



KINGSTON
MASSACHUSETTS ★



IN MEMORIAM

The following list contains the names of former Town officials or employees who passed away in 2004. We are grateful for their service to the Town and they will be truly missed.

Grace C. Cardoza
Roscoe A. Cole
Alice M. Coleman
James E. Colman
Edna M. Daley
Lloyd Richard Ellison
William R. Fairweather, Jr.
James R. Goonan
Russell P. McAdams
Mary Grant Rushton
Thomas R. Van

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF KINGSTON MASSACHUSETTS



2004



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Andrea Birdsey's whimsical interpretation of the Village of Kingston at the turn of the century on the cover of the annual report certainly captures the character of Kingston, our town.

The majestic First Parish Unitarian Church, The Town House, Green and Bradford House all represent the Historical routes of our heritage. The Surprise Hose House, Faunce School, Reed Community Center, and Adams Library represent the commitment to the values held dear by Kingstonians; safety, education and a sense of Community. The Jones River, Beaches of Rocky Nook and the Ah-dee-nah all have worked like a magical magnet to draw us to this wonderful area of Massachusetts we call home.

Behind the facade of the popular picture as well as this introductory page of the Town Annual Report is the real Beauty of Kingston. Listed in the 200 or so pages are numbers, facts, statistics, but most importantly people who serve the town of Kingston. It is the volunteerism of the individuals involved in town meeting, boards and committees that has made and continue to make this town a vibrant wonderful place to live. The priorities of the turn of the century continue in our quaint hamlet. Recently a new Library was built, Fire station, Middle School, and Athletic Fields for our children to play on. Our High School is being rebuilt and a senior center complex is on the horizon. All this was done through the efforts of the people that fill the following pages. On behalf of the Board of Selectmen, my family, and my town's people, I say Thank You.

Mark S. Beaton
Chairman

Things To Know About Kingston

Incorporated 1726

Area of Town 19.03 sq. miles

Population Statistics:

- Current population (Town Census 2004) 11,737
- Federal census population (2000) 11,780

Voter Statistics:

- Total registered voters (as of 12-13-04) 7,773
- Democrats 1,940
- Republicans 1,424
- Unenrolled 4,338
- All others 71

Annual Town Meeting: April 2, 2005

Annual Town Election: April 23, 2005

Tax rate for FY 2004 \$11.27

Employees Retired in 2004

Kathryn Bates, March 1

Dennis O'Brien, April 27

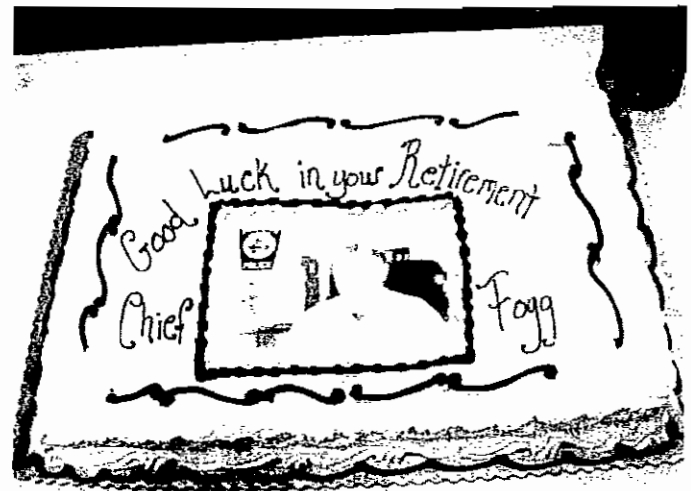
Brenda DoMonte, June 30

Contance O'Brien, June 30

Gordon Fogg, October 2

Wayne Cristani, November 1

Joan Enriquez, November 8





WHERE TO CALL FOR SERVICE

SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	
Alcohol Licenses	Selectmen's Office	585-0500
Animal Shelter	Animal Control Officer	585-0529
Automobile Dealers License	Selectmen's Office	585-0500
Beach Sticker	Selectmen's Office	585-0500
Birth Certificates	Town Clerk	585-0502
Building Permits	Building Department	585-0505
Burial Permits	Board of Health	585-0503
Business Certificates	Town Clerk	585-0502
Civil Defense	K.E.M.A.	585-3135
Death Certificates	Town Clerk	585-0502
Dept of Public Works	Streets, Trees & Parks	585-0513
Dog License	Town Clerk	585-0502
Elderly Services	Council on Aging	585-0511
Elections	Town Clerk	585-0502
Employment	Selectmen's Office	585-0500
Entertainment License	Selectmen's Office	585-0500
Fishing & Hunting Licenses	Town Clerk	585-0502
Fuel Storage Permits	Fire Department	585-0532
Gas Permits	Building Department	585-0505
Health Issues	Board of Health	585-0503
Local History Room	Public Library	585-0517
Marriage Certificates	Town Clerk	585-0502
Milk Licenses	Board of Health	585-0503
Moorings	Harbormaster	585-0519
Motor Vehicle Abatement	Assessors Office	585-0509
Notice of Intent	Conservation Dept	585-0537

Plumbing Permits
 Purchasing
 Road Opening Permits
 Schools
 Sewer Betterment/Abatement
 Shellfish License
 Tax Assessments/Abatement
 Tax Collections
 Tax Title Accounts
 Town Planner
 Transfer Station Stickers
 Tree Issues
 Vendor Bills and Accounts
 Veterans Benefits/Exemption
 Voting & Registrations
 Water Service
 Wetlands Issues
 Wiring Permits
 Working Papers
 Zoning Hearings
 Zoning Issues

Building Department 585-0505
 Selectmen's Office 585-0500
Streets, Trees, Parks 585-0513
 Administration Office 585-4313
Sewer Department 422-2253
 Selectmen's Office 585-0500
Assessors Office 585-0509
 Collectors Office 585-0507
Treasurer 585-0508
 Planning Department 585-0549
Streets, Trees & Parks 585-0513
 Streets, Trees & Parks 585-0513
Accountant 585-0506
 Veterans Agent 585-0515
Town Clerk 585-0502
 Water Department 585-0504
Conservation Dept 585-0537
 Building Department 585-0505
Silver Lake Admin 585-4313
 Board of Appeals 585-2773
Building Inspector 585-0505

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY BY DEPARTMENT

ACCOUNTING	585-0506	KEMA	585-3135
ASSESSORS	585-0509	LIBRARY	585-0517
BUILDING	585-0505	TOWN PLANNER	585-0549
TOWN CLERK	585-0502	POLICE	585-0522
COUNCIL ON AGING	585-0511	POLICE EMERG	911
TAX COLLECTOR	585-0507	RECREATION	585-0520
CONSERVATION	585-0537	SELECTMEN	585-0500
DOG OFFICER	585-0529	SELECTMEN FAX	585-0534
FIRE	585-0532	SEWER	422-2253
FIRE EMERGENCY	911	TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	585-0500
GRAYS BEACH	585-8205	TRANSFER STA.	585-0510
HARBORMASTER	585-0519	TREASURER	585-0508
HEALTH	585-0503	VETERANS	585-0515
HIGHWAY	585-0513	WATER	585-0504

**2004
TOWN OF KINGSTON OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES
ELECTED**

MODERATOR

Frances E. Botelho-Hoeg
394 Elm Street
Term Expires 2005

TOWN CLERK

Mary Lou Murzyn
3 Silver Lake Drive
Term Expires 2005

SELECTMEN

Mark S. Beaton, Chairman
208 Parting Ways Road
Term Expires 2006

Paul M. Gallagher
8 Longview Drive
Term Expires 2005

Richard E. Kenney
83 Main Street
Term Expires 2005

Olavo B. DeMacedo
8 Parks Street
Term Expires 2006

Joseph D. Kelleher
106 Wapping Road
Term Expires 2007

ASSESSORS

William J. Twohig, Chairman
35 Mayflower Street
Term Expires 2005

William B. Martin
25 Winter Street
Term Expires 2006

Anne Dunn
11 Bay View Ave
Term Expires 2007

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Priscilla L. Palombo
2 Blueberry Hill
Term Expires 2007

TOWN TREASURER

John S. LaBrache
38 West Street
Term Expires 2005

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Joseph L. Chaves, Chairman
1 Redcoat Lane
Term Expires 2007

Cheryl A. Guidoboni
15 Old Orchard Lane
Term Expires 2005

Cynthia G. Lynch
103 Grove Street
Term Expires 2006

Christopher A. Mamakos
3 Woodland Ave
Term Expires 2007

Paul G. Barry
6 Jaclyn Lane
Term Expires 2005

HOUSING AUTHORITY
William J. O'Brien, Chairman
(state appointee)

Term Expires 2008

James J. Farrell, Jr.
101 Lake Street
Term Expires 2005

Mary E. Ruprecht
236 Main Street
Term Expires 2006

Patricia Ann Desiata
33 Second Brook Street
Term Expires 2007
Appt. to ATE 2005

Joseph M. Palombo
2 Blueberry Hill
Term Expires 2008

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Brian G. McWilliams, Chairman
9 Green Street
Term Expires 2005

Valerie J.L. Spence
149 Elm Street
Term Expires 2006

Paul G. Barry
6 Jaclyn Lane
Term Expires 2006

Gayle Peters
255 Main Street
Term Expires 2007
Appt. to ATE 2005

Spencer E. Clough
172 Main Street
Term Expires 2007

Vanessa M. Verkade
109 Summer Street
Term Expires 2005

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Gerald S. Buckley
22 Bay Farm Road
Term Expires 2005

John P. Creed
4 Bayberry Lane
Term Expires 2007

James M. Connolly, Jr.
11 Pine Cone Drive
Term Expires 2007

Thomas J. Calter, III
26 Rosewood Drive
Term Expires 2006

BOARD OF HEALTH

Dennis N. Randall, Chairman
39 Winter Street
Term Expires 2007

Philemon T. Walters
19 Nottingham Drive
Term Expires 2005

William E. Watson
6 Pico Avenue
Term Expires 2005

Joseph F. Casna, Jr.
164 Pembroke Street
Term Expires 2006

A. Daniel Sapir 241 Main Street	Term Expires 2007
CONSTABLES	
Maryann Musto 4 Copper Beech Drive	Term Expires 2007
Richard C. Scanlon 37 Grove Street	Term Expires 2007
WATER COMMISSIONERS	
Robert R. Kostka, Chairman 55 South Street	Term Expires 2005
Richard W. Loring, Jr. 30 Tremont Street	Term Expires 2006
Fred D. Svenson, Jr. 9 Smelt Pond Road	Term Expires 2007
PLANNING BOARD	
Thomas S. Bouchard, Sr., Chairman 6 Quail Run	Term Expires 2007
Joel Michaud 28 South Street	Term Expires 2009
Edmund J. King, Jr. 12 Schofield Road	Term Expires 2005
Michael J. Ruprecht 236 Main Street	Term Expires 2006
Susan M. Farrell 101 Lake Street	Term Expires 2008
RECREATION COMMISSIONERS	
Arthur P. Naumann, Jr., Chairman 84 Wolf Pond Road	Term Expires 2006
Barbara J. Chandler 2.5 Riverside Drive	Term Expires 2007
Nonnan P. Harbinson, Jr. 55 Grove Street	Term Expires 2005
Linda M. Rohr 5 Riverside Drive	Term Expires 2005
Douglas J. Fleming 39 Maple Street	Term Expires 2006
SEWER COMMISSIONERS	
Garry F. Monahan, Chairman 4 North Street	Term Expires 2005
Alan C. Gifford 8 Elm Street	Term Expires 2006
Elaine A. Fiore 60 Cole Street	Term Expires 2007

**2004
TOWN OF KINGSTON OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES
APPOINTED**

POSITION	EXPIRES
ACCOUNTANT Joan Paquette	06/11/07
ADMINISTRATOR Kevin R. Donovan	By Contract 06/30/07
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT COORDINATOR Paul L. Armstrong	Interim
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER Debra J. Mueller	04/30/05
ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER Kelly A. Cram	04/30/05
ASSISTANT ASSESSOR (M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 25A) James C. Judge	Indefinite
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK (M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 19) Shelley A. Loring	05/07/05
ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER (M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 39A) Lynne Welsh	Indefinite
BAY WIDE COMMITTEE Sara Altherr, Representative	Indefinite
BUILDING DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS/ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER Paul L. Armstrong	06/30/06
LOCAL INSPECTOR Michael J. Clancy	06/30/06
ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, ASSISTANT James E. Colman, Jr.	06/30/06
BURIAL AGENT Joseph F. Casna, Jr. Dennis N. Randall Linda G. Randall A. Daniel Sapir Henny M. Walters Philemon T. Walters William E. Watson	Indefinite
CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (1991 ATM Art. 41, 1991 STM Art. 19, 1993 STM Art. 13, 1997 STM Art. 22)	
Vacancy	06/30/05
Stanley S. Antoniotti	06/30/05
Robert A. LaMacchia	06/30/05
Robert M. Pinato	06/30/05
Richard E. Dennehy	06/30/06
CENTRAL PLYMOUTH WATER DISTRICT George D. Cravenho, Representative	06/30/05

CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER		
Kevin R. Donovan	By Contract	
	06/30/07	
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY (1988 ATM, Art. 25)		
Vacancy	06/30/05	
Vacancy	06/30/05	
Vacancy	06/30/05	
Nancianne Allen	06/30/06	
Cynthia Anne Merry	06/30/06	
William J. Kavol	06/30/07	
Robert M. Pinato	06/30/07	
COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE		
MEMBER OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN:		
Olavo B. DeMacedo	Duration of committee	
CITIZENS AT LARGE:		
Theodore C. Alexiades		
Gary P. Langenbach		
RECOMMENDATION OF:		
KINGSTON YOUTH SOCCER:		
Peter J. Opachinski		
Robert M. Pinato		
KINGSTON YOUTH BASEBALL:		
Anthony R. Borrelli		
Bruce Chenard		
PLANNING BOARD:		
Arthur P. Naumann, Jr.		
COUNCIL ON AGING:		
Muriel A. Boyce		
Delia N. Ferreira		
Vacancy		
COMMUNITY RESPONSE COORDINATOR		
David C. McKee	Indefinite	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION (M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C)		
Gary P. Langenbach, Chairman	06/30/07	
Douglas E. Dondro	06/30/05	
William D. Underhill	06/30/05	
William J. Kavol	06/30/06	
Marilyn R. Kozodoy	06/30/06	
Shawn R. O'Donnell	06/30/06	
G. Philip Hammond	06/30/07	
Maureen A. Thomas, Enforcement Officer	06/30/05	
CONSTABLE (M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 91A)		
Joseph M. Palombo	01/30/07	
COUNCIL ON AGING		
Delia N. Ferreira	06/30/05	
Anna R. Fiore	06/30/05	
George F. McSherry	06/30/06	
Linda M. Felix	06/30/07	
Hazel E. Foley	06/30/07	
Margaret Ann Riordan	06/30/07	
Cynthia K. Walker	06/30/07	
Muriel A. Boyce, Director	06/30/05	
CULTURAL COUNCIL		
Jeffrey B. Anderson	06/30/05	
Gail P. Arieta	06/30/05	
Stephanie A. Dacko	06/30/05	

Nancy B. Williams	06/30/05
Verna E. Dalton	06/30/07
Barbara A. Hanson	06/30/07
Corinna Milliken	06/30/07
William S. Napolitano	06/30/07
DEPUTY COLLECTOR OF TAXES	
John F. Hobin, Jr.	12/31/05
Lori J. Hobin	12/31/05
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION	
(M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8A; 1956 ATM, Art. 47; 1996 ATM, Art. 32; 1997 ATM, Art. 23)	
John V. Rauseo	06/30/05
Mario V. Vernazzaro	06/30/05
Ronald N. Cogliano	06/30/06
Janet M. Butler	06/30/07
Vacancy	06/30/08
Vacancy	06/30/08
Vacancy	06/30/09
EDUCATIONAL FUND TRUSTEES	
Mary Lou Murzyn	06/30/05
Marjorie F. Cadenhead	06/30/06
Vacancy	06/30/07
Kevin F. Cully	06/30/08
David W. Gavigan	06/30/09
ELIZABETH B. SAMPSON MEMORIAL FUND TRUSTEES	
(Chapter 180 of the Acts of 1960; 1960 ATM, Article 13)	
Moderator	
Chairman, Board of Selectmen	
Town Treasurer	
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY	
David C. McKee, Director	06/30/05
Robert T. Heath, Deputy Director	06/30/05
Volunteers list on file.	
EMERGENCY PLANNER	
David C. McKee	Indefinite
FENCE VIEWER	
Walter W. Hoeg	06/30/05
Vacancy	06/30/05
FIELD DRIVER	
Vacancy	06/30/05
FINANCE COMMITTEE	
Jean M. Landis Naumann, Chairman	ATM 05
Elaine A. Fiore	ATM 05
Irene M. Torrey	ATM 05
Frederick P. Baughman, Jr.	ATM 06
Mathew H. Hamilton	ATM 06
Maurice R. Simard	ATM 06
Richard K. Gardner	ATM 07
Judythe J. Lewis	ATM 07
Mary Lou Thimas	ATM 07
FIRE DEPARTMENT	
FIRE CHIEF	
David C. McKee	Indefinite

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF Robert T. Heath	Indefinite
CAPTAINS David Binari, EMT; David Currier, EMT/Paramedic; Mark Douglass, EMT/Intermediate; Stephen Heath, EMT	
FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC William Brown; Stephen Campbell; Douglas Costa; Joshua Hatch; Susan Hussey; Christopher McPhee; Constance Sanders; Andrew Scanlon; Bryan Smith; Donald Ussher; Robert Veno	
FIREFIGHTER/EMT-Intermediate John Bartlett, Adam Hatch	
FIREFIGHTER/EMT'S Kenneth Calvin; James Reed; Glenn Rizzuto	
CALL FORCE Richard Garuti; Sean F. Kilduff; Dale Loring; Richard W. Loring, Jr.; Lt. William O'Brien, III; Lt. William O'Brien, Sr.; Lt. Christy Parezo; Paul Tura; Lionel Warner	
FISH COMMITTEE Peter C. Cobb Pine DuBois Vacancy	06/30/05 06/30/05 06/30/05
GATRA ADVISORY BOARD Vacancy, Representative	Indefinite
HANDICAP COORDINATOR John C. Veracka, Jr.	Indefinite
HARBORMASTER/SHELLFISH CONSTABLE Frank J. Catani	Indefinite
ASSISTANT HARBORMASTERS/ DEPUTY SHELLFISH CONSTABLES (Paid Positions) Gary L. King Dennis M. Carvalho	06/30/06 06/30/07
ASSISTANT HARBORMASTERS Jeffrey S. Bond Willard Twig Johnson Richard A. Krueger, Jr.	06/30/06 06/30/06 06/30/06
DEPUTY SHELLFISH CONSTABLES Willard Twig Johnson Richard A. Krueger, Sr. Reginald J. Macarneau, Jr.	06/30/06 06/30/06 06/30/06
HEALTH AGENT Henny M. Walters Frederick E. Corrow, Alternate	Indefinite Indefinite
HERITAGE CENTER DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPRESENTING: HC Daune B. Frey CUC Verna E. Dalton FC Vacancy	Indefinite

MP Vacancy LT Carrie A. Elliott JRV Norman P. Tucker TP Thomas Bott CI Barbara A. Douglass CI Vacancy	
HISTORIAN Cynthia K. Walker	06/30/07
HISTORICAL COMMISSION (M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8D) Craig N. Dalton, Chairman Meredith R. Hunt Robert T. Murphy Vacancy Daune B. Frey William E. Frey Walter W. Hoeg	06/30/05 06/30/05 06/30/05 06/30/05 06/30/06 06/30/06 06/30/07
ICHABOD WASHBURN FUND TRUSTEES Vacancy Jeffrey B. Anderson John C. Veracka, Jr.	06/30/05 06/30/05 06/30/05
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY Vacancy Vacancy James C. Judge Vacancy William J. Twotig	04/30/05 04/30/06 04/30/07 04/30/08 04/30/09
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS (M.G.L. Chapter 129, Section 15) Gail M. Fallon	03/31/05
INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Robert H. Gleason Robert J. Ward Vacancy	06/30/05 06/30/05 06/30/05
KINGSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FACILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE KE Cynthia G. Lynch KE Joseph L. Chaves CI Mary Frances T. Battista John Tuffy (non-voting)	Duration of Committee
KINGSTON SECURE ENERGY FUTURE COMMITTEE Pine Dubois Michael J. Kelliher Ronald L.C. Maribett Vacancy Vacancy	Duration of Committee
LIBRARY DIRECTOR Lusia Stewart	Indefinite
LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (SARA Title III) Board of Selectmen Chairman Community Representative (David W. Gavigan) Emergency Management Director Fire Chief Police Chief Superintendent of Schools	Indefinite

Superintendent of Streets
Superintendent of Water
Town Administrator
KEMA Planner

LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE

REPRESENTING:

HC Robert E. Murphy
RLT Vacancy
CI Marjorie L. Cronin
CI Helen A. Chaves
CI Patricia A. Wade
CI James P. Runey
CI Walter W. Hoeg

Indefinite

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT

Subsumed within the office of Superintendent of Streets, Trees and Parks

LOCAL WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Matthew J. Darsch

06/30/05

MASS BAYS LOCAL GOVERNANCE

Sara Altherr, Representative

Indefinite

MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Duration of Committee

REPRESENTING:

PB Michael J. Ruprecht
BH Vacancy
WC Vacancy
KE Vacancy
HC Robert T. Murphy
OS Mary J. Fiore
TR Susan M. Farrell
TR Vacancy
TR Vacancy
TR Susan T. Boyer
LEO Sara Altherr
BS Mark S. Beaton
CC Timothy S. Dalia
FC Judythe J. Lewis
CP Arthur E. Quilty
BC Mary O'Donnell
TP Thomas Bott

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

Vacancy

06/30/05

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ON DISABILITIES

Vacancy

04/30/05

OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES

Hazel E. Foley, Representative
Muriel A. Boyce, Alternate

06/30/05

06/30/05

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL

Paul F. Basler

06/30/05

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL

AREA AGENCY FOR AGING

Vacancy, Representative

Vacancy, Alternate

06/30/05

06/30/05

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL

JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Paul F. Basler

06/30/05

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

(11-21-96 STM, Art. 18; 1997 STM, Art. 24; 2000 ATM, Art. 38)

Timothy S. Dalia

06/30/05

Vacancy

06/30/05

Maureen A. Thomas

06/30/05

Mary J. Fiore

06/30/06

Vacancy

06/30/06

Vacancy

06/30/07

Pine DuBois

06/30/07

Bruce Skeritt

06/30/07

Vacancy

PARKING CLERK

Nancy M. Howlett

06/30/05

PERMANENT BUILDING COMMITTEE (1990 ATM, Art. 23)

Ronald A. Gleason, Chairman

06/30/07

Paul L. Armstrong

06/30/05

George S. Drummey, III

06/30/05

David D. Holmes

06/30/06

David E. Colter

06/30/07

PLANNER

Thomas Bott

Indefinite

PLANNING BOARD ASSOCIATE MEMBER/SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS

(1993 ATM, Art. 18)

Penny Svenson

06/30/06

PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR

Norman E. Bouchard

06/30/05

Thomas S. Bouchard, Sr.

06/30/05

Richard S. Eldridge

06/30/05

PLYMOUTH-CARVER SOLE SOURCE AQUIFER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Fred D. Svenson, Jr

Indefinite

Vacancy

PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD

Chairman, Board of Selectmen

PLYMOUTH COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

Vacancy

06/30/05

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF

Thomas A. Kelley (Acting)

Joseph J. Rebello (Effective 1/1/05)

12/31/07

LIEUTENANT

Thomas A. Kelley

Maurice J. Splaine

SERGEANTS (PF)

Timothy P. Ballinger; Richard B. Pina;

Zachary I. Potrykus; Robert C. Wells

OFFICERS (PF)

Richard J. Aruda; Laurie A. Bradley; Deborah M. Brock;

Alan H. Cabral; Michael E. Darsch; Erik G. Dowd;
Michael L. Fuller; Robert S. Morgan; Susan T. Munford;
Jonathan D. Neal; Robert J. Santos; James P. Sauer;
Roger Silva, Jr.; Michael R. Wager

PERMANENT INTERMITTENTS (PI)

Christopher P. Garrity; Norman P. Harbinson, Jr.

SPECIAL OFFICERS

Todd A. Bailey; Bradford P. Bartlett; Marks J. Brenner, Jr.;
Glenn C. Bushee; George V. Cavicchi, Jr.; Michael A. Close;
Darren J. Martin; Ronald J. Vernazzaro

PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS

Michael J. Balboni; Michelle E. Beck; Victoria L. Elwell;
Gail M. Fallon; Susan M. Macy; Stephen P. Perrault

MATRONS

Michelle E. Beck; Gail M. Fallon; Jennifer A. Warwick

RECYCLING COMMITTEE (1990 ATM, Art. 21)

Gail M. Fallon	06/30/05
Janet H. Holmes	06/30/05
Michael Rohr	06/30/05
Vacancy	06/30/05
Vacancy	06/30/05
Vacancy	06/30/05
Vacancy	06/30/05

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS (M.G.L. Chapter 51, Section 15)

D. Charles Wusenich, Chairman	03/31/05
Mary C. Crowley	03/31/06
Lucy S. Cushman	03/31/07
Mary Lou Murzyn, Clerk	04/30/05

RENT CONTROL BOARD

Thomas J. Calter, III	06/30/05
C. Weston Meiggs	06/30/06
Shawn M. O'Donnell	06/30/07
Edmund J. King, Jr.	06/30/08
Karen A. Donnelly	06/30/09

RIGHT-TO-KNOW COORDINATOR

Vacancy	06/30/05
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RT. 106 MAIN ST/WAPPING ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Susan T. Boyer	Indefinite
Marjorie L. Cronin	
Jennifer J. Cushman	
Lawrence R. Hunt	
Dorothy J. MacFarlane	
Peter J. Sgarzi	
Kenneth R. Stevens	
Ruth E. Sturtevant	

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Harold E. Tuttle	06/30/05
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SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL

Rochelle R. Smith, Representative	06/30/05
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SOUTH SHORE RECYCLING COOPERATIVE

(M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 44A; 1996 ATM, Art. 38)

Paul F. Basler

Vacancy

06/30/05

06/30/05

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

(Appointed by joint vote of Massachusetts Superintendency Union 31
and Silver Lake Regional School District Committees)
Dr. Gordon L. Noseworthy

By Contract

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS, TREES AND PARKS

Paul F. Basler

Indefinite

SUPERINTENDENT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT/CHIEF OPERATOR

Kenneth P. Vandal

06/30/07

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER

Matthew J. Darsch

06/30/07

SURVEY BOARD

G. Philip Hammond
John C. Veracka, Jr.
Vacancy

06/30/05

06/30/05

06/30/05

SWORN WEIGHERS

ODONNELL SAND & GRAVEL
Keon C. Duggan

06/30/05

TOWN COUNSEL

GENERAL COUNSEL
Kopelman & Paige, P.C.

LABOR COUNSEL

Holtz Gilman Grunebaum

TOWN OWNED PROPERTY EVALUATION COMMITTEE

REPRESENTING:

CI	Vacancy
BOS	Olavo B. DeMacedo
BA	Vacancy
CI	James C. Judge
BOS	Richard E. Kenney
OS	Gary P. Langenbach
MP	Vacancy

Indefinite

TREE WARDEN (M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 106)

Paul F. Basler

6/30/05

VETERANS' DEPARTMENT (M.G.L. Chapter 115)

VETERANS' AGENT (Section 3)
VETERANS' BURIAL AGENT (Section 7)
VETERANS' GRAVES OFFICER (Section 9)
VETERANS' SERVICES DIRECTOR
William B. Martin

04/30/05

WATERFRONT COMMITTEE

James C. Judge, Chairman
Robert M. Pinato
Jon T. Cazeault
Mark R. Guidoboni
William J. Kavol
Edgar W. Loring, III
Richard A. Veno

06/30/06

06/30/05

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06/30/06

06/30/07

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WIRE INSPECTOR

Lionel B. Warner

06/30/05

Steven E. Ellis, Alternate
 Stephen R. Peterson, Alternate
 Michael T. Romano, Alternate

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YOUTH AMBASSADOR TO THE ELDERLY
 Emily M. Felix

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

John L. Haas, Chairman
 David M. Rose, Clerk
 Edward M. Donnelly
 George H. Boerger
 Kevin M. McGowan

06/30/09
 06/30/07
 06/30/05
 06/30/06
 06/30/08

ASSOCIATES

Janet M. Butler
 Lawrence P. Hunt

06/30/05
 06/30/05

COMMITTEES APPOINTED JOINTLY

AUDIT COMMITTEE (1994 ATM, Art. 15)

FC Vacancy
 BS Robert J. Ward
 M Mary J. Fiore
 Town Accountant, ex-officio
 Town Administrator, ex-officio

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 06/30/05
 06/30/06

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(1988 ATM, Art. 43; 1989 ATM, Art. 26; 1995 ATM, Art. 43)

CHAIRMEN OF: BS; KE; FC; CP
 REPRESENTATIVE OF: SL
 TA

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE (1988 ATM, Art. 44; 1993 ATM, Art. 13)

BS Paul F. Basler
 FC Mathew H. Hamilton
 M Joan F. Dromey
 FC Richard K. Gardner, Chairman
 BS John C. Veracka, Jr.
 Town Administrator, ex-officio
 Town Treasurer, ex-officio

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 06/30/07

SENIOR CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE (6-8-04 STM, Art. 4)

BS Paul M. Gallagher
 COA Linda M. Felix
 COA Muriel A. Boyce
 FC John C. Burrey
 PBC George S. Drummey, III
 PBC David E. Colter
 CI Philip R. Burnham

Duration

TOWN GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMITTEE (2000 ATM, Art. 50)

MPIC Susan M. Farrell, Chairman
 M Vacancy
 BS Mark S. Beaton
 FC Maurice R. Simard
 CI Vacancy

Duration of Committee

TOWN HALL BUILDING COMMITTEE (6-18-00 STM, Art. 1)

PBC Ronald A. Gleason, Chairman
 PBC Paul L. Armstrong
 PBC David E. Colter
 PBC George S. Drummey, III

PBC David D. Holmes
 FC Vacancy
 BOS Vacancy
 TA Non-voting

WAGE AND PERSONNEL BOARD

FC Vacancy
 BS James M. McKenna, Jr., Chairman
 M Elizabeth A. White

06/30/07
 06/30/05
 06/30/06

APPOINTING BOARDS OR MEMBERS

A Alternate
 AD Administration (School)
 BA Board of Assessors
 BC Business Community
 BH Board of Health
 BK Banker
 BS Board of Selectmen
 CC Conservation Commission
 CI Citizen
 CL Clergy
 COA Council on Aging
 CP Capital Planning
 CUC Cultural Council
 FC Finance Committee
 FCF Fire Chief
 FD Fire Department
 HC Historical Commission
 JRV Jones River Village Historical Society
 KE Kingston Elementary School Committee
 KYA Kingston Youth Association
 KYB Kingston Youth Baseball
 KYS Kingston Youth Soccer
 LEO Local Environmental Organization
 LT Library Trustees
 MP Master Plan Implementation Committee
 M Moderator
 OS Open Space Committee
 PB Planning Board
 PBC Permanent Building Committee
 PD Police Department
 PTO Parent Teacher Organization
 RC Recreation Commission
 RLT Realtor
 SL Silver Lake Regional District Committee
 TA Town Administrator
 TM Town Manager (consulting)
 TP Town Planner
 TR Town Resident
 TT Town Treasurer
 WC Water Commissioners
 ZB Zoning Board of Appeals

All appointments current as of December 31, 2004.

2004

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TOWN OF KINGSTON SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION JANUARY 10, 2004

A Special Town Election was held at the Kingston Elementary School for Precincts 1, 2 and 3, and at the Pembroke Street Fire Station for Precinct 4 on January 10, 2004, in accordance with the warrant issued by the Selectmen and properly posted by a constable of the Town.

Specimen ballots, penalty and instruction cards were posted in accordance with law.

The following officers and workers reported to their respective precincts:

PRECINCT 1		
Warden	Maureen E. Twohig	D
Deputy Warden	Hannah M. Creed	D
Clerk	John S. LaBrache	R
Deputy Clerk	Mary L. Boman	R
Inspector	Edward M. Donnelly	D
Deputy Inspector	Robert A. Randall	U

PRECINCT 2		
Warden	James S. Matatall	R
Deputy Warden	Richard K. Gardner	R
Clerk	Elizabeth A. White	D
Deputy Clerk	Joan D. Sgarzi	D
Inspector	Helen Claire Soares (to 1 p.m.)	D
	William B. Martin (at 1 p.m.)	D
Deputy Inspector	Harry E. Monks, Jr.	D

PRECINCT 3		
Warden	Elizabeth L. Iannucci	D
Deputy Warden	Mary M. Leone	U
Clerk	Janet L. Bergeron	U
Deputy Clerk	Joan T. Randall	U
Inspector	Christine M. Chipman	U
Deputy Inspector	Diane T. Scully	U

PRECINCT 4		
Warden	Mary E. Boutin	R
Deputy Warden	C. Weston Meiggs	U
Clerk	Cynthia A. Fitzgerald	D

Deputy Clerk
Inspector
Deputy Inspector

Karen A. Donnelly
Edward H. Valla
James E. Colman

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D

At Precincts 1-3:
Information Desk:

Helen Claire Soares @ 1:00 p.m.

All election workers were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. Upon inspection by the election officers, the ballot box at each precinct was found to be empty and the register set at zero.

Officer Robert J. Santos reported to the Elementary School polling location at 8:15 a.m. and worked until 2:45 p.m., at which time Officer Michael E. Darsch replaced him. Officer James P. Sauer reported to the Pembroke Street Fire Station polling location at 7:45 a.m. and worked until 2:45 p.m., at which time Officer Roger Silva, Jr. replaced him.

When the polls closed, each precinct completed tabulation of their ballots. Officer Darsch escorted all ballots from Precincts 1, 2 and 3 back to the Clerk's office. Officer Silva escorted all ballots from Precinct 4 back to the Clerk's office. At the Clerk's office, the final tabulation of all four precincts was completed.

The polls were declared open by the respective Wardens at 8:00 a.m. and closed at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with the warrant. There were 416 ballots cast in Precinct 1, including 14 absentee ballots. There were 376 ballots cast in Precinct 2, including 11 absentee ballots. There were 329 ballots cast in Precinct 3, including 10 absentee ballots. There were 385 ballots cast in Precinct 4, including 14 absentee ballots. The total vote cast in all four precincts was 1,506.

At the close of the polls, the ballot box in Precinct 1 read 416, the ballot box in Precinct 2 read 376, the ballot box in Precinct 3 read 329, and the ballot box in Precinct 4 read 385.

The Town Clerk announced the results at 7:00 p.m. They are as follows:

OFFICE	PRECINCTS				TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	
SELECTMAN (term expiring 2005)					
*Paul M. Gallagher	200	150	84	99	533
Joseph D. Kelleher	118	65	120	131	434
Melanie A. Meeker	83	151	104	140	478
Joel Michaud	15	8	20	9	52
Blanks	0	1	1	6	8
Scattered	0	1	0	0	1
	416	376	329	385	1,506

All supplies and used and unused ballots were returned to the Town Clerk's office. All ballots cast, which had been locked in their transfer cases at the Pembroke Street Fire Station and the Kingston Elementary School, were locked in the Clerk's vault.

The Town Clerk's office was locked at 7:00 p.m.

A true record, ATTEST:

Mary Lou Murzyn
CMC/AAE/CMMC, Town Clerk

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY MARCH 2, 2004

The Presidential Primary was held at the Kingston Elementary School for Precincts 1, 2 and 3, and at the Pembroke Street Fire Station for Precinct 4 on March 2, 2004, in accordance with the warrant issued by the Selectmen and properly posted by a constable of the Town.

Specimen ballots, penalty and instruction cards were posted in accordance with law.

The following officers and workers reported to their respective precincts:

PRECINCT 1

Warden	Maureen E. Twohig	D
Deputy Warden	Hannah M. Creed	D
Clerk	Christine M. Chipman (to 6 p.m.)	U
Clerk	Diane F. Miller (at 6 p.m.)	R
Deputy Clerk	Robert A. Randall	U
Inspector	Edward M. Donnelly	D
Deputy Inspector	Erika M. Nurmenniemi	D

PRECINCT 2

Warden	James S. Matatall	R
Deputy Warden	Joan T. Randall (to 3 p.m.)	U
Deputy Warden	Richard K. Gardner (at 2 p.m.)	R
Clerk	Elizabeth A. White	D
Deputy Clerk	Joan D. Sgarzi	D
Inspector	Linda F. Warner (to 2 p.m.)	U
Inspector	William B. Martin (at 3 p.m.)	D
Deputy Inspector	Harry E. Monks, Jr.	D

PRECINCT 3

Warden	Elizabeth L. Iannucci	D
Deputy Warden	Patricia E. Scanlon	D
Clerk	Janet L. Bergeron	U

Deputy Clerk	Mary M. Leone	U
Inspector	Diane T. Scully	U
Deputy Inspector	Joseph A. Costa	D

PRECINCT 4

Warden	Mary E. Boutin	R
Deputy Warden	Nancy B. Delaney	R
Clerk	Cynthia A. Fitzgerald	D
Deputy Clerk	Edward H. Valla	D
Inspector	Helen Claire Soares	D
Deputy Inspector	Anna R. Fiore (to 2:30 p.m.)	U
Deputy Inspector	C. Weston Meiggs (at 2:30 p.m.)	U

INFO/PARTY CHANGES: Joan T. Randall (at 3 p.m.)
Maryanne Martin (at 3 p.m.)

