti

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Rockland:

I respectfully submit the Annual Town Report of the activities of your Police Department for the year 2007.

**Mission Statement**

The Rockland Police Department is committed to providing the highest level of public safety and service to the citizens and business people within the community. The members of the Rockland Police Department are empowered to enforce the Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the By-Laws of the Town of Rockland, to ensure that the peace and tranquility of our neighborhoods are maintained and that crime and the fear of crime are reduced. We emphasize and value integrity, honesty, impartiality and professionalism from our members in order to create an environment that values differences and fosters fairness and flexibility in our mission.

## **Personnel**

This year was marked by the retirement of John Anthony “Tony” DiRenzo. I would like to personally thank Tony for his 30+ years of dedicated service to the Town of Rockland. Tony saw many changes in our police department from when he started in the mid 1970’s. Tony was always available to give direction and guidance to the newer Officers and he will be missed.

The current complement of the Police Department is now down to 32 full time sworn officers. Two years ago the department had 34 full time officers. Due to the current fiscal difficulties, we are unable to fill these positions at this time.

The Police Department currently has three Permanent Intermittent Officers (part time civil service positions.) These Officers fill in for the full time Officers when they are unable to work. The Department also has 22 Auxiliary Police Officers. These Officers assist the regular full time Officers on weekends and with special events. They are an invaluable resource to the town. Special thanks to Robert Bowles who leads the Auxiliary Police Officers.

The Department currently has one part time Animal Control Officer. Patricia Whittemore handled over 350 animal complaints in 2007. She also deals with sick, injured and stray animals on a daily basis. The ACO is authorized to isolate and confine domestic animals suspected of being exposed to rabies. Unfortunately, as a result of budget cuts we no longer have a part time ACO to cover calls for service on the weekends and holidays.

The Police Department handles all 9-1-1 calls for medical, police and fire services. The 9-1-1 staff handled over 7,081 calls during 2007. The 9-1-1 call center is staffed with two full time dispatchers and eight part time individuals. Our Dispatchers do an outstanding job and deserve recognition for a position that is extremely important and when well done is often overlooked.

Our school crossing guards are part-time civilian personnel. Currently there are two permanent crossing guards and four part-time who fill in when a regular crossing guard is unable to cover a post. Unfortunately, again as a result of budget reductions the number of permanent crossing guards has been reduced from six. Each crossing guard plays an essential role in ensuring the safety of our children. They also serve as an extra set of eyes and ears for the police department and the community. Each crossing guard has proven their dedication to the children and the community and is a great asset to Rockland.

## **Service to the Community**

In 2007 the Police Department logged 23,645 calls for service. This is down slightly from approximately 24,397 in 2006 and up from 22,750 in 2005. This does not include the thousands of telephone calls for directions, school closings and the requests for general information that the desk officers and the 9-1-1 dispatchers answer. During 2007 the Police Department arrested 606 individuals and placed another 126 into protective custody.

The Rockland Police Department is committed to providing first class service to the residents of the town. To that end, in 2007 the department was involved in the following Community Policing Initiatives:

- D.A.R.E. Drug Abuse Resistance Education
- R.A.D. Rape Aggression Defense Classes for adults and children

- “Click It or Ticket” seat belt enforcement program
- “You Drink, You Drive, You Lose,” and
- “Over the Limit – Under Arrest” enforcement patrols
- Underage alcohol enforcement patrols,
- K-9 program – with cutting edge training for both drug detection, tracking and apprehension programs
- Metropolitan Law Enforcement Council – Regionalized Response Team
- Metropolitan Law Enforcement Mobile Operations Division
- Metropolitan Law Enforcement Computer Crimes Unit
- Free bicycle helmet program
- Applied for and received numerous grants allowing the department to purchase laptop computers, office equipment, and cruiser equipment
- Development and maintenance of a department website
- Rockland Police Special Response Team
- White Ribbon Domestic Violence Awareness Programs
- K-9 Drug sweep of Rockland High School and Middle School
- Participation in a number of drug sweeps at schools outside of Rockland
- Unit demonstrations and participation in numerous private and Town sponsored events

The Rockland Police Department K-9 program has been very successful. Officer Somers and K-9’s Boyar and Jessica have tracked and located a number of dangerous criminals, have successfully located numerous missing persons, and searched for and found large quantities of drugs in both homes and vehicles.

This extremely successful program is funded entirely through private donations and the hard work of Officer Steven Somers.

### **Acknowledgements**

I extend my thanks and appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, Bradley Plante our Town Administrator and the Finance Committee.

Thank you to Robert Corvi and the members of the Highway Department. Mr. Corvi and his crew provide invaluable services to the Police Department and the citizens of Rockland.

I also wish to thank all of the Boards, Committees, Commissions and Departments within the Town. I believe that the spirit of cooperation among departments is at an all time high.

Thank you to the citizens and taxpayers of Rockland for your continued support.

To the men and women of the Rockland Police Department – I thank each and every one of you for your dedication, professionalism and your spirit. You are truly the foundation our department stands upon.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Llewellyn  
Chief of Police

<b>MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATIONS, 2007</b>			
OUI Alcohol	74	No Registration Decal	2
Operating to Endanger	90	Allowing Improper Person to Operate	7
Unregistered M.V.	51	Failure to Display Plates	0
Uninsured M.V.	38	Violation of Learners Permit/Junior License	3
No Inspection Sticker	80	License Restriction-6 months	1
Failure to Yield-Intersection	31	Exhibit Another's License	2
No License in Possession	75	Trespass with motor vehicle	0
Operating after Suspension	109	No Turn Signal	8
Poor Care Starting	5	Leave a M.V. Running Unattended	0
Failure to Obey Pavement Markings	144	Impeded Operation	6
Attaching License Plates	6	Failure to Obey P.O. for Traffic Control	4
Revoked Registration	19	Unsecured Load	2
Failure to Keep Right	6	Improper Lights (After Market)	3
Not Licensed	98	Seized Plates	51
No Right on Red	0	Gave Assistance To-APD	43
Stop Sign/Red Light	264	Gave Assistance To-State/other agency	244
Speeding	1003		
Leaving Scene Property Damage	24	“Other” Motor Vehicle Violations	39
Improper Passing	6		
Passing on Right	1		
Turn Signal Violation	11		
Noise	19		
Equipment Violation	205	<u>Total Motor Vehicle Violations</u>	3,096
Obstructing Emergency Vehicle	2		
False Name to Police Officer	2		
School Bus Violation	4	<u>Total Parking Tickets Issued</u>	549
OUI Drugs	3		
Failure to Use Turn Signals	5		
Tinted Windows	21		
Failure to Change Address	7		
Allow Improper Operator	1		
One Way Street Violation	3		
Failure to Dim Headlights	0		
Seat Belt Violation	244		
Drive with Open Container-Alcohol	1		
Fatal Motor Vehicle Accident	0		
Failure to Stop for Police Officer	9		
Pedestrian Crosswalk Violation	2		
Follow too Close	5		
Using without Authority of Owner	9		
Counterfeit Inspection Sticker	2		

<b>INCIDENTS REPORTED, 2007</b>			
Abandoned motor vehicles	10	Larceny of M.V./& plates	31
Accessory before and after	4	Liquor law violations	18
Accosting	1	Motor vehicle lockouts	154
Affray	5	Malicious destruction of property/MV	190
Animal complaint	320	Mental health warrant	10
Annoying phone calls	31	Minor in possession of alcohol	37
Arson/attempted arson	1	Motor vehicle accidents	574
Assault & Battery on police officer	4	Narcotic drug violations	127
Assault & Battery/A&B dangerous weapon	79	Open Container violation, alcohol	7
Assault with dangerous weapon	7	Possession of Burglary tools	4
Assist other police/fire departments	244	Possession of Child Pornography	2
Attempted murder	2	Protective custody	126
B & E & Burglaries	114	Rape/attempted rape	4
B & E Motor vehicles	32	Receiving stolen property	7
Breaking glass in building	2	Resisting arrest	23
Burglar alarms	775	Robbery (armed/unarmed)	8
By-law violations	9	Runaway/Missing person	42
Child abuse/neglect	50	Sex offenses	17
Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor	11	Shoplifting	14
Credit Card Violations	28	Social Host Violation (alcohol)	0
Criminal Harassment	0	Stalking	0
Defraud Innkeeper	11	Stolen/lost bicycle	14
Disturbance/Disorderly	725	Sudden death	7
Domestic violence/restraining orders	330	Suicide/Attempted suicide	13
911 Calls Received at Communications Ctr.	7,081	Suspicious activity	1,030
Embezzlement	3	Tagging	0
Exposing	3	Threats	80
False fire alarm	7	Transporting prisoners	115
False name to police officer	1	Trespassing	35
Failure to Register as a Sex Offender	6	Unwanted guests	81
Firearm Violations	1	Uttering	32
Fireworks Violations	73	Warrant arrests	165
Forgery	6	Weapons Violations	5
Fugitive from justice	0	Total Arrests & Protective Custodies	732
Furnishing Liquor to Minors	14	<u>“Other” Incidents</u>	1,078
General services/Field investigation	3,097		
Home Invasion	2	<u>Total Incidents</u>	18,103
Illegal Dumping of Trash	0		
Indecent assault & battery	4	<u>Total Incidents and Motor Vehicle Violations</u>	21,119
Indecent exposure	3		
Intimidating a government witness	14		
Larceny	211		

<b>Employee</b>	<b>Base</b>	<b>Overtime</b>	<b>Education</b>	<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Out. Det.</b>	<b>Total</b>
John Llewellyn	84,607.04	-	22,357.00	4,191.00		112,905.00
Barry Ashton	67,681.12	8,028.94	19,873.93	3,644.94		126,383.60
Sean Brundige	54,421.80	2,743.62	11,297.50	2,645.00	5,500.00	78,632.30
Joseph Buiel	55,785.81	4,563.73	12,599.60	2,939.15	900.00	84,528.73
Michael Byers	51,578.61	5,621.79	5,421.50	2,543.00	2,300.00	69,617.04
James Casper	45,645.34	2,654.52	-	2,170.00	9,680.00	61,941.46
Peter Chernicki	55,708.80	6,762.55	5,866.00	2,747.00	320.00	73,684.97
Brian Coakley	55,704.68	9,099.47	11,711.50	2,747.00	8,460.00	92,607.88
John Direnzo (ret)	36,190.98	5,131.12		1,545.22		56,621.76
Paul Donnelly	55,704.69	11,757.33	14,638.50	2,747.00	2,100.00	88,976.99
Dennis Donovan	55,860.44	3,785.20	12,888.58	3,002.43		83,651.29
Gerard Eramo	57,012.47	11,584.66	6,018.50	2,809.00	1,960.00	85,944.11
Ronald Everett	52,609.95	681.60		2,594.00		60,109.97
James Fitzpatrick	55,704.69	4,919.10		2,774.50	3,700.00	73,121.75
John Hurley	45,943.82	9,188.80	9,251.00	2,266.00	23,859.36	87,275.34
Wayne Jackson	58,319.18	4,763.64	12,687.00	2,876.00	6,070.00	89,065.94
Susan Llewellyn	42,853.46	8,245.00	4,579.00	2,147.50	7,760.00	68,577.32
Thomas MacDonald	54,848.41	7,895.44	5,630.00	2,747.00	6,061.00	81,330.03
Patrick Norton	55,704.69			2,884.68		65,266.19
Richard Novio	51,578.61	6,654.77	10,843.50	2,543.00	9,170.00	83,393.40
John O'Connor	55,704.69	5,835.76		2,747.00	24,740.00	91,189.13
Edward Phelps	55,704.69	5,320.84	13,706.50	2,747.00	11,140.00	90,806.39
Gregory Pigeon	62,984.71	2,911.20	16,552.00	3,106.00	3,113.74	90,161.73
Stephen Sammon	55,860.44	12,056.02	11,764.00	2,754.00	16,700.00	101,271.98
Ethan Schnabel	46,990.81	4,825.07		2,320.00	1,300.00	57,322.56
William Shallies	58,511.90	1,443.78		3,407.00		79,302.74
James Simpson, Jr.	53,711.64	10,158.79		2,649.00	160.00	70,398.43
Richard Somers	53,711.64	3,646.48	5,656.00	2,649.00	320.00	67,624.72
Steven Somers	50,652.46	13,168.13	13,454.00	2,525.00	4,600.00	88,423.27
Rodney Welch	60,763.56	6,408.40	24,883.00	3,110.50	13,600.00	114,023.33
John Wentworth	60,763.56	10,622.07	7,043.47	3,260.10		90,887.02
Nicholas Zeoli	62,984.71	19,310.96	16,554.50	3,106.00	15,580.00	121,081.41
Joseph Zielinski	55,704.69	5,514.92	2,927.00	2,747.00	5,840.00	76,003.63

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

### **TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF ROCKLAND:**

I hereby submit the annual report of the Rockland Fire Department for the year 2007

#### **The Annual Report**

During the calendar year 2007, the Rockland Fire Department responded to a total of 4958 emergency calls compared to 4893 calls in 2006. In addition, response to calls for medical emergencies have approximately doubled in the past 10 years.

In 1990 the Rockland Fire Department had eight men on each shift. This number was reduced to 6 in 1991 due to layoffs. In 2000 advanced Life Support was instituted. This allowed the Fire Department to hire four paramedics as well as generate a substantial increase in revenue for the town. At that time the shifts were 7 men. Due to the Town Meeting vote not to fund the budget enough, four Firefighter/Paramedics were laid off. We are now back to six men per shift. I am requesting funding to hire four firefighter/paramedics in order to bring our shift manning back to 7.

Considering the increased number of calls, coupled with the growing population of Rockland, increasing and maintaining manpower helps to insure public safety for all citizens.

#### **AMBULANCE AND REVENUE**

**In the calendar year of 2007 the Town of Rockland received \$600,093.00 in ambulance billing fees, an increase of \$23,373.00 from 2006, and another \$23,373.00 in permit fees. For calendar years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 the Executive Assistant collected almost 4 ½ million dollars from ambulance billing fees.**

#### **PERSONNEL**

Your Fire Department consist of the Chief, the Deputy Chief, 1 Captain, 3 Lieutenants, 20 full-time Firefighters, 2 Call Firefighters, 2 part-time Fire Alarm men and 1 Executive Assistant.

#### **PERSONNEL CHANGES**

The year 2007 was another year of change. In May of 2007, Firefighter/Paramedic Scott Duffey was appointed Captain. This appointment is based on a candidate receiving the top mark on the Civil Service Promotional Exam. In July Firefighter Richard Aitken retired after over 40 years of service. I wish him a happy and healthy retirement.

Due to lack of funding, four Firefighter/Paramedics, Brad Flannery, John Higgins, Christopher Hindy and Daniel Murphy were laid off.

## VEHICLE INVENTORY

Engine One	1250 GPM Pumper	Farrar Custom	1980
Engine Two	1250 GPM Pumper	Emergency One – Ford	1987
Engine Three	1250 GPM Pumper	Smeal/HME	2004
Engine Four	1250 GPM Pumper	Emergency One – ford	1988
Ladder One	105 ft. Aerial	Smeal/Spartan	1999
Forest Fire One	Light Duty Forest Fire	Ford	1986
Fire Alarm	Bucket Truck	Ford & Aerial Bucket	1974
Chief’s Car	4 Door Sedan	Ford	1997
Fire Prev. (Car2)	4 Door Sedan	Ford	1993
Rescue Boat			
Ambulance One	Class I Medium Duty	International Navistar	2006
Ambulance Two	Class I Type III	Ford/Life-Line	2000

## APPRECIATION

I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, to all Department Heads, Boards, Committees, Commissions and all Town Employees for their cooperation.

I would like to extend my thanks to Deputy William Ferguson who helps make this department run smoothly.

I would like to thank Firefighter/Paramedic Charles Williams and Firefighter/Paramedic Marc Oshry for all of their time applying and receiving the SFY 2007 Firefighting Equipment Grant. With the budget being reduced, this grant enables us to by equipment that is very much needed that we would not have been able to do.

The Shanahan, Lelyveld and Gardner families made generous donations in memory of their loved ones which enabled us to purchase two GPS units – one for the ambulance and the other for the engine. We were also able to purchase a portable water pump to be used in remote areas for firefighting. All of these donations are very much appreciated, and I would like to thank them.

Your Fire Department is one that you can be proud of. I want to thank the people who help me kept it that way. My Executive Assistant, Mary Ryan, does an excellent job. Her dedication helps make the office operate efficiently. Further, I would like to thank all of the members of my Department for their continued efforts in making our Department provide the best service for the citizens of Rockland.