All election workers were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The ballot box at each precinct was inspected by the election officers, found to be empty and the register at zero.

Officer James P. Sauer reported to the Pembroke Street Fire Station polling location at 6:45 a.m. and worked until 2:45 p.m. at which time Officer Roger Silva, Jr. replaced him until Precinct 4 concluded its business. Officer Silva escorted the ballots to the Clerk's office for final tabulation.

Sergeant Zachary I. Potrykus reported to the Elementary School polling location at 6:45 a.m. and worked until 2:45 p.m. at which time Officer Erik G. Dowd replaced him until the tabulation of the three precincts was completed. Officer Dowd escorted the ballots back to the Clerk's office and remained there until the ballots were locked in the vault.

The polls were declared open by the respective Wardens at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m. in accordance with the warrant. There were 255 ballots cast in Precinct 1, including 7 absentee ballots. There were 241 ballots cast in Precinct 2, including 10 absentee ballots. There were 231 ballots cast in Precinct 3, including 1 absentee ballot. There were 324 ballots cast in Precinct 4, including 16 absentee ballots. The total vote cast in all four precincts was 1,051.

At the close of the polls, the ballot box in Precinct 1 read 251 (with 4 ballots in the auxiliary compartment), the ballot box in Precinct 2 read 241, the ballot box in Precinct 3 read 230 (with 1 ballot in the auxiliary compartment), and the ballot box in Precinct 4 read 324.

All voters who had been omitted from the voting list were handled according to law.

The results were announced at 10:45 p.m. by the Town Clerk.
They are as follows:

DEMOCRATS

PRECINCTS

OFFICE	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE					
Richard Gephardt	0	0	1	1	2
Joseph Lieberman	0	1	1	1	3
Wesley K. Clark	4	1	0	1	6
Howard Dean	3	6	6	4	19
Carol Moseley Braun	0	0	0	0	0
John Edwards	43	37	33	66	179
Dennis J. Kucinich	4	3	8	3	18
John F. Kerry	160	138	154	212	664
Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.	0	1	0	0	1
Al Sharpton	1	4	0	0	5
No Preference	0	1	3	0	4
Ralph Nader	0	0	2	2	4
George Bush	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	0	0	0	2	2
	215	192	208	293	908

STATE COMMITTEE MAN

Plymouth & Barnstable District					
Philip F. Mackey, Jr.	127	123	116	204	570
Troy Garron	0	0	1	0	1
Leo Kelley	5	0	2	1	8
Peter Baird	1	0	0	0	1
Ron Maribett	0	0	0	1	1
Scattered	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	82	68	89	87	326
	215	192	208	293	908

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN

Plymouth & Barnstable District					
No Candidate Filed					
Gale E. Martell	0	0	1	0	1
Kalina Vendetti	0	0	2	1	3
Jayne E. Donnelly	0	0	1	0	1
Cynthia Fitzgerald	2	0	1	0	3
Leslie-Ann McGee	0	0	1	0	1
Melanie Mecker	1	0	0	0	1

Marcia Garnett	1	0	0	0	1
Elizabeth White	1	0	0	0	1
Mary Lou Murzyn	1	0	0	0	1
Susan Nickerson	1	0	0	0	1
Marie Mansfield King	0	0	0	1	1
Judy Randall	0	0	0	1	1
Therese Murray	0	0	0	1	1
Scattered	2	1	0	3	6
Blanks	206	191	202	286	885
	215	192	208	293	908

TOWN COMMITTEE

Group	75	75	74	110	334
Kalina K. Vendetti	90	93	88	134	405
James J. Farrell, Jr.	91	92	88	146	417
Susan M. Farrell	94	102	95	145	436
Edward H. Valla	102	90	95	141	428
Mauro Mazzilli	102	94	87	131	414
Thomas J. Calter, III	89	105	87	139	420
Harry E. Monks, Jr.	88	86	81	133	388
Thomas J. O'Brien	142	145	147	224	658
Thomas A. Vendetti	85	87	83	127	382
Mary C. Crowley	87	87	99	137	410
James C. Joubert	104	98	102	146	450
Richard E. Kenney	92	86	90	140	408
Elizabeth L. O'Brien	97	105	103	146	451
Mary Lou Murzyn	124	133	117	173	547
John C. Veracka, Jr.	100	86	88	131	405
A. Daniel Sapir	111	107	94	150	462
George D. Cravenho	100	101	107	154	462
James C. Judge	104	90	92	130	416
David D. Fitzgerald	89	81	81	122	373
Cynthia A. Fitzgerald	87	85	84	125	381
Sarah Vendetti	90	91	88	127	396
Robert J. Sullivan	86	87	83	129	385
Priscilla L. Palombo	105	95	102	161	463
Richard C. Seibert	84	90	85	122	381
Ronald L. C. Maribett	110	121	106	133	470
Robert R. Kostka	96	96	94	138	424
Kenneth J. DeSizala	86	86	82	125	379

Patricia Ann DeSiata	84	89	85	127	385
Vanessa M. Verkade	82	86	88	124	380
Peter N. Baird	87	85	84	124	380
Thomas S. Donnelly	87	88	91	125	391
Earl C. Gifford	80	86	88	120	374
MaryJo P. Gifford	82	85	88	126	381
Kathleen A. Davis	83	90	86	130	389
Leo Kelley	18	14	9	10	51
Donna Cairns	1	0	0	0	1
Elizabeth White	3	0	0	0	3
Sarah J. M. Hough	0	0	0	1	1
Scattered	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	<u>4,697</u>	<u>5,033</u>	<u>5,417</u>	<u>4,696</u>	<u>19,843</u>
	7,940	8,275	8,584	4,696	34,191

REPUBLICANS

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE

George W. Bush	34	43	19	27	123
No Preference	0	5	2	2	9
John Kerry	1	1	1	0	3
Blanks	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
	36	49	22	31	138

STATE COMMITTEE MAN

Plymouth & Barnstable District

Christopher L. Fava	31	37	18	25	111
Blanks	<u>5</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>27</u>
	36	49	22	31	138

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN

Plymouth & Barnstable District

Kathleen McGilvray	21	35	14	19	89
Barbara A. McCoy	10	4	5	8	27
Anne A. Hummel	0	1	0	0	1
Blanks	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>21</u>
	36	49	22	31	138

TOWN COMMITTEE

Group	18	32	16	19	85
David W. Blanchard	22	35	17	21	95

D. Charles Wusenich	22	37	17	22	98
James M. Connolly, Jr.	22	39	18	21	100
Anne A. Hummel	22	37	17	20	96
Robert Kraus	24	37	16	23	100
Jeanne M. Matatali	26	33	19	21	99
Walter W. Hoeg	22	34	17	21	94
MaryAnn Wusenich	23	36	18	19	96
Emma Jean Middendorf, Sr.	24	36	18	19	97
James S. Matatali	25	33	18	22	98
Lucy S. Cushman	24	32	17	22	95
Scattered	3	0	0	0	3
Blanks	<u>1,001</u>	<u>1,326</u>	<u>578</u>	<u>854</u>	<u>3,759</u>
	1,260	1,715	770	1,085	4,830

LIBERTARIANS

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE

Jeffrey Diket	0	0	0	0	0
Ruben Perez	1	0	0	0	1
Aaron Russo	0	0	0	0	0
Michael Badnarik	0	0	0	0	0
Gary Nolan	0	0	0	0	0
No Preference	0	0	1	0	1
John Edwards	1	0	0	0	1
Ralph Nader	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	3	0	1	0	4

STATE COMMITTEE MAN

Plymouth & Barnstable District

No Candidate Filed

Scattered	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
	3	0	1	0	4

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN

Plymouth & Barnstable District

No Candidate Filed

Scattered	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
	3	0	1	0	4

TOWN COMMITTEE

No Candidates Filed

Scattered	3	0	0	0	3
Blanks	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>
	9	0	3	0	12

GREEN-RAINBOW**PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE**

Kent Mesplay	0	0	0	0	0
Loma Salzman	0	0	0	0	0
Paul Glover	0	0	0	0	0
David Cobb	1	0	0	0	1
No Preference	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	1	0	0	0	1

STATE COMMITTEE MAN

Plymouth & Barnstable District

No Candidates Filed

Blanks	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
	1	0	0	0	1

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN

Plymouth & Barnstable District

No Candidates Filed

Blanks	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
	1	0	0	0	1

TOWN COMMITTEE

No Candidates Filed

Blanks	<u>10</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>
	10	0	0	0	10

All supplies and used and unused ballots were returned to the Town Clerk's office. All ballots cast, which had been locked in their transfer cases at the Pembroke Street Fire Station and the Kingston Elementary School, were then locked in the Clerk's vault.

The Town Clerk made the requested telephone calls. The office was locked at 11:00 p.m.

A true record, ATTEST:
Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AAE/CMMC
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**APRIL 3, 2004**

The Special Town Meeting scheduled to be held on April 3, 2004, at 9:00 a.m., was called to order by the Moderator, Frances E. Botelho-Hoeg, at 9:35 a.m. at the Kingston Intermediate School, 65 Second Brook Street, Kingston, Massachusetts.

The vote checkers were: Christine M. Chipman, Hannah M. Creed, Nancy B. Delaney, Karen A. Donnelly, Lynn M. Flood, Mary M. Leone, Patricia E. Scanlon and Maureen E. Twohig. The doorkeepers were Donna M. Farrington and Harry E. Monks, Jr.

The sworn tellers were Paul L. Armstrong, Paul F. Basler, and James C. Judge.

The Moderator stated that it was obvious that proper notice had been given and the reading of the warrant was waived.

On the motion of Olavo B. DeMacedo, VOTED that the following non-residents be allowed to enter and address the Town Meeting:

Mark Reich, Town Counsel
Kevin R. Donovan, Town Administrator
Joan Paquette, Town Accountant
Gordon R. Fogg, Chief of Police

ARTICLE 1. On the motion of Mark S. Beaton, VOTED that the Town ratify the vote taken by the Board of Selectmen allowing the utilization of proceeds from the sale of 14.502 acres of land formerly known as part of the Kelleher property as appearing on the Assessors' Map 15, Lot 3, Parcel 15-3-1, by the Town to the Silver Lake Regional School District for general budgetary purposes for Fiscal Year 2004, as may be necessary, as permitted in accordance with the provisions of Section 117 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2003.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 2. On the motion of George D. Cravenho, VOTED that the Town transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$163,628.00, transfer from the Reserve for Appropriation Account for Senior Center the sum of \$140,000.00 and transfer from Fund Balance for Kelleher Property the sum of \$130,518.00, to provide for additional appropriations to the FY04 Operating Budgets to the following accounts as follows:

Town Accountant	\$157,000.00	fund 53 rd payroll week
Recreation Commission	30,000.00	Gray's Beach
Fire Department	7,346.00	Sick Leave Buy Back
Reserve Fund	20,000.00	Additional Appropriation
Employee Benefits	15,000.00	Unemployment Compensation
Care of Municipal Property	7,450.00	Complete boiler repair for Reed Bld.
Selectmen	140,000.00	Architectural Plans for Senior Ctr.
Assessors	3,000.00	Temporary Help
Veterans Benefits	26,600.00	Additional Appropriation
Care of Municipal Property	27,750.00	Electricity, Gasoline and Heat

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 3. Paul M. Gallagher moved that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell and convey the parcel of land, located at 6 Maple Avenue, as shown on the Assessors' Map 45, Lot 62, containing .38 acres more or less, and known as the former Maple Avenue School, and on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine appropriate.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED AND DID NOT MEET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

On the motion of George D. Cravenho, VOTED to adjourn without day.

There were 80 voters from Precinct 1, 79 voters from Precinct 2, 59 voters from Precinct 3, and 77 voters from Precinct 4, for a total of 295 voters.

Adjournment was at 9:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AAE/CMMC
Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING APRIL 3, 2004

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Frances E. Botelho-Hoeg, at 9:05 a.m., at the Kingston Intermediate School, 65 Second Brook Street, Kingston, Massachusetts. The Moderator welcomed those present and announced that a quorum was present.

The colors were presented by the following Girl Scouts: Emily Felix, Christina Guidoboni, Laura Guidoboni, Christina Guidoboni, Meredith Lock, Christine Rohr, Jackie Rohr, Suzanne Rohr and Sarah Wierman. They also led the Town Meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Girl Scout Troop 10 provided refreshments for those in attendance.

The Moderator asked for a moment of silence in memory of those members of our community who have passed away: James Robare, John Hamilton, June Ballinger, Patrick Berry, John Cram, Irma Ruffini, Benny MacFarlane, Mary Rushton and Rocky Cole.

Senator Therese Murray, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, and Representative Thomas J. O'Brien, brought words of wisdom from the State House.

Robert Slager, Editor of the MPG Communications presented Michael J. Rizzo with the 2004 Kingston Citizen of the Year Award. Mr. Slager noted that Mr.

Rizzo was "an inspiration to everyone in this community". Mr. Rizzo was recognized with a warm ovation. He remarked that "You cannot do it on your own, that you need to rely on other people. He could not think of a better community to rely on."

John S. LaBrache, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented his opening statement.

Olavo B. DeMacedo, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, instead of addressing the Town Meeting body, recognized retiring Selectman George D. Cravenho. Mr. DeMacedo acknowledged Mr. Cravenho's many years of service and his ability to have the best interest of Kingston at heart. He presented Mr. Cravenho with a framed picture of the Board of Selectmen, a Chairman's gavel, and a Certificate of Recognition. Mr. Cravenho was thanked with a standing ovation.

In her opening remarks, Ms. Hoeg acknowledged the passing of Town Treasurer, Roscoe "Rocky" Cole. She relayed his support during her first town meeting as Moderator and dedicated this meeting to him.

The Moderator stated that it was obvious that proper notice had been given and the reading of the warrant was waived. She explained the guidelines under which this Town Meeting would be conducted. She stated that there were over 150 voters present.

The vote checkers were: Christine M. Chipman, Hannah M. Creed, Nancy B. Delaney, Karen A. Donnelly, Lynn M. Flood, Mary M. Leone, Patricia E. Scanlon and Maureen E. Twohig. The doorkeepers were Donna M. Farrington and Harry E. Monks, Jr.

The sworn tellers were Paul L. Armstrong, Paul F. Basler, and James C. Judge.

At 9:35 a.m., the Moderator suspended the Annual Town Meeting and proceeded to open the Special Town Meeting, which had been called for 9:00 a.m. The Annual Town Meeting resumed business at 9:44 a.m.

On the motion of Olavo B. DeMacedo, VOTED that the following non-residents and non-registered residents be allowed to enter and address the Town Meeting:

Mark Reich, Town Counsel
Kevin R. Donovan, Town Administrator
Joan Paquette, Town Accountant
Gordon R. Fogg, Chief of Police
Thomas Bott, Town Planner
Lusia Stewart, Library Director
Dr. Gordon Noseworthy, Superintendent of Schools
Jennifer Scavone, Secretary to Wage & Personnel Board
Donald Freeman, Camp, Dresser & McKee
Thomas Morgan, Camp, Dresser & McKee
Will Gray, Camp, Dresser & McKee
Emily Felix

ARTICLE 1. On the motion of Olavo B. DeMacedo, VOTED that the Town accept the reports of the various Town Officers, Boards, and Committees as printed in the Annual Town Report.

ARTICLE 2. John S. LaBrache moved that the sum of \$27,418,598, be appropriated to be expended for the operating budgets for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, for Personal Services and for Expenses as printed in a document entitled "Town of Kingston: FY 2005 Summary Budget", and to meet such appropriation that the sum of \$25,364,817 be raised and appropriated, the sum of \$1,292,285 be transferred from surplus revenue, the sum of \$132,972 be transferred from Water Enterprise revenue and the sum of \$129,624 be transferred from Waste Water Enterprise revenue, and \$498,900, be raised and appropriated for the purpose of providing for the Town's assessment for the Silver Lake Regional School District, contingent upon passage of an override ballot question in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. chapter 59, section 21C.

The Moderator read the budget in its entirety. A hold was placed on the following items: Silver Lake Regional; Veterans Benefits, Library, Recreation and Employee Benefits.

Geralde S. Buckley and Francis G. Basler, Jr. offered explanatory remarks on the Silver Lake Regional budget.

John S. LaBrache advised that the following items had been changed since the printing of the book: Veterans Benefit Personal Services item was decreased from \$22,593 to \$16,593 thereby decreasing the subtotal from \$87,953 to \$81,953 and the Employee Benefits Personal Service item was increased from \$2,268,799 to \$2,274,799.

Brian G. McWilliams moved to amend by increasing the Library Personal Services item from \$335,685 to \$351,850 and by increasing the Employee Benefits Personal Services item from \$2,274,799 to \$2,278,799.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

Barbara J. Chandler moved to amend by increasing the Recreation Commission Expenses item from \$54,290 to \$69,290 thereby increasing the subtotal from \$196,754 to \$211,754.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

After considerable discussion, John P. Creed moved the question. A vote was taken on the amendment of Ms. Chandler.

THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

On the motion of John S. LaBrache, as amended, VOTED that the sum of

\$27,453,763 be appropriated to be expended for the operating budgets for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, for Personal Services and for Expenses as printed in a document entitled "Town of Kingston: FY 2005 Summary Budget", and to meet such appropriation that the sum of \$25,364,817 be raised and appropriated, the sum of \$1,306,777 be transferred from surplus revenue, the sum of \$132,972 be transferred from Water Enterprise revenue and the sum of \$129,624 be transferred from Waste Water Enterprise revenue, and \$510,465 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of providing for the Town's assessment for the Silver Lake Regional School District, contingent upon passage of an override ballot question in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. chapter 59, section 21C.

The budget items were VOTED as follows:

MODERATOR	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	100 0
SELECTMEN	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	242,550 52,425
FINANCE COMMITTEE	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	4,415 3,875
RESERVE FUND	EXPENSES	75,000
CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	250 0
TOWN ACCOUNTANT	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	95,870 2,948
ASSESSORS	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	145,389 20,900
REVALUATION	EXPENSES	5,000
TREASURER	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	92,812 27,999
COLLECTOR	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	102,146 45,600
LEGAL	EXPENSES	120,000
WAGE AND PERSONNEL BOARD	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	3,708 245
DATA PROCESSING	EXPENSES	84,625
TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE	EXPENSES	7,500
TOWN CLERK	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	91,317 6,500

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	22,234 17,677
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	64,689 3,749
PLANNING BOARD	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	31,983 8,361
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	8,048 695
OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	0 2,373
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	EXPENSES	0
PERMANENT BUILDING COMMITTEE	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	1,000 50
CARE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	48,018 154,876
RENT CONTROL BOARD	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	2,785 1,150
POLICE	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	2,097,080 132,613
FIRE DEPARTMENT	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	1,356,012 180,727
INSPECTION SERVICES	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	136,227 9,850
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	6,345 1,426
K.E.M.A. (CIVIL DEFENSE)	EXPENSES	978
ANIMAL CONTROL	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	38,404 8,270
HARBORMASTER	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	26,078 11,000
SILVER LAKE HIGH SCHOOL	SCHOOLS	5,162,675
KIS/KES	SCHOOLS	8,635,855
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION	SCHOOLS	224,720

STREET, TREES & PARKS	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	562,555 323,422
SNOW AND ICE	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	18,035 50,264
STREET AND LIGHTING	EXPENSES	33,500
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	96,174 318,019
RECYCLING COMMITTEE	EXPENSES	1,200
BOARD OF HEALTH	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	93,457 13,800
COUNCIL ON AGING	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	136,003 16,930
VETERANS BENEFITS	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	16,593 65,360
LIBRARY	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	351,850 139,599
RECREATION COMMISSION	PERSONAL SERVICES EXPENSES	142,464 69,290
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	EXPENSES	324
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE	EXPENSES	270
RETIREMENT OF DEBT	EXPENSES	2,916,967
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	EXPENSES	2,278,799
LIABILITY/PROPERTY INSURANCE	EXPENSES	181,766
TOTAL SUMMARY BUDGET		\$27,453,763

John P. Creed moved to reconsider Article 2.

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED.

ARTICLE 3. For informational purposes, the Finance Committee recommended that the sum of \$1,398,609 be appropriated to operate the Water Department Enterprise Fund to be expended pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F½, for the following expenditures of the Water Department; and to meet such appropriation \$1,265,637 to come from water enterprise revenue, and \$132,972 to be appropriated in the general fund and

funded from water enterprise revenues.

Personal Services	\$ 392,031
Expenses	\$ 292,660
Capital Outlay	\$ 114,500
Debt Service	\$ 461,823
Depreciation	\$ 4,623
Sub-Total	\$ 1,265,637

Employee Benefits	64,050
Accounting Department	3,168
Collector Department	35,365
Treasurer Department	3,749
Data Processing	8,463
Insurance	18,177
Total	\$ 1,398,609

On the motion of Robert R. Kostka, VOTED that the sum of \$1,265,637 be appropriated to operate the Water Department Enterprise Fund to be expended pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F½, for the following expenditures of the Water Department; and to meet such appropriation \$1,265,637 to come from water enterprise revenue:

Personal Services	392,031
Expenses	292,660
Capital Outlay	114,500
Debt Service	461,823
Depreciation	4,623
TOTAL	\$ 1,265,637

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 4. For informational purposes, the Finance Committee recommended that the sum of \$2,996,164 be appropriated to operate the Sewer Department Enterprise Fund to be expended pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F½, for the following expenditures of the Sewer Department; and, to meet such appropriation \$1,233,823 to come from waste water enterprise revenue, \$1,384,131 to be transferred from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, \$248,586 to come from the tax levy, and \$129,624 to be appropriated in the general fund and funded from sewer enterprise revenues.

Personal Services	\$ 250,215
Expenses	486,435
Debt Service	2,129,890
Sub-Total	\$ 2,866,540
Employee Benefits	32,528
Accounting Department	5,280
Assessor Department	10,000

Collector Department	44,207
Treasurer Department	3,574
Data Processing	6,770
Insurance	27,265
Total	\$ 2,996,164

On the motion of Olavo B. DeMacedo, VOTED that the sum of \$2,866,540 be appropriated to operate the Sewer Department Enterprise Fund to be expended pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F½, for the following expenditures of the Sewer Department; and, to meet such appropriation \$1,233,823 to come from waste water enterprise revenue, \$1,384,131 from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, \$248,586 to come from the tax levy:

Personal Services	\$ 250,215
Expenses	486,435
Debt Service	2,129,890
Total	\$ 2,866,540

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Sewer Commissioners for the design engineering and/or construction to extend the sewer system within the area of the approved Facilities Plan, said Plan on file in the Offices of the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

THERE WAS NO MOTION MADE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

ARTICLE 6. On the motion of John S. LaBrache, VOTED that the salaries of elected officials be set as of July 1, 2004, as follows:

Moderator	\$ 100.00
Treasurer	13,714.00
Tax Collector	47,865.00
Town Clerk	49,657.00
Chairman, Board of Selectmen	2,000.00
Other Selectmen, each	1,500.00
Chairman, Board of Health	1,200.00
Other Health Board members, each	1,000.00
Chairman, Board of Assessors	1,800.00
Other Assessors, each	1,500.00
Chairman, Water Commissioners	1,200.00
Other Water Commissioners, each	1,000.00
Chairman, Planning Board	1,200.00
Other Planners, each	1,000.00
Chairman, Sewer Commissioners	1,200.00
Other Sewer Commissioners, each	1,000.00

And further, that the sum of \$4,436.00 be raised and appropriated for said salaries, and that the Town Accountant be authorized to allocate such sums to the appropriate operating budgets.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 7. James M. McKenna, Jr. moved that the Town amend the Wage and Personnel By-Law, including the classification and compensation schedules, A, B, C contained therein, as printed in a document entitled "Proposed Town of Kingston Wage and Personnel Bylaw with FY 2005 Compensation Schedules"; and that the sum of \$41,826.00 be raised and appropriated to fund such amendments; and that the Town Accountant be authorized to allocate such sums to the appropriate operating budgets.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

Ralph T. Calderaro moved to amend by deleting from Schedule A of the Wage and Personnel By-Law the following language: "[Title] Archivist [Group] Library [Rate] Schedule C-1," and to substitute the following language: "[Title] Archivist (FT) [Group] Library [Rate] S-3", and to delete from Schedule C-1 the following language: "Archivist hourly 17.97."

WAGE & PERSONNEL BOARD RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION. THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

On the motion of James M. McKenna, Jr., as amended, VOTED that the Town amend the Wage and Personnel By-Law, including the classification and compensation schedules, A, B, C contained therein, as printed in a document entitled "Proposed Town of Kingston Wage and Personnel Bylaw with FY 2005 Compensation Schedules"; and that the sum of \$41,826.00 be raised and appropriated to fund such amendments; and that the Town Accountant be authorized to allocate such sums to the appropriate operating budgets.

Said document, excluding explanatory comments in bold-face type, read as follows:

SECTION 1 - BY SUBSTITUTING:

- I. In Section 9, Classification and Rates of Compensation Schedules -
 - a. For Schedule A, the attached Schedule A.
 - b. For Schedules B-1 and B-2, the attached Schedules B-1 and B-2.
 - c. For Schedules C-1, C-2 and C-3, the attached Schedules C-1, C-2 and C-3.

Positions are part-time except when denoted full-time (FT).

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

SCHEDULE A

<i>Title</i>	<i>Group</i>	<i>Rate</i>
Administrative Assistant (FT)	Administrative	S-2
Administrative Assistant - Town Clerk	Administrative	Schedule C-1
Administrative Assistant - Veterans' Agent	Administrative	Schedule C-1
Alternate Health Agent	Administrative	Schedule C-2
Alternate Inspector of Buildings	Administrative	Schedule C-2
Animal Control Officer	Administrative	H-6
Animal Inspector	Administrative	Schedule C-2
Archivist	Library	Schedule C-1
Assistant Animal Control Officer	Public Safety	H-4
Assistant Assessor (FT)	Administrative	S-8
Assistant Harbor Master/Assistant Shellfish Constable	Public Safety	Schedule C-2
Assistant Summer Program Director	Public Safety	Schedule C-3
Assistant to the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator (FT)	Administrative	S-6
Assistant to the Police Chief (FT)	Administrative	S-4
Assistant Town Treasurer (FT)	Administrative	S-5
Assistant Zoning Enforcement Officer	Administrative	Schedule C-2
Call Fire Captain	Public Safety	Schedule C-1
Call Fire Lieutenant	Public Safety	Schedule C-1
Call Firefighter	Public Safety	Schedule C-1
Casual Part-time Worker	Labor	Schedule C-1
Chief Operator Superintendent (FT)	Supervisory	S-9
Children's Librarian (FT)	Library	S-3
Clerical Assistant (FT)	Clerical	H-6
Clerk - Election	Clerical	Schedule C-1
Clerk - General	Clerical	Schedule C-1
Clerk - Planning Board	Clerical	Schedule C-1
Clerk - Special Town Committees Not Otherwise Specified	Clerical	Schedule C-1
Clerk - Treasurer's Office	Clerical	Schedule C-1
Conservation Enforcement Officer (FT)	Administrative	S-5
Cook - Council on Aging	Recreational	Schedule C-1
Council on Aging Director (FT)	Administrative	S-3
Counselor	Recreational	Schedule C-3
Deputy Fire Chief/Fire Prevention Officer (FT)	Administrative	S-7*
Election Officer	Clerical	Schedule C-1
Executive Secretary	Administrative	Schedule C-2
Executive Secretary - Finance Committee	Administrative	Schedule C-2
Executive Secretary - Planning Board	Administrative	Schedule C-2
Executive Secretary - Wage and Personnel Board	Administrative	Schedule C-2
Executive Secretary - Zoning Board of Appeals	Administrative	Schedule C-2
Fire Chief (FT)	Supervisory	S-11
Flag Attendant	Recreational	Schedule C-2
Groundskeeper	Labor	Schedule C-1
Harbor Master/Shellfish Constable	Administrative	S-5**
Health Agent (FT)	Administrative	S-6
Highway Laborer/Truck Driver	Labor	Schedule C-1
Inspector of Buildings/Zoning Enforcement Officer (FT)	Administrative	S-8*
Junior Counselor	Recreational	Schedule C-3
Lead Counselor	Recreational	Schedule C-3
Library Assistant	Library	Schedule C-1
Library Director (FT)	Supervisory	S-9
Library Page	Library	Schedule C-1
Lifeguard	Recreational	Schedule C-3
Lifeguard/Swimming Instructor	Recreational	Schedule C-3
Matron	Public Safety	Schedule C-1

SCHEDULE C-2 Hourly Schedule

Alternate Health Agent	annually	1,048
Alternate Inspector of Buildings	annually	1,089
Animal Inspector	annually	2,083
Assistant Harbormaster/Assistant Shellfish Constable	annually	2,660
Assistant Zoning Enforcement Officer	annually	6,708
Executive Secretary	annually	2,863
Executive Secretary - Finance Committee	annually	4,539
Executive Secretary - Planning Board	annually	7,436
Executive Secretary - Wage and Personnel Board	annually	3,812
Executive Secretary - Zoning Board of Appeals	annually	8,273
Flag Attendant	per location	199
Registrar - Election	annually	701
Tree Warden	annually	9,112
Veterans' Agent	annually	8,945

SCHEDULE C-3 Seasonal Schedule

Assistant Summer Program Director	hourly	11.30
Counselor	hourly	6.70
Junior Counselor	per session	50.00
Lead Counselor	hourly	8.75
Lifeguard	hourly	9.80
Lifeguard/Swimming Instructor	hourly	9.80
Park Attendant	hourly	8.75
Senior Counselor	hourly	7.95
Specialty Program Director	hourly	9.75
Summer Program Director	weekly	314.57
Waterfront Director/Head Lifeguard	hourly	11.30

ARTICLE 8. On the motion of Olavo B. DeMacedo, VOTED that the sum of \$39,750.00 be appropriated from the Elizabeth B. Sampson Memorial Fund for the following purposes and that all expenditures shall be under the supervision of the respective departments or organizations:

Department/Organization	Purpose	Amount
Fire	Fire Safety Program	\$ 3,000.00
Selectmen	Historic Photos for Town House	2,000.00
Luminary	Police & Traffic Control	3,500.00
Town Clerk	Framing Prints for Town House	750.00
JRVHS	Bradford House Dendrochronology	2,500.00
JRWA	Preserve Shiverick Bldg and Prop.	6,000.00
Heritage Center	Restoration for Adams Library	20,000.00
Selectmen	Memorial Day Parade	2,000.00

ARTICLE 9. Richard K. Gardner moved that the sum of \$435,900.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to be expended in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30B for the following capital equipment for various Town Departments and that all expenditures shall be under the respective departments:

Item	Department	Cost
Ambulance	Fire	\$ 91,500
Pumper	Fire	122,000

Animal Control Van	Police	19,000
Marked Patrol Cars (3)	Police	\$4,900
Trash Compactor	Streets, Trees & Parks	44,000
75 c.y. Eject. Trailer	Streets, Trees & Parks	44,500
SUV 4 W/D	Streets, Trees & Parks	30,000

And provided further that the sum of \$200,000 be transferred from Water Surplus Revenue to be expended for Well Testing, and that the sum of \$775,000 be borrowed, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 8 of the General Laws, or other enabling authority, and that the Board of Water Commissioners be authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out these projects, the payment of which shall come from Water Enterprise Revenue for the following:

Item	Department	Cost
System Upgrades	Water	\$ 400,000
SCADA System	Water	125,000
Meter Replacement	Water	250,000

John S. LaBrache moved to amend the article by replacing Mr. Gardner's motion with the following:

That the sum of \$222,400 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to be expended in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30B for the following capital equipment for various Town Departments and that all expenditures shall be under the respective departments:

Item	Department	Cost
Ambulance	Fire	\$175,000
Animal Control Van	Police	19,000
Marked Patrol Cars (3)	Police	\$4,900
Trash Compactor	Streets, Trees & Parks	44,000
75 c.y. Eject. Trailer	Streets, Trees & Parks	44,500
SUV 4 W/D	Streets, Trees & Parks	30,000

And provided further that the sum of \$175,000 be borrowed, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, for the purchase of an Ambulance; and provided further that the sum of \$200,000 be transferred from Water Surplus Revenue to be expended for Well Testing, and that the sum of \$775,000 be borrowed, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 8 of the General Laws, or other enabling authority, and that the Board of Water Commissioners be authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out these projects, the payment of which shall come from Water Enterprise Revenue for the following:

Item	Department	Cost
System Upgrades	Water	\$ 400,000
SCADA System	Water	125,000
Meter Replacement	Water	250,000

Dennis N. Randall moved to amend by removing the sum of \$30,000 for the

SUV 4 W/D and by adding \$2,000 from Surplus Revenue for the refurbishment of a retired police cruiser.

Discussion followed.

Mark S. Beaton moved the question.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

A vote was taken on the amendment of Mr. Randall.

THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT CARRIED.

Seven rose to question the Moderator's call of the voice vote.

Kenneth G. Moalli was sworn in by the Moderator as a teller to replace Mr. Basler with regard to this article.

YES - 87; NO - 95

THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT CARRIED.

A vote was taken on the amendment of Mr. LaBrache.

THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

On the motion of Richard K. Gardner, as amended, VOTED that the sum of \$222,400 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to be expended in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30B for the following capital equipment for various Town Departments and that all expenditures shall be under the respective departments:

Item	Department	Cost
Ambulance	Fire	\$175,000
Animal Control Van	Police	19,000
Marked Patrol Cars (3)	Police	84,900
Trash Compactor	Streets, Trees & Parks	44,000
75 c.y. Eject. Trailer	Streets, Trees & Parks	44,500
SUV 4 W/D	Streets, Trees & Parks	30,000

And provided further that the sum of \$175,000 be borrowed, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, for the purchase of an Ambulance; and provided further that the sum of \$200,000 be transferred from Water Surplus Revenue to be expended for Well Testing, and that the sum of \$775,000 be borrowed, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 8 of the General Laws, or other enabling authority, and that the Board of Water Commissioners be authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out these projects, the payment of which shall come from Water Enterprise Revenue for the following:

Item	Department	Cost
System Upgrades	Water	\$400,000
SCADA System	Water	125,000
Meter Replacement	Water	250,000

YES - 176; NO - 1

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED SINCE IT MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

John P. Creed moved to reconsider Article 9.

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED.

ARTICLE 10. On the motion of John S. LaBrache, VOTED that the sum of \$15,333 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to be expended for the following equipment and projects of the various Town Departments and that all expenditures shall be under the respective departments:

Item	Department	Cost
Safety Funnels	Sealer of Weights & Measures	\$ 110
Portable Radios	Streets, Trees & Parks	8,900
Books & Manuals	Fire	1,200
Rescue Equipment	Fire	1,123
Computer Equipment	Fire	4,000

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 11. On the motion of Arthur P. Naumann, Jr., VOTED that the Town re-establish a revolving fund for recreation programs as provided in General Laws, chapter 44, section 53E 1/2, as printed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, as follows:

That said programs to be supported with these funds in FY 2005 shall include but not be limited to gymnastics, cheerleading, karate, dance, various sports programs, arts and crafts, keyboard, babysitting, bumper bowling, ski lessons, golf, drama, baton twirling, junior garden club, tennis, cooking, sailing, Coast Guard boating safety course, summer programs, swimming lessons, basketball league, dog training, various instructional programs, special trips and events;

That funds deposited into this account shall include fees charged to individuals participating in a program, donations and gifts earmarked for said programs and private sponsorship of programs;

That the Recreation Commission shall authorize all expenditures of funds from this account. Funds will be used in direct support of the listed programs for the following items: supplies for the programs, contractual services required to present a program, administrative expenses required to run the program, wages of part-time staff for time spent running the program, repair of equipment used in a program, repair of facilities used for a program, rental of facilities and/or

equipment used in a program.

And that the amount of the funds to be expended from this account in FY 2005 shall not exceed \$200,000.00, unless additional limits are approved by the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 12. On the motion of Arthur P. Naumann, Jr., VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town establish a revolving fund for the operation and rental of the Reed Community Building as provided in General Laws, chapter 44, section 53E ½, as printed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, as follows:

That funds deposited into this account shall include fees charged for rental of the building and any other revenues generated with reference to the building;

That said expenditures to be supported with these funds in FY 2005 shall include but not be limited to direct support for staff wages and fringe benefits of staff, repair of equipment used, repair of facilities and fields used and necessary maintenance supplies and repairs, including utility costs; That the Recreation Commission shall authorize all expenditures of funds from this account;

And that the amount of the funds to be expended from this account in FY 2005 shall not exceed \$50,000.00, unless additional limits are approved by the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 13. Mark S. Beaton moved that the Town re-establish a revolving fund for the maintenance of shellfish beds as provided in General Laws, chapter 44, section 53E ½, as printed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, as follows:

That said expenditures to be supported with these funds in FY 2005 shall include but not be limited to the maintenance and seeding of the shellfish beds in Kingston Bay. Provided further that the Harbormaster/Shellfish Constable, with the approval of the Waterfront Committee, shall authorize all expenditures of funds from this account;

And that the amount of the funds to be expended from this account in FY 2005 shall not exceed \$2,000.00, unless additional limits are approved by the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee.

Ralph T. Calderaro moved to amend the beginning of the second paragraph by adding: "Funds deposited into this account shall include fees charged for the use of said beds."

THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

On the motion of Mark S. Beaton, as amended, VOTED that the Town re-establish a revolving fund for the maintenance of shellfish beds as provided in General Laws, chapter 44, section 53E ½, as printed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, as follows:

That said expenditures to be supported with these funds in FY 2005 shall include but not be limited to the maintenance and seeding of the shellfish beds in Kingston Bay. Provided further that the Harbormaster/Shellfish Constable, with the approval of the Waterfront Committee, shall authorize all expenditures of funds from this account;

Funds deposited into this account shall include fees charged for the use of said beds. And that the amount of the funds to be expended from this account in FY 2005 shall not exceed \$2,000.00, unless additional limits are approved by the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee.

ARTICLE 14. On the motion of Richard E. Kenney, VOTED that the Town appropriate \$206,768.00, to be expended in anticipation of the reimbursement authorized for the State's share of the cost of work to be done under Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

Paul M. Gallagher moved to adjourn until Tuesday, April 6, at 7:00 p.m.

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

THERE WAS NO MOTION MADE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

ARTICLE 16. Richard E. Kenney moved that the Town disband the Community Center Building Committee as established under Article 13 of the May 2, 1998, Annual Town Meeting, and appoint a Senior Citizen Center Building Committee and provide that it be charged with the plans and construction of a new Senior Citizen Center, with nine members appointed by and reporting to the Board of Selectmen, until the conclusion of said project.

James C. Judge moved to amend by deleting the motion of Mr. Kenney and replacing it with the following:

"That the Town disband the Community Center Building Committee as established under Article 13 of the May 2, 1998, Annual Town Meeting, and that the Permanent Building Committee be charged with the plans and construction of a new Senior Citizen Center, until the conclusion of said project."

John S. LaBrache moved to amend by deleting the motion of Mr. Kenney and

replacing it with the following:

"That the Town appoint a Senior Citizen Center Building Committee and provide that it be charged with the plans and construction of a new Senior Citizen Center, with nine members appointed by and reporting to the Board of Selectmen, until the conclusion of said project."

Considerable discussion followed.

George D. Cravenho moved to table.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

On the motion of George D. Cravenho, VOTED to adjourn this meeting to Tuesday, April 6, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., at the Kingston Intermediate School, 65 Second Brook Street.

There were 80 voters from Precinct 1, 79 voters from Precinct 2, 59 voters from Precinct 3, and 77 voters from Precinct 4, for a total of 295 voters.

Adjournment was at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AEE/CMMC
Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING APRIL 6, 2004

The adjourned Annual Town Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Frances E. Botelho-Hoeg, at 7:05 p.m., at the Kingston Intermediate School, 65 Second Brook Street, Kingston, Massachusetts. She welcomed those present and led the Town Meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The vote checkers were: Hannah M. Creed, Nancy B. Delaney, Karen A. Donnelly, Lynn M. Flood, Mary M. Leone, Patricia E. Scanlon, and Maureen E. Twohig. The doorkeepers were Donna M. Farrington and Harry E. Monks, Jr.

The sworn tellers were Paul L. Armstrong, Paul F. Basler, James E. Colman, James C. Judge and Kenneth G. Moalli.

Ms. Botelho-Hoeg announced that there were 101 voters present.

ARTICLE 17. On the motion of Richard E. Kenney, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town establish a Stabilization Fund, for the purposes of funding the construction of a senior citizen center, and transfer the sum of \$203,294.00, from the Reserve for Appropriation Account-Senior Citizens Center into said fund, in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. chapter 40, section 5B, as most recently amended by section 14 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2003.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 18. On the motion of George D. Cravenho, VOTED that the Town transfer the sum of \$874.45, being the balance of the 275th Anniversary Celebration, to the care and control of the Board of Selectmen, for the decoration and maintenance of the Gazebo currently located on the Town Green.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 19. On the motion of Mark S. Beaton, VOTED that the Town transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$12,312.00 to fund the sewer use fee for town owned buildings.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 20. James C. Judge moved that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of the parcels of land as listed as numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10, and specifically excluding number 9 as printed in Article 20 of the Warrant for the 2004 Annual Town Meeting, to the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of sale, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell said parcels of land for a sum of money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate.

Dennis N. Randall moved to divide the article and vote on each parcel separately.

Discussion followed. Olavo B. DeMacedo moved the question.

A vote was taken on the motion of Mr. Randall.

YES - 60; NO - 32

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

(1) James C. Judge moved that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of the land located on Grove Street in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 34 on Assessors Map 32, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 15,163 Page 199 containing 18,156 square feet, more or less, to the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of sale, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell said parcel of land for a sum of money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate.

Olavo B. DeMacedo moved to amend to include the words "and/or conveyance" after the word "sale" and to include the words "and/or convey" after the word "sell".

Mark S. Beaton moved the amendment.

THE AMENDMENT WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

A. Daniel Sapir moved to table.

YES - 51; NO - 52

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED SINCE IT DID NOT MEET
THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

A vote was taken on the motion of Mr. Judge, as amended, as follows:

VOTED that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of the land located on Grove Street in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 34 on Assessors Map 32, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 15,163 Page 199 containing 18,156 square feet, more or less, to the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of sale and/or conveyance, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell and/or convey said parcel of land for a sum of money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate.

YES - 81; NO - 23

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED SINCE IT MET
THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

(2) On the motion of James C. Judge, VOTED that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of the land located on Chilton Avenue in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 52 on Assessors Map 49, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 8,791 Page 114 containing 5,000 square feet, more or less, to the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of sale, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell said parcel of land for a sum of money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION
WAS CARRIED AND MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

(3) James C. Judge moved that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of the land located on Thomas Street in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 39 on Assessors Map 66, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1,699 Page 448 containing 31,154 square feet, more or less, to the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of sale, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell said parcel of land for a sum of money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate.

Olavo B. DeMacedo moved to amend by inserting after the words "more or less" the following: "such land to be restricted for open space use only and no construction of any kind to be permitted".

A. Daniel Sapir moved to postpone action on No. 3, No. 4 (the land located on

Thomas Street in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 34 on Assessors Map 66, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1,699 Page 454 containing 13,939 square feet, more or less) No. 5 (the land located on Thomas Street in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 30 on Assessors Map 66, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1,699 Page 454 containing 8,455 square feet, more or less) and No. 6 (the land located on Thomas Street in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 27 on Assessors Map 66, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1,766 Page 460 containing 15,135 square feet, more or less).

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

(7) On the motion of James C. Judge, VOTED that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of the land located on Emond Avenue in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 53 on Assessors Map 66, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1,855 Page 587 containing 13,980 square feet, more or less, to the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of sale, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell said parcel of land for a sum of money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION
WAS CARRIED AND MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

(8) James C. Judge moved that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of the land located on Emond Avenue in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 54 on Assessors Map 66, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1,855 Page 587 containing 25,265 square feet, more or less, to the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of sale, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell said parcel of land for a sum of money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION
WAS CARRIED AND MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

Seven rose to question the Moderator's call of the voice vote.

YES - 62; NO - 32

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED SINCE IT DID NOT MEET
THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

Paul M. Gallagher moved to reconsider No. (8).

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

On the motion of James C. Judge, VOTED that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of the land located on Emond Avenue in the Town of

Kingston shown as Lot 54 on Assessors Map 66, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1,855 Page 587 containing 25,265 square feet, more or less, to the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of sale, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell said parcel of land for a sum of money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate.

Yes - 72; NO - 36

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED SINCE IT MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

(10) On the motion of James C. Judge, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of the land located on Holmes Avenue in the Town of Kingston shown as Lot 187 on Assessors Map 38, being the same property described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1,699 Page 485 containing 2,740 square feet, more or less, to the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of sale, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell said parcel of land for a sum of money upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate.

ARTICLE 21. On the motion of Paul M. Gallagher, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$19,350.00, to continue the Drug Awareness Resistance Education Program in Grades K-6.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 22. Gary P. Langenbach moved that the Town amend the General By-Laws, Chapter 13 entitled "Wetland Protection By-Law", in Article 2.B., as printed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

James C. Judge moved to amend by inserting after the word "system" the following: "for new construction".

A vote was taken on the amendment of Mr. Judge.

THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

On the motion of Gary P. Langenbach, as amended, VOTED that the Town amend the General By-Laws, Chapter 13 entitled "Wetland Protection By-Law", in Article 2.B., as printed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting. as follows:

- (i) Placement of a Title V sub-surface disposal system for new construction within 100 feet of any area subject to protection under the by-law.

ARTICLE 23. On the motion of Gary P. Langenbach, VOTED that the Town amend the General By-Laws, Chapter 13 entitled "Wetland Protection By-Law",

in Article 2 as printed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, as follows:

By re-lettering the language in Section 2.D. to a new section 2.E. and further by placing the following language in Section 2.D. as follows:

The term "vernal pool" shall include, in addition to scientific definitions found in the regulations under the Wetlands Protection Act, any confined basin or depression not occurring in existing lawns, gardens, landscaped areas or driveways which, at least in most years, holds water for a minimum of two continuous months during the spring and/or summer, contains at least 200 cubic feet of water at some time during most years, is free of adult predatory fish populations, and provides essential breeding and rearing habitat functions for amphibian, reptile or other vernal pool community species, regardless of whether the site has been certified by the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. The boundary of the resource area for vernal pools shall be 100 feet outward from the mean annual high-water line defining the depression, but shall not include existing lawns, gardens, landscaped or developed areas.

ARTICLE 24. On the motion of Gary P. Langenbach, VOTED that the Town amend the General By-Laws, Chapter 13 entitled "Wetland Protection By-Law. in Article 5.B. as printed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting. as follows:

By deleting the main paragraph in Article 5.B. in its entirety and replacing with a new paragraph as follows:

5.B. The Commission is empowered to deny a permit for failure to meet the requirements of this chapter; for failure to submit necessary information and plans requested by the Commission; for failure to meet the design specifications, performance standards, and other requirements in regulations of the Commission; for failure to avoid or prevent unacceptable significant or cumulative effects upon the wetland values protected by this chapter and where no conditions are adequate to protect those values. Due consideration shall be given to any demonstrated hardship on the applicant by reason of denial, as presented at the public hearing.

Lands within 100 feet of the specified resource areas, and within 200 feet of rivers, streams, and creeks, are presumed important to the protection of these resources because activities undertaken in close proximity to resource areas have a high likelihood of adverse effect upon them either immediately, as a consequence of construction, or over time, as a consequence of daily operation or existence of the activities. These adverse impacts from construction and use can include, but not be limited to, erosion, siltation, loss of groundwater recharge, poor water quality, and loss of wildlife habitat. The Commission therefore may require that the applicant maintain a strip of continuous, undisturbed vegetative cover within the aforementioned one-hundred-foot or two-hundred-foot area, unless the applicant convinces the Commission that the area or part of it may be disturbed without harm to the values protected by this chapter. In the case of areas within 200 feet of rivers, streams, and creeks, no

permit issued hereunder shall permit any activities unless the applicant, in addition to meeting the otherwise applicable requirements of the chapter, has proved by a preponderance of the evidence that there is no practicable alternative to the proposed project with less adverse effects, and should there be no practicable alternative, that such activities, including proposed mitigation measures, will have no significant adverse impact on the areas or values protected by this chapter. The Commission shall regard as practicable an alternative which is reasonably available and capable of being done after taking into consideration the proposed property use, overall project purposes, logistics, existing technology, costs of the alternatives and overall project cost.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money in the treasury to continue the needed repairs on the Frederic C. Adams Public Library Building, or take any other action relative thereto.

THERE WAS NO MOTION MADE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

ARTICLE 26. Olavo B. DeMacedo moved that the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws in Section 4.0., as printed in the warrant of the Annual Town Meeting, as follows:

By adding a new sub-section in Section 4.0. under 4.4. "Residential-20 District (R20)" as follows:

4.4.4.9. Conversion of a publicly owned library, museum, office or other public use building into leasable private business or professional office space.

PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

Ralph T. Calderaro moved to amend by replacing the motion as follows:

By adding a new sub-section in Section 4.0. under 4.4. "Residential-20 District (R20)" as follows:

4.4.4.9. Conversion of a publicly owned library, museum, office or other public use building into leasable professional office space, or private business not to include retail use.

THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

On the motion of Olavo B. DeMacedo, as amended, VOTED that the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws in Section 4.0., as printed in the warrant of the Annual Town Meeting, as follows:

By adding a new sub-section in Section 4.0. under 4.4. "Residential-20 District (R20)" as follows:

4.4.4.9. Conversion of a publicly owned library, museum, office or other public use building into leasable professional office space, or private business not to include retail use.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

ARTICLE 27. On the motion of Daniel G. May, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town accept Clearing Farm Road and Whistler Lane, as shown on the plan entitled "Street As-Built and Acceptance Plan Gurnett Woods, Kingston, MA dated May 21, 2003, as revised October 22, 2003, prepared by Coler & Colantonio, Inc.," as public ways in the Town. (By Petition)

PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation as follows:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TOWN OF KINGSTON

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and, by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1: Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary there is hereby established in the Town of Kingston, a department of public works, to be governed by a board of public works, consisting of five elected members. Upon the qualification of the members of the board of public works, the board of public works shall have all the powers and duties now or from time to time vested by general law or special act in the following boards, departments and offices, or in boards, departments and offices having corresponding powers and duties in said town, to wit: -road commissioners, surveyors of highways, superintendent of streets, water commissioners, sewer commissioners, park commissioners, cemetery commissioners, tree warden, meth superintendent and forestry department, and such boards, departments and offices shall thereupon be abolished and the terms of the elected and appointed officials holding such offices shall be terminated. No contracts or liabilities then in force shall be affected by such abolition, but the board of public works shall in all respects be the lawful successor of the boards, departments and offices so abolished.

The board of public works shall have such additional powers with respect to the furnishing of engineering services, the collection and disposal of garbage and refuse, and the performance of such duties of any other boards, departments and offices of the town as may be reasonably related to the duties and responsibilities of a board of public works, as the town, may, from time to time, by by-law provide, any other provisions of law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 2: The board of public works and the board of selectmen shall appoint and fix the compensation of a superintendent of public works, who shall exercise and perform, under the supervision and direction of the board of public works, such powers, rights, and duties transferred to it from time to time. The superintendent shall be responsible for the efficient exercise and performance of such powers, rights and duties and shall hold office for a three-year term. The superintendent shall be specifically fitted by education, training and experience to perform the duties of said office. The superintendent shall give to the town a bond with a surety company authorized to transact business in the

commonwealth as surety, for the faithful performance of his or her duties, in such sum and upon the conditions as the board may require, and shall, subject to the approval of the board of public works and board of selectmen, appoint such assistants, agents and employees as the exercise and performance of his or her powers, rights and duties may require.

The superintendent shall keep full and complete records of the doings of the office and render to the board annually and as often as it may require a full report of all operations under his or her control during the period reported upon and make a synopsis of such reports for publication. The superintendent shall keep the board fully advised as to the needs of the town within the scope of his or her duties, and shall furnish to the board each year upon its request a carefully prepared and detailed estimate in writing of the appropriations required during the next succeeding fiscal year for the proper exercise and performance of all said powers, rights and duties.

Section 3: This act shall take effect at the first fiscal year beginning July 1st after its passage. During the transitional period from the effective date of this act until board of public commissioners are elected and qualified at the first annual town election thereafter, as provided in this section, the board of public works shall be comprised of: the two sewer commissioners serving on the effective date of this act who have the most remaining time on their respective terms of office; the two water commissioners serving on the effective date of this act who have the most remaining time on their respective terms of office; and a fifth commissioner to be appointed jointly by the board of selectmen and the board of public works commissioners appointed as provided in this section. Vacancies in the office of board of public works commissioner occurring during the transitional period between the effective date of this act and the first annual election thereafter shall be filled by the board of selectmen and the board of public works commissioners appointed in accordance with this section. The board of selectmen and board of public works commissioners appointed in accordance with this section may appoint a temporary superintendent of public works, subject to appropriation, to serve until such time as a permanent superintendent may be hired in accordance with section 2 of this act.

At the first annual town election after the effective date of this act, board of public works commissioners shall be elected as follows, one to serve for a one year term, two for two year terms and two for three year terms, and thereafter when the term of any member expires, his or her successor shall be elected to serve for three years. In all cases the members shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. The members of the board of public works shall after each election elect one of their members to act as chairman and one of their members to act as vice chairman for the ensuing year. (By Petition)

THERE WAS NO MOTION MADE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

ARTICLE 29. Jerome M. Powell moved that the Town amend the Town of Kingston General By-Laws, Chapter 4, Article 12, entitled "Audit Committee", by deleting said Article 12 in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

4-12-1. Composition and Term of Office. There shall be an Audit Committee consisting of three members appointed by the Town Moderator for three-year non-coterminous terms. The Committee shall elect a chairperson annually from their membership.

The Audit Committee shall be composed of individuals who have special expertise in fields such as accounting, finance and management, who have independence from the day-to-day operations of the Town, and who have no involvement in town matters that fall under the purview of the auditors. The Town Accountant shall serve the Committee in an advisory capacity.

The appointing authority, at its discretion, may remove a member for non-attendance or in some other manner interfering with the work of the Committee. Any vacancy occurring in the Audit Committee shall be filled by the Town Moderator for the balance of the unexpired term.

4-12-2. Purpose. The Audit Committee is to monitor the work of the outside auditors, and shall serve as advisor to the residents of the Town with respect to the Town's financial condition, financial management systems and controls, and annual financial audit and special audits or reviews.

4-12-3. Duties. Specific duties shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- a. Make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen on the selection, scope of services and fee of the outside auditor.
- b. Ensure the independence of the outside auditors and of the Audit Committee members at all times, while enhancing accountability and proper stewardship over public funds and property.
- c. Meet regularly during hours that are reasonable for the public to attend.
- d. Post each meeting, including its then agenda, promptly upon its call; and notify local newspapers.
- e. Hold Open Forum at the beginning of each meeting, allowing valid questions and suggestions from any resident or Town employee.
- f. Confer with the auditors at the entrance interview and be reasonably available for consultation during the periodic progress reviews at the request of the auditors or the Committee.
- g. Determine with the auditors areas calling for emphasis or special review.
- h. Consider any matter of significance brought to the attention of the Committee that is within the scope of the Committee's duties and responsibilities to town citizens.
- i. In cooperation with department heads and the auditors, consider and seek to resolve any differences as to the adequacy and appropriateness of existing procedures and internal controls.
- j. Receive directly from the auditors their proposed audited financial statements and management letter.
- k. Hold an exit conference with the auditors to review their proposals and to recommend as regards acceptance or non-acceptance by the Board of Selectmen.
- l. See that all issues in the management letter are timely and appropriately addressed.
- m. Report its recommendations and activities during the preceding twelve

months in the Annual Town Report. (By Petition)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

Discussion followed. Olavo B. DeMacedo moved the question.

A vote was taken on the motion of Mr. Powell.

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED.

ARTICLE 30. On the motion of Peter K. Soresen, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town amend the Zoning Map on the parcel as listed on Assessors' Map 36, Lot 33, as printed in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting as follows:

To rezone parcel 33, Map No. 36 (10 Maple Street, 0.89 acres) from Commercial Zoning to Town Center Zoning. (By Petition)

PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

On the motion of Edmund J. King, Jr., VOTED to adjourn this meeting without day.

There were 41 voters from Precinct 1, 45 voters from Precinct 2, 22 voters from Precinct 3, and 39 voters from Precinct 4, for a total of 147 voters.

Adjournment was at 9:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AEE/CMMC
Town Clerk

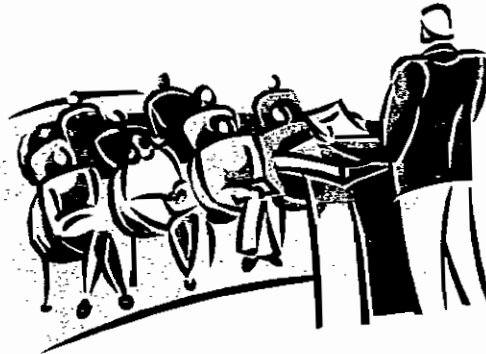
SUMMARY OF 2004 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING:

Article	Date	Summary	Vote
1	4/3/04	Report of Town Officers	VOTED
2	4/3/04	Budget	27,453,763.00
3	4/3/04	Water Enterprise Fund	1,265,637.00*
4	4/3/04	Sewer Enterprise Fund	2,866,540.00
		Transfer (MWPAT)	1,384,131.00
		Tax Levy	248,586.00
		Waste Water Enterprise Revenue	1,233,823.00
5	4/3/04	Extension of Sewer System	NO MOTION
6	4/3/04	Salaries of Elected Officials	4,436.00
7	4/3/04	Wage & Personnel Board	41,826.00
8	4/3/04	Elizabeth B. Sampson Fund	39,750.00
9	4/3/04	Transfer - Capital Equipment	422,400.00
		Borrowing - Capital Equipment	950,000.00
10	4/3/04	Transfer - Equipment and Projects	15,333.00
11	4/3/04	Revolving Fund - Recreation Commission	VOTED
12	4/3/04	Revolving Fund - Reed Community Building	VOTED
13	4/3/04	Revolving Fund - Shellfish Beds	VOTED
14	4/3/04	Chapter 90	206,768.00

NO MOTION
NO MOTION

15	4/3/04	Stabilization Fund	
16	4/3/04	Disband Community Center Building Committee/Create Senior Citizen Center Building Committee	203,294.00
17	4/6/04	Transfer to new Stabilization Fund - Senior Citizen Center	874.45
18	4/6/04	Transfer - Care and control of Gazebo	12,312.00
19	4/6/04	Transfer - Sewer Use Fee for town owned buildings	VOTED/TABLED
20	4/6/04	Sale of Certain Parcels of Land	19,350.00
21	4/6/04	Transfer - DARE	VOTED
22	4/6/04	Amend By-Laws C. 13, Wetlands Protection By-Law Article 2.B.	VOTED
23	4/6/04	Amend By-Laws C. 13, Wetlands Protection By-Law, Section 2.D. and 2.E.	VOTED
24	4/6/04	Amend By-Laws C. 13, Wetlands Protection By-Law, Article 5.B.	VOTED
25	4/6/04	Repairs to Adams Library Building	NO MOTION
26	4/6/04	Amend Zoning By-Laws, Sec. 4.4.4.9.	VOTED
27	4/6/04	Street Acceptances - Clearing Farm Road and Whistler Lane	VOTED
28	4/6/04	Petition for Special Legislation to establish a Board of Public Works	NO MOTION
29	4/6/04	Amend By-Laws, C. 4. Article 12 "Audit Committee"	DEFEATED
30	4/6/04	Amend Zoning Map - Parcel 33, Map 36	VOTED

*The ballot question to allow an override from the provisions of Proposition 2-12, so-called, in the amount of \$510,465 for the purpose of providing for the Town's assessment for the Silver Lake Regional School District. was approved at the Annual Town Election on April 24, 2004.



TOWN OF KINGSTON ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION APRIL 24, 2004

The Annual Town Election was held at the Kingston Elementary School for Precincts 1, 2 and 3, and at the Pembroke Street Fire Station for Precinct 4 on April 24, 2004, in accordance with the warrant issued by the Selectmen and properly posted by a constable of the Town.

Specimen ballots, penalty and instruction cards were posted in accordance with law.

The following officers and workers reported to their respective precincts:

PRECINCT 1

Warden	Maureen E. Twohig	D
Deputy Warden	Edward M. Donnelly	D
Clerk	Mary M. Leone	U
Deputy Clerk	Christine M. Chipman	U
Inspector	Robert A. Randall	U
Deputy Inspector	Mary L. Boman	R

PRECINCT 2

Warden	James S. Matatall	R
Deputy Warden	Richard K. Gardner	R
Clerk	Elizabeth A. White	D
Deputy Clerk	Joan D. Sgarzi	D
Inspector	William B. Martin	D
Deputy Inspector	Harry E. Monks, Jr.	D

PRECINCT 3

Warden	Elizabeth L. Iannucci	D
Deputy Warden	Lynn M. Flood	D
Deputy Warden	Kathleen Gilli (at 2 p.m.)	D
Clerk	Janet L. Bergeron	U
Deputy Clerk	Linda F. Warner	U
Inspector	Helen Claire Soares	D
Deputy Inspector	Donna M. Potrykus (to 3 p.m.)	U

PRECINCT 4

Warden	Mary E. Boutin	R
Deputy Warden	Nancy B. Delaney	R
Clerk	Edward H. Valla	D
Deputy Clerk	Karen A. Donnelly	D
Inspector	C. Weston Meiggs	U
Deputy Inspector	James E. Colman	D

At Precincts 1-3:
Information Desk:

Joan T. Randall and Maryanne Martin

All election workers were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The ballot box at each precinct was inspected by the election officers, found to be empty and the register at zero.

Officer James P. Sauer reported to the Elementary School polling location at 7:45 a.m. and worked until 2:45 p.m., at which time Officer Darren J. Martin replaced him. Officer Michael R. Wager reported to the Pembroke Street Fire Station polling location at 7:45 a.m. and worked until 2:45 p.m., at which time Officer George V. Cavicchi, Jr. replaced him. Officer Cavicchi escorted the ballots from Precinct 4 to the Elementary School for final tabulation. Officer Martin escorted all ballots back to the Clerk's office and remained there until the ballots were locked in the vault.

The polls were declared open by the respective Wardens at 8:00 a.m. and closed at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with the warrant. There were 592 ballots cast in Precinct 1, including 33 absentee ballots. There were 561 ballots cast in Precinct 2, including 32 absentee ballots. There were 545 ballots cast in Precinct 3, including 33 absentee ballots. There were 626 ballots cast in Precinct 4, including 35 absentee ballots. The total vote cast in all four precincts was 2,324.

The Town Clerk announced the results at 10:45 p.m. They are as follows:

OFFICE	PRECINCTS				TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	
MODERATOR					
(for one year)					
*Frances E. Botelho-Hoeg	410	432	403	470	1715
Blanks	181	129	141	156	607
Scattered	1	0	1	0	2
	592	561	545	626	2324
SELECTMAN					
(for three years)					
Francis G. Basler, Jr.	183	329	264	250	1026
*Joseph D. Kelleher	386	221	271	360	1238
Blanks	23	11	9	14	57
Scattered	0	0	1	2	3
	592	561	545	626	2324
ASSESSOR					
(for three years)					
*Anne Dunn	402	396	379	449	1626
Blanks	188	164	162	176	690
Scattered	2	1	4	1	8
	592	561	545	626	2324

TREASURER

(for one year)

Theodore C. Alexiades	193	229	228	256	906
*John S. LaBrache	357	305	289	330	1281
Blanks	42	26	28	40	136
Scattered	0	1	0	0	1
	592	561	545	626	2324

TAX COLLECTOR

(for three years)

*Priscilla L. Palombo	410	401	380	472	1663
Blanks	181	159	159	154	653
Scattered	1	1	6	0	8
	592	561	545	626	2324

PLANNING BOARD

(for five years)

*Joel Michaud	239	224	213	208	884
Rebecca A. O'Donnell	112	112	111	177	512
Penny Svenson	172	153	149	156	630
Blanks	69	72	71	85	297
Scattered	0	0	1	0	1
	592	561	545	626	2324

S.L. REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

(two for three years)

*James M. Connolly, Jr.	313	355	335	370	1373
*John P. Creed (write-in candidate)	98	116	72	150	436
Lauren A. Doolan	91	54	57	10	212
Blanks	676	593	621	717	2607
Scattered	6	4	5	5	20
	1184	1122	1090	1252	4648

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

(two for three years)

*Joseph L. Chaves	258	266	250	277	1051
*Christopher A. Mamakos	261	287	269	278	1095
Blanks	621	542	547	650	2360
Scattered	44	27	24	47	142
	1184	1122	1090	1252	4648

WATER COMMISSIONER

(for three years)

*Fred D. Svenson, Jr.	388	397	373	441	1599
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Blanks	202	162	172	184	720
Scattered	2	2	0	1	5
	592	561	545	626	2324

BOARD OF HEALTH

(two for three years)

*Dennis N. Randall	316	311	299	355	1281
*A. Daniel Sapir	267	241	220	268	996
Blanks	593	556	557	623	2329
Scattered	8	14	14	6	42
	1184	1122	1090	1252	4648

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

(for two years)

*Paul G. Barry (write-in candidate)	0	0	4	0	4
Blanks	582	548	528	611	2269
Scattered	10	13	13	15	51
	592	561	545	626	2324

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

(two for three years)

*Spencer E. Clough	380	398	373	436	1587
Mary Ellen Mazzola	0	0	2	0	2
Lynn McDonnell	0	2	0	0	2
John Mueller	0	0	0	2	2
Blanks	802	718	713	810	3043
Scattered	2	4	2	4	12
	1184	1122	1090	1252	4648

RECREATION COMMISSIONER

(for three years)

*Barbara J. Chandler	387	390	375	436	1588
Blanks	205	170	168	190	733
Scattered	0	1	2	0	3
	592	561	545	626	2324

SEWER COMMISSIONER

(for two years)

David D. Fitzgerald	184	155	189	192	720
*Alan C. Gifford	354	338	295	347	1334
Blanks	53	68	61	86	268
Scattered	1	0	0	1	2
	592	561	545	626	2324

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SEWER COMMISSIONER

(for three years)

*Elaine A. Fiore	412	370	343	388	1513
Mauro Mazzilli	148	137	141	164	590
Blanks	32	54	61	74	221
Scattered	0	0	0	0	0
	592	561	545	626	2324

CONSTABLE

(two for three years)

*Maryann Musto	241	275	229	242	987
*Richard C. Scanlon	309	294	287	323	1213
David E. Clinton	124	112	129	162	527
Blanks	510	440	443	522	1915
Scattered	0	1	2	3	6
	1184	1122	1090	1252	4648

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Kingston be allowed to assess an additional \$513,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of providing for the Town's assessment for the Silver Lake Regional School District, for the fiscal year beginning July First Two Thousand Four?

*Yes	242	354	309	340	1245
No	268	156	185	214	823
Blanks	82	51	51	72	256
	592	561	545	626	2324

All supplies and used and unused ballots were returned to the Town Clerk's office. All ballots cast, which had been locked in their transfer cases at the Pembroke Street Fire Station and the Kingston Elementary School, were then locked in the Clerk's vault.

The Town Clerk's office was locked at 11:15 p.m.

A true record, ATTEST:

Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AAE/CMMC
Town Clerk

I, ANNE DUNN, having been elected to assess taxes and estimate the value of property for the purpose of taxation for the Town of Kingston for the ensuing three years, do swear that I will truly and impartially according to my best skill and judgment, assess and apportion all such taxes as I may during that time; that I will neither overvalue nor undervalue any property subject to taxation; and that I will faithfully perform all the duties of said office.

Date: May 18, 2004

ANNE DUNN

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**JUNE 8, 2004**

The Special Town Meeting scheduled to be held on June 8, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., was called to order by the Moderator, Frances E. Botelho-Hoeg, at 7:04 p.m. at the Kingston Intermediate School, 65 Second Brook Street, Kingston, Massachusetts.

Ms. Botelho-Hoeg welcomed those present and announced there were 150 voters present. She led the Town Meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a moment of silence in memory of former President Ronald W. Reagan.

The vote checkers were: Mary L. Boman, Christine M. Chipman, Hannah M. Creed, Nancy B. Delaney, Lynn M. Flood, Mary M. Leone, Patricia E. Scanlon and Maureen E. Twohig. The doorkeepers were Donna M. Farrington and Harry E. Monks, Jr.

The sworn tellers were Paul L. Armstrong, Paul F. Basler, James E. Colman and James C. Judge.

The Moderator stated that it was obvious that proper notice had been given and the reading of the warrant was waived.

On the motion of Mark S. Beaton, VOTED that the following non-residents be allowed to enter and address the Town Meeting:

Deborah Eliason, Town Counsel
Kevin R. Donovan, Town Administrator
Joan Paquette, Town Accountant
Gordon R. Fogg, Chief of Police
Thomas Bott, Town Planner
Kenneth Vandal, Sewer Superintendent
Donald Freeman, Camp, Dresser & McKee
Thomas Morgan, Camp, Dresser & McKee
Will Gray, Camp, Dresser & McKee
Thomas Watson, Camp, Dresser & McKee

ARTICLE 1. On the motion of Paul M. Gallagher, VOTED that the amounts voted under Article 2 of the April 3, 2004 session of the 2004 Annual Town Meeting be amended so that the sum to be transferred from Surplus Revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, for Personnel Services and for Expenses, be amended from \$1,306,777.00, to the sum of \$1,315,885.00.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 2. On the motion of Elaine A. Fiore, VOTED that \$8,830,000.00, be appropriated for the purpose of financing the design, engineering and construction of extensions to the Town sewer system within the area of the approved Facilities Plan, and as amended by the Sewer Commission, said Plan

on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow \$8,830,000.00, and issue bonds or notes therefore under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; and that the Board of Selectmen or other appropriate local body or official be authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project.

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

ARTICLE 3. On the motion of Elaine A. Fiore, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the sum of \$600,000 be appropriated for the purpose of financing the following water pollution abatement facility projects: sewer connection, repair, replacement and/or upgrade of septic systems pursuant to agreements with the Board of Health and residential property owners, including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow \$600,000 and issue bonds or notes therefore under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; and that the Board of Selectmen or other appropriate local body or official be authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND THUS MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

ARTICLE 4. On the motion of Mark S. Beaton, VOTED that the Town create a Senior Center Building Committee to be comprised of seven members to include two members of the Permanent Building Committee or its designees, two members of the Council on Aging or its designees, one member of the Finance Committee or its designee, one member of the Board of Selectmen or its designee, and one citizen to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, said appointments to be made by each respective Board/Committee. Said Committee is to be charged with the design, location and construction and/or reconstruction of a senior citizen center. Said Committee shall report back to Town Meeting from time to time until dissolved.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 5. On the motion of Julie A. Warnock, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town transfer the care, custody and control of 508 square feet of land, which is described as a portion of the land located on Green Street in the Town of Kingston, shown as Lot 125 on Assessors Map 46, and described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 2710, Page 217 containing 13,068 square feet, more or less ("Parcel A"), from general municipal use to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of conveyance and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a fee simple interest in Parcel A upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate to Charles and Julie Warnock of 12 Green Street, Kingston, Massachusetts, in consideration of the conveyance to the Town of 508 square feet of land, described as a portion of the land located on Green Street in the Town of Kingston, shown as Lot 126 on Assessors Map 46, and described in the deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 14,798, Page 115 containing 30,454 square feet, "Parcel B", currently owned by Charles and Julie Warnock, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed to the Town of Parcel B in fee simple, upon such terms and conditions as they shall determine, for the purposes of general municipal use, both Parcel A and B as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Land, in Kingston, Massachusetts", dated April 17, 2004, prepared by Webby Engineering Associates, Inc., Engineers & Land Surveyors, 180 County Road, Plympton, Massachusetts, on file in the Office of the Town Clerk.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND THUS MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

On the motion of Edmund J. King, Jr., VOTED to adjourn without day.

There were 98 voters from Precinct 1, 59 voters from Precinct 2, 18 voters from Precinct 3, and 40 voters from Precinct 4, for a total of 215 voters.

Adjournment was at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AEE/CMMC
Town Clerk

SUMMARY OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING:

Article Number	Summary	Vote
1	FY05 Operating Budget Amendment	VOTED
2	Borrow – Phase II – Sewer Project	8,830,000.00
3	Borrow – Financing Water Pollution Abatement Facility Projects	600,000.00
4	Creation of Senior Center Building Committee	VOTED
5	Transfer of Land between Town and Warnocks (Map 46, Lots 125 and 126)	VOTED

STATE PRIMARY SEPTEMBER 14, 2004

The State Primary was held at the Kingston Elementary School for Precincts 1, 2 and 3, and at the Pembroke Street Fire Station for Precinct 4 on September 14, 2004, in accordance with the warrant issued by the Selectmen and properly posted by a constable of the Town.