And last, but not least, I want to thank the citizens of the town of Rockland for their support. The Rockland Fire Department is one you can be proud of.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Michael Sammon  
Chief

## 2007 FIRE DEPARTMENT PAYROLL

<b>Name</b>	<b>Base Pay</b>	<b>Overtime</b>	<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Education</b>
Aitken, Richard	\$38,449.11	\$ 183.90	\$1,238.88	
Baker, Richard	\$56,056.20	\$ 269.34	\$4,088.40	\$ 300.00
DelPrete, Daniel	\$58,656.36	\$ 559.68	\$3,565.32	\$3,539.06
DelPrete, Wayne	\$58,656.36	\$ 311.39	\$3,694.92	
DiTocco, Mark	\$58,656.36	\$ 517.72	\$3,662.52	\$ 150.00
Duhaine, Richard	\$58,001.16	\$ 972.04	\$3,950.40	\$3,856.98
Duffey, Scott, Cpt.	\$72,359.08	\$2,566.04	\$4,367.52	
Erickson, Craig, Lt.	\$66,216.54	\$1,115.20	\$4,179.24	\$3,867.75
Flannery, Brad	\$31,337.52	\$6,935.40	\$1,804.20	
Furlong, Richard	\$58,656.36	\$2,500.96	\$3,662.52	
Gannon, John	\$12,443.76	\$ 70.38	\$ 888.84	
Heaney, Thomas	\$58,944.96	\$ 672.43	\$3,583.20	\$4,112.73
Henderson, Thomas	\$64,759.68	\$ 784.10		
Hussey, Donald, Lt.	\$64,101.84	\$1,215.84	\$ 4055.64	\$3,867.75
Higgins, John	\$31,602.72	\$7,214.77	\$1,830.72	
Hindy, Christopher	\$32,650.26	\$ 547.11	\$1,883.76	
King, Stephen	\$61,320.72	\$ 245.82	\$1,687.92	
Margolis, Scott	\$64,759.68	\$2,055.28	\$3,936.24	\$ 500.00
Mullen, Michael	\$58,656.36	\$ 787.05	\$3,662.52	\$ 150.00
Murphy, Daniel	\$32,650.26	\$ 713.01	\$1,883.76	
O'Dea, Edward	\$58,656.36	\$ 160.90	\$3,678.72	\$3,539.06
Oshry, Marc	\$64,759.68	\$ 699.10	\$3,936.24	\$ 700.00
Peterson, Eric	\$61,627.92	\$1,174.95	\$3,725.88	\$ 150.00
Richard, Francis	\$56,056.20	\$ 334.34	\$ 150.00	
Sammon, John, Lt.	\$66,826.32	\$1,894.80	\$3,801.60	
Sciara, John	\$58,656.36	\$1,656.89	\$3,711.12	\$3,539.06
Tracy, Michael	\$64,759.68	\$1,116.46	\$3,936.24	
Williams, Charles	\$64,759.68	\$1,093.06	\$3,936.24	\$ 700.00
Wooley, David	\$64,759.68	\$ 772.64	\$3,936.24	\$ 700.00

## THE PERMANENT TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Rockland:*

The Permanent Town Building Committee is pleased to submit its annual report for the 2007 calendar year.

After 5 years in limbo and the retiring Town Administrator, the Building Committee has spent the past year reviewing unfinished projects.

**The Fire Station** – Conduct Phase II Comprehensive Site Assessment and determine if contamination at the site meets MADEP standards and close the site with MADEP, or conduct Phase III-V study to clean up the site.

**The Water Department Offices** – Conduct Phase II Comprehensive Site Assessment and determine if contamination at the site meets MADEP standards and close the site with MADEP, or conduct Phase III-V study to clean up the site.

Both of these projects are not in compliance with the MADEP regulations. The Committee is well aware of the budget problems, but the members want to make sure that the Town is aware so that funding may be available some day, hopefully sooner rather than later.

**The Library Roof** – Last May, the Town passed a debt exclusion for the Library roof. The members have been working on this project since it was given to the committee in July. Jennifer Campbell - Horne of JCH Consulting was hired to study and draft the specs for the materials and the methods to replace the copper dome, the rubber and asphalt shingled roofs. Jennifer has been involved with a lot of Town roof projects such as the removal and replacement of roofs at the Schools, Town Hall, and the Fire Station.

With the experience and the typing skills of the Committee's secretary Candi DiRenzo, the Committee was able to develop the bid packet, conducted a pre-bid meeting, and files all the paperwork that is involved with this project. There was a lot of interest in the project. The Town had five companies that submitted bids.

The Chairman would like to thank the Committee Members and the Committee's secretary for their many long hours committed to these ongoing Town Projects. The Members would also like to thank all of the Town Departments for their cooperation with regards to these projects.

Respectfully submitted,

Permanent Town Building Committee

Committee Members

Secretary

Robert A. Manzella, Chairman  
Stanley Cleaves, Vice-Chairman  
Gregory Tansey  
Chris Vlachos  
Ken Dunn

Candi DiRenzo

## **ROCKLAND FIRE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE ANNUAL TOWN REPORT**

While they still strongly believe that the Town of Rockland is in need of a Fire sub-station in the southern part of town, the Fire Station Building Committee has put their pursuit of a new Fire sub-station on hold for the time being. They believe that this is not an appropriate time to pursue this for the following reasons:

1. The current financial condition of the Town;
2. The lack of availability of land;
3. The Town's dire need for a new Middle School;
4. The lack of Grant funding available, and
5. The current manpower shortage at the Fire Department

At such a time that the financial situation in the Town changes, the Committee would be interested in continuing their efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

James F. Killinger  
Chairman

## **ROCKLAND SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE**

It is my pleasure as Chairman of the newly formed School Building Committee, which was approved at the Special Town meeting of 12/04/07, to write our first Annual Report. At their meeting of 2/28/07 the members of the committee reorganized and elected John Rogers as Chairman, Richard Phelps as Vice-Chairman and Marilyn Werkheiser as Secretary. Meetings of the committee are usually held the last Wednesday of each month in the Middle School Library. All meetings of the committee are open to the public and citizens are invited and encouraged to attend.

As the new Chairman, I would like to congratulate Thomas Mills Jr. Chairman of the previous committee and it's members for a "JOB WELL DONE". It is through their extraordinary efforts we are where we are today. As Tom pointed out in his 2006 report, a Statement Of Interest relative to replacing the Middle School was submitted to the MSBA for their consideration.

One of the first task of the new committee was to look into renovations to the High School as well as replacing the Middle School. There has been a great deal of concern that some renovations to the High School such as renovations to the science labs were critical if the High School was to maintain it's accreditation. Consequently the committee voted to submit a Statement of Interest for the High School to the MSBA as well.

It was further agreed that a Web Site should be established. This was accomplished and even though it needs more work, the site is off and running - <http://rocklandschoolbuildingcommittee.com>.

Members of the committee expressed a need to form a Political Action Committee to assist in informing the citizens of Rockland about the importance of supporting the School Building Committee in their efforts. This has been accomplished and the Chairperson of that committee is Julie Shields. This committee is highly organized and has raised thousands of dollars to finance a campaign to inform the public of articles and ballot questions relative to the necessity of replacing the Middle School and possible renovations to the High School.

A number of meetings with representatives from the MSBA were held throughout the year and were very informative as well as encouraging.

Members of the committee continued to meet with Senator Mike Morrissey, Representative Bob Nyman, Selectmen, School Officials and other interested parties. This past summer the School Committee appointed John Retchless, Superintendent of Schools to replace Jim Kerrigan, who retired. Superintendent Retchless' support and assistance these past few months has been tremendous.

In December, we were informed by the MSBA that replacing the Middle School was 1 of 83 schools approved out of hundreds of request for their consideration. A meeting with representatives of the MSBA was scheduled at their Boston office for January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Renovations to the High School was not approved at this time. This does not mean that we have final approval of replacing the Middle School since a number of further steps will be required by the MSBA before this happens. However we are extremely encouraged and hopeful. We will keep the citizens of Rockland informed as we move forward in the process.

Respectfully submitted:

John Rogers, Chairman

## **SCHOOL COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2007**

The past year was an exciting time for our School Department. Tight budget numbers continue to be a concern for staff, but once again they find a way to make our children's classroom education the priority.

Many changes have taken place within the staff at all levels. Memorial Park has a new excitement with the hiring of Jan Sheehan as its Principal. Jan is a dynamic personality with an intense desire to make her school shine. She has brought classroom experience and ideas from Weymouth as a 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and we look forward to her new direction for Memorial Park.

The Administration Office was sad at the retirement of longtime public servant, Jim Kerrigan. Jim had served us for several years as the High School Principal, Assistant Superintendent and spent the past few years as our Superintendent. We will truly miss Jim and wish him good health in his retirement.

Jim's departure brought a new opportunity for us to hire a new Superintendent, with new visions and new ideas. The Search Committee reviewed and interviewed several candidates and after several rounds of interviews the School Committee unanimously selected John Retchless to lead our School Department into the future. John had previously served as Assistant Superintendent in Middleboro and been a Principal in Lee, MA and Quebec, Canada. John's first few months have been a great transition and we are energized by his ideas for the future.

Maintenance and inspections continue at the Roger's Middle School to remedy the water problems that plagued us in 2006. Repairs have been made to areas found during inspections and the custodial staff continues to work hard to keep the school functional. The Building Committee have been meeting regularly to bring about a new school and was pleased to be selected by the MSBA in the fall to be moved into the feasibility study phase to secure funding.

Lastly the School Committee went through its own changes with Ed Damon our senior member with over 30 years of service deciding not to seek reelection. Ed was a driving force for years and his knowledge and ideas were missed. We thank him for his tireless dedication to the children and parents of Rockland.

The School Committee looks forward to another exciting and challenging year in 2008 and we thank you all for your continued support.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT  
OF THE TOWN OF ROCKLAND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007**

**MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Mark S. Norris, Chairman	Term Expires 2009
Michelle E. Pezzella, Vice Chairman	Term Expires 2008
Thomas F. Mills, Jr., Secretary	Term Expires 2009
Michael P. Mullen, Jr.	Term Expires 2010
Marilyn J. Werkheiser	Term Expires 2010

**ADMINISTRATION PERSONNEL**

John Retchless Office Tel: 878-3893	Superintendent of Schools 34 MacKinlay Way
Doric Scarpelli Office Tel: 878-3893	Assistant Superintendent 34 MacKinlay Way
Kathryn Salem Office Tel: 878-1380	Director of Pupil Personnel Services 198 Spring Street
Stephen P. Sangster Office Tel: 871-0541	Principal Rockland High School
Paul E. Stanish Office Tel: 878-4341	Principal Rogers Middle School
Carol McGrath Office Tel: 878-8336	Principal R. Stewart Esten School
Gerald Kohn/Robert Levine Office Tel: 871-8400	Principals Jefferson School
Janice Sheehan Office Tel: 878-1367	Principal Memorial Park School

**LOCATION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS  
IN THE TOWN OF ROCKLAND**

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Senior High School 34 MacKinlay Way

**DIRECTOR OF PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES**

Almshouse 198 Spring Street

**SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

Grades 9-12/EASE 52 MacKinlay Way

**ROGERS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Grades 6-8 100 Taunton Avenue

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

R. Stewart Esten	Grades K-5	733 Summer Street
Memorial Park	Grades K-5	1 Brian Duffy Way
Jefferson	Grades K-5	34 James Street

**BUSINESS OFFICE PERSONNEL**

Burrill, Carol	Lamb, Donna
Caplice, Donna	Miller, Patricia
Cusick, Judith	

**SCHOOL SECRETARIES**

Armstrong, Karen	Senior High School
Brown, Paula	Daycare
Cronin, Kathleen	Pupil Personnel
Damon, Frances	Rogers Middle School
DelPrete, Carol	Senior High School
Ellis, Jane	Senior High School
Garvey, Claire	Jefferson School
LaCombe, Janet	Esten School
Russo, Helen	Memorial Park School
Smith, Nancy	Rogers Middle School
Woodward, Mary Ellen	Senior High School

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Belcher, Douglas MD  
Anderson, Virginia RN  
Casagrande, Patricia RN  
DiGregorio, Beverly RN  
Franzen, Deborah RN  
Ryan, Kathi RN

School Physician  
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Cary, Neil  
Casey, Lee  
Clark, Maureen  
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Cole, Jennifer  
Collins, Stephanie  
Connell, Deborah  
Coulstring, Patricia  
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Donohoe, Phyllis  
Doyle, Theresa  
Duncan, Diane  
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Garrity, Kathleen  
Goldman, Carol  
Hannigan, Dale  
Heney, Lori  
Hologitas, Sara  
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Jackson, Doris  
Johnson, Kimberly

Kilgallen, Catherine  
Kirslis, Joyce  
Langley, Patricia  
Long, Ellen  
Lyon-Murphy, Edith  
Mahon, Lois  
Mahoney, Diane  
Maloney, Jean  
McDermott, Christine  
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McGarry, Shani  
McSolla, Dorothy  
Mellen, Nancy  
Messier, Karen  
Mondville, Sharon  
Murphy, Susan  
O'Rourke, Sarah  
Parnaby, Hillary  
Pelrin, Karen  
Reyno, Paula  
Riley-Caron, Catherine  
Rossiter, Deborah  
Sampson, Jean  
Smith, Brenda  
Smith, Christine  
Sommers, Claudia  
Sullivan, Susan  
Trudeau, Cheryl  
Tufts, Suzanne  
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Kane, Dawn

## **SPECIAL EDUCATION DRIVERS**

Feinstein, Brenda  
Flanders, Anne

Haapaoja, Joyce  
Richardson, Jean

## **MAINTENANCE**

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Catino, Andrew

Victor, Paul

## **CUSTODIANS SENIOR HIGH**

Crovo, Peter  
Gay, Richard  
Mahoney, Paula  
Taylor, Phillip

Tolan, Peter  
Walsh, Michael  
Woodward, Warren (part-time)

## **ROGERS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Caldeiro, Robert (part-time)  
Kelly, John

Kelly, Paul  
Olson, Curt

## **ELEMENTARY**

Callahan, Patrick  
Golemme, David  
McCarthy, David  
McGarry, William  
Panaro, Urban( part-time)

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Rose, Edward  
Smith, Richard  
Toohey, Liam

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Faulstich, Jill  
Fee, Miriam  
Knight, Catherine

Low, Donna  
Rogers, Diane, Mgr.  
Whitley, Shirley  
Wilcox, Lynn

## **ROGERS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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Curran, Denise, Mgr.  
Dearth, Gail

Leeman, Dorothy  
Murphy, Mary, Asst. Mgr  
Welch, Teala

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 Crawford, Elizabeth  
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 Delprete, Brenda  
 DiCienzo, Denise  
 Ernest, Patricia  
 Lampert, Paula

Loughlin, Doreen  
 Placente, Dorothy  
 Rugnetta, Michelle  
 Saftler-Marks, Susan, Mgr.  
 Sargent, Ruth  
 Swiatek, Amanda  
 Trapeno, Beverly, Mgr.  
 Whiting, Joanne

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 SCHOOL/DEGREE**

		<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>GRADE/SUBJ</u>
ADAMS	MARCIA	NORTH ADAMS	BS	GRADE 3
ANDERS	CYNTHIA	WESTFIELD STATE	BS	PRE SCHOOL
ARMSTRONG	ANGELINA	COLORADO STATE UNIV	BS	SCIENCE
BAILEY	ALANNA	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	TECH DIR/MATH CHAIR
BARRETT	MAUREEN	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	SPED
BEAL	PATRICIA	SALEM STATE	BS	GRADE 1
BIGSBY	CHAD	STATE UNION COLLEGE NY NY STATE UNIVERSITY	BA MA	ENGLISH
BISSONNETTE	MICHELE	BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	GRADE 3
BLACK	MARGARET	BRIDGEWATER STATE UMASS	BA MED	GUIDANCE
BOGUS	MARGARET	BOSTON STATE COLL	BS	GRADE 6

BOHN	BETH	PROVIDENCE COLL BOSTON COLL	BA MED	ASST. PRINC/SPED
BOYLE	PATRICIA	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	TITLE 1
BRICKLEY	CAROL	BOSTON STATE COLL	BS	GRADE 4
BUCKLEY	MARGARET	SUFFOLK UNIV UMASS BOSTON	BA MA	LANG. CHAIR
BURKE	GALE	FITCHBURG STATE COLL	BS	GRADE 5
BURLEY	NANCY	E.CONN STATE UNIV UNIV. OF NEW ENGLAND	BS MED	KINDERGARTEN
BURWEN	RUSSELL	CAMBRIDGE COLLEGE NORTHEASTERN UNIV.	MED BS	SCIENCE
CABLE-MURPHY	DAVID	EMERSON COLLEGE EMERSON COLLEGE	BS MA	WRPS
CAHILL	CAROL	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA	ENGLISH
CALIRI	EMELIA	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 5
CAMIRAND	MARIAN	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 2
CANN	JANET	UNIV OF MASS NORTHEASTERN UNIV.	BA MED	GUIDANCE
CAREY	MARA	BRIDGEWATER STATE FITCHBURG STATE	BS MED	GRADE 6
CASAGRANDE	JAMES	WESTERN N.E.	BS	SCIENCE
CASAGRANDE	STEVEN	WESTERN N.E.	BA	MATH

CLAY	DIANA	UNIV OF MAINE/FARM.	BS	PRE SCHOOL
COEN	HELEN	BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	GRADE 6
COLLINS	KRISTIN	FAIRFIELD UNION MASS GENERAL HOSPITAL	BS MS	SPEECH
COLLINS	SARAH	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	SPED
COOK	JANET	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 8
CORBETT	KATHARINE	STONEHILL COLL	BA	GRADE 1
CORR	DIANE	BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIV. OF NEW ENGLAND	BA MED	GRADE 7
COSTELLO	JOAN	STONEHILL COLLEGE	BA	SOCIAL STUDIES
COWGILL	ANGELINE	WHEATON COLLEGE SIMMONS COLLEGE MA UNIV. OF MASS	BA MED	SPANISH
CREEDON	DENISE	BRIDGEWATER STATE LESLEY COLLEGE	BS MED	KINDERGARTEN
CURLEY	CAITLYN	EASTERN NAZARENE COLL EASTERN NAZARENE COLL	BA MED	GRADE 1
DAMON II	FREDRICK	BOSTON COLL	BA	MATH /DEAN

DAVIDSON	DENISE	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GUIDANCE
		BRIDGEWATER STATE	MED	
		BRIDGEWATER STATE	CAGS	
DONDERO	MARIE	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 4
		BRIDGEWATER STATE	MED	
DRESSLER	EUGENE	HARVARD UNIV	BA	MATH
		HARVARD UNIV	MBA	
DUFFEY	KAREN	PROVIDENCE COLLEGE	BA	SPED
		ENDICOTT COLLEGE	MED	
DUNIN	HEATHER	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	SPED
DUNN	ANNEMARIE	FRAMINGHAM ST COLL	BS	GRADE 6
		LESLEY COLL	MED	
DUNN	MARY	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 7
DUQUETTE	SUE-ELLEN	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 1
ELFMAN	BRENDA	UMASS UNIV OF VA	BS MED	SPEECH
ENOS	GLEN	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA	GRADE 3
		LESLEY COLL	MED	
FALLON	PATRICIA	SALEM STATE	BS	GRADE 5
		FITCHBURG STATE	MED	
FARLEY	AMY	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	SPED
FERNANDES	HOPE	JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIV	BA	ENGLISH
		LESLEY COLLEGE	MED	

FERRY	KATHLEEN	BRIDGEWATER STATE FITCHBURG STATE	BS MED	GRADE 2
FLANAGAN	JAMES	UMASS CAMBRIDGE COLLEGE	BA MED	SOCIAL STUDIES
FLANAGAN	MARY	BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIV. OF NEW ENGLAND	BA MED	GRADE 7
FOLSOM	BRENDA	BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIV. OF NEW ENGLAND	BS MED	HEALTH/PHYS ED
FORESTA	DEBORAH	BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIV. OF NEW ENGLAND	BS MED	GRADE 5
FORLIZZI	COLLEEN	MERRIMACK COLLEGE CURRY COLLEGE	BS MED	GRADE 8
FRATES	JANICE	WHEELOCK UNIV. OF MASS	MED BA	KINDERGARTEN
GATTINE	RICHARD	CURRY COLL SIMMONS COLL	BS MS	SPEL
GEORGE	JAMIE	UNIV. OF NH SIMMONS COLLEGE MA	BA	GRADE 8
GRASS	CATHERINE	UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA NORTHEASTERN UNIV.	BS MED	SPEECH/LANGUAGE
GLIKMAN	ALEXIS	ITHACA COLLEGE NORTHEASTERN UNIV WHEELOCK COLLEGE	BA MED MS	SPEL
GRATTAN	NANCY	UMASS/AMHERST FITCHBURG STATE	BS MED	GRADE 6

GRAZIANO	GARY	JOHNSON & WALES	BS	ATH DIR/FAM CONS. SCI.
		BRIDGEWATER STATE	MED	
GRIEVES	MARCIA	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	TITLE I
GRIMMETT	RANDAL	BRIDGEWATER STATE SUFFOLK UNIV	BS JD	S.STUDIES CHAIR
HAFNER	ERIC	BOSTON UNIV TUFTS UNIV	BS CAGS	SCH PSYCH
HAGGERTY	MICHAEL	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA	GRADE 6 ENGLISH
HANSEN	SUSAN	HOBART & WM SMITH LESLEY COLLEGE	BA MED	GRADE 6
HARDEN	MATTHEW	UNIV. OF MASS ITHACA COLLEGE	BA/MUSIC MA/MUSIC	MUSIC DIRECTOR
HARRIS	ELLEN	MASS COLL. OF ART	BFA	ART
HARRIS	CHRISTINE	BOSTON UNIVERSITY BOSTON UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF CONN.	CAGS MED BS	GRADE 5
HAYES	DIANE	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 3
HOCKING	CAROL	WESTFIELD STATE	BS	SPED
HOFFMAN	KATHY-ANNE	CLARK UNIVERSITY	BA	MATH
HOGAN	DEBORAH	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 2
HOYO	SAMANTHA	UNIV. OF MASS	BS	SCIENCE

HUGHES	STEVEN	BUTLER UNIV. BUTLER UNIV. INDIANA UNIV.	BS MS EdD	PSYCHOLOGIST
JOHNSON	CRAIG	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	MATH
KELLEY	ROBIN	CRANE SCH OF MUSIC CENT CONN STATE UNIV	BMUS MS	MUSIC
KELLIHER	KERRI	CURRY COLLEGE	BA	GRADE 4
KIDD	EMILY	BOSTON COLLEGE NORTHEASTERN UNIV.	BA MS/CAGS	PSYCHOLOGY
KING	APRIL	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA	ART
KILLINGER	JAN	STONEHILL COLL	BA	SPED
KLINE	PAULA	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	SPED
KNOBEL	MARY	REGIS COLLEGE	BA	SCIENCE
KRAJEWSKI	JESSICA	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 1
LABOLLITA	BARBARA	WESTFIELD STATE	BS	SPED
LANNIN-COTTON	MADÉLINE	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA	ENGLISH
LEARNING	MELINDA	BOSTON STATE COLL BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	GRADE 3
LEARY	ROBERT	PLYMOUTH STATE COLL	BS	PHYS. ED.
LEONE	CAROL	U.MASS/BOSTON BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA MED	FOR LANG

LESTER	STEVEN	BOSTON UNIV. SUFFOLK UNIV. BOSTON UNIV.	BS MED EdD	GRADE 5
LEVINE	BEVERLY	BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS  MED  CAGS	GRADE 1
LINEHAN	JESSICA	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	LIBRARY
LIQUORI	NICK	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	MATH
LOMBARDI	SANDRA	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	SOCIAL STUDIES
LONERGAN	SUSAN	BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIV. OF NEW ENGLAND	BS  MED	GRADE 5
LOONEY	SHANNON	WESTFIELD STATE COLL BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS  MED	GRADE 3
LORDS	SCOTT	WESTFIELD STATE	BS	SCIENCE
LOSCIUTO	RUTH	WORCESTER ST. COLL EMERSON COLL	BS  MS	SPEECH
MacDONALD	HEATHER	BRIDGEWATER STATE FITCHBURG STATE	BS  MED	SPED
MARIANO	LAURIE	BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS  MED	SPED
MARK	JEAN	N.ADAMS STATE COLL	BS	TITLE 1

McALLISTER	RICK	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA	SOCIAL STUDIES
McDONALD	CHARLES	WESTERN N.E. COLLEGE	BS	GRADE 8 MATH
MCDONNELL	JULIE	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 1
MCDONOUGH	AMANDA	HOUGHTON COLLEGE	BA	ENGLISH
MCFARLAND	LINDA	SUFFOLK UNIV.	BS	GRADE 2
MCGONNIGAL	SHARON	CURRY COLL CAMBRIDGE COLLEGE	BA MED	SPED COORD.
MCGRATH	CAROL	BRIDGEWATER STATE NORTHEASTERN UNIV.	BS MED	PRINCIPAL
MCNAMARA	LISA	LESLEY COLL	BS	SPED
MERTEN FLEMING	PATRICIA	UNIV OF MAINE	BS	FAM CONS SCI
MIKLOS	MARY	YOUNGSTOWN ST. OHIO NORTHEASTERN UNIV.	BS MED	EASE COORD.
MILLER	ALICIA	UNIV. OF MASS FRAMINGHAM STATE	BA MED	SPED
MINAHAN	JULIE	UNIIV. OF MASS	BA	GRADE 8 ENGLISH
MORAST	KERRY	STONEHILL COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE COLLEGE	BS MED	GRADE 6
MULLANEY	JOAN	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	SPED
MULREADY	VALERIE	WESTFIELD STATE	BS	MATH

MURPHY	ROBERT	BOSTON UNIVERSITY HARVARD UNIVERSITY	BA MA	SCIENCE
NEE	KAREN	CURRY COLLEGE WHEELOCK	BA MS	GRADE 4
NETTO	PATRICIA	CURRY COLLEGE	BS	SPEED
OBRIEN	KATHLEEN	BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	GRADE 4
O'CONNELL	JOANNE	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 2
O'DONNELL	GEORGE	RHODE ISLAND COLL	BS	TECH ED
O'DUGGAN	ERIN	UNIV OF COLORADO UNIV OF COLORADO	BA MA	SPEECH
OKOLA	CATHERINE	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA	SPEED
OSBORNE	ELIZABETH	BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	GRADE 2
OWEN	KENNETH	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	PHYS ED
PAGE	JEAN	FITCHBURG STATE COLL	BS	GRADE 2
PARKER	BARRY	CURRY COLL	BA	TECH.ED.
PATTON	JAMES	EASTERN NAZARENE	BS	GRADE 8
PATTON	SUSAN	BRIDGEWATER STATE CAMBRIDGE COLLEGE	BA MED	ASST. PRINCIPAL

PAULDING	KATHLEEN A.	FITCHBURG STATE CAMBRIDGE COLLEGE	BS MED	SOCIAL STUDIES
PAYLOR	PAULA	BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	GRADE 2
PELISSIER	PAULA	BRIDGEWATER STATE BOSTON UNIV.	BA MS	SPEECH
PERKINS	JEFFREY	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	PHYS ED
PHELPS	SUSAN	WESTFIELD STATE CAMBRIDGE COLLEGE	BS MED	PHYS ED
PHILLIPS	LORNA	SALEM STATE COLL BOSTON STATE COLL	BS MED	GRADE 4
PIERCE	JOANN	BOSTON COLL NORTHEASTERN UNIV.	BS MED	SPED
PISTORINO	MARY	BOSTON COLLEGE	BA	SPED
REINBOLD	ELISA	BOSTON UNIV. WHEELOCK COLL	BS MS	PRE SCHOOL
REYNOLDS	MEEMEE	UNION-CAL UNIV OF MASS	BA MED	ALC TEACHER
REPPUCCI	JOANNE	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	SPED
RETCHESS	JOHN	BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY McGILL UNIVERSITY	BA BS MED	SUPERINTENDENT
ROBACK	JENNIFER	WORCESTER STATE	BS	SPED

ROSS	ANN MARIE	FRAMINGHAM STATE	BS	GRADE 2
ROWE	GREGORY	SUFFOLK UNIV.	BS	SOCIAL STUDIES
RUNCI	PATRICK	BOSTON UNIVERSITY	BS	GRADE 4
RUSCONI	TERESA	REGIS COLL U.MASS/BOSTON	BA MED	SPED
RUSSO	ELIZABETH	REGIS COLL UNIV. OF NEW ENGLAND	BA MED	GRADE 1
RYAN	LISA	UNIV OF CONN LESLEY COLLEGE	BS MED	TECHNOLOGY
SALEM	KATHRYN	LESLEY UNIV UNIV. OF MASS BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED CAGS	DIR PPL PERS
SANGSTER	STEPHEN	NORTHWESTERN STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MS	PRINCIPAL
SAVAGE-CAPRIO	WENDY	SKIDMORE COLL BOSTON COLL	BS MED	GRADE 1
SCARPELLI	DORIC	HOLY CROSS COLL BOSTON COLL	BA MED	ASST. SUPERINTENDENT
SCHAEFER	KATHY	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	GRADE 5
SCHEUFELE	MICHELLE	EASTERN NAZARENE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	GRADE 4
SCHIPPER	CHERYL	U.MASS/LOWELL	BS	SCIENCE/DEAN
SCOPELLETI- HOWES	MARY	BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	GRADE 7

SCOTT	LEE	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS	TITLE 1
SHEA	BRIAN	UNIV. OF FLORIDA BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA MED	GRADE 3
SHEEHAN	JANICE	BRIDGEWATER STATE EASTERN NAZARENE COLL	BS MED	PRINCIPAL
SHERIDAN	PAMELA	FITCHBURG STATE COLL	BS	GRADE 1
SKARBEK	EDWARD	SETON HALL UNIV. BOSTON STATE COLL	BS MED	GRADE 4
SMITH-TAYLOR	DEBORAH	BRIDGEWATER STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	SPED
STANISH	PAUL	BRIDGEWATER STATE BOSTON STATE COLL	BS MED	PRINCIPAL
SULLIVAN	KATHLEEN	FITCHBURG STATE BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	GRADE 3
SUTNICK	MICHAEL	BOSTON CONSERVATORY ENDICOTT COLLEGE	B MUSIC MED	MUSIC
TESSAR	SANDRA	RHODE ISLAND COLL CASTLETON STATE COL	BS MED	ART
THOMPSON	CHERYL	UNIV OF NEBRASKA	BA	ART

TULLY	GWEN	MURRAY STATE UNIV. BRIDGEWATER STATE	BS MED	ADJ.CNSLR
VIEIRA	MARTIN	BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIV	BA	ESL
VLACHOS	DONNA	BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA	TITLE 1
WAGNER	MARGARET	LOYOLA LOYOLA	BA MS	SPEECH
WALSH	THERESA	SIMMONS COLLEGE SIMMONS COLLEGE	BA MA	GRADE 5
WASSERMAN	JAY	NORTHEASTERN UNIV WHEELOCK COLLEGE	BS MS	SPED
WATKINS	SARAH	UNIVERSITY OF ALBANY SIENA COLLEGE	MA BA	SOCIAL STUDIES
WEBBER	MELISSA	BOSTON COLLEGE	BA	GRADE 6
WELLS	MARY	NORTHEASTERN UNIV. UMASS/AMHERST	BS MED	GRADE 3
WHELAN	LISA	MARIST COLLEGE NORTHEASTERN UNIV.	BS MS/CAGS	PSYCHOLOGY
WHITE	LAWRENCE	U.MASS/BOSTON	BS	GRADE 7
WOOD	STEPHANIE	SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY	BA	SPANISH
WOODWARD	AMY	BRYN MAWR COLEGE UNIV. OF PENN U.MASS BOSTON	AB JD MED	ENGLISH
WOODWARD	PETER	UNIV. OF N.H.	BA	ENGLISH

WORDEN	PAMELA	SUNY CORTLAND N.Y. BRIDGEWATER STATE	BA  MED	GRADE 7
YOUNG	KATHERINE	WHEELOCK COLLEGE WHEELOCK COLLEGE	BS  MED	HEALTH

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

### 2007 MASSACHUSETTS COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT SYSTEMS (MCAS) REPORT

In the Spring of 2007, all Rockland Students in Grades 3,4,5,6,7,8, and 10 participated in MCAS testing. The table below summarizes the 2007 MCAS data.

All Students	Advanced	Proficient	Needs Improvement	Warning/ Failing
Grade 3				
Reading	5	44	42	9
Mathematics	7	41	37	15
Grade 4				
English Lang. Arts	3	41	45	11
Mathematics	15	31	42	12
Grade 5				
Science/Technology	10	32	49	10
Mathematics	16	29	37	18
English Lang. Arts	8	51	35	5
Grade 6				
Mathematics	17	24	37	22
English Lang. Arts	2	49	39	9
Grade 7				
English Lang. Arts	5	64	28	3
Mathematics	6	23	38	34
Grade 8				
Mathematics	11	22	40	27
Science/Technology	2	38	48	13
English Lang. Arts	13	72	11	4
Grade 10				
English Lang. Arts	14	54	27	5
Mathematics	41	32	20	7

### BUDGET AND FINANCE

The Rockland School Department again faced a difficult year financially. Budget realities resulted in the cutting of four teaching positions. The district continued its strategy of protecting core programs and class size. However the essential rebuilding of course offerings and the upkeep of the physical infrastructure could not be addressed in the current budget. These will have to be addressed in the near future or the quality of education in Rockland will suffer greatly.

## **PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

Rockland Public Schools continued to advance in many areas in 2007. The Elementary Language Arts Program was enhanced by the purchase of a new Reading series. This comprehensive Language Arts Program is in place in all three elementary schools and includes reading and writing at multiple levels, to challenge students of all abilities. With the financial help of the Rockland Educational Foundation, an online math tutorial program, "Study Island," was purchased. This is in place in Grades 1- 8. Achievement in the MCAS testing improved over 2006 and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) ratings also improved. Our pre-school became one of the first schools in the country to be awarded National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) accreditation, under their new rules. Our students continue to achieve. Forty-eight seniors were awarded Abigail Adams Scholarships from the state in recognition of their MCAS scores. Our students have competed successfully in competitions ranging from the National Poetry Recitation Competition to the Boston Globe Art competition. On the infrastructure front, our cafeteria management was taken over by Chartwells, a move that has proved highly successful. On the technology front, a new PC lab was installed at the high school, in cooperation with the adult education school. The Rogers Middle School moved to using the X2 program for all scheduling and report cards. The Jefferson School received a grant from the Rockland Educational Foundation to upgrade its computer lab. The district is always looking for grant funding. In December, the District received a competitive grant from the Department of Education for gifted and talented education.

## **NEW LEADERSHIP**

2007 saw major changes in the administration of the Rockland Public Schools. James Kerrigan, Superintendent of Schools, retired in October after a long career with the Rockland Public Schools. He was replaced by John Retchless who was previously Assistant Superintendent in Middleborough. Janice Sheehan replaced Dympna Thomas as Principal of the Memorial Park Elementary School. Mrs. Sheehan was previously a teacher in the Weymouth school system. Doric Scarpelli replaced Joseph Cucinotta as Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance. Mr. Scarpelli was previously Director of Guidance at Rockland High School

## **RETIREMENTS 2007**

During 2007, the following loyal and dedicated employees retired after many years of service to the Rockland Public Schools: Rockland High School – Stephen Bell, Timothy Cullinan. Rogers Middle School – Dorothy Adamo, Memorial Park School – Gertrude Sullivan, Deborah Clapp. Jefferson School – Judith Watson, Dolores Willock, Esten School – Ann Snyder.