Specimen ballots, penalty and instruction cards were posted in accordance with law.

The following officers and workers reported to their respective precincts:

PRECINCT 1

Warden	Maureen E. Twohig	D
Deputy Warden	Edward M. Donnelly	D
Clerk	John S. LaBrache	R
Deputy Clerk	Mary L. Boman	R
Inspector	Maryanne Martin (to 2 p.m.)	U
Inspector	Hannah M. Creed (at 2 p.m.)	D
Deputy Inspector	Kalina K. Vendetti	D

PRECINCT 2

Warden	James S. Matatall	R
Deputy Warden	Richard K. Gardner	R
Clerk	Elizabeth A. White	D
Deputy Clerk	Helen Claire Soares	D
Inspector	Gail E. Wrightington (to 2 p.m.)	D
Inspector	William B. Martin (at 2 p.m.)	D
Deputy Inspector	Harry E. Monks, Jr.	D

PRECINCT 3

Warden	Elizabeth L. Iannucci	D
Deputy Warden	Lynn M. Flood	D
Clerk	Janet L. Bergeron (to 2 p.m.)	U
Clerk	Walter E. Hoeg (at 2 p.m.)	R
Deputy Clerk	Diane T. Scully	U
Inspector	Mary M. Leone	U
Deputy Inspector	Linda F. Warner (to 2 p.m.)	U

PRECINCT 4

Warden	Mary E. Boutin	R
Deputy Warden	Nancy B. Delaney	R
Clerk	Cynthia A. Fitzgerald	D
Deputy Clerk	Edward H. Valla	D
Inspector	C. Weston Meiggs	U
Deputy Inspector	C. Janet Maiellano	U

All election workers were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The ballot box at each precinct was inspected by the election officers, found to be empty and the register at zero.

Sergeant Robert C. Wells reported to the Pembroke Street Fire Station polling location at 6:45 a.m. and worked until Precinct 4 concluded its business. He escorted the ballots to the Clerk's office for final tabulation.

Sergeant Zachary I. Potrykus reported to the Elementary School polling location at 6:45 a.m. and worked until 2:45 p.m. at which time Sergeant Timothy P. Ballinger replaced him until the tabulation of the three precincts was completed. Sergeant Ballinger escorted the ballots back to the Clerk's office and remained there until the ballots were locked in the vault.

The polls were declared open by the respective Wardens at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m. in accordance with the warrant. There were 255 ballots cast in Precinct 1, including 11 absentee ballots. There were 218 ballots cast in Precinct 2, including 11 absentee ballots. There were 259 ballots cast in Precinct 3, including 8 absentee ballots. There were 283 ballots cast in Precinct 4, including 17 absentee ballots. The total vote cast in all four precincts was 1,015.

At the close of the polls, the ballot box in Precinct 1 read 252 (with three ballots in the auxiliary compartment), the ballot box in Precinct 2 read 218, the ballot box in Precinct 3 read 259, and the ballot box in Precinct 4 read 282 (with one ballot in the auxiliary compartment).

All voters who had been omitted from the voting list were handled according to law.

The results were announced at 10:18 p.m. by the Town Clerk.
They are as follows:

DEMOCRATS

OFFICE	PRECINCT	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS						
TENTH DISTRICT						
William D. Delahunt		135	113	147	182	577
Scattered		0	0	0	0	0
Blanks		39	23	32	30	124
		<u>174</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>179</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>701</u>
COUNCILLOR						
FIRST DISTRICT						
Carole A. Fiola		114	95	134	154	497
Scattered		0	0	0	0	0
Blanks		60	41	45	58	204
		<u>174</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>179</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>701</u>
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT						
PLYMOUTH & BARNSTABLE DISTRICT						
Therese Murray		135	113	160	184	592
Scattered		0	0	0	0	0
Blanks		39	23	19	28	109
		<u>174</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>179</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>701</u>
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT						
TWELFTH PLYMOUTH DISTRICT						
Thomas J. O'Brien		156	128	167	192	643
Scattered		0	0	0	0	0
Blanks		18	8	12	20	58
		<u>174</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>179</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>701</u>
SHERIFF						
PLYMOUTH COUNTY						
Joseph F. McDonough		64	60	70	86	280
Joseph M. Palombo		104	73	99	119	395
Scattered		3	1	5	1	10
Blanks		3	2	5	6	16
		<u>174</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>179</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>701</u>
COUNTY COMMISSIONER						
PLYMOUTH COUNTY						
Peter G. Asiaf, Jr.		65	56	75	93	289
John Patrick Riordan		84	72	103	142	401

	73	48	66	85	272
Jeffrey M. Welch	0	0	0	0	0
Scattered	126	96	114	104	440
Blanks	<u>348</u>	<u>272</u>	<u>358</u>	<u>424</u>	<u>1402</u>

REPUBLICANS

CONGRESS					
TENTH DISTRICT					
Michael J. Jones	61	64	65	53	243
Scattered	0	1	2	0	3
Blanks	17	17	13	18	65
	<u>78</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>311</u>
COUNCILLOR					
FIRST DISTRICT					
No Nomination					
Scattered	1	2	1	0	4
Blanks	77	80	79	71	307
	<u>77</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>311</u>
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT					
PLYMOUTH & BARNSTABLE DISTRICT					
Timothy E. Duncan	58	61	64	52	235
Scattered	0	0	1	0	1
Blanks	20	21	15	19	75
	<u>78</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>311</u>
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT					
TWELFTH PLYMOUTH DISTRICT					
Paul Timunius Curtis	60	59	63	55	237
Scattered	0	0	1	0	1
Blanks	18	23	16	16	73
	<u>78</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>311</u>
SHERIFF					
PLYMOUTH COUNTY					
Joseph D. McDonald, Jr.	59	74	71	61	265
Robert J. Stone	16	7	7	8	38
Scattered	1	0	1	1	3
Blanks	2	1	1	1	5
	<u>78</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>311</u>

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER
PLYMOUTH COUNTY**

No Nomination

Scattered	4	4	4	1	13
Blanks	152	160	156	141	609
	156	164	160	142	622

LIBERTARIANS

**CONGRESS
TENTH DISTRICT**

No Nomination

Scattered	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	1	0	0	0	1
	2	0	0	0	2

**COUNCILLOR
FIRST DISTRICT**

No Nomination

Scattered	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	2	0	0	0	2
	2	0	0	0	2

**SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT
PLYMOUTH & BARNSTABLE DISTRICT**

No Nomination

Scattered	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	2	0	0	0	2
	2	0	0	0	2

**REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL
COURT
TWELFTH PLYMOUTH DISTRICT**

No Nomination

Scattered	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	2	0	0	0	2
	2	0	0	0	2

**SHERIFF
PLYMOUTH COUNTY**

No Nomination

Scattered	1	0	0	0	1
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Blanks

1	0	0	0	1
2	0	0	0	2

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER
PLYMOUTH COUNTY**

No Nomination

Scattered	0	0	0	0	0
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GREEN-RAINBOW

**CONGRESS
TENTH DISTRICT**

No Nomination

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**GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL
FIRST DISTRICT**

No Nomination

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**SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT
PLYMOUTH & BARNSTABLE DISTRICT**

No Nomination

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**REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL
COURT
TWELFTH PLYMOUTH
DISTRICT**

No Nomination

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**SHERIFF
PLYMOUTH COUNTY**

No Nomination

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**COUNTY COMMISSIONER
PLYMOUTH COUNTY**

No Nomination

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All supplies and used and unused ballots were returned to the Town Clerk's office. All ballots cast, which had been locked in their transfer cases at the Pembroke Street Fire Station and the Kingston Elementary School, were then locked in the Clerk's vault.

The Town Clerk made the requested telephone calls and faxes. The office was locked at 10:30 p.m.

A true record, ATTEST:

Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AAE/CMMC
Town Clerk

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 2004**

The Special Town Meeting scheduled to be held on October 18, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., was called to order by the Moderator, Frances E. Botelho-Hoeg, at 7:01 p.m. at the Kingston Intermediate School, 65 Second Brook Street, Kingston, Massachusetts.

Ms. Botelho-Hoeg welcomed those present. She led the Town Meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator asked for a moment of silence in memory of three members of our community who had recently passed away: Tommy Van, a former recipient of our Citizen of the Year Award; Richard "Dick" Ellison, an active town meeting participant; and James "Jim" Colman, a town meeting teller. In Jim's honor, there would only be three tellers for this meeting.

The vote checkers were: Christine M. Chipman, Hannah M. Creed, Nancy B. Delaney, Karen A. Donnelly, Lynn M. Flood, Mary M. Leone, Patricia E. Scanlon and Maureen E. Twohig. The doorkeepers were Donna M. Farrington and Harry E. Monks, Jr.

The sworn tellers were Paul L. Armstrong, Paul F. Basler and James C. Judge.

The Moderator stated that it was obvious that proper notice had been given and the reading of the warrant was waived. Ms. Botelho-Hoeg announced that there were 101 voters present.

On the motion of Mark S. Beaton, VOTED that the following non-residents be allowed to enter and address the Town Meeting:

Mark R. Reich, Town Counsel
Kevin R. Donovan, Town Administrator
Joan Paquette, Town Accountant
Thomas Bott, Town Planner
Luisa Stewart, Library Director
Mark Devine, Coler & Colantonio
Ruth Ann Cassidy, Secretary to Senior Center
Building Committee

ARTICLE 1. Mark S. Beaton moved that the Town raise and appropriate from available funds the sum of \$37,101.77 and \$3,224.00 from Water Revenue and to transfer the sum of \$38,756.23, from Article 2 of the April 3, 2004, Special Town Meeting to provide for additional appropriations to the FY05 Operating Budgets to the following accounts as follows:

Selectmen	Personnel Contract and Reclassifications	\$14,514.00
Veterans Agent	Personnel Additional hours	11,246.00
Collector	Personnel Sick Time Coverage	4,230.00
Fire Chief	Personnel Capt. Examination	4,092.00
Town Clerk	Personnel Additional hours	41,000.00
Sewer	Personnel Personnel & Expenses	

And to authorize the Town Accountant to allocate such sums to the appropriate operating budgets.

The Moderator read each line item. The following items were questioned:

Fire Chief	Personnel Capt. Examination	4,000.00
Sewer	Personnel Personnel & Expenses	41,000.00

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED UNFAVORABLE ACTION
ON THESE TWO ITEMS.**

On the motion of Olavo B. DeMacedo, VOTED to divide the article into three parts as follows:

Part 1		
Selectmen	Personnel Contract and Reclassifications	\$14,514.00
Veterans Agent	Personnel Additional hours	11,246.00
Collector	Personnel Sick Time Coverage	4,230.00
Town Clerk	Personnel Additional hours	4,092.00

Part 2

Fire Chief	Personnel	Capt. Examination	4,000.00
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<u>Part 3</u>			
Sewer	Personnel	Personnel & Expenses	41,000.00

A vote was taken on Part 1.

On the motion of Mark S. Beaton, as amended, VOTED that the Town appropriate from available funds the sum of \$34,082.00 and to transfer the sum of \$3,224.00 from Water Revenue and to transfer the sum of \$30,858.00, from Article 2 of the April 3, 2004, Special Town Meeting to provide for additional appropriations to the FY05 Operating Budgets to the following accounts as follows:

Selectmen	Personnel	Contract and Reclassifications	\$14,514.00
Veterans Agent	Personnel	Additional hours	11,246.00
Collector	Personnel	Sick Time	4,230.00
Town Clerk	Personnel	Additional hours	<u>4,092.00</u>
			\$34,082.00

A vote was taken on Part 2.

On the motion of Mark S. Beaton, as amended, VOTED that the Town appropriate from available funds the sum of \$4,000.00 and to transfer the sum of \$4,000.00, from Article 2 of the April 3, 2004, Special Town Meeting to provide for the additional appropriation to the FY05 Operating Budget to the following account as follows:

Fire Chief	Personnel	Capt. Examination	4,000.00
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A vote was taken on Part 3.

On the motion of Mark S. Beaton, as amended, VOTED that the Town appropriate the sum of \$41,000.00 and to transfer the sum of \$3,898.00, from Article 2 of the April 3, 2004, Special Town Meeting, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,102.00 to provide for the additional appropriation to the FY05 Operating Budget to the following account as follows:

Sewer	Personnel	Personnel & Expenses	41,000.00
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ARTICLE 2. On the motion of Paul M. Gallagher, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town appropriate \$254,138.00 to be expended in anticipation of the reimbursement authorized for the State's share of the cost of work to be done under Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 3. On the motion of Olavo B. DeMacedo, VOTED that the Town change the purpose of the parcel of land located at 19 West Avenue, as shown on the Assessors' Map 43, Lot 49, containing 5,000 square feet more or less held for general municipal purposes to being held for conveyance for

recreational purposes and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey said parcel for consideration to the Rocky Nook Brewster Park Association for recreational purposes on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine appropriate.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ON VOICE VOTE, THE MODERATOR DECLARED THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND MET THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

Martha J. Awiszus moved to reconsider Article 3.

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED.

ARTICLE 4. On the motion of Paul M. Gallagher, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by eminent domain and to accept the deed to the Town of an easement interest in all or a portion of the parcels of land described in the Warrant now or formerly owned by the parties as described in the Warrant upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate. Said easement parcels being shown on a plan entitled "Easement Plan, Pembroke Street, Kingston, Massachusetts" prepared for the Town of Kingston, dated December 26, 2001, and revised on November 12, 2003, prepared by Coneco Engineers, Scientists & Land Surveyors. And further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and take all related actions necessary or appropriate to carry out these acquisitions.

Said parcels are further described as follows:

Property Owner	Map	Lot	Easement #	Property Location
Tweed Management Corp. P.O. Box 67150 Boston, MA	1	4	1 & 2	Pembroke Street
Silver Lake Reg. School Dist. 250 Pembroke St. Kingston, MA 02364	8	52	4	250 Pembroke Street
Shane & Debra McGlone 211 Pembroke St. Kingston, MA 02364	9	47	9 & 11	211 Pembroke Street
Timothy B. Hill & Kristin C. Hatch 211 Pembroke Street Kingston, MA 02364	17	68	12 & 14	36 Reed Street

Brendan M. & Kathleen Y. Burke 167 Pembroke St. Kingston, MA 02364	17	24	15	167 Pembroke St.
Robert L. & Rosalie O'Roak P.O. Box 628 Kingston, MA 02364	35	41	19	19 Pembroke Street
Michelle Kinzel 17 Pembroke St. Kingston, MA 02364	35	40	20	17 Pembroke Street
Trevor P. & Helena P. Reddy 13 Pembroke St. Kingston, MA 02364	35	34	22	13 Pembroke Street
Mildred I. Youngman 11 Pembroke St. Kingston, MA 02364	35	32/1	23	11 Pembroke Street
Robert K. Barbieri 9 Pembroke St. Kingston, MA 02364	45	12	24	9 Pembroke Street
Kingston Alum. Foundation Realty Trust 7 Pembroke St. Kingston, MA 02364	45	13	25	7 Pembroke Street

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey, by quitclaim deed, a parcel of land situated in the Town of Kingston, Massachusetts, which is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the most southerly corner of parcel 173 on a plan identified as "Blackwater Park, Kingston, Mass., Owned by C.M. Bates" dated Aug. 1901, Yarny and Churchill, Surveyors, 46 School Street, Boston, which is recorded in Plan Book 22, page 26 at the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds;

Thence 200 feet northwest along the southwesterly boundary of parcels 173 and 188 on the above referenced plan;

Thence 225 feet along the northwesterly boundary of parcels 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195 and 196 on the above-referenced plan;

Thence 112 feet, more or less, from the northern most corner of lot 196 to the eastern most corner of lot 198 on the referenced plan;

Thence 100 feet southwest along the southeasterly border of lots 198, 197, 196 and 195 on the referenced plan;

Thence 100 feet southeast along the southwesterly border of lot 166 on the referenced plan;

Thence 175 feet southwest along the southeasterly border of lots 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172 and 173 of the referenced plan, returning to the beginning point; being a portion of Parcel 5 on Town of Kingston Assessor's Map 35, and bounded on the southeasterly side by Pottle Street and on the northwesterly side by Washburn Street, in accordance with a Settlement Agreement executed in the matter of Sharon L. Davis, Glenn W. Davis and Mary L. Bettencourt vs. Town of Kingston Board of Selectmen and the Community Center Building Committee, et al., C.A. No. CV2002-1245B, or take any other action relative thereto.

THERE WAS NO MOTION MADE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

ARTICLE 6. Paul M. Gallagher moved that the Town change the purpose of that portion of land as shown on Assessor's Map as appearing as Lot 27, Map 35, currently a portion of the parcel containing 13.18 acres and shown on a plan entitled "Municipal Complex Existing Site Plan", prepared by Catlin Architecture (based on a plan by Grady Consulting, LLC, dated October 12, 1998) dated September 24, 2004, scale 1"=50', currently under the care, custody, and control of the Board of Selectmen and held for general municipal purposes and designated specifically for use for the Municipal Complex, to the care, custody, and control of the Board of Selectmen and held for general municipal purposes and specifically designated for use for the construction and operation of a Senior Citizen Center, and further to appropriate the sum of \$146,000 from the Senior Citizen Center Stabilization Fund established at the 2004 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. chapter 40, section 5B, as most recently amended by chapter 46, section 14 of the Acts of 2003, for the purposes of adding to a prior appropriation for architectural and engineering fees made under Article 1 of the April 2004 Special Town Meeting.

Considerable discussion followed.

A vote was taken on the motion of Mr. Gallagher.

YES - 82; NO - 83

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED.

ARTICLE 7. Mark S. Beaton moved that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for a special act providing that legislation be adopted in the form set forth in the warrant; 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 bill before enactment by the General Court; and provided further that the Board of Selectmen be hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.

Said legislation to read as follows:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE TOWN OF KINGSTON

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and, by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1: Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary there is hereby established in the Town of Kingston, a department of public works, to be governed by a board of public works, consisting of five elected members. Upon the qualification of the members of the board of public works, the board of public works shall have all the powers and duties now or from time to time vested by general law or special act in the following boards, departments and offices, or in boards, departments and offices having corresponding powers and duties in said town, to wit: -road commissioners, surveyors of highways, superintendent of streets, water commissioners, sewer commissioners, park commissioners, cemetery commissioners, tree warden, moth superintendent and forestry department, and such boards, departments and offices shall thereupon be abolished and the terms of the elected and appointed officials holding such offices shall be terminated. No contracts or liabilities then in force shall be affected by such abolition, but the board of public works shall in all respects be the lawful successor of the boards, departments and offices so abolished.

The board of public works shall have such additional powers with respect to the furnishing of engineering services, the collection and disposal of garbage and refuse, and the performance of such duties of any other boards, departments and offices of the town as may be reasonably related to the duties and responsibilities of a board of public works, as the town, may, from time to time, by by-law provide, any other provisions of law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 2: The board of public works and the board of selectmen shall appoint and fix the compensation of a superintendent of public works, who shall exercise and perform, under the supervision and direction of the board of public works, such powers, rights, and duties transferred to it from time to time. The superintendent shall be responsible for the efficient exercise and performance of such powers, rights and duties and shall hold office for a three-year term. The superintendent shall be specifically fitted by education, training and experience to perform the duties of said office. The superintendent shall give to the town a bond with a surety company authorized to transact business in the commonwealth as surety, for the faithful performance of his or her duties, in such sum and upon the conditions as the board may require, and shall, subject to the approval of the board of public works and board of selectmen, appoint such assistants, agents and employees as the exercise and performance of his or her powers, rights and duties may require. The superintendent shall keep full and complete records of the doings of the office and render to the board annually and as often as it may require a full report of all operations under his or her control during the period reported upon and make a synopsis of such reports for publication. The superintendent shall keep the board fully advised as to the

needs of the town within the scope of his or her duties, and shall furnish to the board each year upon its request a carefully prepared and detailed estimate in writing of the appropriations required during the next succeeding fiscal year for the proper exercise and performance of all said powers, rights and duties.

Section 3: This act shall take effect at the first fiscal year beginning July 1st after its passage. During the transitional period from the effective date of this act until the board of public commissioners are elected and qualified at the first annual town election thereafter, as provided in this section, the board of public works shall be comprised of: the two sewer commissioners serving on the effective date of this act who have the most remaining time on their respective terms of office; the two water commissioners serving on the effective date of this act who have the most remaining time on their respective terms of office; and a fifth commissioner to be appointed jointly by the board of selectmen and the board of public works commissioners appointed as provided in this section. Vacancies in the office of board of public works commissioner occurring during the transitional period between the effective date of this act and the first annual election thereafter shall be filled by the board of selectmen and the board of public works commissioners appointed in accordance with this section. The board of selectmen and board of public works commissioners appointed in accordance with this section may appoint a temporary superintendent of public works, subject to appropriation, to serve until such time as a permanent superintendent may be hired in accordance with Section 2 of this act.

At the first annual town election after the effective date of this act, board of public works commissioners shall be elected as follows: one to serve for a one year term, two to serve for two year terms and two to serve for three year terms, and thereafter when the term of any member expires, his or her successor shall be elected to serve for three years. In all cases the members shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. The members of the board of public works shall after each election elect one of their members to act as chairman and one of their members to act as vice chairman for the ensuing year.

Two presentations and discussion followed.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

A vote was taken on the motion of Mr. Beaton.

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED.

George D. Cravenho moved to reconsider Article 7.

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED.

On the motion of Edmund J. King, Jr., VOTED to adjourn this meeting to Wednesday, October 20, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., at the Kingston Intermediate School, 65 Second Brook Street.

There were 81 voters from Precinct 1, 55 voters from Precinct 2, 30 voters from Precinct 3, and 62 voters from Precinct 4, for a total of 228 voters.

Adjournment was at 10:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AAE/CMMC
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OCTOBER 20, 2004

The Special Town Meeting scheduled to be held on October 20, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., was called to order by the Moderator, Frances E. Botelho-Hoeg, at 7:05 p.m. at the Kingston Intermediate School, 65 Second Brook Street, Kingston, Massachusetts.

Ms. Botelho-Hoeg welcomed those present. She led the Town Meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The vote checkers were: Christine M. Chipman, Hannah M. Creed, Nancy B. Delaney, Mary M. Leone, Patricia E. Scanlon, Diane T. Scully, Helen Claire Soares and Maureen E. Twohig. The doorkeepers were Donna M. Farrington and Harry E. Monks, Jr.

The sworn tellers were Paul L. Armstrong, Paul F. Basler and James C. Judge.

The Moderator stated that it was obvious that proper notice had been given and the reading of the warrant was waived. Ms. Botelho-Hoeg announced that there were over 100 voters present.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds in the treasury a sum of money to construct a storage facility to be located at the current Street, Trees & Parks Department location on Evergreen Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

THERE WAS NO MOTION MADE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

Paul M. Gallagher moved to reconsider Article 6.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

ARTICLE 6. Paul M. Gallagher moved to amend by deleting the article in its entirety and replacing it with a new Article 6 as follows:

That the Town change the purpose of that portion of land as shown on Assessor's Map as appearing as Lot 27, Map 35, currently a portion of the parcel containing 13.18 acres and shown on a plan entitled "Municipal Complex Existing Site Plan", prepared by Catlin Architecture (based on a plan by Grady Consulting, LLC, dated October 12, 1998) dated September 24, 2004, scale

1"=50', currently under the care, custody, and control of the Board of Selectmen and held for general municipal purposes and designated specifically for use for the Municipal Complex, to the care, custody, and control of the Board of Selectmen and held for general municipal purposes and specifically designated for use for the construction and operation of a Senior Citizen Center, and further to appropriate the sum of \$143,294 from the Senior Citizen Center Stabilization Fund established at the 2004 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 5B, as most recently amended by Chapter 46, Section 14 of the Acts of 2003, for the purposes of adding to a prior appropriation for architectural and engineering fees made under Article 1 of the April 2004 Special Town Meeting, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase a parcel of land as appearing on Assessor's Map 35, Lot 55 and containing 6.24 acres more or less, under such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interest of the Town, and to appropriate the sum of \$60,000 from the Senior Citizen Center Stabilization Fund established at the 2004 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 5B, as most recently amended by Chapter 46, Section 14 of the Acts of 2003, for the purposes of acquiring additional land for the siting of a Senior Citizens Center, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all necessary action for this purpose.

Pine duBois moved to postpone action on this article until Monday, November 15, 2004.

THE MOTION WAS NOT CARRIED.

A vote was taken on the amendment of Mr. Gallagher.

THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

On the motion of Paul M. Gallagher, as amended, VOTED that the Town change the purpose of that portion of land as shown on Assessor's Map as appearing as Lot 27, Map 35, currently a portion of the parcel containing 13.18 acres and shown on a plan entitled "Municipal Complex Existing Site Plan", prepared by Catlin Architecture (based on a plan by Grady Consulting, LLC, dated October 12, 1998) dated September 24, 2004, scale 1"=50', currently under the care, custody, and control of the Board of Selectmen and held for general municipal purposes and designated specifically for use for the Municipal Complex, to the care, custody, and control of the Board of Selectmen and held for general municipal purposes and specifically designated for use for the construction and operation of a Senior Citizen Center, and further to appropriate the sum of \$143,294 from the Senior Citizen Center Stabilization Fund established at the 2004 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 5B, as most recently amended by Chapter 46, Section 14 of the Acts of 2003, for the purposes of adding to a prior appropriation for architectural and engineering fees made under Article 1 of the April 2004 Special Town Meeting, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase a parcel of land as appearing on Assessor's Map 35, Lot 55 and containing 6.24 acres more or less, under such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interest of the Town, and to appropriate

the sum of \$60,000 from the Senior Citizen Center Stabilization Fund established at the 2004 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 5B, as most recently amended by Chapter 46, Section 14 of the Acts of 2003, for the purposes of acquiring additional land for the siting of a Senior Citizens Center, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all necessary action for this purpose.

YES - 113; NO - 18

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED SINCE IT MET
THE 2/3 REQUIREMENT.

ARTICLE 9. On the motion of Joseph D. Kelleher, VOTED that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,200.00 to meet the terms of an Agreement By and Between the Town of Kingston and the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 2337 for FY 2005, and to authorize the Town Accountant to allocate such sums to the appropriate operating budgets.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 10. On the motion of Craig N. Dalton, VOTED that the Town accept Sections 3-7, inclusive, of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, otherwise known as the Community Preservation Act, by approving a surcharge on real property for the purposes permitted by said Act and as detailed in the Warrant, and provided further that this question be placed before the voters at the 2005 Annual Town Election.

The details of said warrant article read as follows:

Including the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space; the acquisition, rehabilitation, preservation and restoration of historic resources; the creation, preservation and support of community housing and the rehabilitation and restoration of such open space and community housing that is acquired or created as provided under said Act; that the amount of surcharge on real property shall be three (3)% of the annual real estate tax levy against real property; that the first surcharge will be applicable to FY 2006; that the Town hereby accepts the following exemptions of said Act; property owned and occupied as a domicile by any person who qualifies for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in the Town as defined in Section 2 of said Act, and \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property. A taxpayer receiving a regular property tax abatement or exemption will also receive a pro rata reduction in the surcharge. This is subject to a majority vote on a ballot question at the next regular town election.

ARTICLE 11. On the motion of Joseph D. Kelleher, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant to Verizon New England, Inc., and NSTAR Electric Company, their successors and assigns, or any licensee from them (hereinafter referred to as the "Grantees"), the perpetual, non-exclusive right and easement to locate, relocate, erect, install, operate, maintain, patrol, inspect, repair, replace, alter, change the

location of, or remove transformers, fittings, braces, supports, street light standards and fixtures, and other apparatus equipment and fixtures deemed necessary for the purposes of transmission of electricity, along, upon and over that certain parcel of Town owned land, namely; Gray's Beach Road, Kingston, Massachusetts. For description see deed recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1724, Page 494.

ARTICLE 12. Brian G. McWilliams moved that the Town appropriate the sum of \$20,761.00 to provide shelving and computer upgrades at the Library, and to meet this appropriation the sum of \$6,601.00 be transferred from Article 17 of the May 8, 2000 Annual Town Meeting and the sum of \$14,160 be raised and appropriated.

Jean Landis Naumann moved to amend by deleting the motion in its entirety and replacing it as follows:

That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,445.00 to provide for updating computer virus problems at the Library.

A vote was taken on the amendment of Ms. Naumann.

YES - 44; NO - 37

THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

On the motion of Brian G. McWilliams, as amended, VOTED that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,445.00 to provide for updating computer virus problems at the Library.

ARTICLE 13. On the motion of Joseph D. Kelleher, VOTED that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,000.00 to purchase a surplus fire pumper for use by the Fire Department.

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 14. On the motion of Garry F. Monahan, VOTED that the Town amend Chapter 20, entitled "Sewer By-Law" of the Town of Kingston General By-Laws, by inserting a new section as follows:

Article 3. Connection Fee Apportionment

The Board of Sewer Commissioners shall, at the request of the owner of the land so charged, apportion the sewer connection fee or unpaid balances thereof charged under said Board's Connection Fee Policy, adopted on September 9, 2003, and as may be amended from time to time, into such number of equal portions to be paid annually with interest thereon, not exceeding thirty, as is determined by said Board or as is requested by the owner, as the case may be.

All of the sewer connection fee or the first portion of the sewer connection fee, plus one year's interest on the amount of the sewer connection fee remaining unpaid, shall be due and payable prior to the issuance of the sewer connection fee permit. If the sewer connection fee is apportioned in accordance with this by-law, the Board of Sewer Commissioners shall add to the annual sewer charges for each year thereafter one of said portions and one year's interest on the amount of the sewer connection fee remaining unpaid until all such portions shall have been so added. Interest charged pursuant to this by-law shall be equal to the rate of interest assessed for betterments under chapter 180 of the Acts of 1999. Notwithstanding a prior apportionment, the owner of the land so charged may pay the entire unpaid balance plus interest accrued thereon at any time before it is due and payable.

All charges under the Connection Fee Policy shall constitute a charge for the use of common sewers pursuant to G.L. c.83, §16, and a lien shall be established by operation of law on any overdue charges in accordance with G.L.c. 83, § 16A-16F and may be collected as set forth therein.

The Board of Sewer Commissioners may adopt regulations, as it deems necessary, for the purpose of implementing this by-law.

ARTICLE 15. On the motion of Pine duBois, VOTED that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,400.01, which amount is equivalent to the taxes paid by the Jones River Marine Ecology Center for Fiscal Year 2004, to be provided to the Center pursuant to a grant agreement for activities relating to natural resource preservation constituting the public purposes of support and stimulation.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 10 entitled "Animal Control" of the Town of Kingston General By-Laws, by adding a new sentence to the end of Article 10-1-1. Restraint of Dogs as follows: "No person shall own or keep in the Town any dog which by biting, excessive barking, howling or in any manner disturbs the quiet of the public."

THERE WAS NO MOTION MADE UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

On the motion of Edmund J. King, Jr., VOTED to adjourn without day.

There were 33 voters from Precinct 1, 35 voters from Precinct 2, 34 voters from Precinct 3, and 60 voters from Precinct 4, for a total of 162 voters.

Adjournment was at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AEE/CMMC
Town Clerk

SUMMARY OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING:

Article Number	Summary	Vote
1	Transfer - FY05 Operating Budget	34,082.00
	Transfer - FY05 Operating Budget	3,898.00
	Appropriate - FY05 Operating Budget	37,102.00
	Transfer - FY05 Operating Budget	4,000.00
2	Chapter 90	254,138.00
3	Change of Purpose and Conveyance - Map 43, Lot 49 (19 West Avenue)	VOTED
4	Easement Plan - Pembroke Street	VOTED
5	Land Conveyance - Davis, et al v. Town of Kingston	NO MOTION
6	Change of Purpose Senior Citizen Center	VOTED
	Appropriation - Purchase/Engineering	203,294.00
7	Legislation - DPW	DEFEATED
8	Storage Facility - Highway Dept.	NO MOTION
9	Contract Agreement - IAOFF	26,200.00
10	Community Preservation Act - Ballot Question	VOTED
11	Utility Easement - Gray's Beach Road	VOTED
12	Library - Computer Virus Update	3,445.00
13	Fire Department - Pumper	28,000.00
14	Amend By-Laws C. 20 by adding Article 3 "Connection Fee Apportionment"	VOTED
15	Grant Agreement FY04 - Jones River Marine Ecology Center	3,400.01
16	Amend By-Laws Article 10-1-1, by adding "excessive barking" language	NO MOTION

STATE ELECTION NOVEMBER 2, 2004

The State Election was held at the Kingston Elementary School for Precincts 1, 2 and 3, and at the Pembroke Street Fire Station for Precinct 4 on November 2, 2004, in accordance with the warrant issued by the Selectmen and properly posted by a constable of the Town.

Specimen ballots, penalty and instruction cards were posted in accordance with law.

The following officers and workers reported to their respective precincts:

PRECINCT 1		
Warden	Maureen E. Twohig	D
Deputy Warden	Hannah M. Creed	D
Clerk	John S. LaBrache	R
Deputy Clerk	Mary M. Leone	U
Inspector	Maryanne Martin	U

Deputy Inspector	Maureen C. Mauriello	U
Deputy Inspector	Kalina K. Vendetti	D

PRECINCT 2

Warden	James S. Matatall	R
Deputy Warden	Richard K. Gardner	R
Clerk	Elizabeth A. White	D
Deputy Clerk	Helen Claire Soares	D
Inspector	Gail E. Wrightington (to 2 p.m.)	D
Inspector	William B. Martin (at 2 p.m.)	D
Deputy Inspector	Harry E. Monks, Jr.	D
Deputy Inspector	Diane P. Poirier	D

PRECINCT 3

Warden	Elizabeth L. Iannucci	D
Deputy Warden	Lynn M. Flood	D
Clerk	Janet L. Bergeron	U
Deputy Clerk	Diane T. Scully	U
Inspector	Patricia E. Scanlon	D
Deputy Inspector	Donna M. Potrykus (to 2 p.m.)	U
Deputy Inspector	Walter E. Hoeg (at 2 p.m.)	R
Deputy Inspector	Sarah Y. Vendetti (to 1:00 p.m.)	D

PRECINCT 4

Warden	Mary E. Boutin	R
Deputy Warden	Nancy B. Delaney	R
Clerk	Cynthia A. Fitzgerald	D
Deputy Clerk	Edward H. Valla	D
Inspector	C. Weston Meiggs	U
Deputy Inspector	C. Janet Maiellano	U
Deputy Inspector	Christine M. Chipman	U
Deputy Inspector	Maureen L. Buitenhuis	U

Information Table: Edward M. Donnelly, Beth Harris, Diane F. Miller and Vanessa M. Verkade

All election workers were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The ballot box at each precinct was inspected by the election officers, found to be empty and the register at zero.

Officer James P. Sauer reported to the Pembroke Street Fire Station polling location at 6:45 a.m. and worked until 4:00 p.m. at which time Officer Richard F. Arruda replaced him until Precinct 4 concluded its business. He escorted the ballots to the Clerk's office for final tabulation.

Officer Michael E. Darsch reported to the Elementary School polling location at 6:45 a.m. and worked until 2:45 p.m. at which time Officer Bradford P. Bartlett replaced him until the tabulation of the three precincts was completed. Officer Bartlett escorted the ballots back to the Clerk's office and remained there until the ballots were locked in the vault.

The polls were declared open by the respective Wardens at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m. in accordance with the warrant. There were 1,536 ballots cast in Precinct 1, including 95 absentee ballots. There were 1,665 ballots cast in Precinct 2, including 122 absentee ballots. There were 1,525 ballots cast in Precinct 3, including 72 absentee ballots. There were 1,640 ballots cast in Precinct 4, including 161 absentee ballots. The total vote cast in all four precincts was 6,365.

At the close of the polls, the ballot box in Precinct 1 read 1,536, the ballot box in Precinct 2 read 1,664 (with one ballot in the auxiliary compartment), the ballot box in Precinct 3 read 1,524 (with one provisional ballot later cast), and the ballot box in Precinct 4 read 1,637 (with three ballots in the auxiliary compartment).

There were no provisional ballots marked in Precinct 1, one marked in Precinct 2, three marked in Precinct 3, and five ballots marked in Precinct 4.

All voters who had been omitted from the voting list were handled according to law.

The results were announced at 10:30 p.m. by the Town Clerk.