## **ROGERS MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT**

A statement of interest was submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) in June, 2007. In late June, a team of architects and engineers from the MSBA spent a week in our schools, studying their condition. In July, a group of senior architects visited and toured the middle and high school. In December 2007, the district was informed that Rockland is one of 83 projects that had been chosen to proceed to the feasibility stage. The building committee, district administration and town officials will be meeting the MSBA in January 2008 and at this time we hope to move the project forward.

## **ROCKLAND EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

Once again the Foundation was extremely productive, raising \$29,000. Eighteen thousand dollars of this amount was disbursed to teachers for projects that extend and enhance the education of all our students. Eleven thousand dollars was committed to refurbishing the Jefferson School Computer lab.

**STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS**

The School Department applied for and was awarded a number of financial grants during the year that supported enrichment activities, teacher training, and acquisition of educational materials. The following grants were received during the school year:

State Special Education Support	\$250,360
IDEA - Special Education	\$594,919
Early Childhood	28,722
SPED – Program Improvement	15,101
TITLE V	3,858
TITLE I	331,267
Safe & Drug Free Schools	11,179
Adult Basic Education	197,217
Title II-D Educator Quality	100,679
Academic Support Services	15,900
Enhanced School Health Services	66,248
Title II-D Enhancing Technology	3,912
Grants in cooperation with the North River Collaborative (estimated)	\$50,000
Special Education Alternate Assessment	4,500
ABE South Coastal	19,067
Gifted/Talented	9,350
EASE (Self-Help)	26,916
Total Grants	\$1,729,195

Respectfully submitted

John Retchless, Superintendent of Schools.

## ROCKLAND HIGH SCHOOL

Rockland High School again experienced considerable change in personnel during 2007 as the result of retirements and the reduction of staff. The negative force, lack of funding, has resulted in the system not replacing some retiring staff and eliminating programs. The retirements of Joan Pacheco Chairperson of Physical Education, Stephen Bell Chairperson of Music and Timothy Cullinan Mathematics Department has impacted the leadership in curriculum and organization as a number of new people assume leadership roles. People in new leadership positions are as follows: Alanna Bailey is now the Chairperson of Mathematics, Janet Cann is the Director of Guidance, James Casagrande Chairperson of Science, Matthew Harden Director of Music and the Director of Physical Education was not replaced. The result of the school's budget difficulties was: the loss of one member of the Guidance staff, Health Education, Sophomore Technical Education and teaching sections across the curriculum.

As we enter the 2008 school year, the challenges to the Town of Rockland are great, but we must do everything possible to provide the best quality education for our students. It will take a great deal of creative thought and support from the community and state for Rockland to provide the quality of education that our students so rightly deserve. Support of the Middle School Building project and the school's budget is the first critical step in making sure the education provided to the students of Rockland is second to none.

Education reform continues to be an incentive and a challenge for the school. All members of the school community have responded in a positive and energetic manner to comply with the Federal "No Child Left Behind" and the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System. The school has met Adequate Yearly Progress in Mathematics and English Language Arts.

Rockland High School has completed the Five-Year Report for the New England Association of Schools & Colleges accreditation program. Rockland has accomplished all recommendations of the school's accreditation report except the renovation of the Science classrooms. The school's warning category has been changed to probation as a result of the one unfinished recommendation, the renovation of the Science classrooms. Rockland High School is still an accredited school by the association but the NEASC commission expects resolution of this last recommendation in a timely manner or, at a future time, the school risks the loss of accreditation.

The educational programs of Rockland High School continue to meet the needs of the student population. A dedicated and hardworking faculty has made the following achievements possible:

1. The number of AP Courses at the high school is now seven and the number of students taking AP courses continues to increase. (AP English, U.S. History, Art, Biology, Calculus, Statistics and Psychology)
2. 85% of the Class of 2007 continued their education after graduation with students receiving acceptances to 80 different educational institutions.
3. We had another great Spellman Oratorical Contest. The topic was "The Individual vs. Society". The award total for 2007 was \$1800 going to 1<sup>st</sup> Amanda Bean, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ian Greer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lisa Byrne, Catherine Faherty and Christen Ricciardi, 4<sup>th</sup> Catherine Kilgallen, 5<sup>th</sup> Kelly Bryant, Cameron Smith.
4. Gabrielle Guarracino won the State Poetry Recitation Contest. She was awarded a stipend and an all expense paid trip to Washington D.C. where she represented the state of Massachusetts in the National Poetry Recitation Competition.

5. Nineteen high school students, grades 9-12, received their academic "R" Lamp of Knowledge letter for earning honor roll status six consecutive terms or by making the honor roll ten times. The letter winners were honored at the Academic Awards/Academic Hall of Fame banquet, joining the 78 seniors, juniors and sophomores who had previously earned their "R" Lamp of Knowledge letter. The following graduates were inducted into the Academic Hall of Fame: Stephen R. Waisgerber 1978, George J. Hicks 1983, and Alison M. Daigneault 1992.
6. The Music Department continues to prosper in numbers as our students continue to receive awards from SEMSBA and Jr. SEMSBA.
7. The Superintendent's Leadership Award went to Gabrielle Guarracino and Taylor Ketterer for academic excellence and leadership. The Principal's Leadership Award went to Erika Kirslis.
8. Rockland High School continues to send a delegation to the Massachusetts YMCA Youth and Government program at the State House.
9. Rockland High School Art students were recognized in statewide and regional competitions. Winning awards at the Scholastic Art Boston Globe Show - Benjamin Gibson, Genevieve Pratt, Ashley Burroughs and Ashley Rooney; Second Parish Church of Hingham Competition - Benjamin Gibson and Genevieve Pratt; the Delahunt's Congressional Art Show - Genevieve Pratt and Casee Laznick. Jacquleen Langley was selected to attend Art All-State's two-day workshop held at the Worcester Art Museum. Genevieve Pratt, Katelin Mederios and Ashley Rooney were AP Portfolio winners, with Genevieve receiving top honors.
10. During the month of November, Elizabeth Gladstone, grade 10, was selected to attend The Hugh O'Brien Leadership Conference at Babson College in Wellesley and Maggie Schnider was chosen to represent Rockland High School at MassSTAR's Citizenship Conference. Both were chosen from essays written on the topic of leadership. Faculty members read and rated the essays entered. Congratulations to both young women who will be excellent representatives for Rockland. Rockland was represented at Boys' State and Girls' State by Joshua May and Brian Dutra (American Legion Auxiliary Post #147 sponsored one of our students) and Renee Ceurvels.
11. The Rockland Student Government, under the leadership of Mr. Rowe and Mr. Flanagan, continues to grow in student membership and their participation in events throughout the school community and state.

In closing, it is important to recognize on behalf of the students of Rockland High School that we all work together to ensure their needs are met to the best of our ability.

Sincere thanks to Superintendent John Retchless, Assistant to the Superintendent Doric Scarpelli, and the School Committee for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen P. Sangster  
Principal

## JOHN W. ROGER MIDDLE SCHOOL 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The John W. Rogers Middle School began the 2007 - 2008 school year with 605 students in grades 6, 7, & 8. The middle school curriculum is continually being revised to assure that it is in alignment with the state curriculum frameworks, and to ensure that our students are prepared for the rigorous MCAS tests that are administered each spring. This past year grades 6, 7, & 8 were all administered the Math, and English Language Arts tests. Grade 8 students were administered the Science and Technology test as well. The middle school continued to do well in the English Language tests scoring in the top 30% of middle schools across the state. We are very encouraged by the Science scores as well. The middle school math scores continue to be of concern. The middle school did not achieve Adequate Yearly Progress status for the second year consecutive year. We have developed a plan to address these concerns and will continue to work diligently to overcome this hurdle. Superintendent Retchless has identified resources that will enable the middle school to conduct a MCAS Math Preparation Program that will assist struggling students to be better prepared to take the Math MCAS tests in the spring of 2008. In addition, thanks to the generous support of the Rockland Education foundation, all students at the middle school have online access to the Study Island Program. Study Island is a computer assisted instructional program that allows students to work at their own pace in the content areas of Math and English Language Arts. Students can access this program from their home computers as well as computers at the middle school.

The middle school faculty continued to attend a variety of professional development workshops, courses, and conferences to further enhance the students' educational experience at the middle school, these professional development opportunities are becoming more difficult to provide due to decreasing resources. A number of middle school staff continues to pursue their graduate degrees in education to maintain compliance with state certification requirements. There is a continued emphasis on professional development in the areas of mathematics and technology. The Rogers Middle School continues to be an active member in the New England League of Middle Schools, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middle Level Educators Association, as well as maintaining an association with the North River Collaborative. These associations provide a number of professional development opportunities for staff as well as allowing Rogers Middle School staff an opportunity to share their ideas and experiences with other middle school staffs locally, nationally, and internationally. The middle school faculty continues to work towards achieving the required number of professional development hours required by state and federal law to maintain their license and standing as highly qualified teachers.

The students at the Rogers Middle School participated in a variety of community service learning projects and co-curricula activities. The middle school continues have a strong and vibrant Student Council. Over the course of the school year the Student Council has undertaken community service projects that have benefited the Rockland Food Pantry and the Holiday Magic Project. The Student Council has been active in the middle school Anti-Bullying campaign and has advised Chartwells, the school systems food service provider, on menu selections. The band and chorus continued to entertain us with outstanding performances and concerts. Our students participated in the *Patriot Ledger* "Spelling Bee" competition. Middle school students participated in intramural programs, and a number of after-school programs including the publishing of a school newspaper and the Art Club both of these clubs are sponsored by the Rogers Middle School PAC.

We continue to have students lead the Pledge of Allegiance, morning announcements as well as providing daily weather and sports updates. This program improves a student's self-confidence and public speaking skills.

In August, the middle school held an Orientation Program for incoming grade 6 students. This program provided the students with an opportunity to become acquainted with one another, staff and the physical facility before the school year began. In September, the middle school held its annual "*Back to School Night*."

The middle school staff wants to acknowledge the Rogers Middle School PAC for their outstanding efforts to promote school spirit among the students. Some of the year's highlights include the sold out "*Shamrock Classic*" basketball game between students and faculty and the "*School Spirit Week*". Members of the PAC continue to staff our library, print our newsletter, and raise funds for school events. The Rogers Middle School PAC joined forces with the middle school staff to educate our students about the issue of bullying. For summer reading all of our students were required to read "*The Revealers*" by Doug Wilhelm. In this book the author wrote about instances of bullying in a fictional setting using his own experiences. In October, Doug Wilhelm came and spoke to all of our students at a school-wide assembly. The Pac paid for his visit. The PAC also facilitated the sale of his book through the school store aptly named "*The Dog Pound*". The middle school PAC is truly part of the middle school community. We are thankful for their continued efforts to make the Rogers Middle School an important part of the community. We also thank the Rockland Education Foundation for their continued support in providing funding through grants for special classroom and school-wide projects and for funding the Study Island Project. Our students have enjoyed cultural programs and experienced hands on learning activities as a result of these grants. We are particularly proud of Ms. Bohn, who was recognized by the V.F.W. as their 2007 Teacher of the Year locally, regionally and at the state level. This past year would not have been successful without the continued support of the School Committee, Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, PAC, School Council, and the Rockland community.

In late November we received word from the Massachusetts School Building Authority that the middle school building project had been placed on their priority list. This was certainly good news for the community. The School Building Committee will be meeting with the Massachusetts School Building Authority in January, 2008 to determine what the next steps are in our quest for a new middle school. In the meantime we continue to monitor the school's physical condition especially the ceilings which are inspected quarterly to insure no further deterioration.

Finally, we welcome our new Superintendent John Retchless. We look forward to working with him to provide the best possible education and educational environment for the students at the Rogers Middle School. We also thank retired Superintendent James Kerrigan for his support of the middle school students, staff and parents. We wish him well in his retirement.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Stanish, Principal  
John W. Rogers Middle School

## **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS REPORT 2007-2008**

Mr. John Retchless, our new Superintendent, has provided a fresh vision and direction for the Rockland Public Schools. In less than six months in Rockland, Mr. Retchless has immersed himself in community activities and has become a visible force in all of the schools. He has become an active participant in the campaign to replace the middle school building and build a new state of the art facility.

We welcome Mrs. Janice Sheehan to Rockland as the new principal of Memorial Park School. Mrs. Sheehan comes to Rockland after a very successful career in the Weymouth Public Schools. She has worked hard to improve the curriculum development program.

The staff at all three elementary schools work closely together to ensure that their students are being taught the curriculum that is reflected in the State Frameworks. These learning standards are tested each spring on the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS). During the past year these assessment results were analyzed in order to determine what changes could be made to better prepare our students to meet the expectations that have been set for them. In addition, the students in grades three through five have Study Island, a web based preparation program to practice both language and math skills.

Faculty members have participated in an increased number of in-service workshops and graduate-level courses in order to remain current relevant to new teaching strategies and to enrich their content knowledge. After months of piloting and consideration a new Reading Program was approved. The Scott Foresman Reading Street series was selected to replace the outdated reading curriculum materials. As a result, our students are being taught the required learning standards with the use of research-based anthologies and leveled readers that were purchased for grades K-5. The math committee is still investigating programs that would replace the materials we are currently using.

The curriculum at all three schools continues to be supplemented through the fundraising efforts of the PAC organizations. The parent volunteers have worked closely with the teachers to coordinate cultural enrichment activities and field trips that integrate learning standards with hands-on activities and experiences. In addition, the parents at the Jefferson School were able to complete the final phase of Harmony Park, the Jefferson School playground. This was accomplished with the support and hard work of the community.

Our schools have all benefited this year from contributions of time and money from businesses and members of the community. The parents of the elementary students donate thousands of hours each year working with small groups of students to reinforce reading and math facts. They also help us keep our school libraries operating and perform countless clerical duties for our staff that allows our teachers to spend more time teaching students. Among the businesses that have provided our schools with monetary contributions or manpower this year are Serono, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, T & K Asphalt, Exxon Mobil Corporation, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care, Burns Landscaping, Stop and Shop, and Home Depot. We are most appreciative for this assistance.

In addition, the Rockland Education Foundation awarded over \$25,000 to our teachers who submitted grant proposals. With this money our students experienced innovative programs and learning experiences that would not be possible with the present budget constraints. The Rockland Cultural Council and the South Coastal Bank also encouraged our staff to apply for grants and with the money

that they awarded our elementary schools our students were able to enjoy assembly programs that were entertaining and informative.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mr. Gerald Kohn, Jefferson School Co-Principal  
Dr. Robert Levine, Jefferson School Co-Principals  
Mrs. Carol McGrath, R Stewart Esten School Principal  
Mrs. Janice Sheehan, Memorial Park School Principal

## **GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT**

The Guidance Department has had some personnel changes in the past year. Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Doric Scarpelli assumed the role of Assistant Superintendent of Schools and Mrs. Janet Cann became Guidance Director. In addition to administrative duties, Mrs. Cann's caseload includes the senior class. Mrs. Margaret Black continues as a full time Guidance Counselor, with her caseload including the junior class and half of the sophomore class. Ms. Denise Davidson now works half time at the Rogers Middle School, servicing the eighth grade, and half time at the high school servicing the ninth grade. Mr. Gary Graziano, who is the Athletic Director, but also spent several years as a Guidance Counselor, spends one to two periods a day in Guidance and serves half of the sophomore class.

Dr. Stephen Hughes, and Mrs. Lisa Whelan, School Psychologists, each spend one day in the Guidance Department for testing and consultation on specific student's cases. Mrs. Carol DelPrete continues as our invaluable department secretary, and facilitates the day to day happenings of the department as well as the college application process and scholarships. Mrs. Nancy Borden, North River Collaborative, provides vocational advising and evaluation to referred students and organizes group career activities in the classrooms with the counselors.

The Guidance Counselors all participate in classroom activities for all grades at least twice a year. These activities consist of career exploration and familiarizing students with available websites that will benefit them with study skills, vocational search, college search and evaluation and more. In addition, the sophomore counselors spend a good deal of time with Mrs. Borden coordinating the Job Shadow Program with local businesses.

Other programs which span the year include Program of Studies development and student course advising and selection, testing (MCAS, SAT's, PSAT's MELA-O, and Career Decision-Making Interest Inventories.) All personnel is involved in some way with school and college placements, applications to vocational and private schools, transcript preparation and submission, scholarship and financial aid information, parent and student programs, open house and workshops, maintenance of permanent and temporary records, child study meetings, 504 referral and development, court referrals, CHINS petitions, 51A referrals to DSS, home tutoring and many other duties of an annual, occasional or one time nature.

All counselors, along with the Principal, Assistant Principal, School Nurse, and School Psychologists participate in the weekly Learning Assistance Team Meeting. The team receives referrals of concern from teachers, who also may attend the meeting, and develops an action plan to assist the students. Issues may include attendance, poor grades, emotional and psychological concerns and others.

The Guidance Counselors continue to explore new technology and websites that inform and assist students in college search, vocational/career search, financial aid and the financial process and scholarship information. In addition, the counselors attend South Shore Guidance Counselor meetings where they learn about colleges as well as new technology and pertinent programs. The Career Center (Room 102) is stocked with current school catalogues, scholarship information and computers which students may use for career/college related work. The counselors use the CIS program, which ties in with the Quincy and Plymouth Career Centers. All guidance programs are publicized through newspapers and WRPS and are taped when possible to be broadcast on WRPS-TV.

#### Highlights of the Past Year:

- A. Eighty eight percent of students plan further education, with 58% attending four-year schools and 38% attending two-year schools or career certificate programs.
- B. The Guidance Department hosted a “Future Fair” in March. Sixty plus schools and all branches of the military set up tables to discuss their programs with members of the sophomore, junior and senior classes.
- C. Rockland High School participated in the October College Mini Fair Series with Scituate, Cohasset, and Hull High Schools during three Thursday afternoons. Over 150 college representatives visited Rockland High School and met with our junior and senior classes.
- D. Mrs. Cann serves as SAT, PSAT, AP test and SSD test coordinator. Mrs. Black coordinates the MCAS testing for the high school throughout the school year. Ms. Davidson assists with facilitation of the MCAS testing at the Middle School and processes all PCC, South Shore Vocational and private school applications. Mrs. DelPrete coordinates all Rockland High School scholarships, a complex and time consuming task. In addition, she maintains all permanent records and is an integral part of the college application process.
- E. Mrs. Cann and Mrs. Black serve on the National Honor Society Faculty Council.

The Guidance Department activities that are provided for students build each year.

The team of counselors gives advice on vocational and careers search, course selection, school adjustment and performance improvement. The small group works together to provide a coordinated program of school guidance and educational enrichment for each student.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Cann  
Guidance Director

## **PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

The Pupil Personnel Services Department oversees the implementation of many of Rockland's exemplary programs and services for students. It maintains a balance between providing for the increasing severity of student needs with the increasing accountability demands of both the state and federal governments in an era of dwindling financial resources.

Special education continues to be the predominant area of Pupil Personnel Services. A major focus of the 2007 year was the Coordinated Program Review conducted by the Department of Education. More than fifty-eight areas were examined in the area of special education compliance. The Department of Education conducted record reviews and completed on-site visits to the Rockland Public Schools' special education programs including interviews with staff and parents. In total, the DOE was on-site in the district for seven days. In addition to special education, civil rights, English learner education, and education of homeless students (McKinney-Vento) were examined. It is anticipated that the full report of the Department of Education's findings will be available by March. Although we expect there will be some areas of partial implementation, at the exit interview, the DOE chairperson for the coordinated program review commended the district for its overall compliance and effective practices. We have adjusted to the loss of the elementary coordinator position by utilizing staff at each of the three elementary schools to assist in coordinating elementary programs and services.

The EASE program completed the process for re-accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The process involved an intense amount of documentation completion, interviews and site visits. We should receive our information about our status in early January. Accreditation by NAEYC is an additional approval beyond the requirements put forth by the Department of Education and the Office of Early Childhood and Care for preschool programs. We added an additional classroom space in the preschool program to facilitate a growing need to provide services within the district as opposed to outside placements.

Students who are under the care and protection of the Department of Social Services offer challenges to the school district. Many Rockland families generously open their homes to these students, and the school department works to provide them with a stable and quality education. For students who have become homeless, we have implemented processes to ensure that these students continue to have an uninterrupted education by either remaining in Rockland or working with their new place of residence. We continue to provide services to a growing number of students whose first language is not English. We have students in each of our buildings served by our itinerant ESL teacher who also manages most of the concomitant testing requirement for these students. We were pleased to be able to find a full-time teacher who could provide ESL services to replace the teacher who had gone to another school district. Future additional staffing in this area continues to be a focus of the Pupil Personnel Services department. General education teachers have availed themselves of several training opportunities to improve their ability to instruct English language learners in their classrooms.

Title I experienced yet another cut in our federal grant. We have been able to continue with providing additional/supplemental instruction to students in grades 1-5 in reading/language arts and to provide some limited math assistance to help students meet grade level expectations and make adequate yearly progress as defined by the No Child Left Behind Act.

We continue to be concerned with our ability to deal with any additional budget cuts or shortfalls. A stable allocation of resources that can reflect both the increasing severity of student needs as well as the increasing accountability for regulatory and programmatic compliance must be provided.

Hopefully, additional funding in some form will be realized to prevent any decline in the quality of Rockland's exemplary services.

Our nursing, guidance and psychological staff continue to provide for the needs of our students outside of the typical classroom/educational realm and provide a necessary and helpful linkage to the community as a whole. The nursing staff works with the principals to ensure that students who require home and/or hospital tutoring are provided with a quality program. Nurses provide the connection with the student's physician and may assist in setting up the tutoring. The mental health needs of our students are managed by the school guidance counselors, social worker interns, and psychologists in consultation with the families and any outside therapists the students and/or families may have. We are working with the North River Collaborative to develop improved practices and procedures for linking families with outside resources and to begin a district-based Mental Health Team. Finally, those parents who choose to home school or privately school their children are provided with linkages to the school system often interacting with guidance counselors, special education staff, and school psychologists to help ascertain and provide for the student's educational needs. The Pupil Personnel Services department is privileged to be a part of the Rockland Public Schools in its efforts to provide a variety of quality educational opportunities for the students of Rockland.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Salem  
Director Pupil Personnel Services

### **ROCKLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS - DAYCARE**

Rockland Public Schools Daycare operates out of the McKinley Community Center. The Day Care Programs are for children ages (3) months through Grade five (5). The programs at the Community Center serve children from (3) months through Kindergarten. After School Day Care is also provided at each of the three elementary schools for students in Grade one through five.

At Rockland Daycare, we provide a safe, nurturing, and learning environment where children can develop to their fullest potential. Recognizing the cultural diversity and individuality of each child and family situation, we understand differences and make a sincere effort to relate to parents and their children according to their physical, intellectual, and social needs.

Classroom curriculum is designed to balance structure and free choice, as well as active and quiet times.

This year our focus is to continue to utilize the Early Childhood Standards and Guidelines based upon the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. Daycare staff utilize the developmental guidelines for their age group and plan age appropriate curriculum as described in Developmentally Appropriate Practices published by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. We will strongly focus on offering training in curriculum planning and ensure that guidelines are set for the Pre-school Learning Standards.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Veiga  
Director of Rockland Daycare

## **ROCKLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT 2007 ANNUAL REPORT**

Bathroom renovation – Memorial Park School

Repairs to sinks and stalls – Rogers Middle School

66 feet of main steam line to new wing replaced – High School

New lift – Jefferson School

### Current Projects

Maintenance Program – Roof seams

Handrails – Memorial Park School

Carpet removal – Memorial Park and Jefferson Schools

Tree trimming – Jefferson School

Tennis courts – Rogers Middle School

30 feet of steam line – High School

Painting outside windows/trim – Esten, Memorial Park, Jefferson Schools

Paving – at each school

Kenneth Dunn

Director of Buildings & Grounds

## **ROCKLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CAFETERIA PROGRAM**

A new year started with a new company for the food service department with Chartwells taking over the day to day operations. With this new company came new food options for students as well as new challenges for the staff. The students have had a positive response to the new menu items and enhanced number of choices with the lunch counts increasing overall versus last year. The staff has risen to the challenge cooking more from scratch and creating meals they have never done before. Moving forward, we are excited about the new P.O.S system in our future as well as continuing to provide a large variety of nutritious meals for the students of Rockland Public Schools.

## **ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

The Rockland High School Athletic programs continue to be successful in 2007 with several Patriot League Championships. The league champions were: Girls Tennis, Girls Track, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Gymnastics, Football, and Wrestling. Some individual highlights were our South Sectional Wrestling Champions. John Bellrose, Petros Hologitas, Sean Norton, and Matt Mahoney. Our Wrestling Program has achieved the greatest success reaching the final of Division III state Championship. Jackie Bohenek reached her 1000<sup>th</sup> point in Basketball in her junior year.

The sports program at Rockland High School has been successful at teaching sportsmanship, honesty, and integrity. We are fortunate to have a coaching staff that instills these qualities to our athletes and program. These values are carried with each graduating student athlete when they leave Rockland. One of the major reasons for our continued success is due to our coaching staff, administrators, and parental support.

As special thank you goes out to Aram Onbashian and Dell Whitt for providing paint and materials to paint our locker rooms. We would also like to thank the volunteers that have helped throughout the year with repairs and odd jobs and anything asked of them. Without all these people we would not have accomplished these important tasks for our student athletes.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Graziano  
Athletic Director

## **WRPS**

WRPS expanded its TV programming considerably in 2007, airing 1,957 hours of programs; an increase of 63% over 2006. That programming included a number of school system programs, including two for the Save our Schools Committee. The station purchased and received its first video server, which will allow for a comparable increase in programming in the coming year. We also installed two student government monitors for the High School, purchased and installed a new audio board for the RHS auditorium, and purchased and installed a video amplifier to replace the Channel One system in the RHS library. The Station Manager participated in the negotiations with Verizon which culminated in the town signing a FIOS/cable contract with that company. WRPS has received the first of three \$50,000 hardware grants called for under the Verizon contract. WRPS-FM's license was renewed by the Federal Communications Commission. We are now licensed until April 1, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

David Cable-Murphy  
Station Manager, WRPS

## **HEALTH SERVICES – NURSE LEADER**

School nurses today are faced with many challenges. They play a crucial role in the children's primary and preventative health care. More children with chronic illness and special health care needs are entering public schools and are mainstreamed into regular classes. School nursing is now a specialty in the nursing field. School nurses have added responsibilities of dealing with the issues of physical and sexual abuse, Hepatitis B, HIV, sexually transmitted disease, homelessness, chronic illness, and increasing problems of eating disorders, ADHD, and depression.

The school nurse is a liaison between education and health care, providing a link between school, home, and the community.

Our focus on nutrition this year was a huge success. The cafeteria workers have been working very hard to bring nutritious meals to our students and staff. They now have a variety of foods to choose from that include the hot meals, salads, sandwiches, pizza, and fruit. Keep yours eyes open for more changes to come.

In 2007 we continued to have a nurse in every building thanks to the Enhanced School Health Grant. This school year we continue with our grant money of \$66, 248.00. This is our last year of the Enhanced School Heath Grant and we are hoping the State of Massachusetts will offer funding for this grant in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathi Ryan, RN  
Head School Nurse & Nurse Leader

**CLASS OF 2007 GRADUATION LIST  
ROCKLAND HIGH SCHOOL  
52 MACKINLAY WAY  
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Katelyn		Ahern	Ashley	Tayla	England
James	Roger	Anderson	Daniel	Michael	Erickson
† Thomas		Anderson, Jr.	Deirdre	Jayne	Ernst
† Vincent	Stephen	Ayube	† Catherine	Mary	Faherty
Terrence	Michael	Ball	† Victoria	Lynn	Fahy
†* Amanda	Margaret	Bean	†* Patrick	Jeremiah	Fanning
Kristopher	Lawrence	Berry	Kyle	Anthony	Ferullo
Derek	Paul	Boughter	Brianne	Ashley	France
Amanda	Grace	Bowman	Chelse	Noel	Fullmer
Meghan	Maureen	Brady	Nikki	Marie	Gabardi
Kailee	Stephanie	Brassington	Melissa	Diane	Gibbons
Rita	Marie	Bruzzese	†* Benjamin	Zachary	Gibson
Kelly	Susan	Bryant	†* Richard	Donald	Gilbert
Jesse	James	Burns	Joshua	Edward	Gilcoine
† Ashley	Shannon	Burroughs	Sean	Patrick	Gilmore
†* Lisa	Anne	Byrne	† Kelly	Anne	Gilpin
Patrick	M.	Camillo	John	Wallace	Golden
Adam	Aaron	Carey	†* Ian	Shea	Greer
Richard	D.	Chandler	Malcolm	Jamal	Hall
Malinda	Rose	Clark	Jonathan	Wayne	Hammond
Kimberley	Marie	Costello	† Joseph	Anthony	Happnie
George	Joseph	Coulter III	†* Alexander	James	Hardy
Matthew	Scott	Crawford	Kelly	Theresa	Hartery
Devin	Richard	Crowley	Kristina	Rosemary	Healy
† Kevin	James	Cushman	Jade	Deshane	Hopkins
† Nicholas	Stephen	Cyrus	David	Michael	Humphries
† Rebecca	Ann	Damon	Meghan	Mary	Hunt
Kevin	J.	DePaolo	Jacquleen	Marie	Issa
† Meredith	Evelyn	Dewey	† Nicholas	John	Keough
Bryan	Matthew	Donegan	†* Catherine	Ellen	Kilgallen
†* Sarah	Elizabeth	Donlan	Stephanie	Marie	King
Nicole	Leigh	Doucette	Aimee	Elizabeth	LaBollita
Kristina	Adele	Downey	† Jeanne	Marie	Lattuada
Russell	Ernest	Downey	Marisa	Lynne	Lehti
Ryan	Michael	Durante	Caitlin	Ann	Lemieux

Felicia	Ann	Lennon	Fotini		Panagiotidis
Amy	Lee	Lopata	Zachary	Mitchell	Pelletier
Eliomar	P.	Maciel	Genevieve	Alice	Pratt
Colleen	E.	Madden	Kaitlin	Marie	Rafferty
Thomas	Michael	Mahoney	† Christen	Marie	Ricciardi
Katelyn	Julia	Manning	Daniel	Joseph	Rice
Ryan	Kenneth	Manning	Elisabeth	Marie	Rich
Jaclyn	Mary	Maroney	† Emily	Jean	Robbins
† Hayley	Marie	Martin	Katelyn	Marie	Robbins
Ana	Leigh	Matthews	Benjamin	Patrick	Ronan
† Corinna	Marie	McCarthy	† Ashley	Lauren	Rooney
Gregory	Joseph	McEachern	Kayla	Ann	Rugnetta
Molly	Jean	McGarry	Michael	Joseph	Sances
† Sean	Michael	McHugh	Courtney	Ann	Sheehan
Celeste	Ann	McKinnon	†* Kevin	Daniel	Sheehan
†* Rachel	R.	McLellan	Nicolas	Joseph	Silvia
†* Michael	William	McPartlin	† Cameron	Mitchell	Smith
† Katelin	Marie	Medeiros	Corey	Jonathan	Smith
Michael	Alexander	Meech	Derek	Michael	Smith
† Malorie	Ann	Milan	Richard	Michael	Sorenson
† Corinne	Teresa	Montalvo	Joshua	Adam	Stanton
Joshua	Aaron	Morrison	Sean	Michael	Stetson
Kerynn	Elizabeth	Morss	†* Cara	Theresa	Strobel
Danielle	Elizabeth	Moynihan	† Cory	James	Sullivan
Matthew	Neal	Mullen	Lindsay	Anne	Sullivan
Shannon	Lee	Mullen	Molly	Kathleen	Sullivan
Christina	Claire	Mullins	† Thomas	Robert	Tamborella
Meghan	Leigh	Muratore	† Gregory	Joseph	Tempesta
Heather	Jan	Mustake	† Ashley	Margaret	Trudeau
Nicholas	Charles	Newcomb	Lindsey	Ruth	Weaver
Melissa	Lynne	Newell	Selina	Mary	Welles
Melissa	Ann	Nicholson	Kati	M.	Weston
Sean	Francis	Norton	Jaime	Lynn	Wolcott
Christen	Nichole	O'Malley	Connor	Owen	Young
Armando	M.	Oliveira	Danielle	Hem-Thim	Young
Kayleigh	Amanda	Ouellette			
Alyce	Marie	Packard			
Elena	Teresa	Pagliuca			

† Academic  
Achievement Award

\* National Honor  
Society

**SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT  
ROCKLAND TOWN REPORT**

*Continuing Excellence – Staying Current with Careers and Technology*

As emphasis throughout the Commonwealth increasingly focuses on preparation for the academic, social and economic futures of our students, state and nation, vocational technical education and preparation shines bright. The South Shore Regional School District continues to provide quality career and future educational opportunities for the young adults in the area, specifically the communities in the eight-town district. Key to meeting the school's and job market's expectations is the need to stay current with technical career trends and opportunities. Updating of equipment and instruction in every career field being offered is one of the institution's major commitments.

South Shore continues to respond to the increasing need to combine solid core academic instruction with relevant reference to and coordination with the diverse collection of career pathways available to students. The 2007-2008 school year has witnessed once again maximum enrollment at the school's Hanover campus, with a significant "waiting list" of candidates. Providing for the school's primary career preparation mission has never been more important, as graduates leave high school with marketable and expandable skills. South Shore, however, has also excelled in meeting state and national academic standards and expectations, including those prescribed under MCAS, the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System, No Child Left Behind and the need for Annual Yearly Progress (AYP).

Like many area communities, South Shore has applied to participate in the Commonwealth's School Building Assistance program, targeting critical infrastructure improvements and energy conservation. A new roof in the next few years is imperative, while the district has already begun to address a first of three likely stages of window replacement at the forty-five (45) year old facility. South Shore Vocational Technical High School is the oldest of the state's twenty-six regional vocational technical schools.

The previous reference to MCAS and accountability expectations deserves a bit more commentary. While career program graduates continue to excel in the technical arena as documented by state and national performances and very successful job placement, academic results continue to shine as well. The Class of 2007 witnessed 100% success in achieving the mandated competency determination levels, with the Class of 2008 impressively following suit. First results on the soon to be required for graduation Science portion of MCAS were positive when compared to other vocational school students. Expanded instruction in both Science and Social Studies at South Shore has been initiated, with focus on the state standards in those content areas.

Extracurricular activities and athletics continue to be broadened whenever possible to meet student interest. Newer programs like Volleyball, Golf and Robotics are not only drawing participation but also realizing success. Other, more established teams and activities are thriving as well, headlined by the school's Drama and Peer Leadership programs.