They are as follows:

OFFICE	PRECINCT	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT						
Badnarik and Campagna		9	6	4	4	23
Bush and Cheney		712	873	770	703	3058
Cobb and LaMarche		4	4	3	6	17
Kerry and Edwards		801	773	738	914	3226
Nader and Camejo		3	3	3	4	13
Scattered		3	0	2	2	7
Blanks		4	6	5	7	22
		1536	1665	1525	1640	6366

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

TENTH DISTRICT					
William D. Delahunt	902	864	881	973	3620
Michael J. Jones	559	721	559	571	2410
Scattered	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	74	80	85	96	335
	1536	1665	1525	1640	6366

COUNCILLOR

FIRST DISTRICT					
Carole A. Fiola	947	1029	948	1033	3957

Scattered	2	0	3	2	7
Blanks	587	636	574	605	2402
	1536	1665	1525	1640	6366

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT
PLYMOUTH & BARNSTABLE
DISTRICT

Therese Murray	875	870	846	964	3555
Timothy E. Duncan	584	719	603	595	2501
Scattered	1	0	1	1	3
Blanks	76	76	75	80	307
	1536	1665	1525	1640	6366

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL
COURT
TWELFTH PLYMOUTH DISTRICT

Thomas J. O'Brien	1157	1231	1177	1218	4783
Paul Timmins Curtis	319	371	295	358	1343
Scattered	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	60	63	53	64	240
	1536	1665	1525	1640	6366

SHERIFF
PLYMOUTH COUNTY

Joseph F. McDonough	625	628	588	711	2552
Joseph D. McDonald, Jr.	834	943	847	852	3476
Scattered	0	1	1	1	3
Blanks	77	93	89	76	335
	1536	1665	1525	1640	6366

COUNTY
COMMISSIONER
PLYMOUTH COUNTY

John Patrick Riordan	970	1028	952	1046	3996
Jeffrey M. Welch	410	457	451	445	1763
Scattered	2	0	3	3	8
Blanks	1690	1845	1644	1786	6965
	3072	3330	3050	3280	12732

All supplies and used and unused ballots were returned to the Town Clerk's office. All ballots cast, which had been locked in their transfer cases at the Pembroke Street Fire Station and the Kingston Elementary School, were then locked in the Clerk's vault.

The Town Clerk made the requested telephone calls. The office was locked at 10:45 p.m.

A true record, ATTEST:

Mary Lou Murzyn, CMC/AAE/CMMC
Town Clerk

It is noted for the record that at a meeting of the Board of Registrars duly posted for November 12, 2004, two federal write-in ballots were determined to be valid and the following votes were cast:

PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT	
Kerry and Edwards	2
US SENATOR	0
US REPRESENTATIVE	0

As a result, the total vote cast for Kerry and Edwards in the above minutes is hereby amended to 3,228. Subsequently, the total vote cast in the race for the Electors of President and Vice President is hereby amended to 6,368.

MARY LOU MURZYN, CMC/AAE/CMMC
Town Clerk/Clerk to Board of Registrars



POPULATION STATISTICS FOR KINGSTON

2004 Town Census	11,737
2003 Town Census	11,646
2002 Town Census	11,594
2001 Town Census	11,464
2000 Federal Census	11,780
2000 Town Census	11,291
1999 Town Census	10,999
1998 Town Census	10,775
1997 Town Census	10,577
1996 Town Census	10,229
1995 Town Census	9,907
1994 Town Census	9,468
1993 Town Census	9,363
1992 Town Census	9,028
1991 Town Census	8,784
1990 Town Census	8,321
1990 Federal Census	9,045
1989 Town Census	7,988
1988 Town Census	7,971
1987 Town Census	7,491
1986 Town Census	7,852
1985 State Census	7,338
1980 Federal Census	7,356
1975 State Census	6,776
1970 Federal Census	5,999

JURY LIST

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

BY-LAWS APPROVED IN 2004

On June 9, 2004, Thomas F. Reilly, Attorney General of Massachusetts, issued the following approvals:

Amendments to the General By-Laws adopted under Articles 22, 23 and 24 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting that convened on April 3, 2004.

In accordance with law, Maryann Musto, Constable for the Town of Kingston, certified that the above general by-law amendments were posted in five public places in the Town, including one posted in each precinct, on June 16, 2004.

Amendments to the Zoning By-Laws adopted under Articles 26 and 30 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting that convened on April 3, 2004.

In accordance with law, Maryann Musto, Constable for the Town of Kingston, certified that the above zoning by-law amendments were posted in five public places in the Town, including one posted in each precinct, on June 16, 2004.

On November 24, 2004, Thomas F. Reilly, Attorney General of Massachusetts, issued the following approvals:

Amendment to the General By-Laws adopted under Article 14 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting that convened on October 18, 2004.

In accordance with law, Maryann Musto, Constable for the Town of Kingston, certified that the above general by-law amendment was posted in five public places in the Town, including one posted in each precinct, on November 29, 2004.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 2004

DATE	NAME	PARENTS
January		
2	Hart, Benjamin Jedidiah	Warren E. Hart & Katherine R. Coughlin
3	MacDonald, Morgan May	Robb G. MacDonald & Kristin M. Cappuccino
13	Faherty, Reese Bella	Sean M. Faherty & Jennifer M. Visco
14	O'Sullivan, Anna Katherine	Mark M. O'Sullivan & Eileen Finneran
20	O'Neil, Sean David	Philip G. O'Neil & Amy B. McKee
20	Saad, Nathan Anthony	Christopher M. Saad & Janna K. Kovalcin
22	Henderson, Emily Rose	Michael E. Henderson, Jr. & Laura A. Bryant
23	Curran, Sarah Katherine	Sean W. Curran & Katherine Gibson
27	McDonald, Jakob Walter	Joseph W. McDonald & Lisa A. Kalapinski
31	Gerety, Caroline Holbrook	Andrew K. Gerety & Holly L. Holbrook
February		
5	Faherty, Samantha Ellen	Douglas M. Faherty & Catherine M. Freel
7	Quinn, Catherine Casey	Michael J. Quinn & Pamela Casey
9	Mello, Matthew James	Matthew P. Mello & Lauren M. Solomita
11	Dwyer, Alexis Rose	Timothy W. Dwyer & Martie M. Schepeler
11	Dwyer, Lauren Anna	Timothy W. Dwyer & Martie M. Schepeler
12	Colin, Brendan Sean	Sean P. Colin & Kathleen M. Rowley
12	Markella, Bradley Morgan	Anthony M. Markella, II & Julie Locke
15	Mcauley, James Byrne	Thomas J. Mcauley & Sinead B. Byrne
17	Evans, Brett Vincent	Scot V. Evans & Angela M. Lyons
19	Dowd, Ella Grace	Erik G. Dowd & Heather G. Downing
21	MacKinnon, Gavin Peter	Daren R. MacKinnon & Mary A. Shaughnessy
21	Romaine, Christopher Joseph	Mark A. Romaine & Courtenay A. Frame
24	Meal, Haley Olivia	Brian M. Meal & Lorraine Kunz
March		
1	Ebone, Dustin Edosa	Isa A. Ebone & Jacqueline Creed
6	Cardarelli, Bridget Ashley	John M. Cardarelli & Bonnie J. Twohig
7	Van Lingen, Conor Thomas	Eduard A. Van Lingen & Kelly A. McPherson
9	Kelleher, Mark Patrick	Mark R. Kelleher & Patricia A. Hughes

10 Hybertson, Matthew Dean
22 Dennehy, Jack Michael
23 MacInnis, Caroline Hennessey
24 Bachyrycz, Owen Michael

April

3 Oxner, Ryan Alden
12 Bratti, Meghan Marie
19 Lantz, Brendan Charles
21 Spillane, Matthew Aidan
23 Doyle, Aidan Michael
23 Doyle, Riley Grace
24 Bartlett, Nicholas Bradford
26 Arieta, Lucas Michael

May

2 Elias, Matthew Thomas
3 Erlandsen, Luke Robert
5 Hum, Elizabeth Cathryn
5 Lane, Andrew Thomas
7 Rufo, Tyler Alfred
9 Scanlon, Callie Aurora
12 Ballinger, Ryan George
13 Froio, Mia Elizabeth
18 Dorsey, Ava Janice
18 Kennedy, Elizabeth Jane
20 Sampson, Logan Lee
22 Adamski, Andrew Robert
22 Whidden, Lee Marshall
29 Brenton, Charles John
29 McNeil, Jessie Bennett

June

3 Belmore, Molly Elaine
3 Garrett, Matthew Caleb
4 Hill, Bryce Gerald
7 Sheridan, Paige Halle
11 Aran, Brendan Joseph
11 Coughlin, Colin Phillip
18 Hutton, Matthew David
18 Schmitz, Michael William
19 Ohlson, Emma Claire
22 Carroll, Zachary Scout
22 Grady, Colin Sherlock
22 Tonsberg, Caroline Elizabeth
24 Ierardi, Antonia Karen
24 Quevillon, Reese Matthew
28 O'Connell, Colby Harrison
29 Coombs, IV, Kimball Howes

July

2 Kelly, Aidan Raymond
5 Curtin, Maximus Thomas
9 Ward, Ella Elizabeth
13 Benard, Catherine Merriweather
13 Raymond, Olivia Grace

Geoffrey D. Hybertson & Andrea R. Ccurvels
James M. Dennehy & Jennifer M. Grady
Andrew P. MacInnis & Angelyn Erben
Bryce M. Bachyrycz & Andrea Riccietello

Doug A. Oxner & Stacey L. Gulya
Brent S. Bratti & Susan M. Reed
Robert T. Lantz & Sue A. Stidstone
John E. Spillane & Cheryl A. Belanger
Jeffrey M. Doyle & Patricia A. Fuller
Jeffrey M. Doyle & Patricia A. Fuller
John B. Bartlett & Christyn D. Champagne
Richard L. Arieta, Jr. & Kathleen M. Keefe

Kelly M. Elias & Susan L. Troiano
Robert J. Erlandsen & Christina L. Moreau
Michael L. Hum & Andrea J. Porreca
Robert A. Lane & Martha Gogan
Gregory A. Rufo & Jenny M. Ringer
Andrew C. Scanlon & Tina M. Casinelli
Timothy P. Ballinger & Noelle Prebola
Paul G. Froio & Kim D. Brogan
Mark A. Dorsey & Maria C. Neri
Patrick E. Kennedy & Dianne I. Trapeagen
Todd A. Sampson & Kristen L. Bruce
Robert M. Adamski & Susan L. Milewski
Brian S. Whidden & Jennifer Heyl
John J. Brenton & Erin P. Woods
William M. McNeil, III & Stephanie L. Howell

Craig J. Belmore & Amy B. Loring
Glenn P. Garrett & Meghan A. Johnson
William E. Hill & Karin B. Cantoni
Mark L. Sheridan & Michelle R. Smith
Armando S. Aran & Elizabeth M. Curtin
Dennis R. Coughlin & Brenda L. Wasik
David M. Hutton & Su Hong Dang
Steven J. Schmitz & Nicole A. Webster
Robert C. Ohlson & Nicole M. Praskiewicz
Mark P. Carroll & Heidi Bernhardt
Kevin S. Grady & Traci L. Wellman
Kevin F. Tonsberg & Tracey A. Callahan
Philip A. Ierardi, Jr. & Jennifer A. Theberge
Robert S. Quevillon & Janice L. Johnson
Brian M. O'Connell & Renee A. Weber
Kimball H. Coombs, III & Heidi Dupette

Mark G. Kelly & Jennifer A. Levesque
John F. Curtin & Christina M. Cook
David M. Ward & Jennifer E. Orlandi
Michael N. Benard & Amanda M. Cullen
Brent W. Raymond & Karen J. Grayson

Giordano, Jillian Madeleine
15 Michaud, Joel Nathaniel
15 Gainey, Christopher Jackson
20 O'Malley, Marilyn Grace
21 MacIsaac, Hunter Alexander
22 Veno, Braeden Hugh
24 Gebler, Ryan Garrison
29 Renz, Ashby Jacob

August

1 Patel, Isabella Grace
1 O'Donnell, Annabelle May
4 Pflaumer, Luke Richard
5 Esposito, Angelina Vaughn

10 Froio, Emma Mary
11 Erickson, Sarah Brett
20 Coppi, Andrew Jayson
22 Faghan, Luke James

September

3 Billings, Anna Napassorn
3 Mechan, Margaret Francis
16 Darcy, Catherine Audrey Virginia
17 Bolton, Jessica Louise

October

5 Driscoll, Kerry Elizabeth
17 Lonergan, Maxwell James
22 Cronin, Benjamin Knight
27 Doyle, Luke Alexander
29 Diauto, Sydney Joyce
30 Lamond, Kelsey Ann

November

1 Whittemore, Arianna Noel
1 Whittemore, Dylan Richard
3 Climer, Sophia Marie
4 Emmott, Christopher Patrick
7 Cavicchi, Brandon Ryan
11 Peterson, Nicholas Andrew
13 O'Keefe, Aidan Joseph
14 Casagrande, Piper Lee
16 Howley, Jared Parker
17 McLean, Ava Rose
18 Parillo, Jessica Blake
18 Quackenbush, Zoe Jennifer
22 Lennox, Ainsley Blanche
24 Kowilek, Taylor Michelle Alice
25 Manteiga, Myah Jaye
27 Farrington, Lucy Tabor
29 Rezendes, Carly Christine

December

1 Sieminski, Caitlin Patrice

Edward J. Giordano & Carrie St. Amand
Joel Michaud & Lisa M. Hunnefeld
Craig A. Gainey & Elizabeth A. Zavakos
Michael C. O'Malley & Geraldine M. Lee
Jason S. MacIsaac & Hope L. Couture
Robert W. Veno & Danielle Montanez
Gregory D. Gebler & Jacqueline Esposito
Kevin M. Renz & Suzie A. Costanzo

Shailesh H. Patel & Teresa Marino
Shawn R. O'Donnell & Rebecca A. Kirkland
Greg A. Pflaumer & Mary E. Sodomini
John K. Esposito, Sr. & Denise M. Kaszanek
Anthony J. Froio & Melissa R. Fleming
Keith A. Erickson & Margaret Wadsworth
William J. Coppi & Nicole S. Waitt
Brian M. Faghan & Shannon L. Hunt

Douglas N. Billings, Jr. & Chom Phatanasophon
Matthew T. Mechan & Christine A. Burke
Gregory P. Darcy & Jennifer L. Mullen
Daniel B. Bolton & Donna J. Pettengill

Michael F. Driscoll & Julie E. Sanders
Donald P. Lonergan & Karen I. Elefson
Christopher N. Cronin & Jane E. Nagle
Kevin M. Doyle & Linda J. Payne
Joshua A. Diauto & Maryanne L. Joyce
John F. Lamond, III & Susan E. Welch

Leone E. Whittemore, Jr. & Lisa A. Messina
Leone E. Whittemore, Jr. & Lisa A. Messina
Quentin W. Climer & Alicia M. Stella
Philip P. Emmott & Sarah J. Reilly
Ryan D. Cavicchi & Wendy L. Ashmont
Stephen A. Peterson & Lisa J. Norman
Scott J. O'Keefe & Chandra P. Potter
Scott C. Casagrande & Deborah L. Ocksrider
Jeffrey C. Howley & Bobbi J. Tibbetts
Jeffrey B. McLean & Deborah S. Moninger
Robert F. Parillo & Deborah A. Blake
Patrick M. Quackenbush & Jennifer A. Crooker
Stephen P. Lennox & Julie M. Grahm
Christopher J. Kowilek & Michelle E. Hartnett
Michael M. Manteiga & Michelle McCarthy
Edward J. Farrington & Kate Rapelye
David E. Rezendes & Gina M. Trausch

Robert J. Sieminski & Melissa N. Garrity

2 Walsh, Baileigh Marie
3 Darsch, Ava Grace
8 Kearns, Mia Ann
13 Cushing, Jocelyn Eve
17 Dalrymple, Aislin Aki
21 Mayo, Alexa Katherine
27 Joyce, Cormac Jackson
29 DiBona, Alfiero Dennis

Sean M. Walsh & Agnes J. Orfanello
Gregory J. Darsch & Rebecca Royals
Scott A. Kearns & Sandra A. Leone
Daniel P. Cushing & Elizabeth H. McLeod
David A. Dalrymple & Coleen M. Daly
Michael A. Mayo & Mary E. Twohig
Timothy M. Joyce & Beth M. Jackson
Dennis M. DiBona, Jr. & Jennifer R. Salemo

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 2004

DATE	NAME	RESIDENCE	MARRIED AT
January			
1	Frank Joseph Sabo Jean K. Hagan	Pembroke Pembroke	Pembroke
February			
7	Norman C. Schwartz Hatsuko Maeda	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
14	William Raymond Wildman, Jr. Christilynn Allen	Waterbury, CT Kingston	Hanson
March			
7	Thiago Del Rios Heather Sue Shaughnessy	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
20	Eric P. Day Andrea S. Blethen	Kingston Kingston	Brewster
20	Robert H. Hurley Marion H. Allman	Kingston Kingston	Carver
April			
3	George F. Shores, Jr. Christa Diane Johnson	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
4	John Michael Shipman Stacey Anne Hamwey	Weymouth Weymouth	Sturbridge
10	Peter Carl Johnson Rhonda Dale Huff	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
30	Robert J. DeCoursey, Jr. Katie M. Patterson	Kingston Kingston	Scituate
May			
1	Lawrence Steven Cole Debra Lee Buckus	Kingston Kingston	Plympton
1	Brian D. Mundy Patricia Amy Wall	Kingston Kingston	Edgartown
8	Christopher David Duffy Laurie Ann Moore	Kingston Kingston	Falmouth
9	Jerold Marc Siegel Cynthia Ann Nickerson	Kingston Kingston	Kingston

13	William James Coppi Nicole Sabrina Waitt	Medford Kingston	Kingston
21	Alan J. Drew Diana Jean Blanco	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
22	Kimball Howes Coombs III Heidi Dupre	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
22	Michael C. Connolly Erika Anne Huard	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
29	Michael Brian Bray Michelle Lee Batchelor	Kingston Kingston	Halifax
29	Patrick Shannon Reed Kelli Anne Kilpeck	Kingston Bridgewater	Kingston
June			
8	Robert Gerard Dentino Jean M. Snow	Duxbury Duxbury	Duxbury
11	Gillian Sarah Serino Jeffrey Mark Bossio	Kingston Kingston	Scituate
11	Michael Paul Gilligan Jennifer L. Randall	Kingston Kingston	Marshfield
12	Craig Douglas Fritts Kerry Lynn Hynes	Kingston Kingston	Cohasset
13	Terence James Connors Johanne B. Mullen	Plymouth Plymouth	Yarmouth
19	Michael Pevzner Carol S. Cybulska	Duxbury Kingston	Kingston
25	John T. Webber, III Kristen Marie Meagher	Kingston Kingston	Duxbury
July			
2	Bruce S. King Karen M. Picot	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
17	Tracy Ann Ellison Joanne M. Barba	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
18	Paul Michael Newcomb, Jr. Tiffany Lee Tura	Carver Kingston	Kingston
30	John F. Hickey Aisling J. Flanagan	Kingston Kingston	Brookline
31	Karl George Hergenrother Margaret Mary Hickey	Kingston Kingston	Middleborough
31	Lisa Catherine Priolo Mark James Paulding	Kingston Whitman	Carver
August			
8	Erick Charles Stamaris Emily Sarah Friedman	Kingston Kingston	Boston
14	Brian William Spires	Kingston	Kingston

	Theresa Lynne Harpold	Kingston	
21	Steven Edward Behan Chun Wei	Kingston Kingston	Plymouth
28	Allison E. Black Jacob R. Barnes	Kingston Kingston	Plymouth
28	Peter Werenio Lally Kathryn Irene McRae	Kingston Kingston	Duxbury
September 5	Robert Tom Heath Heather Dawn Dietzman	Plymouth Plymouth	Sandwich
10	Michael Steven Kolodziej Hope Marie Jesse	Kingston Kingston	Duxbury
11	Joseph William Callow Jenny Rose Cabral	Bridgewater Bridgewater	Harwich
25	Trevor J. Vaughn Sheila Marie Cherecka	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
October 1	Michael Wilson Palleschi Kara Marie Holloway	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
8	George M. Eysie, Jr. Diana M. Hidalgo	Kingston Kingston	Scituate
10	Janelle Dara Berg Randy Thomas Controy	Providence, RI Providence, RI	Worcester
15	William Ernest Petrell III Elizabeth Thayer Hill	Kingston Kingston	Wayland
23	Antonio Urbani Meaghan Elizabeth Cussen	Pisa, Italy Kingston	Kingston
26	Emma Jean Freeman Lisa Jan Levens-Freeman	Kingston Kingston	Newton
November 13	Ralph E. Berry III Karen Anne Bullock	Kingston Kingston	Weston
13	John M. Volante Maria Da Gloria De Oliveira	Kingston Hyannis	Yarmouth
26	Patrick Madigan O'Brien Jennie McCoy Cantwell	Kingston Kingston	Boston
26	Kristopher Albert Stone Jessie Helen Caveney	Pembroke Pembroke	Kingston
December 10	Brian Scott Brown Jennifer Lynn Moore	Kingston Kingston	Cohasset
23	Jonathan J. Barnett Megan Ann Gerstenberg	Kingston Kingston	Duxbury

DEATHS RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 2004

DATE	NAME	AGE	PARENTS
January 1	Burrill, Gloria Marguerite	66	Arthur J. Doiron, Sr. & Marguerite M. LeBlanc
1	Michaels, Lisa	83	Joseph Gagnon & Ida Gould
1	Higgins, William S.	85	Frank Higgins & Helen Whooly
2	Caldera, Helena R.	90	Homer Watt & Charlotte Wallace
12	Travers, Arthur	82	Antone Travers & Mary Cabral
14	Andresen, Thomas R.	79	Robert Andresen & Anna Ivensen
19	Stigelman, Etta Marie	84	Clarence Fearn & Catherine Stites
21	Mangherini, Margaret	52	Francis Cunningham & Margaret Ferguson
22	Hirst, Helen	99	Roland Bailey & Bernice Cole
25	McGrath, Stephen M.	42	John McGrath & Barbara Miller
25	Murphy, William J.	77	Thomas J. Murphy & Catherine Murphy
31	Cole, Roscoe A.	83	Roscoe A. Cole & Leila Hurst
31	Backus, Charles William	81	William Backus & Kate Robinson
February 6	Butler, Irene M.	88	Joseph Bruneau & Alexina LeClair
9	Peotrowski, Dorothy G.	98	George Roberts & Mary Jane McDermott
9	Flosman, Julia Anne	64	Alfred Vining & Minnie Longmire
18	Clemons, David B.	91	Francis Clemons & Grace Brackett
20	Holland, Rodney B.	44	Paul Roacher & Annette Holland
20	Rushon, Mary Grant	100	Charles N. Grant & Rachael MacLoud
20	Barrett, Sr., John Arthur	82	Francis Barrett & Gertrude Lamb
21	Nickerson, Patricia Ann	54	Walter G. Connell & Florence Singer
21	Holbrook, Emily Frances	94	William F.A. Dorr & Agnes H. Clark
25	Howlett, Phyllis F.	84	Percy Thomas & Mabel Joudry
27	McAdams, Russell P.	82	William M.L. McAdams & Florence I. Anderson
29	Tyler, Roy W.	88	William Tyler & Charlotte Goodwin
March 2	Cappola, Anna N.	81	James Caccaro & Mary Zicoli
3	Mazza, Peter Nicholas	46	Nicholas A. Mazza & Margaret Collins
9	Gregory, Mary	91	John Brown & Mary Law
11	Donahue, Daniel J.	85	Arthur Donahue & Agnes Glynn
11	Toomey, Eleanor M.	51	William Rooney & Eleanor Harner
12	Walker, Sr., George Allan	91	George Walker & Catherine Duff
14	Galvin, Catherine E.	92	Michael Rabbitt & Margaret Rabbitt
15	Devine, William F.	71	William E. Devine & Ruth Cook
15	Bryant, Joan Winifred	71	Arthur Morris & Winifred Braunecker
18	McBain, Sr., William H.	82	William H. McBain & Mary Powell
27	Sprague, Jr., Harvey D.	78	Harvey D. Sprague & Vera St. Clair
27	Brown, Bruce R.	50	Francis T. Brown & Lorraine Hereford
29	French, Mary L.	88	Samuel T. Lindsay & Olive M. Stanton
31	O'Connor, Esther Mary	90	Lawrence J. Reynolds & Esther R. Alberti
31	Dodge, Albionia	90	Chester Tassinari & Ida Benotti
April 6	Pierce, Harriet Julia	85	Harry W. Clemons & Carrie Thompson
7	Dolan, Ruth H.	91	Charles H. Dolan & Helena M. Adams
8	Simmons, Deyampert	60	Willie Simmons & Lizzy Lockett
8	Golant, Sylvia R.	94	Saul Goldfader & Dora Bernstein
10	Costa, Joseph R.	83	Joseph Costa & Fannie Silva
13	Lanzilloita, Josephine M.	89	Joseph Nastasi & Concetta DiPasquale
13	Lyons, Leo F.	79	John Lyons & Mary E. Dunn
17	Chasse, Antoinette	78	William St. Pierre & Valada Ouellette
19	Brown, Dorothy W.	86	Adam Watson & Euphemia Sinclair

20	Morse, Sally M.	72	Ernest Krueger & Doris Pinto
20	Olsen, Gudren	93	Sakarias Hansen & Helene Vaillano
27	Doherty, Catherine	98	James O'Brien & Mary Duffy
29	McCarthy, Rosemary	87	Louis Nagelsen & Josephine Hipskind
May			
2	Kite, Flora H.	93	Charles Hall & Elizabeth Young
4	Cook, Lucy F.	82	Michael Sirrico & Susan Scuderi
5	Young, Marcia C.	62	Douglas Cozzens & Mildred Harvey
5	Sbrizza, Joan M.	70	Albert E. Casey & Mary A. Martin
5	Gustafson, Ruth Elna Marie	90	Carl Johnson & Emma Hagberg
6	Verocchi, Sante	100	Vincent Verocchi & Lucia Dilorio
7	Corliss, Hannah	77	Martin Durant & Hanna Harkins
8	Wallace, Mary Catherine	91	William Wallace & Catherine Driscoll
10	Meyer, John A.	91	John Meyer & Elizabeth Miller
11	Cardoza, Grace C.	80	William Cady & Florence Bradshaw
12	Fedeles, Francis X.	82	Ralph Fedeles & Unknown
12	Davis, Euphemia Helen Reid	81	Adam Gascoyne & Caroline MacKay
16	Waterman, Elizabeth M.	83	George Sargood & Jennie Hovey
20	Skerry, Sr., Richard A.	88	John Skerry & Delia Coleman
20	Cruise, Joan L.	61	Kenneth C. Brigham & Beatrice Higginboom
23	English, George V.	79	Francis English & Violet Graham
25	Sheehan, Mary A.	75	George P. Smith & Isabella Nolan
26	Brown, Lucille H.	84	Nathan Hutton & Edna Brown
27	Sawler, Eleanor A.	82	William Goodearl & Susan Holland
30	Young, Charles I.	85	John Young & Ruth Black
31	Santos, Antone F.	73	Manuel Santos & Louise Costa
June			
4	McCarthy, Margaret T.	66	Dennis J. McCarthy & Margaret McAuliffe
6	Costa, Gabriel J.	72	Manuel Costa & Adeline Mello
10	Fairweather, Jr., William R.	81	William R. Fairweather & Maude Keller
14	Green, Edith	89	Morris Jacobson & Molly (Unknown)
14	Gibbs, Nancy Cardew	74	Daniel W. Gibbs & Nancy C. Alcock
15	Anderson, Catherine W.	81	Wilfred Anderson & Isabel Nichole
16	Cote, Stephen M.	48	Emile Cote & Claire O'Brien
16	Howard, Russell W.	86	T. Dean Howard & Cora Brown
22	Kuzborski, Barbara L.	74	Lawrence Richardson & Justine Morgan
22	Kehoe, Jane	93	James Mathers & Jane Robertson
25	James, Roberta C.	88	Robert Mandeville & Elizabeth Whiteside
28	Haen, Sr., Eugene B.	82	Charles Haen & Barbetta Hagen
28	Meola, Anthony	89	John Meola & Lucia (Unknown)
July			
1	D'Agostino, Catherine	77	Salvatore Fiumefreddo & Santa Trapani
5	Drew, James H.	47	William Drew & Janice Grennell
6	White, Robert Bailey	36	Robert G. White & Patricia Bailey
7	Dolan, Robert L.	69	James Dolan & Gertrude Murray
11	Neal, Jr., John T.	59	John T. Neal & Norma Drew
15	Strand, John Kenneth	74	Gustav Strand & Rita Shepperd
15	Cretinon, Raymond E.	74	George Cretinon & Alice Basler
19	Botti, Dino J.	92	Aldo Botti & Rose Malagutti
August			
2	Campbell, Alexander M.	92	Alexander Campbell & Ethel Shaw
2	Morse, Roy E.	77	Earle Morse & Elsie White
9	Merrick, David R.	64	Floyd Merrick & Carmen Mace
19	Machado, Sr., Daniel A.	61	Tiberio G. Machado & Dorothy A. Sa
19	Colman, James E.	63	Albert V. Colman & Catherine Henchen
23	Tache, Arlene Kenfield	89	Fred Y. Hall & Eva M. Pratt
23	Van, Thomas R.	92	Paulo Vantangoli & Della Fomi
September			
3	Murphy, Jr., James J.	81	James J. Murphy Sr. & Margaret B. Nagle

3	Gallagher, Joseph	83	Thomas Gallagher & Martha Dowling
7	Sarantopoulos, Christos	57	James Sarantopoulos & Margaret Sullivan
8	Santos, Mary R.	88	Jose Santos & Laurinda Soares
9	Borghesani, Richard	75	Otto Borghesani & Blanche Lessard
11	Mazza III, John E.	49	John E. Mazza & Lylian F. Madill
13	Barnes, William Henry	74	Albert L. Barnes & Lavonne Graham
20	Romano, Ann Estelle	76	William Foley & Nora Coleman
25	Frederick, Dorothy F.	91	Harvey Budd & Mary Roberts
October			
1	Ellison, Lloyd Richard	80	Chester Whitfield & Clara Weber
1	Daley, Edna M.	81	John M. Chisholm & Ivy Chant
2	Pirtle, Robert McKinney	84	Hubert V. Pirtle & Celestia M. Cripps
7	Guidaboni, Eclove	93	Paulo Poluzzi & Ersilla (Unknown)
7	Burgess, Barbara L.	80	Vincent Krowski & Kassimera Lachowicz
13	Morgan, Helena	84	Wardle Johnson & Elizabeth A. Richardson
13	Burt, Margaret L.	74	John J. Kennedy & Alice F. Blythe
19	Allington, Herbert E.	63	Frederick J. Allington & Bessie M. Griffin
21	Nord, Peter Dalby	69	Ernest Nord & Amelia Dalby
22	McCormack, Dianne L.	58	Christopher Buckley & Evelyn Buckley
30	Green, John Claid	54	Claude Hawthorne & Evelyn Green
November			
4	Raasio, Wilho E.	88	Emanuel Raasio & Anna (Unknown)
6	Harkins, Joseph V.	83	Frank Harkins & Glenda Christie
7	Moore, Arlene T.	40	Arthur G. Moore & Marion Johnson
8	Shea, Jr., James J.	47	James J. Shea, Sr. & Alice McCarthy
10	Maged, Viivi	66	Julius Neissar & Linda Ilus
14	Neissar, Linda	90	Kustav Ilus & Lenna Puvi
18	Owens, Timothy	44	Roy Owens & Marlene Gozzelino
18	Haskins, Nellie M.	95	Ebeneser Eismor & Louise Johnson
18	Thompson, Sarah	92	William T. Greer & Elizabeth Keenan
20	Boutin, Janice M.	70	J. Ernest Roy & Emma F. Forniciari
21	Smith, Dorothy E.	96	Harold Pummell & Helen Kelly
22	Comstock, Elmore H.	92	Wilmer E. Comstock & Grace E. Macomber
22	Hazard, Louis F.	84	Unknown & Etta Hazard
23	Goonan, James R.	81	James R. Goonan & Celesta Wyand
23	Kelly, Lorraine Helena	79	George LaFontaine & Josephine Thibodeau
27	Grealish, Peter M.	69	John Grealish & Barbara Grealish
28	Barbosa, Steven A.	57	Antone Barbosa & Barbara Casey
28	Christianson, Roy Scott	46	Paul L. Christianson & Dolores Morrell
29	Galvin, Paul F.	60	Francis C. Galvin & Agnes Forrest
December			
5	Kennedy, John S.	50	Charles Kennedy & Alice Blood
6	Costello, Paul D.	61	Larry Costello & Irene Coughlin
9	Gallagher, Emily Sylvia	89	Joseph Sylvia & Emily Freitas
17	Keefe, Anna J.	91	William H. Williams & Catherine Walsh
17	Provost, Jeanne A.	77	Joseph W. Trainor & Margaret C. Mullen
18	Bradford, Jr., Frederick L.	82	Frederick L. Bradford & Eleanor Mahoney
28	Lowe, Doris	84	Samuel Rook & Nina Kimbal

ANIMAL CONTROL

During the year FY/04 the department was staffed by two Animal Control Officers for a total of 44 hours per week and 20 regularly scheduled volunteers who help with animal care, building and ground maintenance, adoptions, and office tasks. Calls for information or assistance were approximately 1690. A total of 171 animals were handled; 102 dogs and 69 cats.

Our adoption program continues to be successful, 13 dogs and 37 cats were placed into responsible new homes. A licensed veterinarian examines all the animals that are made available for adoption. Cats are tested for feline aids and leukemia, treated for fleas/worms, rabies/distemper vaccinated, and spayed or neutered. Dogs are tested for heartworm, treated for fleas/worms, rabies/distemper vaccinated, and spayed or neutered. This program is made possible by the combined efforts of Kingston Animal Hospital, The Standish Humane Society, Friends of The Plymouth Pound, Target's of Kingston, Animal Control staff, volunteers and the many people who generously donate to our Animal Care Fund. Working together, we continue to make a positive difference for the animals in our care and for the community we serve.

The problem of cat overpopulation continues to be a very real one on the South Shore. Please spay or neuter your pets, and encourage your friends and neighbors to do so too. Financial assistance programs and information regarding the benefits of this surgery are available at the shelter.

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

For the fiscal year 2004, there were 14 reported dog and cat bites as a result of which the animals were quarantined for suspicion of rabies. They were all released after the ten-day observation period as there were no signs of rabies. Reports of these cases were forwarded to the State, Division of Animal Health in Boston.

In accordance with state regulations with regard to the management of cats and dogs exposed to wildlife receiving wounds of unknown origin 20 extended (45 days to 6 months) quarantine orders were issued. The length and type of quarantines were determined by both vaccination status and the degree of exposure experienced by the animal. There were no confirmed cases in domestic animals.

The annual census of farm animals was completed and the report was forwarded to the Division of Animal Health.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors and office staff have had another, productive year.

The Assessors Office has completed the re-valuation of all the properties for Fiscal Year 2004, ensuring that all real estate and personal property are in compliance with sales and state review.

We have had the pleasure of working in the new town hall for the past year. The bright new surroundings have made our environment more pleasant. Kingston has grown so much that total property value has increased over last year. The increase of septic repair loans and sewer connection loans issued by the Board of Health, as well as the betterment pay-off has significantly increased the office workload. We have been very fortunate to be able to hire a part-time person. Holly J. Merry has been a delightful addition to our office.

On a sadder note, this year in June veteran assessor William Fairweather, passed away. Last year he had to resign from the Board for health reasons. Bill had served on the Board of Assessors since 1984. He will truly be missed.

The board members, assistant assessor and the office staff continue to attend courses and seminars to stay current with assessing procedures and changes in the law pertaining to assessments.

We want to thank all other boards, committees and departments for their continued support and assistance. We would especially like to thank the taxpayers for their patience and understanding as we go through these major changes.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

As of November, 2004 the Audit Committee met 5 times during 2004. This report contains information relevant to this Fiscal Year (FY) 2003 and 2004 regular external audit and the extra ordinary activities of the Committee for this calendar year

External Audits

During this year, we reviewed the Management Report from the FY 2003 audit. There were no significant issues identified. Specific comments and action plans were requested and received from the subject departments. All of the issues mentioned are being addressed by the appropriate departments.

Melanson Heath & Company (External Town Auditor) is presently completing the external audit for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2004. The final Management Report has not been reviewed by the Committee at this writing. However, the 2004 Audit has progressed at a faster pace and with fewer issues than in prior periods. There is still much work to do relating to improving interdepartmental communication and accountability, but great strides have been made and the audit is on track for timely completion. The audited financial statements for Fiscal Year 2004 are included elsewhere in this Annual Report, please review them carefully. This is your money at work.

There were some changes made to the audit process, both internally and externally. Internally, Melanson Heath & Company began a 3 year audit of all of the towns departments, focusing on cash management policies and procedures. This year they audited six departments: Police Department; Fire Department; School Lunch Program – including Snack Cart Cash Management;

Department of Public Health; Highway Department – including Dump / Beach Stickers and the Office of the Building Inspector. These areas could be subject to another audit in less than 3 years and other town departments and boards will be added to the rotation. At the end of this 3 year cycle, all town departments will have been audited at least once. This does not preclude special audits of departments, boards or committees as conditions warrant. This 3 year rotation will continue as a standing feature in the external audit process.

A new external requirement, called Statement on Audit Standard 99 (SAS 99) – Fraud Detection Requirement, was applied. SAS 99 requires the external town auditor to actively seek out fraudulent activity. SAS 99 calls for the audit team members to consider how and where the entity's financial statements might be susceptible to material misstatement due to fraud and to reinforce the importance of adopting an appropriate mindset of professional skepticism. Two types of misstatements are relevant to the auditors' concerns. Misstatements representing fraudulent financial reporting can be caused by intentional manipulation or falsification of the financial statements. This can occur by omission, alteration of documents or misapplications of accounting standards. Secondly, misstatements arising from theft for which the financial statements are not in conformity with accounting standards because assets are overstated and/or liabilities are omitted or understated. Misappropriation is accompanied by false records or circumvention of internal controls. This current Audit is the first year where SAS 99 was applied – no fraud was detected.

Extra Ordinary Occurrences

In addition to the external audit process, a number of issues were considered by the Audit Committee.

Audit Committee Bylaw

Last year's Annual Town meeting rejected an Article (Article 29) that would have amended the bylaws controlling the Audit Committee. Thank you for listening to the Committee's concerns relating to that Article and responding appropriately. The current bylaws are sufficient to allow the Committee to operate effectively.

Ad Hoc Audit of the Planning Board – Inspection/Surety Accounts

The Committee reviewed the report of the external auditor and their audit of the Inspection and Surety Accounts controlled by the Planning Board. The Committee also attended the August 10, 2004 Board of Selectmen meeting where Melanson Heath presented their findings and 4 recommendations relating to the Planning Board transactions. The Town Treasurer also made a series of recommendations at the same meeting that augmented the external auditor's recommendations. The Audit Committee agreed with all of those recommendations.

KES Building Committee

The Committee reviewed a Kingston Elementary School Building Committee request relating to their attempts to reconcile discrepancies between that Committee's record of accounts and invoices to those of the Town Accountant

on the renovation of Kingston Elementary School and the Building of the Kingston Middle School. There was also concern expressed over the future use of approximately \$1,200,000 that was borrowed to build a Waste Water Treatment plant for the middle school that was ultimately not built. The KES School Building Committee suggested that those monies be set aside and their use be discussed at Annual Town Meeting. The Committee concurred.

Board of Selectmen – Travel Allowance Procedures

Town Treasurer John LeBranche requested the Committee's advice on the issue of the Board of Selectmen (BOS) receiving a \$500 annual allowance, as a lump sum check, for travel and expense reimbursement. The Audit Committee shared his concerns about the lack of documentation and felt that the BOS should comply with the Town's travel and expense reimbursement policies that are applied to all employees. Absent a clear policy, the Committee concurred with Mr. LeBranche's suggestion to treat this as income until the Selectmen establish a Travel and Expense Policy.

In closing, Theodore Alexiades resigned from the Committee in early 2004 and we gratefully acknowledge his service to the Town. The two non-voting members of the Committee (Joan Paquette, Town Accountant and Kevin Donovan, Town Administrator) are also to be commended for their dedication and insight relating to audit issues. While many departments worked hard to make this audit progress smoothly, there is a core of dedicated elected officials and town staff that should be publicly thanked: Mary Lou Murzyn, Town Clerk; John LeBranche, Town Treasurer; Priscilla Palumbo, Tax Collector; James Judge, Assistant Town Assessor and Lucinda "Sia" Stewart, Library Director. Finally, the Committee expresses it's thanks to the Town for allowing us to serve in this important role.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Building Statistics for Fiscal Year 2004

Single Family Dwelling	75	Commercial	44
Garage	9	Swimming Pools	44
Renovation/Alterations	165	Misc.	175
Shed/Barn	37	Mobile Homes	0

Total Building Permits Issued	549
Total Est. Construction Cost	\$72,747,087.00
Total Fees Collected	202,985.85

The Building Department has regulatory responsibility in many areas including construction, life safety and architectural access, zoning and general bylaws and many other codes and Massachusetts regulations.

The Inspectional Services/Building Department operates in an ever expanding administrative environment. Total permits issued increased 21% over last year as construction activity increased in both the new and the existing structure areas. Population increase brings with it increased activity in all areas of the

department and the inspectors and staff have shouldered the increased workload with enthusiasm and professionalism.



Building Inspector Paul Armstrong and Admin. Assistant Susan Fortini

This August we lost a friend and longtime teammate. James E Coleman, our Assistant Zoning Enforcement Officer passed away suddenly. Jim was a long time public servant, a true gentleman and a fast friend. His knowledge of government, our town, and the people who live here was invaluable. We miss him daily.

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

As required by the Town By-laws, the Capital Planning Committee makes its recommendations to the Annual Town Meeting on expenditures for assets costing \$10,000 or more and having a useful life of five (5) years minimum. The Capital Plan is developed as a working report for the Town's use in helping plan for these expenditures within a five-year time period.

For Fiscal Year 2005 the Capital Planning Committee recommended:

Fire Department	
Ambulance	\$175,000
Police Department	
Three Patrol Cars	\$84,900
Animal Control Van	\$19,000
Street, Trees & Parks Department	
Trash Compactor	\$44,000
75 c.y. Ejection Trailer	\$44,500
SUV 4 W/D	\$30,000

Water Department	\$400,000
System Upgrades	\$125,000
SCADA System	\$250,000
Meter Replacement	\$200,000
New Well (Testing)	\$1,372,400
Total Capital Plan	\$1,372,400

The recommended sources of funding for the Fiscal Year 2005 Plan were:	
General Fund Surplus Revenue	\$222,400
General Fund Borrowing	\$175,000
Water Enterprise Surplus Revenue	\$200,000
Water Enterprise Borrowing	\$775,000
Total of Funding Sources	\$1,372,400

As required by the Town By-laws, in September 2003 the Budget Advisory Committee allocated \$450,000 of the General Fund Surplus Revenue to the Capital Plan. As noted above, \$222,400 will be used directly to fund purchases. The Capital Planning Committee also recommends that \$209,500 of Surplus Revenue be used for debt payments for borrowing approved for past Capital Plans as well as the borrowing recommended here. The remaining balance of \$18,100 will be returned to the General Fund. The April 2004 Annual Town Meeting accepted these recommendations.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

2004 has brought many changes, particularly the move from the old Town House on Green Street to the new Town House on Evergreen Street. The resident's accolades have been numerous from more parking spaces, handicap accessibility into the new building and to the various offices and the overall beauty of the building.

This year has also brought sadness to us as one of our staff members fought with unrelenting strength, an unforgiving illness. Alice Coleman succumbed to her illness and passed on December 11, 2004. Alice was always an uplifting spirit and an asset to this office. She will be sincerely missed and difficult to replace. My sincerest and utmost thanks to staff member Jo Ann Bray for her support and dedication during this difficult year. My heartfelt thanks to everyone for his or her help and patience.

REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES ARE PAID QUARTERLY:

All information for Real Estate and Personal Property originates from the Board of Assessor's office (781-585-0509) and it is the Assessor's office which commits to the Collector's office the Warrant to collect those monies for the Town of Kingston. It is the responsibility of the property owner to make sure their taxes are paid timely. *Refunds are issued and processed at the end of the Fiscal Year and checks are mailed in July.* Call the Collector's office (781-585-0507) M - F / 8:30 - 4:30 for payment information.

Preliminary billing (Estimated bill based on 50% of previous tax year)

1 st Quarter	Last business day in June	Payable August 1 st
2 nd Quarter	Last business day in September	Payable November 1 st

Actual billing (Assessed Value and Tax Rate set)

3 rd Quarter	Last business day in December	Payable February 1 st
4 th Quarter	Last business day in March	Payable May 1 st

Demand Notice Mailed mid May each year. Demand billing is a result of any unpaid taxes committed to the Collector to collect for that fiscal year (July 1 - June 30) and payable within fourteen (14) days.

Public Notice Advertisement A list of property owners (owner of record as of January 1), parcel identification, and amount of the unpaid taxes is submitted to the Kingston Report in June to be published in the Legal Notices. Copy of this publication is posted at the Town House (2 locations), The Kingston Public Library and at The Reed Community Center.

Tax Taking When the Collector does not receive payment on those advertised parcels, those unpaid taxed parcels are turned over to the Treasurer and the unpaid taxes are recorded at the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, Plymouth, Massachusetts. This will appear on your deed as a lien for unpaid taxes and could affect your credit. Any effort to clear property in Tax Taking status is then handled through the Treasurer's office (781-585-0508).

WATER (UTILITY) BILLS ARE PAID QUARTERLY

All information for Water Usage originates from the Water Department (781-585-0504) and it is the Water Department, which commits to the Collector's office the Warrant to collect those monies for the Town of Kingston. All questions concerning water reading, street marking, shut off and final water readings are to be directed to the Water Department.

Bills are mailed

1 st Quarter	June	Payable 30 days / Early July
2 nd Quarter	September	Payable 30 days / Early October
3 rd Quarter	December	Payable 30 days / Early January
4 th Quarter	March	Payable 30 days / Early April

SEWER BETTERMENT

The amount assessed to each property originates from the Sewer Commissioners (781-422-2253). The assessed amount is turned over to the Assessor's office to be included on the Real Estate Property Tax which is committed to the Collector with a Warrant to collect. The Sewer Commissioners also established a flat rate fee for the waste water from those properties that are connected to the sewer system. The flat rate fee appears on your water (utility) bill.

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX / BOAT EXCISE TAX DEALER PLATE, REPAIR PLATE, FARM EQUIPMENT PLATE EXCISE TAX

All information originates from the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles. This information is turned over to the Assessor's office, which is committed to

the Collector with a Warrant to collect. All billing notes a 30-day payment schedule except Boat Excise which is payable within 60 days. Unpaid taxes generate a Demand Notice payable within 14 days. Unpaid Demand Notice generates a Warrant. Unpaid Warrant generates a Final Warrant. Unpaid Final Warrant generates a Marking at the RMV and no future registration and license renewals will be permitted by the RMV until the outstanding taxes are paid. There are numerous Excise Tax Commitments throughout the year. The Harbormaster (781-585-0519) is working with the Collector to assure taxes are paid before assignment of mooring. *Refunds are processed monthly.*

TO BETTER SERVE YOU

The Collector's office (781-585-0507) is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM (the office remains open during the lunch period).

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The year 2004 was again a very active one for the Conservation Commission. As the town continues to grow rapidly and the available uplands for building become more scarce, the number of wetland filings continue unabated. In addition, the areas where town sewerage has been installed have also remained very active with many new homes and/or renovations.

The Commission dealt with 38 Notice of Intent Filings, 22 Requests for Determination of Applicability, and 3 Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation for large developments.

Some conservation activities included:

- Beautifying the 32nd parallel monument by Ryan Murphy for his Eagle Scout project
- Marking trails at Cranberry Watershed
- Creating and holding a conservation restriction along Fountain Head Brook for Ryan's Way Development
- Adding strength to the Wetland Protection By-law for vernal pools, and more closely defining the By-law appeal process for wetland resource areas and riverfront areas

COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging continued, during Fiscal Year 2004, to provide programs to meet the needs of Kingston's elder population.

Our statistics for the year indicate a marked increase in transportation services. The GATRA vans logged over 40,000 miles while providing 5,689 services. These services included rides to medical appointments, dialysis treatments, day care programs, as well as for grocery shopping, banking, programs of the Council on Aging, and other necessary transportation that may be requested. The two vans are provided through a contract with Greater Attleboro Taunton Regional Transit Authority and the Town of Kingston.

Also showing an increase is the Meals-on-Wheels Program. 7160 meals were delivered to individuals who are unable to leave their homes unless they are accompanied by a caregiver or companion. These meals were delivered by Council on Aging volunteers.

Volunteers make the delivery of many of our services possible.

The S.H.I.N.E. Program, "Serving Health Information Needs of Elders", has assisted many elders as they work through complicated health insurance issues, and the Fuel Assistance Program has helped elders and non-elders deal with the cost of heating their homes.

Our excellent relationship with Kingston Kids Care continues, as we work together to improve the lives of our older residents.

The highlight of the year was the Special Town Meeting held on June 8, 2004. At that time it was voted to establish a Senior Center Building Committee to be charged with the design, location and construction and /or reconstruction of a senior citizen center.

CULTURAL COUNCIL

During the fiscal year 2004, the Kingston Cultural Council has continued to provide enrichment to our community through the granting of many creative projects and programs. In this grant cycle, we granted funds for programs in art and music for all ages. Some of these include a musical performance at the Kingston Elementary school and the public library and continued support for the Plymouth philharmonic orchestra. This year we will be able to fund approximately \$2000.00 in grants. We have made it our priority to fund programs that directly benefit the residents of Kingston. We encourage members of the community to attend and enjoy these worthy events.

We hope to continue our support for these and other local cultural endeavors in the future. We welcome input from the community. We also seek new members to replace those whose terms expire this year. Anyone who has an interest in promoting the Arts in our town is encouraged to apply.

KINGSTON EDUCATIONAL FUND TRUSTEES

For the academic year ending 2004, the Trustees were pleased to present \$1,000 awards to the following deserving students:

FUND

The Atwood Brothers
Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Naomi C. Bartlett/Edmund
Dandeneau Scholarship:

Jackson and Irene Golden
Charitable Foundation:

RECIPIENT

Kaitlin M. Struble
Silver Lake Regional H.S.

Joy M. Casserly
Sacred Heart H.S.

Erin E. Cully
Fontbonne Academy

Helen Delano Howe
Scholarship:

Edna Maglathlin Education
Fund:

Pimental Family Memorial
Scholarship Fund*:

Pimental Family Memorial
Scholarship Fund*:

Doris E. Cushman/Lucy
Stein Scholarship:

Annie C. Woodward/Oscar
And Julie Swope Scholarship:

Anthony M. Monish/Harold J.
Weston Scholarship:

*(Awarded in memory of Emilia R., Isaac J., Alfred J. and Anna N. Pimentel)
The Trustees include David W. Gavigan, Chair; Mary Lou Murzyn, Secretary;
Marjorie F. Cadenhead, Member; and Kevin F. Cully, Member.

A vacancy remains on the board with the passing of Roscoe "Rocky" Cole during this past year. Rocky's investment expertise greatly yielded to the financial benefit of the college-bound youth of our community. He is sadly missed.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Over the past year, this agency has offered Radiological and Procedure Training for all personnel that would be responsible for manning the Town's Emergency Operations Center. The Town's radiological and comprehensive plans have also been updated and approved. In addition, we have completed our third move in the last two years. At the present time, our office is at the new Town House and our Emergency Operations Center is located at the Pembroke Street Fire Station Training Room.

Earlier this year, we participated in the graded exercise that tested the Town's ability to handle a radiological emergency at the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station and our staff was given high marks for its ability to handle that mock disaster.

At the present time, we have adequate staff to cover most of our positions within our E.O.C. but we could always use more dedicated staff. If you would like to become a KEMA volunteer or have any questions regarding emergency management, please call 585-3135.

Allison S. Kostka
Silver Lake Regional H.S.

Tracey L. Clapp
Silver Lake Regional H.S.

Nicholas A. Rizzo
Boston College H.S.

Ashley K. Damewood
Silver Lake Regional H.S.

Allison T. Porter
Silver Lake Regional H.S.

Erin P. Mulcahy
Silver Lake Regional H.S.

Michelle E. Woodford
Silver Lake Regional H.S.

FENCE VIEWER

During the past year, the Fence Viewer has not been called upon to perform his designated duties. However, he always stands ready to help those who might need his assistance.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The members of the Finance Committee represent the people of Kingston. Our primary responsibility is to advise and make recommendations to town meeting on the budget and other areas of finance. The committee reviews and makes recommendations on department budgets, meets with individual department heads on financial matters, and maintains strong ties with the Capital Planning Committee and Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Committee also manages a reserve fund and reviews requests for transfers from this fund as town departments face unforeseen and urgent expenses that cannot be funded from their approved budgets.

The Finance Committee strives to deal with budgetary issues in a conservative and fair manner without jeopardizing the integrity of town services

Department	PS or EXP	Amount	Explanation
Fire Department	EXP	\$6,000.00	Repairs to apparatus(Quint & Explorer).
Fire Department	EXP	\$6,000.00	Replace outboard motor
Fire Department	EXP	\$2,000.00	Termite treatment at Smith Lane Station.
Care of Muni Property	EXP	\$47,835.00	New boiler for Reed Building
Council on Aging	EXP	\$3,535.00	Replace six burner gas stove in Reed Building
Elections &	PS	\$2,255.27	Expenses associated with
Registrations	EXP	\$3,170.74	January Special Town Meeting
Inspection Services	PS	\$3,500.00	Increase in permits
	EXP	\$500.00	Increase in permits
Fire Department	EXP	\$7,000.00	Repairs on 1992 brush breaker
		\$1,630.00	Professional testing & evaluation of 4 new firefighters
Inspection Services	PS	\$8,000.00	Increase in permits
	EXP	\$2,000.00	Increase in permits
Town Treasurer	EXP	\$1,573.99	Conversion of payroll to MUNIS
Total Transferred		\$95,000.00	
Reserve Fund Budget		\$95,000.00	
Balance in Reserve Fund		\$ 0.00	



Pembroke Street Fire Department

KINGSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Due to the support of the residents of the Town of Kingston, 2004 has brought many proud accomplishments to the fire department. With the approval of town meetings, we were able to purchase and put into service a new fire engine, as well as a new ambulance. In addition, we were able to purchase a used fire engine which will serve as a back-up to our front line apparatus should one piece be out of service. With the apparatus purchases the Town has made over the past few years, it has allowed our fleet to be put into very good condition.

This past year has also seen the addition of four new firefighters to our staff. The addition of these four new, very qualified firefighters brings our total fulltime staff to twenty, not including the Deputy Chief and Chief's positions. Fifteen of our members are certified to perform advanced life support during medical emergencies. We continue to have nine, valuable call firefighters on staff.

Although we are appreciative of the Town's support for updating our apparatus and manpower over the past few years, our live fire and specialized training programs have been cut back dramatically due to budget reductions. It will be the goal of this department to strive to reinstate this much needed training in the coming year.

GAS INSPECTOR

In fiscal year 2004, 275 Gas permits were issued and inspected by the Gas Inspectors. The total fees received for the permits was \$8,845.00.

HARBORMASTER

I'm pleased to report that 2004 was a safe and successful boating season. I wish to thank all the volunteers and work parties for all their help thorough out the season. We defined our navigation channel by increasing the number of channel markers. I would like to thank Jeff Bond for his time and skills to make this possible.

I am sad to report that this year we lost a longtime member of the Waterfront Committee and Assistant Harbormaster, Bill Fairweather. Everyone will miss his friendship and loyalty to the waterfront.

A special thanks to all the Assistant Harbormasters & Shellfish wardens and a special thanks to Mimi MacInnis and the Waterfront Committee for all their assistance throughout the season. Without the help of all these volunteers it would not be possible to have such successful season.

BOARD OF HEALTH

The year Two Thousand Four as in the last several years saw the continued realization of goals for the Board.

Highlights of the year include:

Fourth year as a full working partner in the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust Program in which the Board received six hundred thousand (\$600,000) state funding. The Program enabled repairs and installations of on site sewerage disposal systems and also sewer connections to the Municipal Sewer System.

Free flu clinics offered to all eligible Kingston residents, this marked the eleventh year. Due to the Flu Vaccine shortage, the Department of Public Health established higher guidelines, allowing individuals aged 75 years or older to receive the vaccine. In December additional vaccine was freed up by the Department of Public Health and the guidelines were lowered to 65 years or older. Two morning sessions were held at the Town Hall.

Conducted weekly beach testing mandated under State Regulations. Beach water quality is regulated to promote public health. Results were within the State limits.

Eleventh year as members of the South Shore Board of Health Collaborative Tobacco Control Program. Sting operations to ensure compliance with the State Smoking Law are conducted quarterly in the Town.



Health Agent Henny Walters (standing) and Adm. Assistant Linda Randall

A commitment to the highest level of public health and safety standards to the Town by maintaining our commitments to the Legislative statutory enablement's allowing health boards to remain free of political municipal pressure.

The Board wishes to thank Ann Frazier and express their appreciation for her longevity of service and dedication to the Town of Kingston.

Members of the Board look forward to another year of continued success in working with the Kingston Community in order to achieve environmentally sound goals in a professional trusting manner.

Revenue statistics are available in the office of the Board of Health and town Clerk.

HERITAGE CENTER DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Thanks to the support of Kingston Town Meeting, Elizabeth B. Sampson Memorial Fund, the 275th Anniversary Committee, Adelphia, The Kingston Selectmen and Massachusetts Historical Commission's Massachusetts Preservation Project Fund, much progress was achieved this year in the preservation and restoration of the Frederic C. Adams building. The first part of "Phase I: Restoration" went out for bid in March and the contract was awarded to Metropolitan Restoration & Waterproofing Corp. of Boston. The following work was completed: cut and pointing of the chimney, repair of step flashing, repair and replacement of slate and repair and replacement of copper ridge and valleys. Copper downspouts and scuppers were fabricated and installed. New gutters were reproduced and replaced where needed. Two columns were replicated and installed in the rear of the building and the flat membrane roof

was replaced. All new wood was painted. Due to the discovery of carpenter ants, an exterminator was called in to treat the building. As a result of that damage, the gutter replacement was more extensive than anticipated.

The Committee is planning to secure funding to complete Phase I of the restoration project in the coming year. We are currently designing a marketing brochure to distribute throughout the business community.

The Friends of Kingston Heritage continue to support the restoration of the Frederic C. Adams building and the creation of the Heritage Center. In 2004 they donated a sum of money to assist in painting the portico and columns. Due to the additional gutter work required, this project had to be postponed until additional funding can be secured.

The Friends took part in the Town wide Yard Sale in September and continue to raise funds through private donations.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

During the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' 2004 Preservation Week in May, the Historical Commission sponsored a Walking Tour, featuring local significant structures included in the Historic Kingston Village Walking Tour brochure. This brochure remains available at the Town House and the Library as well as at several local businesses. Also in May, with the assistance of the Library History Room's curator, photographs of the Kingston Center National Register of Historic Places were publicly displayed in the Kingston Library. Now, these photographs are permanently displayed in the lower foyer of the Town House.

Applications for demolition of Kingston homes continued to demand much of the Commission's time in 2004. Many smaller, older homes were demolished to build new, larger ones on the same lots. The Commission has anguished over what the town and affected neighborhoods consider important to their community and worth preserving. Town and neighborhood input has been sparse.

Researching and keeping the public informed about historical areas of the town is another area that kept the Commission engaged this year. Working closely with the town's citizens and the Massachusetts Historical Commission, the Kingston Historical Commission helped ensure that developers were aware of and willing to protect several historic sites.

The Commission was able to fill one of its two long-term vacancies in 2004 and hopes to fulfill its membership in 2005.

Raising awareness of the benefits of the Community Preservation Act became a goal of the Commission in 2004. The Historical Commission presented a town forum/informational session at the Town House in May and visited with various town boards. The Commission presented an article, which passed, at Town Meeting that places the Community Preservation Act on the 2005 spring ballot. The Commission sees the Preservation Act as a valuable tool which will not

only help in preserving and reusing our town's historic buildings, but will provide much needed State funding for recreational areas, open space and affordable housing.



Kingston Public Library

LIBRARY DIRECTOR AND TRUSTEES

In FY2004, heavy use of the Library's nine public workstations continued. The workstations are used primarily for word-processing, market research, searching the Internet for business and personal research, and access to a vast number of online databases, both free and proprietary. Through our memberships in the Old Colony Library Network, the Southeastern Massachusetts Regional Library System, and the Massachusetts Library Information Network, the Library offers access to literally hundreds of specialized databases not available to the general public but freely available over the Internet to all holders of Kingston Public Library cards. Unfortunately, state budget cuts resulted in the suspension of a number of these resources in FY2002, and there were more cuts in FY2003 and FY2004.

Our Book Discussion group, which started in FY97, met each month to discuss a wide range of books. The Library is now hosting computer classes run by the Recreation Department, using our computer lab. At other times, the lab is available for all library users. Programs for children included storytimes, crafts, musical performances, and other programs throughout the year. The Summer Reading Program was, as usual, a tremendously popular way for kids and families to build strong reading habits and keep reading skills sharp through the summer. The Art Committee sponsored monthly exhibits of work from local artists.

This was the first year of a new community-reading program, collaboration between the library, the schools, and members of the community. The program is intended to promote a stronger community, using the medium of reading and discussion. Our goal is for Kingston residents to read the same book, and then talk with each other about the ideas and questions the book raises for them. The book we chose to start off with was *Seabiscuit*, by Laura Hillenbrand. The Committee organized and presented programs for adults and children, including several discussions of the book.

The Local History Room had an exciting year with the discovery of letters signed by Thomas Jefferson and Charles Bulfinch that had been stored in the old Town House attic. In addition, the LHR presented a tea-with-vignettes as part of the Kingston Reads community-reading program, called *Strength and Courage: the female underdogs of Kingston*; was the co-curator of the exhibit *Kingston Perspectives*, which was on display at the Major John Bradford Homestead during the summer; and played a vital part in preparing for the Library's tenth anniversary at 6 Green Street. The LHR continues to process collections and assist other Town Departments, such as the Fire Department, preserve their records. Patrons continue to use the room for researching family and house histories, as well as general history about the town.

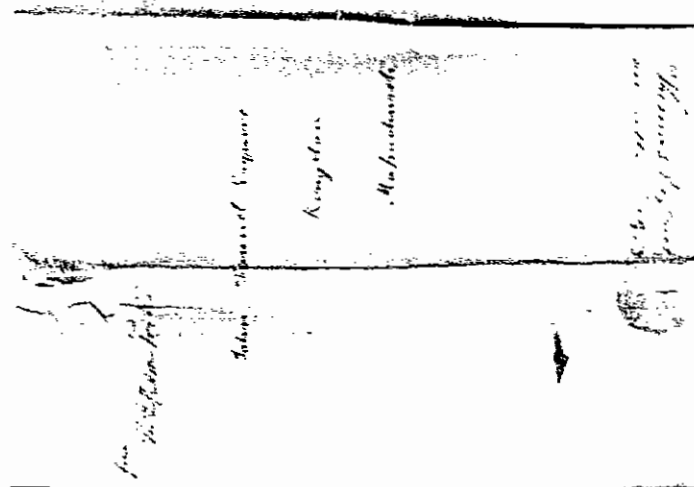
Library users borrowed our discount passes to the JFK Library, the Children's Museum, the Boston Aquarium, the Museum of Science, Plimouth Plantation, the Fuller Museum of Art, and the Museum of Fine Art 375 times in FY2004.

In FY2003 20 volunteers donated 1,408 hours of work to the Library. There were approximately 69,000 visits to the Library this year, we were open 2,357 hours, we answered 5,490 reference questions, and users borrowed 142,201 items. We sponsored 118 programs for children attended by 2,169 children, and 49 programs for adults attended by 392 people. As of June 30th, 6,813 Kingston residents held active library cards.

"The Jefferson Letter"

In the early summer of this year, the Local History Room of the Kingston Public Library discovered two documents that illuminate an interesting chapter in Kingston's history. The first document is an 1808 letter from the Selectmen of Boston to the town of Kingston, asking Kingston to join with Boston in asking the President of the United States to lift the embargo on European goods that was then in place. The entire Boston Board of Selectmen, including the famous architect Charles Bulfinch, who was then Chairman of the Board, signed this document.

The second document is a letter from Thomas Jefferson, who was President at that time, to the inhabitants of Kingston, acknowledging receipt of their petition and explaining his reasons for continuing the embargo. This document was filled in and signed by Thomas Jefferson. According to Stuart Whitehurst of Skinner Auction House, both documents are authentic.



MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

The Master Plan Implementation Committee (MPIC) was created in 1998, its charge being to recommend and draft the means to implement Kingston's Master Plan based on the time table included with the Plan. This year marks the sixth anniversary of the Kingston Master Plan adopted in October 1998. The Master Plan Implementation Committee is reviewing the entire plan, its accomplishments and its unfinished business, as it contemplates updating the plan.

Membership of the MPIC is composed of representatives designated by the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, Planning Board, Capital Planning Committee, Conservation Commission, Water Commission, Board of Health, Historical Commission, Open Space Committee, local environmental organization, the business community, and four residents at large and the Town Planner. Susan Boyer served as Committee Chairmen this year. The Committee saw the resignations of three charter members this year in past Chairman Frank Basler, Robert Koska, and Vice Chairman Jerry Powell. With his retirement from Town Government former Selectman George Cravenho also resigned. Basler and Koska had served on the Master Plan Committee that developed the Plan since its inception in 1995 and Powell since 1997.

PARKING CLERK

Receipts from parking violations totaling \$5767 were collected in 2004. Hearings for disputed parking violations are held at the Town House. Individuals who want to dispute a parking violation must submit their request for a hearing in writing to Nancy Howlett, Parking Clerk, 26 Evergreen Street, Kingston, MA 02364.

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month in Room 200 of the Kingston Town House and consists of five members elected for five-year terms and one appointed Associate member appointed to a three-year term. With the results of the annual elections the composition of the Board changed with Joel Michaud winning the open seat vacated by outgoing Chairman James E. Colman Jr. The Board elected Thomas S. Bouchard, Sr. as its new Chairman, Michael Ruprecht as Vice Chair and Edmund J. King, Jr. as Clerk. Susan Farrell and Penny Svenson as the Board's Associate Member complete the Planning Board.

This year saw another change in the Board, transferring the responsibilities for accounting and managing engineering/inspection and surety accounts to the Town Planner. Mr. King had performed this role as the Clerk of the Planning Board for some 23 years. The Board thanks Mr. King for his years of service in this demanding task.

The Planning Board addressed twelve ANR Plans this year. An Approval Not Required plan is one of those interesting parts of Massachusetts Law that allows a land owner to develop their land without the Planning Board's approval – as long as a majority of the members approve that their approval is not required. The Board also reviewed twelve site plans, heard nine special permits and six sub divisions.

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

In fiscal year 2004, 230 Plumbing Permits were issued and inspected by the Plumbing Inspectors. The total fees received for the permits were \$8,845.00.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

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

Cooperative Extension resources and programs for Plymouth County include: garden lectures, fruit pruning demonstrations; pesticide applicator training & licensing exams; the annual UMass Extension Garden Calendar; educational resource materials; training and resources for green industry professionals and youth service agencies; accredited overnight 4-H summer camps; and teacher workshops and resources. New research findings are translated into practical applications and shared with people and communities through workshops, conferences, field demonstrations, radio and television, local libraries, technical assistance, and newspaper articles. Publications such as newsletters, booklets, and fact sheets bring information directly to those who need it. Additional information is delivered through office visits, phone calls, and UMass-Amherst Extension web access – www.umassextension.org.

The Plymouth County Extension office is located at P.O. Box 658, High St. Hanson MA 02341 (781-293-3541; 781-447-5946) plyctext@mindspring.com. Regional Extension programs are often conducted in Southeastern Massachusetts. UMass Extension also operates the Cranberry Experiment Research Station, located in Wareham.

Members of the Plymouth County Staff:

Michael D. Koski, 4-H Youth and Family Development Program
Amy McCune, 4-H Youth and Family Development Program

Deborah C. Swanson, Landscape, Nursery and Urban Forestry Program
Debra L. Corrow, Executive Assistant

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Chris Wicks - Middleboro

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Andrea B. Gulezian, Supervisor

Tammy Short, Nutrition Educator

Maria Pique, Nutrition Educator

Jennifer Anderson, Nutrition Ed.

Joyce Rose, Nutrition Educator

Anita Sprague, Senior Clerk

PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

The 2004 season began with a normal water table until record April precipitation produced large numbers of spring and summer brood mosquitoes throughout the County. 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. The Project responded to 9,420 requests for service from residents.

In response to the elevated threat of virus in the district, we increased our trapping, aerial and ground larviciding, and adult spray in areas of concern to protect public health.

Eastern Equine Encephalitis virus was first isolated from *Culex* species, a human biting species, by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health from Project collections in Middleboro on August 3, 2004. Of the season's total of thirty nine EEE isolates, fifteen were from Plymouth County as follows: Halifax (8/4, 8/11, 8/18, 9/13 (2), and 9/20), Kingston (8/18, and 8/19), Middleboro (8/3, 8/24 and 8/25), Pembroke (8/31 and 9/8), Plymouth (9/8), Rockland (9/4). Four human cases of EEE were confirmed including two fatalities (Brockton and Holbrook). These cases came from four towns in two counties (Plymouth County: Brockton and Middleboro), (Norfolk County: Holbrook and Foxboro). Seven horses tested positive for EEE in Massachusetts with three in Plymouth County: Middleboro (2) 9/2 and 9/15 and East Bridgewater (1) 10/2. We normally end our spray season on Labor Day. This year, because of increased virus isolations, we extended our residential spray program three weeks into September. Municipality based requests for area wide spray continued throughout the district through October 4, 2004. Based on guidelines defined by the "Vector Control Plan to Prevent EEE" in Massachusetts, Southeastern Massachusetts will be at a "high level of EEE risk" beginning the 2005 season.

We are pleased to report that in 2004 there were no human West Nile Virus cases in Plymouth County. No horse cases occurred during the season and two birds tested positive for WNV (one in East Bridgewater and one in Marshfield). The recurring problem of EEE and WNV continues to ensure cooperation

between this Project and the Department of Public Health. In an effort to keep the public informed, EEE and WNV activity updates are regularly posted on our web site, www.plymouthmosquito.com and Massachusetts Department of Public Health at www.state.ma.us/dph/wmv/wmv1.htm.

The figures specific to the Town of Kingston 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 Kingston residents.

Insecticide Application. 6,768 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 June and the last in September.

During the summer 2,861 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 Kingston this year we aerially larvicided 204 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.

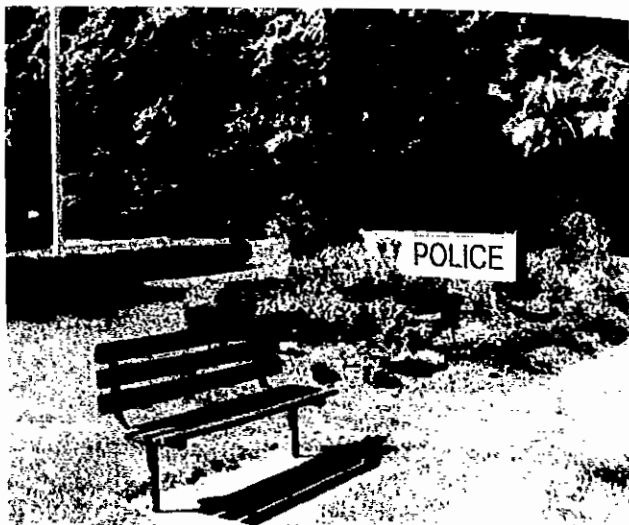
Water Management. During 2004 crews removed blockages, brush and other obstructions from 1,620 linear feet of ditches and streams to prevent overflows or stagnation that can result in mosquito breeding. This work, together with machine reclamation, is most often carried out in the fall and winter.

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 Kingston was less than two days with more than 253 complaints answered.

Mosquito Survey. A systematic sampling for the mosquitoes in Kingston indicates that *Aedes vexans* was the most abundant species. Other important species collected include *Coquillettidia perturbans* and *Ochlerotatus cantator*.

We encourage citizens or municipal officials to call our office for information about mosquitoes, mosquito-borne diseases, control practices, or any other matters of concern.





KINGSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Kingston Police Department continues to work with federal, state, and other local municipal agencies sharing information regarding potential threats of all types to public safety in our area. With some additional equipment purchased and some Homeland Security training, we feel confident in our ability to handle threat potentials.

Our continued success with the School Resource Officer program at Silver Lake Regional High School has enhanced our relationship with students, parents, and school officials. Officer Laurie Bradley has been in the school since September and has been an important influence to both students and faculty.

This department saw three of its members retire this year. Officer Dennis O'Brien, with 42 years of service, Sergeant Wayne Cristani, with 30 years of service, and Chief Gordon Fogg, with 30 years of service. They have been an asset to this department and have served the community throughout their careers. We thank them for their commitment and wish them the best in their retirement.

With the vacant positions, we saw Maurice Splaine promoted to Lieutenant and Timothy Ballinger promoted to Sergeant. There were two new patrolmen hired this year, Steven Armstrong and Timothy Arnold. They are both graduates of Silver Lake Regional High School and local residents. With them expecting to graduate from the Police Academy in early January, we look forward to getting these new officers out on the street. The town is in the process of selecting a new chief and Lieutenant Kelley has been the Acting Chief for the interim.

Another employee who will be missed is one of our Public Safety Dispatchers, Terry Gardiner. Terry became a new mom this year. Congratulations and good luck. We have hired a new Public Safety Dispatcher, Gail Fallon. Gail is a local resident that was employed by the town as Assistant Animal Control Officer, Animal Inspector, as well as a matron for our department.

Thanks to the town for the funding for our new computer system. The system is up and running smoothly. Also, thanks for the continued support of the town for our DARE program. Our annual National Night Out was a tremendous success again this year. This event was held at the Kingston Intermediate School with over 1000 people turning out to enjoy the festivities, meet the local police members, and have a good time.