On the technical front, the targeting of a comprehensive pre-engineering program that could encompass components of several existing programs has drawn favorable state and workplace attention. The nation-wide demand for college level engineering students is near crisis level, and

opportunities are plentiful. South Shore is exploring ways of potentially consolidating some instructional areas, while expanding others in meeting this set of high level career paths for our students.

Currently 150 students of the total enrollment of 592 are from Rockland. June 2007 celebrated the graduation of Brian Bates, Christopher Costello, Katie Davenport, Jenna Delprete, Amanda Fillion, Jennifer Garner, Amanda Hiltz, William Jenkinson, Devin O'Brien, Adam Rollo, Derek Shenett, Daniel Svizzero, Kayla Taylor and Melissa Vazquez from Rockland.

Important contributions continue to be made by South Shore's Parents Association, the Vocational Advisory Committees, School Council and the Continuing Education Program, which in addition to providing a wide range of career and self-improvement opportunities helps support the total school program.

All at South Shore would like to thank the eight member towns for the support demonstrated to the school over the years. Many in the community have made frequent mention of a positive changed perspective of the local vocational school in recent years. We appreciate it. Our goal is to teach, prepare and provide for life-long career and learning opportunities for our students and to be partners with parents and all members of the district communities. Thank you for providing us the opportunity to help do that by offering the best learning environment possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald F. Blake  
Town Representative  
South Shore Regional School District Committee

## **ROCKLAND CULTURAL COUNCIL**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Rockland

The Rockland Cultural Council is pleased to submit the annual report for the year 2007.

The Town of Rockland was allocated \$6,400.00 from the Massachusetts Cultural Council for our fiscal year of 2007 grant period. We have been able to keep our status as a streamlined council. We need not wait for state approval before beginning the reimbursement-funded projects. Sound local administration of the grant making process, timely and accurate submission of grants to the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the required number of trained council members allows the Rockland Cultural Council to maintain such status.

The Council worked diligently to best fund as creatively and fairly as possible as many projects to appeal to the greatest number of Rockland residents. For fiscal 2007 the Council received twenty-four (24) applications in the amount totaling \$12,986. – of these fourteen (14) grants were accepted for us to stay within our allotted budget.

Monthly meetings are posted in the Town Hall and recorded in the Brockton Enterprise. All Rockland residents are encouraged to attend, ask questions and offer suggestions or perhaps join and become a member.

We sincerely urge and hope our residents take advantage of the programs, which have been made possible through the Massachusetts Cultural Council grant money.

Respectfully submitted,

Rockland Cultural Council

## **TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE & CONSERVATION CORPS**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Rockland:

This past year was somewhat of a surprise to us at the town forest. Several issues came up during the year concerning frequent flooding of the lower wetlands which could possibly jeopardize our trail construction project, with the help of a few engineers and consultants we believe the problem has been solved and we can proceed with the project this coming spring after all approvals have been completed. Several drainage issues were addressed and we hope remediated. Being a dry summer overall we will have to watch and see what takes place over the coming winter and early spring months as far as flooding in that area. We were lucky to have such a dry summer to get in there and look at the drainage problems.

As of the beginning of December work was completed on actual laying out of the proposed trail and putting it to a plan for approval. It must now be reviewed by the conservation commission and their environmental engineer. Ideally we would like to get this all done before spring so we can start work. We are expecting the trail to take about a year and a half to complete and that will depend on a number of items. At this time it would appear that the trail will be approximately 40 inches wide, it has been reduced since our original concept. This is a standard trail width through wetlands that is used by the National Park Service. We are looking at the construction of about ten small deck bridges and possibly one fifty to seventy foot long boardwalk. Once the trail is completed it will be a great addition to the Rockland Town Forest which could be utilized for hiking, snow shoeing, cross country skiing and nature walks, etc.

Several other items were addressed this year at the town forest. We did not plant a garden this year due to the dry weather. We cleaned up the garden in late August and September and will be planting this coming spring. A lot of maintenance work was done such as reclaiming what was originally cleared at the east side of the growing area almost twenty years ago. Clearing and cutting back of the blueberry shrubs, grape vines and trimming the spruce and fir growing area was also done. Grass was cut as needed and existing trails were maintained as needed. We had some extra help this year and it was much appreciated from several adult volunteers.

We have noticed a large increase this year in the number of people who are now using the town forest. We can only hope this continues and numbers grow. We are going to try and improve parking capacity this coming year so more people can use the area. This has always been a problem. The more

people that use an area for recreational purposes the less it is likely to be vandalized, we recorded no incidents this past season.

We are looking to be optimistic for 2008 and hope it will be a great year. We can only hope for the best. As always we do not use tax dollars to run projects, but rely on volunteers and donations to accomplish what needs to be done. Groups and organizations looking for environmental related projects to run within the town forest can contact George H. Anderson at 781-878-6370 for more information.

Volunteer hours from Rockland Town Forest Committee and other volunteers in 2007: 101 hours

#### Town Forest Financial Report

Balance forward FY 2006:	\$4,709.85
<i><u>Total Collections:</u></i>	
G.H. & V.M. Anderson	70.00
Joan Kenworthy	11.00
<i>Sub Total:</i>	81.00
Total Credits	81.00
Total Expenditures	0.00
Net Change:	+81.00
Balance forward from 2006:	\$4,709.85
2007 Excess	81.00
Balance forward to FY 2008:	\$4,790.85

Respectfully submitted,

George H. Anderson, Chairman  
Virginia M. Anderson  
Albert Ingeno  
Robert Ingeno

**TOWN OF ROCKLAND  
CLIMATE SUMMARY  
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2007**

Station: 355 Forest Street, Rockland, Massachusetts  
Map Location (U.S.G.S.): N 42 9' 15" – W 70 54' 30"  
Elevation above sea level: 151 feet

Growing Season Data (Based on a killing frost of 32 F)

Last Killing Frost (spring): May 7, 2007  
First Killing frost (fall): October 29, 2007  
Length of Growing Season: 176 days (average is – 150 days)

Temperature Data

Year's High Temperature & Date: 99 F on August 2, 2007  
Year's Lowest Temperature & Date: 2 F on January 26, 2007  
Heat Waves Recorded; Dates & Duration: June 25th-June 28th; July 25th-July 29th;  
(Based on three or more consecutive days with temperatures 90 F or above.) Aug. 1st-Aug. 4th; Aug. 7th-Aug. 9th  
Aug. 24th-26th; Aug. 28th-Aug. 30th.

Precipitation Data

Annual Precipitation: 45.67"  
30 year normal: 45:31"  
Most amount of rainfall in 24 hr. period 3.20" from about 9 AM on 3/16 to 9 AM on 3/17  
Most amount of snowfall for a single storm: 10.25" on December 13, 2007

General Comments

2007 was yet another year of extremes that when averaged came out just about normal. There were six heat waves from late June through late August. There was a total of thirty-six days with temperatures at or above 90 F; with the last one being in October. That is the first time since I have been keeping records for twenty-six years that we have had a 90 F day recorded in October. There were no days below zero recorded this past year. Overall temperature averaged out about 2.5 F above average. Precipitation was erratic with 50% of the annual precipitation falling in March, April and December. June, July and August were very dry. There were no tropical storms to report in 2007 in this area, always a good thing. Snowfall for the year was well below average until December came, when we received 23.70". This brought the annual total to just about average. Last January and February were very dry and although January was well above average in temperature, February was the opposite. Since there was almost no snow cover lots of plants and shrubs died from desiccation (drying of the leaves and roots). Hopefully this will not repeat itself this year.

Climate Summary Means & Extremes for Period: January 1, 2007 - December 31, 2007

Temperatures in degrees F

Month	Daily Maximum	30 year Normal	Departure From Normal	Daily Minimum	30 year Normal	Departure From Normal	Daily Mean	30 year Normal	Departure From Normal	Monthly High Temp	Monthly Low Temp	Mean Degree Days	Normal Degree Days	Departure From Normal	Monthly Precipitation	30 year Normal	Departure From Normal	Total Snowfall For Month
January	42.5	36.6	5.9	23.7	18.5	5.2	33	27.5	5.5	65	2	979	1156	-177	2.95	3.68	-0.73	2.00"
February	37	38.6	-1.6	16.5	19.6	-3.1	26.8	29.1	-2.3	52	6	1060	1008	-52	2.51	3.83	1.32	4.50"
March	50.3	45.8	4.5	26.9	27.4	-0.5	38.6	36.3	2.3	68	2	807	876	-69	6.28	4.24	2.04	10.75"
April	57.8	57.9	-0.1	34.5	35.9	-1.4	46.2	46.9	-0.7	88	25	563	538	-25	9.23	3.6	5.63	0
May	74.7	68.9	5.8	48.1	45	3.1	61.4	57.1	4.3	96	30	181	270	-89	3.11	3.25	-0.16	0
June	80.7	77.5	3.2	56.4	54.3	2.1	68.6	65.9	2.7	99	43	42	70	-28	2.26	2.99	-0.73	0
July	86.3	82.2	4.1	60.9	59.9	1	73.6	71.1	2.5	96	49	4332	6197	-865	2.41	3.09	-0.68	0
August	87.2	80.5	6.7	60.4	58.5	1.9	73.8	69.5	4.3	98	46	8	24	-16	0.59	3.15	-2.56	0
September	79.1	73.1	6	54.1	50.8	3.3	66.6	62	4.6	95	38	59	142	-83	3.83	4.08	-0.25	0
October	70.5	63.8	6.7	47.7	41.2	6.5	59.1	42.5	6.6	90	29	221	389	-168	3.19	3.61	-0.42	0
November	52.1	52.2	-0.1	32.5	33.3	-0.8	52.3	42.7	-0.4	68	19	664	674	-10	3.2	4.55	-1.35	0
December	39.6	40.1	-0.5	23.4	22.4	1	31.5	31.3	0.2	49	5	1031	1039	-8	6.11	4.5	1.61	23.70"
Totals:													1985	2279	-294	Total Snowfall:		45.67"
Annual Average:													51.8	49.3	2.5	Total Precipitation:		45.67"

## ROCKLAND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Residents of the Town of Rockland:

2007 was another eventful year for the Rockland Historical Commission (RHC). As always are efforts are focused on increasing our public visibility in order to further awareness and interest in preserving Rockland's historical heritage.

To that end, we are collaborating with the Hartsuff Memorial Association and the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. Our headquarters are at the once famous Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) Hall located at 34 School Street. Once again we opened the hall for the Holiday Stroll and welcomed many interested visitors.

We also have an ongoing gallery display at Town Hall. The initial installment is a period photograph and brief description of General George Hartsuff. We will be changing the gallery every few months to display other interesting topics.

The RHC received its first grant for \$1,000 from the Massachusetts Foundation for the Humanities to help with research and to protect our various and important photographs, glass negatives, and documents. We have been adding to our archives as items become available and have been busy documenting and sorting them.

The RHC is working with the Heritage Company during their planned renovation of the Codman Building on Plain Street to help ensure historically significant features are maintained. We have successfully petitioned the developer to spare a 19<sup>th</sup> Century Queen Anne Style Victorian home located next to the property on Maple Street that was slated to be demolished.

The RHC would like to thank Rockland residents, businesses and civic groups for their support last year. Their continued generosity is greatly appreciated. As always, we welcome interested residents to attend our meetings at Town Hall on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month to ask questions and share resources.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rockland Historical Commission

Jim Paul, Chairman  
Peter Dow, Vice-Chairman & Treasurer  
Adrienne Donovan, Secretary  
Larry Donovan  
Dean Sargent  
Bill Ferguson

## **DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES**

### **To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Rockland**

I hereby submit the Annual Report as the Director of Veterans' Services for 2007

The office of Veterans Services continues to provide a wide range of services to the veterans and widows of the community. A summary of the types of services and benefits which may be available to qualified veterans, widows and dependents could be assistance in obtaining the state bonus, matters related to VA compensation and Pensions educational and vocational benefits, employment, medical problems, Notary services ,and available reference materials. Also, financial assistance may be provided to those who are in need, under Chapter 115 of the MGL.

It was a sad day in Rockland when we were informed that one of our servicemen, LCPL Walter K O'Haire, "Gator" had been killed in action in Iraq on May 15, 2007. I want to thank all of the residents and businesses who participated in the last farewell for Walter. With the great cooperation of the fire and police department, as well as the highway department, the funeral procession was a fitting tribute to LCPL Walter K. O'Haire, who gave his life to give us the freedoms that we have.

The Selectmen continue to recognize those veterans who have served honorably. Several certificates of appreciation have been presented this past year, to veterans who have returned to Rockland from serving their country. I am asking that those who are presently serving in the Armed Forces from Rockland to inform this office.

The state legislators have been a staunch supporter of various bills regarding veterans. The state annuity for qualified veterans and widows is \$2000.00. The state is making a concerted effort to inform veterans of the state bonus that is available to those who have served. The bonus is \$1000.00 for those who served in Iraq or Afghanistan, and \$500.00 to those whose service was in other than a war zone and served under Title 10 of the U.S Code. In view of the high cost of heating, the state increased the fuel assistance to help those who are in receipt of benefits under Chapter 115 of the M.G.L .Compensation and pension benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs had an increase of 2.3%.

The 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Tri-Town Veterans Parade was held in Whitman on November 11, 2007. The theme for the parade was: Honoring All Who Served, Less We Forget. Grand Marshall was Kathleen Teahan, former state representative from Whitman. Rockland will be host to the parade in 2008.

Once again, the employees of Blue Cross and Blue Shield, located in Hingham came through with several food baskets for the veterans and widows of Rockland over the Christmas holidays. Thank you to Blue Cross and Blue Shield for your support of our veterans.

A reminder that there is a receptacle located on the ground floor of the town hall for the retiring of old, torn, or worn flags. The flags are given to the various service organizations as well as the scouts for proper ceremonial disposal.

Respectfully submitted,

Anton F Materna  
Director of Veterans' Services

## **VETERANS' BURIAL AGENT**

### **To The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Rockland**

I hereby submit the Annual report as the Veterans' Burial Agent for 2007

The deaths of the veterans who have passed away during the year have been recorded with the General Laws of the Commonwealth. Issues regarding the headstones and markers at the cemeteries, upon the death of a veteran, are done on a timely basis.

On the day before Memorial Day, the American flags were placed on the veterans graves in the cemeteries in Rockland. The Allied Veterans Council, Boy Scouts, Girls Scouts and many volunteers helped in placing of the flags. Once again, with the placing of about 1900 flags and to those who volunteered, their help made the job go very effectively. Thank you to all who participated in honoring our veterans.

The Memorial Day services commenced at the Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Invocation was given by Reverend Fred Boothman, with Senator Michael Morrissey as the guest speaker.

At the Memorial Library, the invocation was given by Father James Hickey. The parade continued to Union Square, and the invocation was again read by Father James Hickey. The Grand Marshall, Bill Enders a Pearl Harbor survivor, was the guest speaker.

Maureen O'Haire, mother of LCPL Walter K. O'Haire, who was killed in action in Iraq was presented with a plaque from the town of Rockland.

Steve Bell, director of the high school band was recognized for his outstanding work. This was his last parade.

Respectfully submitted

Anton F Materna  
Director of Veterans' Services

## **ROCKLAND INTERNET COMMITTEE**

Again this year the Board of Selectmen would like to thank Sterling Smith and Denise Cicierega for all their hard work and support to the Town of Rockland's website. Although they stepped down from the committee in late 2006 they have remained available to assist us in an unofficial capacity hoping that someone else will step forward and take the reins. The Internet Committee was un-staffed for over a year. On December 17<sup>th</sup> we gratefully appointed Barbara Hagopian as the only member and would request that if anyone else is interested to please contact us.

Rockland Board of Selectmen

## **SEWER COMMISSION**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Rockland:

The Board of Sewer Commissioners respectfully submits the annual report of the Sewer Department for the year 2007.

We would like to thank the citizens of Rockland for approving the Articles presented at the Annual Town Meeting. This has allowed us to go forward with much needed capital improvement projects to our aging infrastructure.

A contract will be awarded for the 3rd phase of repairs to the sewer collection system. This work will include the sealing of service connections to residences and businesses in town as well as repairs to main sewer lines and manholes.

The Department continues to face many challenges by balancing growth in the town with the limitations of its permit and the capacity at the sewer plant. We are working closely with developers who are helping fund projects identified to reduce sources of inflow and infiltration.

An amnesty program that addresses the removal of illegal sump pumps connected to the sewer system was introduced in 2007. The Sewer Commission has extended the time line for registering to June of 2008. Please contact the sewer department at 781-878-1964 to participate.

The Rockland Board Sewer Commissioners would like to extend our thanks to all the Departments in Town for their continued cooperation and valued support throughout the year.

Respectively submitted,

Walter Simmons, Chairman  
Gerald Esposito III, Vice-Chairman  
William E. Stewart, Commissioner  
John F. Loughlin, Superintendent

# ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TOWN OF ROCKLAND 2007

## PARTNERS HOME CARE, INC.

To the Honorable Board of Selectman and Citizens of the Town of Rockland:

Partners's Home Care, Inc. continues the mission established by the Rockland VNA in 1910. Under its status as a non-profit Medicare-certified agency, home health care services are offered – skilled nursing, physical, speech and occupational therapies, medical social work, nutrition counseling and home health aide assistance.