The department logged over 17,000 incidents with 230 arrests for the year. The Kingston Police Department continues to make every effort to provide the highest level of professional and quality police services to the town.



The Town welcomed Chief Joseph Rebello on January 1, 2005

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Recreation Department's mission is to provide a wide variety of leisure and cultural activities, special events, facilities and programs that encourage health, fitness, relaxation and cultural enrichment and learning, as well as opportunities for community involvement. Our programs seek to complement existing programs offered by other community groups.

The Recreation Department is staffed by one part-time Director, a part-time Recreation Assistant, a full-time Head Custodian and a part-time Junior Custodian. The Recreation Commission is comprised of 5 citizens of Kingston. The Recreation Commission meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00pm at the Reed Community House.

The Recreation Department designs and manages the mailing of four brochures per year as well as updating our own website (www.kingstonrec.com) to better serve the public. The brochures are mailed to every household in Kingston. The brochures, as well as other information and forms, are also made available on line at our new website, at the Town Hall, the Kingston Public Library, and at the Reed Community House.

During FY05 the Recreation Commission continued its efforts to maintain and upgrade the facilities under their jurisdiction: Reed Community House and grounds; 9.51 acres, including 3 sports fields, a playground, tennis courts and basketball court, and Gray's Beach Park; 6.50 acres, which includes a basketball court, tennis court, and playground. In addition, the Recreation Commission's jurisdiction of town property increased to include the Opachinski Complex; 46.15 acres, which includes 11 sports fields and a concession building.



The Department also manages and implements the following programs, which include a variety of activities for individuals of all ages and are intended to complement existing programs offered by other community groups. Programs include, but are not limited to, Dance, "56 Club" parties, Toddler Time. Playgroup, Music Programs, Babysitting, Boys Sports Time, Play Soccer Clinics, Art Programs, Archery, Robotics, Tennis, Sailing and a multiple of summer week-long clinics, and a Summer Playground Program. Some of the adult programs include, but are not limited to, Yoga, Partner Dancing, Volleyball, Golf, Tennis, Pilates, Middle Eastern Dance, Knitting, Computer Classes, and Camera Classes. Participation in recreation programs continues to increase. During the past year the Recreation Department provided more than 100 programs and more than 4500 citizens participated in the programs.

Special events include the Halloween Party, Luminary Holiday Activities, Dance Recital, Pizza Bingo, and Egg Hunt.

Use of the Reed Community House also continues to increase. Building users include the Council on Aging, Girl and Boy Scouts, youth sports organizations, municipal boards and committees as well as various civic and community organizations. Most Recreation Department programs are also held at the Reed Community House.

The Recreation Commission would like to express their appreciation to all town boards, committees, departments, Kingston students, and Boy's and Girl's Scout troops who have worked together to support recreation projects and activities throughout the year. Special thanks this year to Michael Ignagni, an Eagle Scout from Troop 49, for his outstanding accomplishment in restoring and preserving the projection booth in the Reed Community building. This booth contains a Cameragraph (movie projector) dating back to 1904. In June of 2004 the Board of Selectman recognized and accepted this booth as a historical museum.

The Recreation Department is always seeking new program/class ideas. Please submit ideas to the Recreation Department, 33A Summer Street, Kingston, MA 02364 or feel free to call 781-585-0533.

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

What a year! Beginning January 10th with a Special Town Election for Selectman and ending November 2nd with the Presidential Election, the Registrars were busy assisting, in total, with five elections and four town meetings. For each event, all nomination papers and petitions were certified; and the required voter registration session was held.

The breakdown of the Town's registered voters, as of December 15, 2004, is as follows:

Precinct	Democrat	Republican	Unenrolled	Other	Totals
1	547	331	1,098	24	2,000
2	505	493	1,054	19	2,071
3	461	341	1,090	15	1,907
4	<u>631</u>	<u>341</u>	<u>1,109</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>2,098</u>
	2,144	1,506	4,351	75	8,076

RENT CONTROL BOARD

The Board has experienced a very light year in its service to the Town of Kingston. Neither of our two Mobile Home Parks has applied for a rent increase for the past two years. We believe this will not be the case for the upcoming year and expect to be busy when increases are applied for. The Board of Selectmen re-appointed Ms. Karen Donnelly to a five year term. The Board then re-organized and elected Mr. Edmund J. King Jr. as chairman. We look forward to serving the community in the upcoming year.

KINGSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Town of Kingston, Massachusetts
Including a Report of the Silver Lake Regional School District

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Joseph Chaves, Chairman	Term Expires 2007
Mr. Paul Barry, Vice Chairman	Term Expires 2005
Mrs. Cynthia Lynch, Secretary	Term Expires 2006
Mrs. Cheryl Guidoboni	Term Expires 2005
Mr. Christopher A. Mamakos	Term Expires 2007

The Kingston School Committee meets at 7:00 p.m., on the second Monday of each month.

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Dr. Gordon L. Noseworthy	Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Elizabeth A. Sorrell	Assistant Superintendent, K-12
Mr. David Kenney	Administrator of Special Education
Mr. John Tuffy	Director of Business Services

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

NO SCHOOL announcements will be given on radio stations WATD, WPLM and on television stations WCVB (Channel 5) and WHDH (Channel 7) and WFXT (Fox 25) between 6:35 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. In addition, the fire alarm signals will indicate no school as follows:

6:30 a.m., no school all schools, including Junior & Senior High Schools
7:00 a.m., no school Elementary ONLY.

The signal will be 4 short blasts, repeated 3 times.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

No one does this job alone. Students, teachers, staff, administrators, parents, School Committees, Building Committees, volunteers, and many in the community who support public education contribute to the excellence of our schools. Each year the success stories come back from recent graduates and there is no more gratifying testimony to our mission. A special thanks to all of you who serve the schools of Silver Lake and Union 31.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The Silver Lake Regional School District and Union #31 2004-2005 kick-off day for teachers and administrators occurred in the auditorium of our new state-of-the-art Silver Lake Regional Middle School. After years of excited anticipation we were actually in the facility and only a day away from welcoming the middle level learners of our three town district into their new school. We celebrated through open houses for students, parents and members of the community and everyone's reaction was the same—spectacular. What is most pleasing and inspiring to those of us who work in the building is the fact

that the design is so well suited to middle level learning. It is one thing to see plans and quite another to implement practice. As the teams inhabited their pods, the building came to life in a most wonderful way. Again, we have to thank all those who made this dream a reality. The three towns can be rightfully proud of Silver Lake Regional Middle School.

Leading up to our new year were months of 2004 finalizing the withdrawal of Pembroke from the Silver Lake Regional School District. Teachers' assignments were determined by state law. Inventories of real property were meticulously verified and divided according to the *Transition Agreement*. Career and Technical Education students from Pembroke are permitted to remain at Silver Lake Regional High School on a tuition basis. In June the final four-town class graduated from Silver Lake Regional School District. This milestone was celebrated with a half-century of fond memories and the excitement of our vision of great years to come.

The substance of that first meeting on September 7, 2004 was the delivery of our *Pathway to Proficiency*. Each teacher received a copy of a graphic organizer which focused on data-driven decision-making and our performance accountability. The graph links all the connections that need to be made each day as we practice excellent teaching. Studying the hard data of our student results in MCAS and other assessments guides the strategy of our initiatives for teaching and learning. We modify curriculum and design professional development around the information that is gleaned from these results. Through the use of advance software we are also able to study cohorts of students, that is, the same group of children as they progress through the system. In the aggregate all our students made what *No Child Left Behind* legislation refers to as "Adequate Yearly Progress" but that does not mean we settle for that level. The national goal to have all children proficient by 2014 provides another decade but our aim is to excel before the deadline.

Teachers make an invaluable contribution to our mission. The high stakes task forces on English Language Arts and Mathematics have moved on to become a Curriculum Committee and a Professional Development Committee. The work of the former is published twice annually for every citizen; the work of the latter culminates in a biannual publication that delineates the options for teachers to participate in workshops, institutes and courses in our own schools. This work serves the initiatives of the district while simultaneously meeting the state requirement that we provide opportunities for teachers to gain Professional Development Points towards their five year re-certification obligation. In many cases offerings are taught by our own staff, proof that "the expertise is among us." This is a practical and exemplary extension of course and conference investments in our teachers.

In 2003, I instituted *Planning for Excellence: Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Development Initiatives*, an annual power point presentation the most recent of which was made to the Joint School Committees on November 18, 2004. While every aspect of operating the school district cannot be comprehensively addressed, the goals which we prioritize and on which we focus are addressed. The intent is to describe the action accomplished for the

year gone by and what is planned for the year ahead. Showing how these goals tie in to our progress renders this a working document. The administrators are provided with both a copy of the report itself and a separate list designating who is responsible among the leadership to see that we accomplish our goals. The substance of the 2005 report will reflect the work we are currently doing.

The need to connect as a PK-12 system, one which communicates, coordinates and acts in the interests of all children is ongoing. We pull together at the administration team meetings. All towns and levels are represented in committee work, a prime example of which are the vertical teams who wrote the benchmarks for the PK-12 curriculum. These will inform and guide all teachers and parents on the expectations by grade level of our learners.

Budget concerns are very real in each school. We suffer critical losses to meet the bottom line in each town and, as one year follows another, those losses heap on top of each other interfering with our success. The loss of coordinators at a time when we are striving to provide connections; the loss of technology personnel in a technological era; teacher cutbacks impacting class size; contractual unrest; and all line items squeezed to the minimum affect the quality of the education we deliver. We do continue to be as creative and resourceful as possible with every dollar the towns are able to provide for education.

June 2004 saw the retirements of Mr. Stephen Nestor as the Director of Occupational Programs, Mr. Robert Hodge as Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education for Silver Lake Regional and Ms. Judith Bell as Administrator of Special Education for Superintendency Union 31 and Silver Lake Regional School District. Mr. James Hathaway replaced Mr. Nestor. Mr. David Kenney replaced Ms. Bell. Dr. Maurice Splaine's position as Interim Assistant Superintendent, K-6 was eliminated as of June 30, 2004. The position of Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education and the position of Assistant Superintendent, K-6 were combined into one position of Assistant Superintendent K-12 for Superintendency Union 31 and Silver Lake Regional School District. Ms. Elizabeth Sorrell was hired to fill this newly reconfigured position. Budgetary constraints in the Kingston School Department necessitated the elimination of the Kingston Elementary School principalship held by Mrs. Lynne Christensen. Mr. William O'Brien now oversees both Kingston Schools. Mr. John Chellel resigned as Assistant Principal of Kingston Elementary School and was replaced by Ms. Paula Bartosiak, a long time Kingston classroom teacher. At the Dennett Elementary School in Plympton, Dr. Mary Dickerson resigned as Principal and Mr. Philip Holt, on leave from his classroom duties at the Dennett, is now serving as the Interim Principal at the Dennett Elementary.

KINGSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Kingston Elementary School this year, for the first time, became the majority input to the Silver Lake Regional High School system following the withdrawal of Pembroke. At just over 51 percent, Kingston Elementary School's program became the standard, continuing to provide superior art, music, band during the school day, gifted, and before/after school programs.

Budget adjustments again affected the Kingston Elementary Schools this year. In an effort to keep class sizes smaller, this year saw changes to the structure of the Elementary School Campus administration. One principal was appointed over both schools with an assistant principal in each school. One of many cost-savings contributed to having an Elementary School campus.

Extra classrooms continued to be leased to regional, Special Education, and the Pilgrim Area Collaborative, providing badly needed cash for school maintenance programs.

Kingston's Elementary Schools provide the community with a cornucopia of facilities. The Soccer fields, Gym, 700-seat Auditorium, Cafeterias and several classrooms were used by Town, Sports, Scout, drama and service groups providing a valuable link between the Schools and their community.

KINGSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Mr. William M. O'Brien, Principal

The Kingston Intermediate School and the Kingston Elementary School continue to provide a high quality, child centered educational experience for the families and students we serve. Our school population is nearly twelve hundred youngsters in grades K-6. Our class sizes are excellent however, with twenty-one pupils per class at KES and twenty-three at KIS.

Mrs. Paula Bartosiak joined our administrative team as assistant principal at KES this year. Her years of experience as a classroom teacher have certainly strengthened our program.

Our dedicated professional staff provides a wide range of educational opportunities for our pupils. The achievement of academic excellence is a constant goal at our schools. Emphasis is placed on improved instruction at all levels. Our professional staff works together in collaborative teams to clarify essential outcomes, develop common assessments, and analyze student performance. Teachers use a variety of assessments to differentiate instruction. We design instruction to deliver a standards based curriculum. Student data drives our decision making. We are utilizing a "Pathways to Proficiency" model to improve student performance.

Our staff was provided with a wide range of professional development opportunities. Professional development offerings were based on faculty teaching and learning needs of our pupils. Mathematics was emphasized at our professional development days in October and January.

Tremendous support continued from our PTO and School Council. Assortments of educational and cultural programs were brought to our schools. They included:

Historical Perspectives/Amelia Earhart
Bay Colony Educators
CelloBop
Keith Michael Johnson - "Mad About Math"

Tony Toledo - "Unseen Borders"

Field trips sponsored by PTO included:

- Museum of Science "Lord of the Rings" - grade 6
- Whaling Museum New Bedford - grade 5
- Peabody Museum at Harvard - grade 4
- State House trip Boston - grade 3
- New England Aquarium - grade 2
- Drumlin Farm Weston - grade 1
- New England Aquarium
- Tidal Pool Program - Kindergarten

Authors and Illustrators have included Mark Tavares, Melissa Haber and Yokoshima Watkins. A magician performance, a multicultural dance and media literacy/health program rounded out the year.

Our schools are fortunate to have tremendous community support and an experienced dedicated staff who work very hard to provide a positive learning environment where all students can achieve to their fullest potential.

KINGSTON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

MEMBERSHIP

October 1, 2004

Grade	K	SP	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Elementary	161		167	170					498
Intermediate					156	200	171	157	684
Total Kingston School Department K-6									1182

Grade	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Secondary	178	134	165	138	122	139	876
Grand Total							2058

KINGSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE 2003 - 2004 BUDGET FINAL CLOSEOUT TRIAL BALANCE

	TOTAL AVAILABLE	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	BALANCE
REGULAR DAY			
1100 SCHOOL COMMITTEE	17,766.00	48,595.68	(30,829.68)
1200 SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	260,351.17	245,319.95	15,031.22
2200 PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	401,040.00	398,092.14	2,947.86
2300 TEACHING	3,609,358.00	3,567,697.16	41,660.84
2350 PROFESSIONAL DEV.	35,000.00	28,704.02	6,295.98
2400 TEXTBOOKS	29,835.00	22,524.43	7,310.57
2450 INST. HARD & SOFTWARE	11,930.00	22,195.21	(10,265.21)
2500 LIBRARY	153,675.50	140,274.03	13,401.47
2600 AUDIO VISUAL	7,100.00	2,839.06	4,260.94
3100 ATTENDANCE	100.00	100.00	0.00
3200 HEALTH	74,431.50	73,656.05	775.45

3300 TRANSPORTATION	491,558.87	488,055.90	3,502.97
3400 FOOD SERVICE	2.00	0.00	2.00
4110 CUSTODIAL	369,047.00	178,004.45	191,042.55
4120 HEATING	82,751.00	183,441.20	(100,690.20)
4130 UTILITIES	210,185.00	217,541.40	(7,356.40)
4210 MAINTENANCE/GROUNDS	5,000.00	5,007.97	(7.97)
4220 MAINTENANCE/BUILDINGS	74,750.00	132,170.03	(57,420.03)
4230 MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT	15,000.00	17,180.20	(2,180.20)
7100 ACQUISITION/EQUIPMENT	2,600.00	1,093.10	1,506.90
7400 REPLACEMENT/EQUIPMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00

Total Regular Day 5,851,481.04 5,772,491.98 78,989.06

SPECIAL EDUCATION

2210 SUPERVISION	70,639.52	68,812.15	1,827.37
2230 TEACHING	445,521.50	477,477.13	(31,955.63)
2270 GUIDANCE	132,575.00	113,166.81	19,408.19
2280 PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	50,756.00	55,672.40	(4,916.40)
2330 TRANSPORTATION	297,248.30	236,162.34	61,085.96
2900 PROGRAMS WITH OTHERS	1,417,280.00	1,402,668.39	14,611.61

TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION 2,414,020.32 2,353,959.22 60,061.10

PLUS RENTAL REVENUE 138,354.04

GRAND TOTAL 8,265,501.36 8,264,805.24 696.12

SILVER LAKE REGION HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2004 GRADUATES

NHS	FN	MN	LN
*	Elizabeth	Anne	Aghjayan
	Mona	Hassan	Ashour
*	Jason	Perry	Azevedo
	Timothy	Joseph	Beane
*	Nicole	Anne	Becker
	Meaghan	Leigh	Befera
	Jenna	Ruth	Bergeron
*	Rebecca	Wilson	Brackett
	Tyler	David	Briggs
	Jamie	Lynne	Cameron
	Alexandra	Allen	Carter
	Christian	William	Carter
	Marc	Andrew	Champagne
	Davren	J.	Chartier
	Tracey	Lyn	Clapp
	Lauren	Anne	Cluff
	Brent	Benjamin	Collins
	Megan	Jennie	Colter
	Emily	North	Craig

Tyler	Allen	Croteau
Rachel	Christine	D'Alessandro
Ashley	Kaye	Damewood
Jennifer	Nichole	Damon
Samantha	Louise	D'Andrea
Wesley	Warren	DeCosta
Julie	Elizabeth	DelGreco
Amy	Kristen	Demas
Debra	Lynne	Dooley
Kathryn	Dorothy	Drapeau
Jennifer	Lynne	Dunn
Rachel	Elizabeth	Earl
Andrew	E.	Eddy
Ryan	David	Elwell
Michael	Lucien	Femez
Jennifer	Marie	Foley
Robert	Ernest	Frizzell
Patrick	John	Gorman
Kristina	Marie	Gurney
Stephanie	Lynn	Hanelt
Daniel	Thomas	Harding
Derek	Alan	Harding
Christopher	Gerard	Harris
Suzanne	Jennifer	Harrison
Ryan	John	Healey
Brian	Paul	Hess
Mark	Gregory	Iannucci
Allen	Russell	Johnson
Ryan	Matthew	Kearney
Michael	Edward	Kennedy
Jeffrey	Michael	King
Allison	Spence	Kostka
Andrea	Marie	Krueger
Stacy	Ann	Krzyzewski
Nicholas	Anthony	Lancione
Vincent	Michael	Lancione
Richard	Joseph	Laporte
Amanda	Lee	Ledwith
Andrew	William	Logan
Amber	Renee	Lopresti
Michael	Stephen	LoSciuto
Andrew	Davis	Luque
Benjamin	Travis	MacFarlane
Michael	Arthur	Madeiros
Pamela	Anna	Maguire
Shawna	Lee	Malmberg
Anthony	Joseph	Mangano
Lauren	Ashley	McCaul

*	Caitlin	Jacka	McElligott
	Mariel	Nicole	McGinn
	Ronald	Richard	McGinnity III
	Rory	Lyons	McGrath
	Kiel	Connor	Milliken
*	Erin	Pennie	Mulcahy
	William	Scott	Mulrain
*	Kathleen	Fitzgerald	Nevins
	Kristopher	Edward	O'Connell
	Amelia	Carolynne	Omar
	Eric	Braun	Opachinski
	Jason	Edward	Pateline
	Gary	Wayne	Patten, Jr.
	Robert	Francis	Peterson
	Katherine	Elizabeth	Pickett
*	Allison	Theresa	Porter
	Aaron	William	Reed
	Brian	Ambrose	Ripley
	Christopher	Timothy	Rowe
*	Lauren	Christine	Schier
	Alexandra		Severson
	Kimberly	Ann	Sheerin
	Matthew	Robert	Sherman
	Meghan	Elizabeth	Simmons
	Jonathan	Charles	Skerry
	Christopher	Lee	Southard
	Meghan	Louise	Stanley
	Nell	Rachel	Steele
	Kerrie	Anne	Steffy
*	Kaitlin	Marie	Struble
*	Nicole	Christen	Sylvia
	Jaime	Ann	Taylor
	Heather	Anne	Telford
	Joseph	Michael	Tellier
	James	Walter	Thompson
	Michael	Sean	Tura
	Christopher	Sam	Walsh
	Russell	Allen	Waterhouse
	Katherine	Anne	Weiss
	Frank	Austin	Wiley
	Evan	Hunter	Williams
*	Michelle	Elizabeth	Woodford
	Allan	Farwell	Wright

* Indicates National Honor Society

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Silver Lake marched forward this year as a three town Region. Under the able leadership of Dr. Gordon Noseworthy, Superintendent, all of the major hurdles spelled out in the Transition Agreement with Pembroke have been met. The division of staff and assets entailed considerable time and effort, but were accomplished with minimal discord. It should be noted that Pembroke will remain linked to Silver Lake for many years since the town will be responsible for a significant share of the monies owed to retiring teachers and staff.

As anticipated by the Finance Committees in the three towns during the negotiations for Pembroke's withdrawal, the costs to educate students in a three-town region increased significantly. With this in mind, the Committee asked the School Administration to be as conservative as possible in administering the Fiscal 04 budget in order to avoid a possible deficit and perhaps produce a surplus. As it turned out, the surplus was far greater than expected. Unfortunately, this was not known early enough to reduce the Fiscal 05 assessments and the towns had to seek voter support for an over-ride. Moving ahead, after Pembroke's share of the surplus is paid to them, the remaining surplus will be available to the Committee to replenish its Excess and Deficiency fund and possibly lower assessments to the towns.

In April, voters in Kingston elected James Connolly to a three-year term on the School Committee. Jim is the father of triplets and recently retired as a Lt. Colonel from the U.S. Marines. He brings to the School Committee significant experience managing personnel and resources. Kingston voters also re-elected John Creed to another three-year term. John brings extensive experience as a PR consultant to three other school districts and the Region has clearly benefited from his experience.

In August, Ms. Elizabeth Sorrell was hired as the Assistant Superintendent PreK to 12. Ms. Sorrell comes to us from the Belmont Public Schools where she oversaw the Science and Health programs throughout the school district.

September saw the opening of the new Silver Lake Middle School. The building is a true jewel, a credit to the Building Committee, to the three towns, and provides an excellent educational setting for the middle level learner.

District secondary schools are undergoing a complete overhaul. In early summer, the forty-four relocatable classrooms were removed from the High School site and renovations begun on the building. Work is moving ahead on schedule and is expected to be completed for the opening of school in September 2007. Given that new school buildings are designed to last at least thirty-five years, barring a significant increase in the student population, voters can be confident that the school infrastructure will meet our needs for many, many years.

As we gain more experience as a three-town Region, plus the savings anticipated with the new buildings voters have provided, we should be able to budget more realistically. The Committee is very grateful to the three

communities for their continued support and commits itself to providing the best education the towns can afford.

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Richard J. Kelley, Principal

Change is in the air at Silver Lake Regional High School. The final four-town graduating class marched across Sirrico Field on June 5, 2004 and the early days of September marked the start of the 2004-2005 school year with classroom doors opening to more than 1,100 students of the new "tri-town" Silver Lake Regional High School. Despite the withdrawal of Pembroke students, the halls of the high school are abuzz with activity. The removal of the two portable classroom units (formerly the Red and White houses) means that the students and staff of Silver Lake all reside in the main building each day. Even with extreme changes in the school's structure and facade, our academic program remains consistent and rich and our extra-curricular offerings remain vibrant.

Take a drive by our campus and you will notice changes in the exterior every day. Our full-scale building project is well underway. By the 2007-2008 school year, Silver Lake will boast one of the finest, state-of-the-art school facilities in the state. Portions of the Lake Street side of the building, including one of the gyms, have been demolished. On a fall afternoon hundreds of students and staff signed a steel girder for the foundation of the new classroom wing to commemorate this exciting project. High school administrators are in continual contact with the building project management team in order to assure communication and safety during the construction process. The new building will be well worth the wait.

The Mission '07 committee of administrators, teachers, counselors, parents and students convened during the first month of school to discuss goals for the upcoming year; they include continuing to research model school structures and innovative programs, revising the school's Mission Statement and Expectations For Learning, and using data and research to make recommendations for the educational future of Silver Lake.

With a five-year progress report due in March, Silver Lake currently continues to maintain full accreditation, the highest standard of evaluation offered by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). Continuing the No Child Left Behind Act's report card program, we are proud to report that we met or exceeded our target in both English/Language Arts and Mathematics on the improvement scale for "Adequate Yearly Progress."

The class of 2006 received MCAS results in the fall of 2004. 85% of the class passed math and 92% passed ELA (90% statewide). We are pleased to report that 71% received Proficient or Advanced scores in ELA and 58% earned Proficient or Advanced scores in mathematics. The faculty and administration continues to be committed to our school-wide goal that every student scores in the Proficient or Advanced category for both English/Language Arts and Mathematics.

All of the 380 members of the class of 2004 met the rigorous requirements set forth by Silver Lake Regional High School. In an historic graduation ceremony on June 5, 2004, the proud graduates from Halifax, Kingston, Pembroke and Plympton were joined by members of the class of 1956, the first graduates of Silver Lake Regional High School as a four-town region. Earlier that week, approximately \$170,000 in scholarship prizes and awards were bestowed upon members of the senior class. This amount does not include scholarships granted directly from colleges and universities. I am also pleased to note that 8 of our 9 non-graduating students of the class of 2004 completed their graduation requirements over the summer and have since earned diplomas. In all, Graduation 2004 was special and noteworthy.

Our Advanced Placement scores continue to be impressive. In all, over 118 students took 233 Advanced Placement examinations; those who earn scores of 3 or above earn college credit. Approximately 70% of students earned a score of 3 or higher in the following exams: Biology, Environmental Science, European History, United States History, Calculus AB, Spanish, Latin, English Literature, Music and Statistics.

Our annual Evening of Excellence, part of the school's Renaissance program, was held on May 26, 2004. This faculty-facilitated event celebrates the academic achievement, perfect attendance and personal growth of students in ninth through eleventh grade. More than 500 students were honored before a proud standing room only audience.

In addition to the pursuit of academic excellence, students participate and make a difference in a variety of ways beyond the classroom. Over 80% of the student body participate in extra-curricular activities and athletics. Musical and dramatic productions continue to inspire. Such exemplary events include vocal and instrumental concerts, the spring production of *Les Miserables*, this fall's recent musical *Honk!* and the dramatic production of *Voices*. Each day, student anchors utilize top-notch communication skills to present the televised morning announcements to the school. The *Laker Legend* (student newspaper) and *Silver Spectrum* (literary magazine) feature the writing and artistic talents of the student body. Silver Lake's many clubs and organizations—Key Club, National Honor Society, Student Council, Best Buddies, DECA, FFA and GSA—perform countless hours of community service in addition to facilitating a wide range of student activities. In May, art students showcased their talent in an evening festival of visual and performing arts. Silver Lake students are appreciated and honored by the community for their many personal gifts and amazing talents.

As usual, the summer months were filled with activity for many Silver Lake teachers and students. In addition to traditional summer school course offerings, some students spent July in the library receiving small-group tutoring at MCAS camp. During vacation teachers worked on curriculum articulation and alignment; several continued course work on advanced graduate degrees; several attended intensive training for Advanced Placement courses. In January a full day professional in-service continued efforts in developing our Writing Across

The Curriculum program. October's faculty in-service saw the staff analyzing MCAS data and test items to develop and apply rigorous and challenging instructional and assessment techniques to raise academic standards for all students. Throughout the year, teachers stay current in the field by attending professional development workshops, participating in educational conferences and engaging in graduate level course work.

As a new era in Silver Lake Regional High School history is underway, the school continues to offer a rigorous and stimulating curriculum. Students are encouraged to take full advantage of the opportunities offered in order to achieve academic and personal success. The future is *now* at Silver Lake.

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Jeffrey S. Lucove, Principal

In 2003-2004, we used the word *transition* to describe our school year. This word was chosen to reflect both Union #31 and Silver Lake Region's change to a tri-town district, as well as the new middle school building project. For the 2004-2005 school year, the word that best describes Silver Lake Regional Middle School is *renewal*.

The new Silver Lake Middle School hosted over 1600 parents, students, and community residents during two preview open houses on August 31st and September 1st. On Wednesday, September 8, 2004 the school was officially opened to students. Shortly thereafter, on Saturday, October 18th, a formal dedication ceremony took place in the school's new 275 person auditorium. Despite very windy and rainy conditions, an excited and enthusiastic audience listened to congratulatory comments from State Senator Therese Murray and Representatives Thomas J. O'Brien and Daniel Webster. An additional note from Senator John Kerry was read to the gathering by Dr. Gordon L. Noseworthy, Superintendent of Schools. The middle school and tri-town communities are indebted to the members of the Building Committee for their countless number of volunteer hours and commitment to excellence. The school is a direct result of their hard work and dedication.

Our new middle school opened up with 620 students distributed between grades 7 and 8. Currently, the school is organized into five teams which are housed in individual pods consisting of six classrooms, five of which serve as homerooms for the team. The core team consists of one teacher from English Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, Science, and Special Education. Each team also has a dedicated special education para-professional. We have two teams of seventh graders and two of eighth graders. The fifth team is a combination of 7th and 8th graders, with students assigned to homerooms and classes at their specific grade level. Using a theme of New England history, the students in the school decided to name their teams the Scatacooks (Connecticut Indian tribe), Patriots, Tri-Town Tribes, Buccaneers, and Adventurers.

Technology in the new middle school is state-of-the-art and includes one computer for every four students, two computer labs adjacent to the new library,

two mobile computer labs and fourteen Smart Boards. Every room has both Internet and cable access which can be seen through a special projector installed in the ceiling. We continue to learn new ways of integrating technology into our pedagogy and the implementation of the state curriculum frameworks.

From an academic perspective, we continue to focus on the current high stakes MCAS tests of English Language Arts and Math while planning ahead to meet the upcoming challenges of Science and Technology. The math department, assisted by our new Assistant Superintendent, Elizabeth Sorrell, has completed a thorough data analysis of the 2004 math MCAS results. From this work, we have created a comprehensive set of activities and strategies to significantly improve our math scores moving forward.

The spirit of renewal permeates our new school and we are committed to achieving excellence in all we do *to ensure the success of each, individual student.*



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**SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENT FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2004**

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>School Building</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,315,995	\$ 5,346,760	\$ 1,169,496	\$ 9,832,251
Receivables				
Due from other governments	98,064			98,064
School building assistance due in future years	20,069,855			20,069,855
Deposits	18,204			18,204
Total assets	\$ 23,502,118	\$ 5,346,760	\$ 1,169,496	\$ 30,018,374
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	\$ 270,671	\$ 926,346	\$ 120,979	\$ 1,317,996
Accrued withholdings and benefits	498,330			498,330
Deferred Revenue	20,069,855			20,069,855
Notes payable				
Due within one year		19,300,000		19,300,000
Total liabilities	\$ 20,838,856	\$ 20,226,346	\$ 120,979	\$ 41,186,181
<u>FUND BALANCES</u>				
Reserved for:				
Encumbrances and continued appropriations	128,019			128,019
Unreserved:				
General Fund	2,535,243			2,535,243
Special revenue funds			1,048,517	1,048,517
Capital project funds		(14,879,586)		(14,879,586)
Total fund balances	2,663,262	(14,879,586)	1,048,517	(11,167,807)
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 23,502,118	\$ 5,346,760	\$ 1,169,496	\$ 30,018,374

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF PERMANENT DEBT

2003-2004

PURPOSE	YEAR OF ISSUE	YEAR OF MATURITY	ORIGINAL ISSUE	PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING	INTEREST OUTSTANDING	TOTAL
Sr. High Construction	1994-1995	2004-05	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 205,400.00
TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT						\$ 205,400.00

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Statement

Revenues
Member town
Intergovernmental
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Expenditures
Current:
Administration
Instructional ser
School services
Operations & m
Employee benefi
Fixed charges
Leased equipm
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Debt service:
Principal
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Capital outlay
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SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Net Assets – Fiduciary Funds
June 30, 2004

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Agency Accounts</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$83,298
Total assets	\$83,298

<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Due to student groups	\$ 81,135
Due to Commonwealth	\$2,163
Total liabilities	\$ 83,298

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

Revenues	General	School Buildings	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Member town assessments	\$ 19,026,253			\$19,026,253
Intergovernmental	8,754,314		1,887,117	10,641,431
Departmental & charges for services	481,377		1,584,814	2,066,191
Earnings on investments	281,877			281,877
Miscellaneous	15,199			15,199
Total revenues	\$28,559,020		3,471,931	\$32,030,951
Expenditures				
Current:				
Administration	1,982,618			1,982,618
Instructional services	15,421,773		1,708,374	17,130,147
School services	848,201		1,662,548	2,510,749
Operations & maintenance	2,141,375			2,141,375
Employee benefits & other fixed charges	5,263,431			5,263,431
Leased equipment	1,029,056			1,029,056
Assessments	108,874			108,874
Debt service:				
Principal	200,000			200,000
Interest & other charges	568,812			568,812
Capital outlay	8,995	16,536,127		16,545,122
Total expenditures	27,573,135	16,536,127	3,370,922	47,480,184
Revenues over/(under) expenditures	985,885	(16,536,127)	101,009	(15,449,233)
Other financing sources (uses):				
Premium on short term borrowing (BAN)	15,183			15,183
Total other financing sources(uses):	15,183			15,183

Revenues & other financing sources over (under) expenditures, and other financing uses	1,001,068	(16,536,127)	101,009	(15,434,050)
Fund balance (deficit), beginning of year	<u>1,662,194</u>	<u>1,656,541</u>	<u>947,508</u>	<u>4,266,243</u>
Fund balances (deficit) end of year	\$ 2,663,262	\$ (14,879,586)	\$ 1,048,517	\$ (11,167,807)

SILVER LAKE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
2003 - 2004 BUDGET
FINAL CLOSEOUT TRIAL BALANCE

	TOTAL AVAILABLE	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	BALANCE
REGULAR DAY			
1100 SCHOOL COMMITTEE	233,401.00	145,550.39	87,850.61
1200 SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE	1,042,400.00	974,126.49	68,273.51
2100 SUPERVISION	603,807.00	656,039.52	(52,232.52)
2200 PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	938,228.00	928,947.19	9,280.81
2300 TEACHING	12,574,155.41	12,381,285.96	192,869.45
2350 PROFESSIONAL DEV.	140,900.00	97,683.23	43,216.77
2400 TEXTBOOKS	100,750.00	84,075.69	16,674.31
2450 INST. HARD & SOFTWARE	239,640.00	192,124.01	47,515.99
2500 LIBRARY	157,516.00	150,205.20	7310.80
2600 AUDIO VISUAL	10,800.00	10,635.05	164.95
2700 GUIDANCE	909,830.00	893,177.96	16,652.04
3200 HEALTH	111,317.00	113,337.61	(2,020.61)
3300 TRANSPORTATION	620,386.40	621,585.54	(1,199.14)
3500 ATHLETIC	52,315.00	39,676.14	12,638.86
4110 CUSTODIAL	829,755.00	912,515.16	(82,760.16)
4120 HEATING	95,000.00	127,065.33	(32,065.33)
4130 UTILITIES	799,893.00	863,936.56	(64,043.56)
4210 MAINTENANCE/GROUNDS	32,750.00	31,289.65	1,460.35
4220 MAINTENANCE/BUILDINGS	203,325.00	307,342.62	(104,017.62)
4230 MAINTENANCE/EQUIPMENT	130,355.00	124,156.22	6,198.78
5100 RETIREMENT	531,949.00	464,537.81	67,411.19
5200 INSURANCE	2,599,195.00	2,023,243.57	575,951.43
5300 LEASE	764,539.00	765,301.45	(762.45)
5400 DEBT SERVICE	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00
7300 ACQUISITION/EQUIPMENT	9,110.00	8,995.00	115.00
7400 REPLACEMENT/EQUIPMENT	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Total Regular Day	23,752,816.81	22,916,833.35	835,983.46

SPECIAL EDUCATION

2210 SUPERVISION	217,370.00	213,930.34	3,439.66
2230 TEACHING	869,117.00	823,996.42	45,120.58
2280 PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	32,450.00	33,820.69	(1,370.69)
2330 TRANSPORTATION	28,080.00	39,052.10	(10,972.10)

TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	1,147,017.00	1,110,799.55	36,217.45
GRAND TOTAL	24,899,833.81	24,027,632.90	872,200.91

SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
BUDGET PROPOSAL 2004-2005

Regular Day	2003-2004 BUDGET	2004-2005 BUDGET	% INC/ DCR
1100 School Committee	233,401.00	161,601.00	-30.76%
1200 Superintendent's Office	1,042,400.00	920,333.36	-11.71%
2100 Supervision	603,807.00	129,802.04	-78.50%
2200 Principal's Office	938,228.00	762,290.18	-18.75%
2300 Teaching	12,574,155.41	8,049,160.65	-35.99%
2350 Professional Development	140,900.00	69,600.00	-50.60%
2400 Textbooks	100,750.00	60,137.00	-40.31%
2450 Inst. Hard & Software	239,640.00	117,511.00	-50.96%
2500 Library	157,516.00	197,945.64	25.67%
2600 Audio Visual	10,800.00	6,500.00	-39.81%
2700 Guidance	909,830.00	573,874.86	-36.93%
3200 Health	111,317.00	78,934.56	-29.09%
3300 Transportation	620,386.40	698,749.73	12.63%
3500 Athletics	52,315.00	101,504.00	94.02%
4110 Custodial	829,755.00	686,677.00	-17.24%
4120 Heating	95,000.00	161,572.40	70.08%
4130 Utilities	799,893.00	616,171.50	-22.97%
4210 Maintenance/Grounds	32,750.00	32,750.00	0.00%
4220 Maintenance/Buildings	203,325.00	311,096.00	53.00%
4230 Maintenance/Equipment	130,355.00	111,165.00	-14.72%
5100 Retirement	531,949.00	540,415.00	1.59%
5200 Insurance	2,599,195.00	1,945,848.00	-25.14%
5300 Lease	764,539.00	529,395.00	-30.76%
5400 Debt Service	20,000.00	0.00	-100.00%
7300 Acquisition/Equipment	9,110.00	6,012.00	-34.01%
7400 Replacement/Equipment	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	-100.00%
Total Regular Day	23,752,816.81	16,869,045.92	-28.98%
Special Education			
2210 Supervision	217,370.00	147,040.00	-32.35%
2230 Teaching	869,117.00	608,064.26	-30.04%
2280 Psychological Services	32,450.00	13,330.00	-58.92%
2330 Transportation	<u>28,080.00</u>	<u>17,125.00</u>	-39.01%
Total Special Education	1,147,017.00	785,559.26	-31.51%
Grand Total	24,899,833.81	17,654,605.18	-29.10%

**SILVER LAKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
CONSTRUCTION COSTS
2004-2005 BUDGET**

**SUMMARY OF TOWN ASSESSMENTS
TOWNS**

• HALIFAX	40,183.63
• KINGSTON	56,617.28
• PEMBROKE	92,840.80
• PLYMPTON	15,758.29
TOTAL	205,400.00

1994 CONSTRUCTION -SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
PRINCIPLE DUE
INTEREST DUE

200,000.00
5,400.00

TOTAL PRINCIPAL & INTEREST
LESS STATE AID
NET CONSTRUCTION ASSESSMENT

205,400.00
0.00
205,400.00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 2004.