Under a contract with the Rockland Board of Health, wellness programs, health promotion screenings, flu clinics and immunization programs are offered free to residents and town employees. Mid-year, due to severe budget constraints in the town, funding for our public health nursing contract was nearly eliminated. A new contract of services, beginning July 1, 2007 contained only communicable disease follow-up, maintenance of the MA DPH vaccine-immunization program for Rockland and the annual town-wide flu clinic.

An ongoing communication regarding public health issues and initiatives continues with the Board of Health, the Rockland public schools and the many town agencies and departments.

Monthly reports of the public health services are provided to the Rockland BOH. A detailed account of these services provided in the calendar year 2007 follows:

**ADULT WELLNESS CLINICS** (22) – 139 Patients (January – June only)

BP Screenings	139
BS Tests	38

Clinics were offered at Rockland Town Hall bimonthly and monthly at the COA and Leisurewoods. (Beginning July 1, 2007 these clinics were eliminated in the contract.)

**COMMUNICABLE DISEASES REPORTED** (44)

Toxoplasmosis	1	H. Influenza	1	Ehrlichiosis	1
Hepatitis C	7	Hepatitis B	5	Hepatitis A	1
Lyme Disease	11	Salmonella	1	E. Coli 0157:H7	1
Campylobacter	6	Varicella	4	Babesiosis	1
Giardia	1	Latent Tuberculosis	1	Pertussis	1
		Cryptosporidiosis	1		

Confidential case follow-ups are completed and submitted to the MA Department of Public Health as required.

<b>FLU CLINICS</b>	Immunizations:	245
November 18, 2007	Town Hall	223
November 26, 2007	Highway Department	6
November 25, 2007	Town Hall	<u>16</u>
		245

The annual town-wide flu clinic for the “at risk” was held on Sunday, November 18 and office hour appointments were scheduled thereafter to accommodate those wishing to be immunized against the flu.

### **Vaccine Management**

Our agency procures DPH supplied vaccines from DPH and distributes the vaccines to authorized Rockland vaccine providers along with appropriate teaching materials. Appropriate vaccine management – storage of vaccine is carried out daily and usage reports are filed throughout the year.

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS/SPECIAL SEMINARS**

March/September/December	Attended the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meetings held at the Rockland Town Hall
March 28, 2007	Attended the MAPHN Infection Disease Surveillance Seminar held in Bridgewater
April 1, 2007	Attended the MA DPH Immunization Update held at the MA Hospital School in Canton

### **TUBERCULOSIS PROGRAM – Health Promotional Patient Visits: 3**

A previously active tuberculosis case was monitored for treatment (Direct Observed Therapy)/DOT. The case resided in Rockland temporarily and was then transferred to the Board of Health nurse of another community.

### **HEALTH PROMOTIONS (By Public Health Nurse) – Visits: 4**

- 3 flu shots in homes of residents per MD order
- 1 assessment and teaching at a private kindergarten

### **OFFICE VISITS (ROCKLAND)**

200 LedgeWood Place – third floor or the Board of Health Office/Town Hall

Appointments may be made by calling 781-681-1013. Immunizations, blood pressure and blood sugar testing are available free of charge. Tb testing for job requirement or OSHA regulations is available to the public for a nominal fee.

### **Office Activity for 2007:**

Patient visits (non-PHC staff)	75
Blood Pressure	20
Other injections by MD order	12
Immunizations:	38
Hepatitis B	12
Td	5
Flu	15
Hepatitis A	4
Pneumonia	1
Tdap	1

<b>Tuberculosis Testings</b>	10
<b>Readings</b>	10

A special thank you to Pat Donnelly, the Board of Health secretary and to Janice McCarthy, the Health Agent. Pat helped with the flu clinic and its advertising and Janice maintains close communication and assistance with respect to health issues and communicable disease concerns.

Also, I would like to give special recognition to Pat Merritt, our long-time volunteer clerk at the bi-monthly town hall clinics. Pat, a most conscientious volunteer clerked at the wellness clinics since their inception with the Rockland VNA many years ago.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Miller, RN  
Community Health Nurse  
Partners Home Care, Inc.

## **SELF HELP INCORPORATED**

### **REPORT TO THE TOWN OF ROCKLAND**

During the program year ending September 30, 2007 Self Help, Inc., received a total funding of approximately \$19 and provided direct services to 27,938 limited income households in the area.

In the TOWN OF ROCKLAND Self Help, Inc. provided services totaling \$695,400 to 1,230 households during program year 2007.

Self Help's total funding of \$19,059,457 does not tell the real value of services delivered to the area as a whole. This funding enabled us to mobilize an additional \$1,535,342 of other community resources such as, volunteers, donations of space, and private donations in the form of goods and services. Therefore, the total impact of Self Help, Inc., during the past program year was \$20,595,799.

In addition, Self Help currently employs 250 individuals. Many of these individuals are of limited income, and most reside in our service area.

We feel that October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007 was a successful program year for us because we were able to assist as many individuals and/or families as we did, regardless of the challenges of being a human service provider.

We thank the Town of Rockland and its representatives to our board, Ms. Meredith Lombardi and Ms. Alfreda VanCor, and all the volunteers for helping us to make fiscal year 2007 a successful one.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Wang  
Executive Assistant/Human Resource Manager

# **SOUTH SHORE TRI-TOWN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

## **FISCAL YEAR 2007**

Website: [www.ssttdc.com](http://www.ssttdc.com) Phone (781) 682-2187

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Rockland:

The Board of Directors of the South Shore Tri-Town Development Corporation (SSTTDC) is pleased to present its FY 2007 Annual Report. Complete copies of the Corporation's Audited Financial Statements are available at the Selectmen's Office, the Public Library, and at the SSTTDC offices.

**Background & Development Status** – History was made in October, 2006, when initial work began on the Route 18 entrance to SouthField, the new village being built on the site of the former South Weymouth Naval Air Station. Demolition of two former Navy structures and construction of a new entry were the first significant, visible signs of big changes to come.

On February 10, 2006, a Certificate on the Notice of Project Change from the Secretary of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs gave conditional approval for Phase 1A development on the site's northwest quadrant. Initial plans call for up to 500 residential units and 150,000 square feet of office space. In conjunction with local, state and federal elected officials, leaders of the host communities, regional planning agencies, and other stakeholder, SSTTDC looks forward to transferring the remaining 830 acres from the Navy to local control.

**Early Economic Impact** – A significant number of project-related jobs have been created to date including general contractors, carpenters, engineers, surveyors, stonemasons, landscapers, equipment operators, project and property managers, etc. As activity ramped up during Spring, 2007, a range of service and product businesses began to benefit.

**FY07 Economic & Development Highlights** – During the 12-year development timeline, it is estimated that the project will bring to the region hundreds of construction and permanent jobs, improved roadways, public transportation and infrastructure, and new recreational facilities. Some \$750 million will be spent on new and off-site construction. Ultimately, the project is expected to produce a perpetual property tax revenue stream to be divided among the three towns by formula based on base land area in each town. Estimates range from \$3 – \$11 million per year. As development continues and a tax revenue stream begins, SSTTDC will have the capacity to collect taxes.

**Municipal Tax Plan** – In January 2007, SSTTDC's Board considered long-term financing and tax planning issues. SSTTDC signed a consulting agreement allowing for the Town of Weymouth's assistance with the drafting of a Municipal Tax Financing Plan. The Plan was forward to the Mass. Dept. of Revenue for approval / certification.

**Economic Development Conveyance (EDC)** – SSTTDC continued discussions with the Navy on its revised EDC application submitted in May. Navy approval of the EDC application for the remaining federal land is expected in 2008. SSTTDC signed a contract to research funding aspects of the EDC application related to public financing and bonding strategies.

**Development and Disposition Agreement (DDA)** – SSTTDC and LNR continued negotiations on the DDA. Finalization of this document is likely to occur once EDC negotiations reach substantial completion.

**Regulatory Framework** – Work continued on the zoning survey, SSTTDC expects adoption in 2008.

**Roads and Transportation** – MassHighway continued regional roadway improvements to help traffic flow as development progresses. Several Rte. 18 intersections are completed or at varying stages of reconstruction. The widening of Route 18 from Rte. 3 to Rte. 139 will occur in conjunction with Phase I construction. An East-West Parkway traversing the base is targeted to be complete by the end of Phase I (2011). Talks continue with the MBTA related to improving regional transit and expanded use of the adjacent commuter rail station. An on-site intermodal transit system is expected to connect base tenants and visitors to surrounding communities.

**Environmental** – Final Environmental Impact report (FEIR) was filed May 31. The MEPA Certificate was issued July 18, 2007.

**Lease & License Revenue** – In the last few years SSTTDC Lease and License revenue has dropped dramatically. Many formerly leasable Navy structures have been mothballed, or could not be leased because of development timelines. At the same time we have seen a significant downturn in interest among event planners for short-term runway event licensing. FY06 revenues totaled \$699,546 compared to FY07 revenues of \$242,947. Runway areas not affected by Phase 1A development continue to be marketed but as construction progresses, we project dramatically reduced leasing / licensing income.

**SSTTDC Board** – Rockland has been especially fortunate to be represented by Dr. John W. Rogers, Secretary / Clerk, and by John R. Ward, immediate past Chairman. Both have been involved in base reuse planning for many years, devoting countless hours to ensuring the most beneficial plan for the people of Rockland, as well as Abington, Weymouth and the entire region. These towns are represented by similarly dedicated Board members who bring decades of experience in banking and finance, real estate, town government and law.

**Looking Ahead** – During the past year we have seen “shovels in the ground” as construction of initial infrastructure began. There are complex and costly challenges ahead. Our Board remains committed to a plan that is economically viable, environmentally sensitive and technically sound. We envision that SouthField will improve the quality of life for people of all ages, providing a welcoming place in which they can live, work and recreate.

Respectfully submitted,  
**SSTTDC Board of Directors**

James W. Lavin, *Chairman (Abington)*  
Colin McPherson, *Vice Chairman and Treasurer (Weymouth)*  
John W. Rogers, *Secretary and Clerk (Rockland)*  
Robert W. Terravecchia, Jr. *(Weymouth)*  
John R. Ward *(Rockland)*

Terry N. Fancher, *Executive Director*

## **YOUTH COMMISSION 2007 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Rockland:

During the 2007 calendar year, the Youth Commission carried out its program under Chapter 8E of the General Laws of the Commonwealth. We are pleased to submit the following report outlining the programs offered to the young people of Rockland.

### **Year-Round Youth Recreation Services**

The Youth Commission, located on the second floor in the Community Center at 394 Union Street, continued to offer a comprehensive year-round recreational program to the youth of Rockland. During the fall, winter and spring months, special after school programs are offered for children aged 3 thru grade 6. Program information is available through the local news media, cable TV and fliers sent home through the schools.

### **After School Recreation**

From September through June, fall, winter and spring programs offered included the Youth Commission Dance School with Marie and Diane, the Tot Enrichment “Chipmunk” Pre-School and Nursery School Program, Arts’n Crafts, Theatre, Sewing, Cheerleading, Cooking Classes, Gymnastics, Learn to Skate, Learn to Ski & Snow Board, Minisports, Bidy Basketball, Jr. Basketball, Fencing, Floor Hockey, Self Defense, Tee Ball and Indoor Tennis.

Special events during school vacations included a series of workshops with a concentration on Hip Hop Dance, Girly Junk Make-up, Kitchen Kids Cooking, Cheerleading and Basketball; a field trip to TD Banknorth Garden for Disney on Ice’s presentation of the “Princess Wishes” and a Bowling Tournament.

### **Summer Recreation**

During the summer months, programs were conducted at the Community Center, the Hartsuff Park Recreational Area and the Rockland and Harmon Golf Courses. These included the Youth Commission’s Day Camp, “Chipmunk” Half Day Program and extended camp, recreational swimming, swimming lessons, Jr. Golf Program, Cooking Classes, Cheerleading, Gymnastics, Basketball, Sporties for Shorties, Soccer, T-Ball, Tennis Lessons, Cheerleading Camp, Gymnastics Camp, Hip-Hop Dance Workshop and a summer theatre workshop production of “High School Musical”. On sight visitors included the Boston Children’s Stagemobile, “Reptile Rain Forest” and the “Philip & Henry Magic Show”.

Many of these programs continued to operate through the establishment of a revolving fund, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of operating recreation and leisure services to the children in the community on a self-supporting basis through user fees.

### **Tot Enrichment Program**

The year 2007 marks the 23<sup>rd</sup> year that the Youth Commission, in conjunction with the Rockland School Department, has operated this very popular Tot Enrichment Nursery and Preschool Program.

The program was designed in response to the need for a high quality yet affordable program within the community.

The program is located on the second floor in the Community Center and is capable of servicing up to 130 children, three to five years of age, encouraging them to be actively involved in the learning process. Classes are structured around a variety of developmentally appropriate activities. All students are encouraged to pursue their own interests. The teachers work with the children in developing their social and emotional maturity in preparation for the school environment.

Utilizing three classrooms and the gymnasium, head teachers Cathy MacQuarrie, Judy Ketterer and Barbara Fournier were assisted by Lisa Dutra, Joanne Reagan, Joanne Riccarelli, Cathy Ewell, Susan Coulstring and music teacher Sue Simmons. The children took field trips to the South Shore Natural Science Center and the Children's Museum in Easton. The "chipmunks" enjoyed special activities and events throughout the school year including weekly gym and music classes, special holiday parties, end of the year and graduation celebrations plus a visit from the Reptile Rainforest's "Miniature Zoo".

The Youth Commission wishes to extend their appreciation to the Selectmen, the School Department, other town departments and the Youth Commission staff for their continued support of all programs and activities for the children of Rockland. We especially want to thank all the townspeople who have been a continued source of support.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Furlong, Chairman  
Judith Cusick  
Kathleen Daggett  
Laurie Dolan  
Lisa Wright-Murphy  
Karen Guerrette, Youth Service Director

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Rockland:*

The Zoning Board of Appeals is pleased to submit its annual report for the 2007 calendar year.

The Board has been involved with petitions submitted by Applicants asking for Special Permits, Variances, Section 6 Findings and on-going Chapter 40B projects.

With the down turn of the real estate market, the Board has seen an increase in additions and remodeling projects and with the uncertainty of the economy, people are staying put. This has a profound impact on the age restricted and other housing projects.

The Board would like to welcome the new Building Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer, Tom Ruble who came on board in April. Tom has taken the bull by the horn and has been doing a great job in interpreting and enforcing the Zoning By-Laws. Tom is always available together with his assistant Bette to help anyone that has questions with regards to building and zoning regulations. Tom has also attended a few board meetings and has been a great asset at those meetings.

Many thanks again to our land use Attorney John Goldrosen and Attorney Katharine Doyle for their knowledge and expertise in helping the Board with correspondence and attending meetings when needed.

The Chairman would like to thank our Board Members and Associate Members for his/her many long hours given in reviewing correspondence and attending monthly Zoning Board meetings during this year.

The Board would also like to thank our Recording Secretary, Candi for all her secretarial skills with regards to meeting postings, typing and filing decisions, phone calls, advertisements, copying of correspondence, packet preparation, and all other run-around needed to the Town Departments to help out the Board.

The Chairman and Candi would like to thank Mary Pat, Randy and Linda in the Town Clerk's Office for their assistance with the ZBA filings and decisions; Mary Stewart in the Selectmen's office for helping with the scheduling of meetings for the ZBA, Bette in the Building Department together with Tom for reviewing Petitioner's applications prior to filing and all the other Town Departments involved with the Board. The Board would also like to thank the Custodian, Rick for setting up the meeting room.

Respectfully submitted,

*ROCKLAND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS*

Board Members

Robert A. Manzella, Chairman  
Stanley Cleaves, Vice-Chairman  
Anton Materna, Clerk  
Rita Howes  
Peter McDermott

Associate Members

Gregory Tansey  
Alan McPhee

Recording Secretary

Candi DiRenzo

## ROCKLAND ENERGY COMMITTEE

### To The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Rockland:

The past few months have been a period of great excitement, learning, and collaboration between members of the newly-created Rockland Energy Committee and our partners throughout the town. Since being formed, the committee has been very busy working towards our mission of making Rockland a community that not only becomes more cognizant of our ever-changing environment and growing energy needs; but also one that utilizes efficient, cost effective, and environmentally sound energy alternatives.

Specifically, our **mission** consists of implementing the following actions:

- Reducing the total consumption and the costs of energy in the Town of Rockland.
- Proposing a comprehensive energy plan to be adopted by the town for its existing buildings.
- Collaborating on various proposals and initiatives that will make our community a leader in substantial 'green' energy projects on the South Shore and throughout the Commonwealth.
- Keeping informed of Federal, State, and Local funding opportunities that may be able to help the town in these endeavors, and to apply for these grant opportunities.
- To be an educational source for our community by raising public awareness and education regarding financial and environmental benefits of renewable energy sources and energy conservation.

Towards those ends, we have been busy over the past few months trying to educate ourselves of such opportunities and technologies that will allow our town to move forward. Just three weeks into being formed, we submitted a grant application to the Department of Agriculture for funding for possible construction of a wind turbine. We partnered with National Grid and their *Whole Building Assessment* (WBA) program – a program that will assist us in surveying the energy efficiency of our town buildings, reducing energy costs through little or no-cost measures, and promoting the benefits of employing a sustainable energy policy throughout Rockland. During the first week of January, National Grid performed an energy audit of our high school, and we await the recommendations from WBA program. We have also teamed up with our public school system to examine the energy consumption of our elementary schools, and look forward to working with school officials in hopes of building a new middle school that is designated as a 'green-building'.

In our goal to save our town money, we have taken a great interest in the town's utilities rate. Under our current contract with our present energy provider, we pay 5.6 cents/kWh – a rate that is very reasonable compared to those of surrounding towns. However, when our contract expires in December of this year, we have been told that this rate may increase between 70% and 80%. We are committed to working with fellow town officials to negotiate a rate that is affordable and practical for Rockland.

Additionally, we have been working to build support within our community, foster relationships with our state and federal representatives, and create relationships with other communities and area stakeholders that will be extremely valuable as we move forward to accomplish our goals. In December, we hosted a booth at Rockland's annual Holiday Stroll as a way to build awareness of our committee's work. We have introduced ourselves to the offices of Congressman Bill Delahunt, Senator Michael Morrissey, and State Representative Bob Nyman, all of whom have pledged to our committee their future support of these goals. Further, our recent meetings have featured

representatives of various alternative energy trade groups who have shared their knowledge and expertise about these issues with us.

Going forward, we will continue to do our best to identify the most practical and cost-saving measures for the Town of Rockland. These measures may be determined simply by advice, improved technology, and/or through grant programs. With that, we understand the reality that many grants – whether they be from the Federal government, state government, or private foundations – often do have matching components, and we look forward to working with fellow town leaders and residents alike to bring these innovative and cost-efficient proposals to the forefront of the town’s revitalization plans. We invite all interested residents to attend our meetings and join our team. And most importantly, we thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve our town in such a tremendous way.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Mullen, Jr.

Carol Perilli, Chair  
James Paul, Vice-Chair  
Michael Mullen, Jr., Secretary  
Frank Delprete  
Heidi Hosmer



From left: Mike Mullen, Jr., Frank Delprete, and Jim Paul at Rockland’s 2007 annual Holiday Stroll

## **RENT CONTROL BOARD**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Rockland:

The purpose of the Board is to regulate rents, standards and evictions for the residents of Hillcrest and Leisurewoods manufactured housing communities and the year 2007 was the first full year of the Rent Board's operation.

The Board faced a major hurdle in July when Hometown America filed for an injunction to prevent the Board from proceeding with scheduled hearings pertaining to a request for a rent increase. Hometown America based its complaint on two issues, first, the Board was not in compliance with the Rent Control Ordinance as it did not have a seventh member and secondly, there were no Rules and Regulations in place. Shortly thereafter, a seventh member had been appointed and sworn in.

The Board worked tirelessly and in conjunction with the residents of Leisurewoods and Hillcrest as well as the attorneys for the Homeowners Association and Hometown America to draft Rules and Regulations in an effort to comply with the Court's order. The proposed Rules and Regulations were approved at a public hearing in November; however, the Complaint for Contempt against the town is still pending in Southeast Housing Court.

An attempt to rescind the Rent Control Ordinance did not survive the Special Town Meeting in December. At the same meeting, the Town voted to establish a revolving account for the Board from fees associated with matters for the Rent Control Board to fund associated expenses for its' operations.

As the next year approaches, we know that there will be more trials and tribulations ahead of us but we look forward to meeting and surpassing all that comes our way.

We would like to thank those who attended the Rent Control Board meetings and shared their thoughts and opinions with us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Flaherty, Chairman  
Andy Triantaffellow, Vice Chairman  
Kathleen Post, Secretary  
Teresa Burt, Treasurer  
Laura Hernandez  
Walter Paul  
Michael Reed

## **REPORT OF THE CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE APRIL 2007**

### **Why Capital Planning?**

The Capital Planning Committee (CPC) was authorized by State legislation and had its first meeting in December 2005. The members of the committee are appointed by the Selectmen, Finance Committee, the School Committee and the Town Moderator. The CPC is to advise the Selectmen and Town

Meeting on the capital needs and proposed capital expenditures of the town. Capital expenditures are tangible assets and projects which:

- Have a useful life of at least five years AND
- Cost over \$50,000.00.

Over the past several years state aid and other funding sources have declined. At the same time certain costs of the town (i.e., health care) have risen at unprecedented rates. Due to these circumstances town revenues have been used to cover the costs limiting the Town's financial ability to for capital expenditures or maintenance of current assets. Capital needs have been so neglected that departments are using older and depleted equipment and building maintenance and repairs have fallen behind. The CPC hopes to implement planning and management to get equipment on regular replacement schedules and buildings free of some health and safety problems that have arisen from failure to preserve those facilities.

The last several years have been a reminder that there are economic ups and downs. Many cities and towns, including Rockland, are now faced with the need to meet increasing operating expenses, satisfy capital needs and rebuild reserves. These three objectives can conflict.

Since December 2005, the CPC has conducted open meetings in the lower Town Hall conference room. The CPC has met almost every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. to develop a plan for the Town of Rockland.

### **Departmental Requests**

Each department was provided instructions and forms regarding this newly formed committee. Through these forms the departments were instructed to provide the CPC with an inventory of the department's current assets as well as identify the needs to acquire additional capital assets and perform certain capital projects to preserve the services provided to the people of Rockland. Despite the additional paperwork, this newly formed committee seems to have been well received by the various departments. We believe this warm reception is due in large part to the department heads' understanding that for the first time Rockland hopes to have a forward looking plan.

The CPC received 43 requests from seven of the departments. The total dollar figure of the various requests is \$40,702,250.00. The majority of these requests involved capital projects to improve and maintain the declining infrastructure of the town, including roads, buildings and fields. Through the process employed by the CPC, some requests were modified or otherwise did not make the ultimate CPC plan. Some reasons a few projects did not make the ultimate plan were that the project did not meet the CPC jurisdiction (i.e. did not cost more than \$50,000) or that some projects were not considered priorities to the town when viewed in conjunction with the financial situation and other needs of the town.

The ultimate plan consisted of capital expenditures and assets totaling \$18,801,362. The capital projects amount to \$16,515,362.00, and included requests such as the new library roof and the repaving of the roads. The remaining requests were for capital assets totaling \$2,286,000.00 and included requests for school computers, fire trucks and sidewalk sweepers to name a few.

## **Prioritization of Capital Needs**

Successful capital planning requires postponing some capital expenditures in favor of others as part of the planning process. As such, the CPC worked with each department to assess the need for particular projects and expenditures. In December 2006, the CPC unanimously voted to adopt the following guideline and criteria for prioritizing capital projects. The guidelines themselves are not necessarily listed in priority order:

- Imminent threat to health and safety of citizens, employees or property.
- Maintenance and improvement of capital assets.
- Requirement of state or federal law.
- Improvement of the infrastructure (streets, sidewalks, etc).
- Improvement/maintenance of productivity (equipment, computer hardware/software, etc).
- Improvement of overburdened situation.
- Newly identified need.
- Priority assigned by department.

The CPC also considered the effect of each project/asset on the town's revenue and operating expenses when considering each project. Additionally, the useful life of the project/asset and the availability of grants for a funding source were also considered. The CPC used these guidelines to score and rank the requests in numerical order. (Please see the Capital Request Scoring Tabulation).

## **Source of Funds**

Funds for the recommended five year capital plan will come from the same sources as before (property taxes, grants, etc.) An additional source of funding hopefully will arise in the form of mitigation from the redevelopment of the air base. The CPC will work with the town accountant and administrator, as well as the various departments to determine the best source of funding for each individual expenditure.

## **Specific Requests – A One Year Budget, A Five Year Plan**

The Five Year Capital Requests tables are attached to this report. These tables show the prioritized plan of capital investment possible with projected available revenues for the period FY 08-12. The plan is organized into three categories: Capital Projects, Capital Assets and a Funding Summary. In each fiscal year the projections show that the requests exceed the available funds by more than \$2 million per year.

The CPC's priorities for FY 08 total \$2,466,500.00. However, some of these priorities are unfunded and the CPC realizes that the financial strain of the town will cause these priorities to linger until funding is available. The CPC priorities are as follows:

- Library Roof Repair – Estimated cost \$300,000.00. This request received the highest priority of the CPC based on the criteria and guidelines used. The library building is a historical building. The copper roof, which is believed to be the original, has lasted close to 100 years. However, serious deterioration of the copper roof has resulted in significant leaks that jeopardize the integrity of the building, the resources available at the library and the health of the workers and users of the building. The copper roof maintains the historical recognition of the building and also provides a greater useful life of domed shaped roofs. This project is currently slated for a vote by the people of Rockland regarding debt exclusion to fund this

project. The CPC recommends the application of a debt exclusion to provide the source of funding. In the alternative, should the vote fail, the CPC recommends the leaders of this Town (the board of selectmen) work vigorously with the library trustees to find source of funds, including available grant money to protect this vital asset of the town.

- Roads – The roads of this town are in deplorable condition. This is no reflection of the Highway Department, but more the result of diminished resources and the lack of planning on the part of the town as a whole. The conditions of the roads affect the townspeople in many ways. Safety of travelers on the road way and the safe operation of certain public safety vehicles including ambulances depend on the condition of the roads. Further, the conditions of the roads are a reflection of the town itself. This may diminish the value of homes in the town. The estimated cost of repaving the worst roads in the town is approximately \$4 million. Broken down over five years this figure is approximately \$800,000.00 per year. Unfortunately, the available Chapter 90 money available from the state for road work is estimated to be approximately \$270,000 per year over the same five year period. Until the financial woes of this town are corrected, the CPC recommends that the selectmen and Highway Department fully apply the total chapter 90 money toward road repair and any additional revenue be applied to repair this significant problem. The highway department has identified a possible mean to significantly reduce the cost to the town to repair the roads. The purchase of a re-paver by the town would reduce the need to outsource the repaving work. The estimated cost of the re-paver is \$130,000.00. However, due to less than minimal staffing levels at the highway department, the department does not have the man power to operate this potentially cost reducing machine. The selectmen and Highway department should develop a plan to increase the staffing levels at the department and consider the purchase of this piece of equipment.
- Sewer and water requests - These department requests and recommendations are fully funded and involve priorities or the continuation of projects.
  - Water – The CPC recommends the implementation of the water department request regarding the Lincoln and Chestnut water storage tanks. This request is estimated to cost \$1,650,000.00 broken down to \$175,000 per year from the water abatement account.
  - Water - The CPC also recommends the re-working of the 12” water mains on Webster, Hingham and Union Streets. These projects are estimated to cost \$900,000.00 total and \$150,000.00 per year from the System Development Accounts.
  - Sewer – The waste treatment upgrade began in FY 07 at a cost of \$3 million. The CPC recommends the continued support of this project with funds to come from the State Revolving Fund.
  - Sewer – The CPC recommends the funding to do work necessary to comply with the State Mandated Phosphorus Removal. This compliance is required by the state and is expected to cost \$1.5 million from the Sewer Development Account.
- High School Science Lab – Currently, the high school has received notice that the school’s accreditation may be in jeopardy due to antiquated science labs at the high school. This accreditation will affect college admissions of students at the high school. The estimated costs associated with updating the science lab is \$250,000.00. This is a highly recommended project of the CPC, however, due to the financial position of the town, including severe cuts in the school budget, this project will need to be pushed back until funds become available or incorporated with the overall School Building Committee’s work with the State.

- Fire Station Windows – This project also received high marks from the CPC. Currently, the windows at the fire station are in poor condition and very inefficient. The cost of the repairs is \$74,500.00. This cost is currently unfunded and may be need to come from the department’s maintenance budget.
- Fire Engine 1 – This capital asset will replace the current fire engine 1. The cost of this purchase is \$385,000.00. The CPC recommends the funding come from either a grant (as was done on the most recent fire engine purchase where the town paid 10% of the cost of the engine) or through mitigation funds from the air base redevelopment.

## **Middle School**

The committee received a request from the School Building Committee regarding the construction of a new middle school. The current school is extremely old, has out lasted its safe operation and is inadequate for the number of students who use the facility. A new school is needed that will provide safety of the students and faculty of the school and promote a positive place to develop academically. The CPC supports the School Building Committee and will work with that committee to see this project to fruition. The CPC recommends that the selectmen fully support and assist the SBC to develop a plan and receive appropriate state funding and reimbursement. There were a number of requests to maintain the Middle School due to the serious decline of the overall structure of the school, including repairs to the windows, roof, façade, etc. These requests were tabled by the CPC in consideration of the work being done by the School Building Committee to obtain state funding/reimbursement for the new Middle School.

## **Key Capital Planning Issues Going Forward**

The town faces a number of fiscal challenges in the years ahead. The town currently faces a operating budget shortfall of over \$500,000.00 for FY 08. For the first time in many years the selectmen and Finance Committee attempted to recommend a balanced operating budget. However, due to less than reasonably anticipated state aid and low new growth numbers, the town faces a larger shortfall than expected. This leaves little is no money to accomplish the significant infrastructure needs of the town.

The future, however, seems bright. The finance committee plans to accomplish balanced budgeting and “turn the ship of Rockland around.” Balance budgets will allow the town to use free cash to develop an fund to begin to accomplish the recommendations of the CPC. Further, funds from the air base redevelopment will help to offset the cost of some of these infrastructure costs. The longer we keep pushing these items down the road to future years the costs of these projects will continually increase.

The CPC meets most Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the lower Town Hall conference room.

Very truly yours,

Michael P. Johnson, Chairman of the Capital Planning Committee	
Scott MacKinlay, Vice Chairman	Joseph Waisgerber
Kenneth Murphy, Jr., Secretary	Barney Dunphy
Richard Phelps	John Ellard

## **ROCKLAND TEEN CENTER COMMITTEE**

Honorable Board of Selectmen,

The Rockland Teen Center Committee submits the following report for the past year.

In 2007, the Teen Center said goodbye to a pair of fine people in Bill and Joanne McCormack. Bill and Joanne were founders of the Teen Center as we know it today. They stepped forward during a difficult time in the history of Rockland and volunteered to start a program that would give teens a place to go and an alternative to hanging out on the streets.

Bill and Joanne also touched the lives of many people in Rockland, both young and old. They were involved in many programs in town and never said, "No." to anyone. Their absence in town will be noticed. "Thank you Bill and Joanne for all you did for our town."

In August, 2007 a new group of volunteers came forward and reopened the Teen Center. These volunteers have worked hard to make the Teen Center a place that teens will want to visit. We have been averaging 250 teens on Fridays and slightly less on Saturdays.

As always, we need parents to volunteer as chaperones on Fridays and Saturdays. If every parent of a Teen Center member gave us one night of help, our mission would be very easy. The more help we get, the better the supervision. Most people who have volunteered usually come back. The teens are great.

Thank you to all who have helped us to reopen the Teen Center.

The Teen Center Committee

Ralph Frechette- Co Chairman

Beth Ryan- Co Chairman

Mark Underwood- Treasurer

Mary Lou Boyle

Vin Hutt

Paula Lincoln- Kilburn

Denise Morin

Lindy Paul

Donald Walsh

Patty White

## **ROCKLAND COMMUNITY CENTER**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Rockland

As a vital part of the Rockland Community, the Community Center is currently home to the Council of Aging, WIC, Head Start, Rockland Day Care, Youth Commission, and Teen Center, Meals on Wheels, North River Collaborative and Comcast Cable. The Holy Family School has been utilizing the gym for the fifth year and the Girls Scouts, Rockland Little League and Christmas magic regularly meet here.

The Rockland Community Center Supervisory committee is made up of five citizens that oversee the income and expenditures, the maintenance of the building and grounds. We also implement guidelines in regards to safety and security for the building and its tenants. All of our funding comes from rents collected from the building tenants, gym rentals and donations.

We the Community Center Committee want to thank the following Town Departments Highway, Park and School for their help over the past year because if it was not for their help we would not be able to continue to do improvements to the building. This past year we have also had help from the Community Trail Court Program in doing outside maintenance to the building and we will use their help again this year. We need to thank Guide Line Pavement Maintenance Company for lining our new parking lot.

We continue to be optimistic for the future. Excluding any unforeseen emergency expenses, our current rental income should be able to cover the building maintenance costs and custodial salaries.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Furlong, Chairman  
Tom Banks, Vice Chairman  
Karen Guerrette  
Ed Borges  
Denise Morin

**ARTICLES FOR THE 2007 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT WERE NOT RECEIVED FROM:**

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
LIGHT UP ROCKLAND COMMITTEE  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL**

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## IMPORTANT ROCKLAND TELEPHONE NUMBERS

**FIRE AND AMBULANCE EMERGENCY** **911**  
Business 781-878-2123

**POLICE EMERGENCY** **911**  
Business 781-871-3890

**Rockland Town Hall (Main Number)** **781-871-1874**  
To use spell by name directory # 9

Town Clerk	# 1
Town Collector	# 2
Building Department	# 3
Selectmen	# 4
Assessor	# 5
Board of Health	# 6
Accountant	# 7
Treasurer	# 8
Planning Board	# 170
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### *SCHOOLS:*

Superintendent's Office	781-878-1540
R. Stewart Esten School	781-878-8336
Rockland High School	781-871-0541
Rogers Middle School	781-878-4341
Memorial Park School	781-878-1367
Holy Family School	781-878-1154

### *Frequently used numbers:*

Water Department	781-871-0901
Sewer Department	781-878-1964
Park Department	781-871-0579
Highway Department	781-878-0634
Library	781-878-1236
Teen Center	781-878-9008
Emergency Management (Civil Defense)	781-982-0270
Animal Control Officer	781-871-3980 x160

# A FINAL TRIBUTE

## *The “Arch of the Fallen” constructed by Rockland/Abington Fire Departments*



*awaits Walter K. O’Haire’s  
motorcade procession at the entrance  
to Holy Family Church*