The following is a summary of measuring devices inspected and tested:

Scales and Balances	
100 to 1,000 pounds	7
10 to 100 pounds	111
Under 10 pounds	9

Weights	
Avoirdupois	62
Metric	53
Apothecary	41

Liquid Measuring Units	
Gasoline	153

Vehicle Tank Meters	
Fuel Oil Trucks	14

Total fees assessed for the above inspections \$3658.20

I would like to thank the many town hall employees from a number of the departments for their cooperation in assisting me as needed. Special thanks to all the staff of the Selectmen's Office.



SHELLFISH REPORT

The Shellfish Department has reported a very successful year in 2004. Both residents and non-residents alike purchased over 290 permits for shell fishing in Kingston. This produced revenue of over \$8,000.

A survey taken indicated that permit holders that went out to the flats or shoreline dug their limit on a regular basis.

During the summer and in early October, under the direction of Shellfish Constable Reggie Macamaux and in conjunction with Salem State University, the shoreline along Gray's Beach was reseeded with over 100,000 soft shell clams. Another 1,000 lbs. of adult cherrystone clams were also seeded in the waters along the shoreline and flats of Kingston Bay.

The Shellfish Department would like to thank the members of The Salem State University Department of Aquaculture, Assistant Harbormaster Gary King, and Angela Alexiades for their efforts and interest in the reseeding project.

This is the third year of the reseeding project, and the Shellfish Department anticipates an even more successful year in 2005. Shellfish permits may be purchased at the Board of Selectmen's Office after April 1, 2005.

SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL, INC

265 So. Meadow Road, Plymouth, MA 02360

South Shore Community Action Council, Inc. (SSCAC) is an agency that administers many Federal, State and private Grants that are available for low income and elderly persons.

During the fiscal year of SSCAC, a total of 311 Kingston households were served from October 1, 2003 to September 30, 2004 through their many programs.

PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

HEADSTART
CHILDCARE
CONSUMER AID (A program for all levels through Atty.
General's office)

**Total Clients or
Households Served**
21 clients
12 clients
12 clients

TRANSPORTATION (Handicapped Youths and Adults)
 FEMA
 WEATHERIZATION
 FUEL ASSISTANCE
 ENHANCED OUTREACH (A fuel program that helps
 people budget household bills)
 CITIZEN'S ENERGY OIL PROGRAM
 LASER (Leveraging Assets for Self-sufficiency through
 Energy Resources)
 WEATHERIZATION UTILITY LEVERAGING (Utility
 money used to extend the Federal Grant)
 MCKINNEY FUND (One time help with rent/mortgage or
 utilities)
 IDA (Individual Development Accounts-supplies a local
 and federal Match to individual's savings toward return to
 college, home ownership or starting up a small business)
 LEND-A-HAND
 FOOD BASKET

11 clients
 2 households
 5 households
 180 households
 14 households
 \$6,156.08
 6 households
 5 households
 10 households
 2 households
 2 clients
 2 households
 4 households

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Rochelle Smith, Representative of the
 Kingston Board of Selectmen to Board of Directors of South Shore Community
 Action Council, Inc.

STREETS, TREES AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

The Department of Streets, Trees & Parks has seen yet another busy year.
 Projects that were undertaken this year include the paving of Elm Street, Main
 Street, Off Boundry Lane, Bagnell Street, Gray's Beach Road and sections of
 Route 27. This department installed new drainage structures on Off Boundry
 Street and West Street. The installation of a drainage system was completed on
 Pottle Street and the roadway was raised in some areas as well as a first basecoat
 of asphalt applied.

Joseph Colby was hired as the new Transfer Station employee. Two new trash
 compactors as well as two 85 CY trash trailers were installed at the Transfer
 Station and the old systems were traded. Due to the recyclables market, the
 solid waste department was able to put approximately \$9,000 into the general
 fund from the sale of newspaper.

With all the different tasks undertaken by this department, we still found time to
 assist many other departments, boards and committees with various jobs and
 requests such as the Gray's Beach renovations, the building of the new Town
 House, and the Pottle Street fields complex. We look forward to another
 productive year.



Department of Streets, Trees & Parks

(Rear left to right) Anthony DeMolles, Webster Cain, Foreman Jeffrey Bond,
 Anthony DeFelice, Joseph Colby, Gale Luthi, Supt. Paul Basler (Front left to
 right) Richard Nastasia, Alan Nihill, Dolores Sprague, Daniel Cram, Gordon
 Pratt, and Victor Pasolini (Not pictured are Francis Donovan and Donald Shaw)

TRANSFER STATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

Hours of Operation:

Mon 12 noon to 8:00 pm, Tue, Wed, Sat & Sun 8 am to 4 pm sharp

CLOSED THURSDAY & FRIDAY, & the following holidays:

New Years Day	Memorial Day	Veteran's Day
Martin Luther King	Independence Day	Thanksgiving
President's Day	Labor Day	½ day before Christmas
Easter Sunday	Columbus Day	Christmas Day

Fees are set annually by the Board of Selectmen. Once fees are set for 2005-
 2006, they will be posted on the Town's website and the local newspapers.

Stickers sold at Dept of Street, Trees & Parks office 32 Evergreen St; Mon - Fri
 7am to 3pm. Additional hours & locations are added during peak sale times.
 See local newspapers for details. **VEHICLE REGISTRATION REQUIRED!**

- Stickers must be permanently attached to driver's side windshield, lower
 left hand corner. Any sticker that is not attached will be considered null &
 void & access to Transfer Station will be denied

- No vehicle larger than a 1 ton capacity is permitted
- All material must either be bagged, boxed or in barrels. All pick-up loads must be covered
- Proof of residency is required to purchase stickers. ie phone bill, utility bill, lease, etc
- No sticker will be issued for repair or commercial plated vehicles
- **LIMIT OF TWO STICKERS PER HOUSEHOLD**
- Failure to comply with these rules may result in the loss of Transfer Station privileges, and a possible fine of \$200.00

CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS: To be placed in Construction Debris Containers

- Material must be less than 36" in length
- Payment must be made to attendant prior to unloading vehicle
- Household debris only. **NO CONTRACTORS ALLOWED**

MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED AT THE TRANSFER STATION:

- Commercial construction debris, brush, logs, stumps, chemicals, medical and nuclear waste

RECYCLING INFORMATION

Please place the following items in the designated area:

- Clothing: in the Salvation Army box
- TV's & Monitors: in the electronic recycling container
- Fluorescent Tubes: see attendant
- Returnable bottles & cans: in the bottle shed, proceeds support youth groups
- Auto batteries: on pallets near waste oil container
- Refrigerator, Air conditioners, Microwaves & Freezers: area located to the left of scrap metal containers
- Grass clippings, Leaves, Garden Waste: in composting area **NO BRUSH!**

Waste Oil: see attendant for assistance

- Used motor oil **ONLY!** No antifreeze, solvents, gasoline, naphtha, etc.
- Households only. No commercial operators

Glass, Metal, #1 & #2 Plastic cans & bottles: Place in commingle containers

- Rinse/clean all containers, remove all caps and rings
- The following glass products are **NOT** recyclable: window glass, glass blocks, china dinnerware, Pyrex and ceramics

Newspaper & Magazines: deposit in newspaper container

- Clean, dry products only
- Must be bundled & tied or placed in paper bags. **DO NOT USE PLASTIC!**
- Please stack neatly in container

Cardboard: deposit in cardboard container

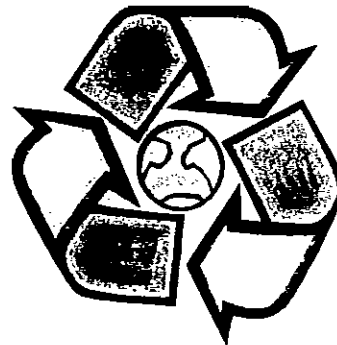
- Remove all packing material
- Flatten all boxes before depositing into container
- No cereal boxes, soda boxes

Brush: Only accepted on the third Saturday of the month, April thru October

- No limbs over 5 inches in diameter
- No stumps or vines

- Please load brush so that the butt end is pointing toward rear of vehicle or trailer
- Carpet: deposit it in construction debris container
- No wider than 36 inches
- Must be tied or taped, no loose rolls

The Department of Streets, Trees & Parks would like to thank all residents in advance for their cooperation in putting all recyclable items in the proper locations. If you have any questions on where something goes, please ask an attendant. With help from you, we can keep recycling costs to a minimum.



**HELP KEEP KINGSTON CLEAN
COVER ALL VEHICLES WHEN TRANSPORTING
DEBRIS TO THE TRANSFER STATION**

VETERANS' AGENT

With the rising cost of health care and the still worsening economy, we continue to see an increase in the number of veterans, families, and surviving spouses seeking assistance. Recent legislation broadening the definition of veteran to be more in line with the Federal definition of veteran has also increased the number of applicants for assistance. Assistance is being provided to qualified applicants in employment, vocational training, pensions, business loans, education, housing, burial allowances, grave markers and medical benefits, as well as Chapter 115 direct financial assistance.

We help all veterans, spouses and dependents requiring assistance from State and Federal agencies. Often that assistance is only helping veterans and especially widows in filling out paperwork for pensions and healthcare. Veterans have earned these benefits in recognition of their response when called upon by our country. We try to explain those benefits and assist those who have

served our country or their spouses who have economic or medical needs. All information is kept in strict confidence.

Thanks are due to both, our State Representative, Tom O'Brien, and our State Senator, Therese Murray, who have worked tirelessly on behalf of our veterans and spouses. Thanks also to the Harold F. Govoni American Legion Post 387 for their help in placing flags and flowers on veterans' graves, and their support of Kingston's Memorial Day exercises.

WAGE & PERSONNEL BOARD

The Wage and Personnel Board completed its annual review of the market place salary survey data to determine the competitiveness of the Town's compensation plan. This annual review is analyzed for comparison against communities of similar size throughout the Commonwealth as well as to communities within the same labor market. Also, the Board met with various department heads to review their requests for position evaluations and to collect data in order to evaluate positions utilizing the well-established evaluation process. This resulted in several recommendations that were presented and approved at Annual Town Meeting.

The Board was involved in several employment grievances during the past year. The Board met with the associates in order to hear the complaints, determine the facts and concluded by providing recommendations to the appropriate department heads, or boards, to remedy the situations.

In addition, the Board initiated a review of the status of all salaried jobs in order to be in compliance with the changes to the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) which came into effect in August 2004. The Board provided recommendations to ensure that each salaried position was most appropriately classified in order to be in compliance with the FLSA. The recommendations were reviewed by Town Counsel and are incorporated into the Wage and Personnel Bylaw revision for the upcoming Annual Town Meeting.

The Board completed its annual review of PEG, Position Evaluation Guidebook, in order to incorporate changes in accordance with modifications to the Fair Labor Standards Act.

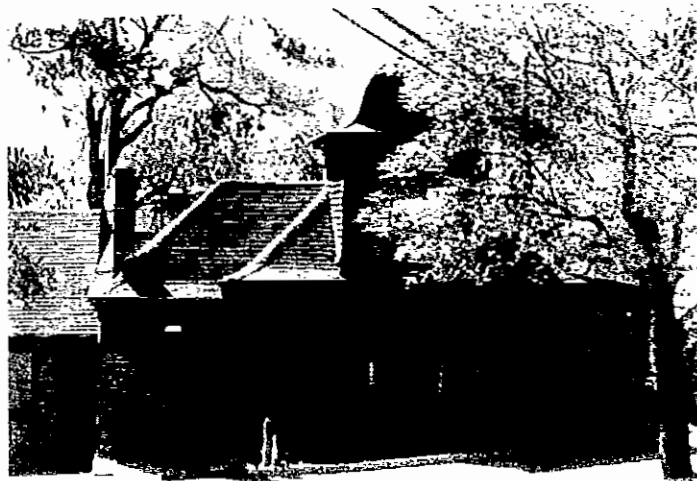
WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT

A staff of 5 full time employees mans the Wastewater Department: a Chief Operator/Plant Superintendent, Assistant Chief Operator, Plant Operator, Operations and Maintenance Technician as well as an Administrative Staff (1).

The plant is staffed 7 days a week and monitored 24 hours a day. Some of the duties include monitoring and inspection of all plant facilities, including pumps, tanks and structures, inspecting and maintaining the 10 pump stations located

throughout the town. Daily samples of wastewater and sludge are collected so biological, chemical and physical analyses are performed.

The Phase II Project is currently being designed and will go out to bid during the winter, with construction starting in the spring, early summer of 2005. Once completed, the Plant will be at full capacity, as defined by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) that is 80% or 375,000 gallons per day. Any additional flow to the plant will require a Plant Expansion.



Water Department, Elm Street

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Work was completed on the cleaning and rehabilitation of the South Street Well.

The project to install approximately 2,100' of new water main on Grove Street was completed.

Annual and special town meetings provided funding to replace an existing truck, to clean the South Street Well, to provide for the replacement of water main on Summer Street from Maple Street to Winthrop Street and Main Street from Prospect Street to the Route 3 bridge - this work is being undertaken in conjunction with the new phase of the sewer project. \$125,000 has been set aside to complete the installation of an Ethernet Radio Based Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System (SCADA) which will be used to operate all pumps, treatment facilities and tanks and will provide a security system for all stations. \$250,000 will be used to begin the conversion of metering to radio read.

An important connection between water main at the Lowe's facility, extending under the highway and connecting with water main at the end of Berry Drive was completed by the developers of Lowe's in conjunction with an agreement with the Board of Water Commissioners made prior to construction. The materials and labor for this project were provided at no cost to the water department.

Over 600' of water main was installed to service the concession stand and new ball fields on Pottle Street.

Work continues on the project to replace water main at the crossings at Route 3 @ Prospect St. and under the Jones River at River Street and painting and rehabilitation of the Elm Street Tank was completed.

As required by the Clean Drinking Water Act, water department employees are receiving continuous training toward maintaining the licenses needed to operate the system; such as, water distribution, treatment, cross connection control and survey.

In May of 2004 Christopher Veracka was hired to the position of Water Department Repairman.

516,149,100 gallons of water were pumped in 2004 – a slight increase over 2003. The Board of Water Commissioners appreciates the conservation efforts of residents.

WIRING INSPECTOR

In fiscal year 2004, 502 Electrical permits were issued and inspected by the Wiring Inspectors. The total fees received for the permits were \$29,166.50.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals respectfully submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 2004:

	<u>Variances</u>	<u>Appeals/Reviews</u>	<u>Special Permits</u>
Granted	10	2	14
Denied	3	1	1
Denied without Prejudice	1	0	1
Withdrawn			
Total	<u>14</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>16</u>

As of December 31, 2004, there were 5 decisions still pending. The total applications heard before the Board this year was 33. Two Chapter 40B applications were presented to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The applicants are currently seeking approval directly from the State and both are being reviewed by the Housing Appeals Committee at the State level.

The Board of Selectmen reappointed the members of the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Board members are John Haas, Kevin McGowan, David Rose, George Boerger and Ed Donnelly. The two associate members are Larry Hunt and Janet Butler. The new Board secretary is Lisa McNeil. The Board continues to deal with a number of issues related to growth and expansion including Chapter 40B low and moderate income housing projects, cell towers, reconstructed homes in densely populated areas and requests from commercial businesses.

The Board wishes to thank Town Clerk, Mary Lou Murzyn for her generous assistance through the year. The Board also appreciates the help from Assistant Clerk, Shelley Loring, Mary Leone and Christine Haas. Thanks also to the Planning Office, Assessor's Office and the Building Inspector, Paul Armstrong, and his staff for their assistance and co-operation throughout the past year.



Board of Selectmen's Office
Town House



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Kingston, Massachusetts

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Kingston, Massachusetts, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Kingston's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Kingston, as of June 30, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis, appearing on the following pages, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*. We have applied

certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Melanson, Heath + Company P.C.

Andover, Massachusetts
December 16, 2004

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Kingston, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Kingston for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net assets presents information on all assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, economic development, and culture and recreation. The business-type activities include water and sewer activities.

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are maintained as follows:

Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Specifically, enterprise funds are used to account for water and sewer operations.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the water and sewer operations, both of which are considered to be major funds.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that are essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*.

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$ 39,873,893 (i.e., net assets), an increase of \$ 1,653,906 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$ 9,429,614, a decrease of \$ (1,120,806) in comparison with the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$ 1,858,519, an increase of \$ 252,077 in comparison with the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was \$ 59,447,355, a decrease of \$ (2,407,846) in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years. All amounts are presented in thousands.

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
Current and other assets	\$ 12,382	\$ 13,622	\$ 22,461	\$ 23,606	\$ 34,843	\$ 37,228
Capital assets	<u>37,690</u>	<u>37,567</u>	<u>50,120</u>	<u>50,133</u>	<u>87,810</u>	<u>87,700</u>
Total assets	50,072	51,189	72,581	73,739	122,653	124,928
Long-term liabilities outstanding	28,783	30,384	29,852	30,799	58,635	61,183
Other liabilities	<u>4,196</u>	<u>4,182</u>	<u>19,948</u>	<u>21,343</u>	<u>24,144</u>	<u>25,525</u>
Total liabilities	32,979	34,566	49,800	52,142	82,779	86,708
Net assets:						
Invested in capital assets, net	11,045	10,929	20,014	20,263	31,059	31,192
Restricted	2,122	1,298	-	-	2,122	1,298
Unrestricted	<u>3,926</u>	<u>4,396</u>	<u>2,767</u>	<u>1,334</u>	<u>6,693</u>	<u>5,780</u>
Total net assets	\$ <u>17,093</u>	\$ <u>16,623</u>	\$ <u>22,781</u>	\$ <u>21,597</u>	\$ <u>39,874</u>	\$ <u>38,220</u>

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 1,998	\$ 2,350	\$ 3,653	\$ 2,523	\$ 5,651	\$ 4,873
Operating grants and contributions	5,028	4,367	-	-	5,028	4,367
Capital grants and contributions	1,695	1,728	1,399	1,407	3,094	3,135
General revenues:						
Property taxes	16,335	15,472	-	-	16,335	15,472
Excises	1,531	1,514	-	-	1,531	1,514
Penalties and interest on taxes	111	102	-	-	111	102
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	885	1,031	-	-	885	1,031
Investment income	335	274	-	-	335	274
Other	<u>537</u>	<u>438</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>537</u>	<u>438</u>
Total revenues	28,455	27,276	5,052	3,930	33,507	31,206
Expenses:						
General government	1,770	1,359	-	-	1,770	1,359
Public safety	4,707	4,422	-	-	4,707	4,422
Education	14,442	12,827	-	-	14,442	12,827
Public works	1,920	1,951	-	-	1,920	1,951
Health and human services	479	588	-	-	479	588
Culture and recreation	909	589	-	-	909	589
Employee benefits	2,089	1,882	-	-	2,089	1,882
Interest on long-term debt	1,472	1,547	-	-	1,472	1,547
Intergovernmental	171	121	-	-	171	121
Miscellaneous	-	596	-	-	-	596
Water operations	-	-	1,445	1,448	1,445	1,448
Sewer operations	-	-	2,449	2,267	2,449	2,267
Total expenses	27,959	25,892	3,894	3,715	31,853	29,607
Change in net assets before transfers	496	1,384	1,158	215	1,654	1,599
Transfers in (out)	(26)	(64)	26	64	-	-
Change in net assets	470	1,320	1,184	279	1,654	1,599
Net assets - beginning of year	16,623	15,303	21,597	21,318	36,220	36,621
Net assets - end of year	\$ <u>17,093</u>	\$ <u>16,623</u>	\$ <u>22,781</u>	\$ <u>21,597</u>	\$ <u>39,874</u>	\$ <u>38,220</u>

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net assets were \$ 39,873,893, an increase of \$ 1,653,906 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net assets \$ 31,058,617 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net assets \$ 2,121,886 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets \$ 6,693,390 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in an increase in net assets of \$ 470,427. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

	Government Wide Governmental Activities
Revenue collected exceeding budget	\$ 949,371
Budgetary appropriations unspent by departments	339,898
Excess property tax collections over budget	234,290
Use of free cash (fund balance) as a funding source	(2,174,142)
Use of overlay surplus as a funding source	(40,000)
Excess of prior year encumbered appropriations spent in the current period over current year encumbrances	(177,413)
Special revenue and trust funds expenditures exceeding revenues	763,653
Capital assets purchased using tax levy	189,503
Bond maturities over current year depreciation expense	155,204
Other timing issues	230,063
Total	\$ <u>470,427</u>

Business-type activities. Business-type activities for the year resulted in an increase in net assets of \$ 1,183,479. Key elements of this change are as follows:

Water operations	\$(2,727)
Wastewater (sewer) operations	1,186,206
Total	\$ <u>1,183,479</u>

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$ 9,429,614, a decrease of \$ (1,120,806) in comparison with the prior year. Most of this decrease was attributable to the following:

	Fund Balance Governmental Funds
Revenue collected exceeding budget	\$ 949,371
Budgetary appropriations unspent by departments	339,898
Excess property tax collections over budget	234,290
Use of free cash (fund balance) as a funding source	(2,174,142)
Use of overlay surplus as a funding source	(40,000)
Excess of prior year encumbered appropriations spent in the current period over current year encumbrances	(177,413)
Special revenue and trust funds expenditures exceeding revenues	763,653
Capital projects expenditures exceeding sources	(1,354,261)
Other timing issues	<u>337,798</u>
Total	\$ <u>(1,120,806)</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was \$ 1,858,519, while total fund balance was \$ 4,247,524. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represents 7% percent of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 16% percent of that same amount.

The fund balance of the general fund decreased by \$ (530,198) during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

	Fund Balance General Fund
Revenue collected exceeding budget	\$ 949,371
Budgetary appropriations unspent by departments	339,898
Excess property tax collections over budget	234,290
Use of free cash (fund balance) as a funding source	(2,174,142)
Use of overlay surplus as a funding source	(40,000)
Excess of prior year encumbered appropriations spent in the current period over current year encumbrances	(177,413)
Other timing issues	<u>337,798</u>
Total	\$ <u>(530,198)</u>

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net assets of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to \$ 2,767,402. Other factors concerning the finances of proprietary funds have already been addressed in the entity-wide discussion of business-type activities.

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Differences between the original budget and the final amended budget resulted in an overall increase in appropriations of \$ 434,146. The Town authorized transfers from other fund reserves of \$ 270,518 and the release of overlay surplus of \$ 163,628 to fund increased appropriations in general government of \$ 355,200, public safety of \$ 7,346, health and human services of \$ 26,600, employee benefits of \$ 15,000, and transfers to other fund of \$ 30,000.

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year-end amounted to \$ 87,809,776 net of accumulated depreciation, an increase of \$ 108,992 from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system, improvements, and machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

- An increase in water construction in progress of \$ 805,634.
- An increase in construction in progress on the Town hall of \$ 549,987.
- Dispositions of machinery, equipment, and furniture of \$ 671,050.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$ 59,447,355, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

Additional information on capital assets and long-term debt can be found in the footnotes to the financial statements.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town of Kingston's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Office of Town Accountant
Town of Kingston, Massachusetts
23 Green Street
Kingston, Massachusetts 02364

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2004

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Current:			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 6,182,613	\$ 3,096,540	\$ 9,279,153
Investments	5,155,457	-	5,155,457
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	240,442	-	240,442
Excises	47,825	-	47,825
User fees	-	731,289	731,289
Departmental and other	66,989	-	66,989
Intergovernmental	338,178	-	338,178
Noncurrent:			
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	351,328	-	351,328
Betterments not yet due	-	18,633,115	18,633,115
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	37,889,647	50,120,129	87,999,776
TOTAL ASSETS	50,072,479	72,581,073	122,653,552
LIABILITIES			
Current:			
Warrants payable	578,866	48,041	626,907
Accrued liabilities	300,009	234,731	534,740
Deferred revenues	-	18,633,115	18,633,115
Notes payable	1,178,000	-	1,178,000
Other current liabilities	570,976	31,034	602,010
Tax refunds payable	50,000	-	50,000
Current portion of long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	1,470,539	999,232	2,469,771
Compensated absence	62,085	2,718	64,803
Other	30,000	-	30,000
Noncurrent:			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	27,177,850	29,799,734	56,977,584
Compensated absence, net of current portion	1,035,094	51,635	1,086,729
Other, net of current portion	526,000	-	526,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	32,979,419	49,800,240	82,779,659
NET ASSETS			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	11,045,186	20,013,431	31,058,617
Restricted for:			
Grants and other statutory restrictions	501,923	-	501,923
Permanent funds:			
NonExpendable	873,879	-	873,879
Expendable	746,084	-	746,084
Unrestricted	3,925,988	2,767,402	6,693,390
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 17,093,060	\$ 22,780,833	\$ 39,873,893

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

Program Revenues	Capital	Not (Excesses) Revenues and Charges in Net Assets
Operating	Grants and	Business-
Grants and		Governmental
Revenues for		Type

\$ 38,973,993

6,993,393

8,731,875

7,416,084

501,623

31,098,817

92,779,959

58,977,561

1,086,239

58,600

30,000

2,459,371

64,800

54,370

18,633,715

1,178,680

602,010

50,000

122,653,659

18,633,715

87,809,712

251,320

240,241

47,825

721,288

66,997

358,173

\$ 9,278,131

\$ 153,487

Total

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:							
General government	\$ 1,769,678	\$ 160,850	\$ 64,861	\$ -	\$ (1,543,967)	\$ -	\$ (1,543,967)
Public safety	4,707,342	1,263,208	271,573	-	(3,172,561)	-	(3,172,561)
Education	14,442,438	140,853	4,486,913	1,515,531	(8,299,141)	-	(8,299,141)
Public works	1,920,501	-	105,330	179,395	(1,635,776)	-	(1,635,776)
Health and human services	479,349	210,590	58,810	-	(209,949)	-	(209,949)
Culture and recreation	908,652	222,245	40,872	-	(645,535)	-	(645,535)
Employee benefits	2,088,829	-	-	-	(2,088,829)	-	(2,088,829)
Interest	1,471,760	-	-	-	(1,471,760)	-	(1,471,760)
Intergovernmental	170,594	-	-	-	(170,594)	-	(170,594)
Total Governmental Activities	27,959,143	1,997,746	5,028,359	1,694,926	(19,238,112)	-	(19,238,112)
Business-Type Activities:							
Water services	1,444,685	1,563,788	-	-	-	119,103	119,103
Sewer services	2,448,954	2,089,047	-	1,398,653	-	1,038,746	1,038,746
Total Business-Type Activities	3,893,639	3,652,835	-	1,398,653	-	1,157,849	1,157,849
Total	\$ 31,852,782	\$ 5,650,581	\$ 5,028,359	\$ 3,093,579	(19,238,112)	1,157,849	(18,080,263)
General Revenues:							
Property taxes					16,335,261	-	16,335,261
Excises					1,531,097	-	1,531,097
Penalties, interest and other taxes					110,577	-	110,577
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					884,683	-	884,683
Investment income					334,996	-	334,996
Miscellaneous					537,555	-	537,555
Transfers, net					(25,630)	25,630	-
Total general revenues and transfers					19,708,539	25,630	19,734,169
Change in Net Assets					470,427	1,163,479	1,653,906
Net Assets:							
Beginning of year					16,622,633	21,597,354	38,219,987
End of year					\$ 17,093,060	\$ 22,760,833	\$ 39,853,893

See notes to financial statements

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2004

ASSETS	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 2,973,048	\$ 3,209,565	\$ 6,182,613
Investments	2,192,732	2,902,725	5,155,457
Receivables:			
Property taxes	854,546	-	854,546
Excises	202,361	-	202,361
Departmental and other	66,988	31,684	98,672
Intergovernmental	61,987	276,191	338,178
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 6,351,662	\$ 6,480,165	\$ 12,831,827
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Warrants payable	\$ 491,759	\$ 87,107	\$ 578,866
Accrued liabilities	76,182	-	76,182
Deferred revenues	916,504	31,684	948,188
Notes payable	-	1,178,000	1,178,000
Reserve for tax refunds	50,000	-	50,000
Other liabilities	569,693	1,284	570,977
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,104,138	1,298,075	3,402,213
Fund Balances:			
Reserved for:			
Encumbrances and continuing appropriations	812,833	-	812,833
Expenditures	1,576,172	-	1,576,172
Perpetual (nonexpendable) permanent funds	-	873,879	873,879
Unreserved:			
Undesignated, reported in:			
General fund	1,858,519	-	1,858,519
Special revenue funds	-	1,914,595	1,914,595
Capital project funds	-	1,647,532	1,647,532
Permanent funds	-	746,084	746,084
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	4,247,524	5,182,090	9,429,614
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 6,351,662	\$ 6,480,165	\$ 12,831,827

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	General	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:			
Property taxes	\$ 16,478,551	\$ -	\$ 16,478,551
Excises	1,526,577	-	1,526,577
Penalties, interest and other taxes	110,576	-	110,576
Charges for services	404,597	892,527	1,297,124
Intergovernmental	6,351,207	1,243,880	7,595,087
Licenses and permits	669,190	-	669,190
Fees and forfeitures	50,337	-	50,337
Investment income	106,931	228,065	334,996
Miscellaneous	415,089	346,299	761,388
Total Revenues	26,113,055	2,710,771	28,823,826
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	1,563,411	655,275	2,218,686
Public safety	3,989,750	481,668	4,471,418
Education	13,016,486	935,931	13,952,417
Public works	1,433,585	305,328	1,738,913
Health and human services	348,692	122,287	470,979
Culture and recreation	656,428	900,805	1,557,233
Employee benefits	2,088,829	-	2,088,829
Debt service	2,911,339	-	2,911,339
Capital outlay	338,594	-	338,594
Intergovernmental	170,594	-	170,594
Total Expenditures	26,517,708	3,401,294	29,919,002
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(404,653)	(690,523)	(1,095,176)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Operating transfers in	380,253	271,854	652,107
Operating transfers out	(505,798)	(171,939)	(677,737)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(125,545)	99,915	(25,630)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	(530,198)	(590,608)	(1,120,806)
Fund Equity, at Beginning of Year	4,777,722	5,772,698	10,550,420
Fund Equity, at End of Year	\$ 4,247,524	\$ 5,182,090	\$ 9,429,614

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND
BALANCES TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL
ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2004

Total governmental fund balances	\$ 9,429,614
• Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	37,689,647
• Revenues are reported on the accrual basis of accounting and are not deferred until collection.	499,194
• In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due.	(223,827)
• Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	(30,301,568)
Net assets of governmental activities	\$ <u>17,093,060</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS \$ (1,120,806)

• Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense:	
Capital outlay purchases	1,617,093
Depreciation	(1,271,335)
• Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are fully deferred in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. Therefore, the recognition of revenue for various types of accounts receivable (i.e., real estate, personal property, motor vehicle excise, etc.) differ between the two statements. This amount represents the net change in deferred revenue.	(145,015)
• The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds and leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net assets:	
Repayments of debt	1,426,539
• In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due.	13,040
• Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.	(49,089)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ <u>470,427</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES, AND EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original Budget	Final Budget		
Revenues and Other Sources:				
Taxes	\$ 16,244,261	\$ 16,244,261	\$ 16,244,261	\$ -
Excise	1,121,397	1,121,397	1,526,577	405,180
Penalties, interest and other taxes	49,195	49,195	110,576	61,381
Charges for services	220,000	220,000	404,597	184,597
Intergovernmental	5,757,746	5,757,746	5,737,929	(19,817)
Licenses and permits	450,000	450,000	669,190	219,190
Fines and forfeits	20,000	20,000	50,337	30,337
Investment income	125,000	125,000	106,931	(18,069)
Miscellaneous	330,517	330,517	415,089	84,572
Transfers in	107,735	378,253	380,253	2,000
Other sources	2,050,514	2,214,142	2,214,142	-
Total Revenues and Other Sources	26,476,365	26,910,511	27,859,882	949,371
Expenditures and Other Uses:				
General government	1,270,741	1,825,941	1,552,733	73,208
Public safety	4,026,948	4,034,294	3,978,409	55,885
Education	12,585,640	12,585,640	12,585,118	522
Public works	1,321,139	1,321,139	1,342,273	(21,134)
Health and human services	336,556	363,156	348,751	14,405
Culture and recreation	676,472	676,472	655,308	21,164
Debt service	2,918,016	2,918,016	2,911,339	6,677
Intergovernmental	140,651	140,651	170,594	(29,943)
Employee benefits	2,187,114	2,202,114	2,163,034	39,080
Capital outlay	326,168	326,168	146,134	180,034
Transfers out	475,798	505,798	505,798	-
Other uses	211,122	211,122	211,122	-
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	26,476,365	26,910,511	26,570,613	339,898
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses				\$ 1,289,280

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TOTAL NET ASSETS

Unrestricted

Invested in capital assets

TOTAL LIABILITIES

Total noncurrent

Deferred revenue

Compensated absent

Bonds payable, net

Noncurrent

Total current liabilities

Compensated absent

Bonds payable

Other current liabilities

Accrued liabilities

Accounts payable

Current

TOTAL ASSETS

Total noncurrent

Capital assets, net

of accumulated depreciation

Capital assets, net

Earnings not yet distributed

Noncurrent

Total current assets

Total (current assets)

Less fees, net of allow

Grant:

Capital and short-term

Capital assets, net

Less fees, net of allow

Grant:

Capital and short-term

Capital assets, net

Less fees, net of allow

Grant:

Capital and short-term

Capital assets, net

Less fees, net of allow

Grant:

Capital and short-term

Capital assets, net

Less fees, net of allow

Grant:

Capital and short-term

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2004

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds		
	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
ASSETS			
Current			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 1,962,274	\$ 1,134,266	\$ 3,096,540
User fees, net of allowance for uncollectibles	421,388	309,901	731,289
Total current assets	2,383,662	1,444,167	3,827,829
Noncurrent			
Statements not yet due	-	18,633,115	18,633,115
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	22,801,666	27,318,463	50,120,129
Total noncurrent assets	22,801,666	45,951,578	68,753,244
TOTAL ASSETS	25,185,328	47,395,745	72,581,073
LIABILITIES			
Current			
Warrants payable	14,616	33,225	48,041
Accrued liabilities	37,857	196,874	234,731
Other current liabilities	-	31,034	31,034
Bonds payable	315,000	684,232	999,232
Compensated absence	2,450	268	2,718
Total current liabilities	370,123	945,633	1,315,756
Noncurrent			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	3,365,000	26,434,734	29,799,734
Compensated absence, net of current portion	46,550	5,085	51,635
Deferred revenue	-	18,633,115	18,633,115
Total noncurrent liabilities	3,411,550	45,072,934	48,484,484
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,781,673	46,018,567	49,800,240
NET ASSETS			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	19,906,122	107,309	20,013,431
Unrestricted	1,497,533	1,269,869	2,767,402
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 21,403,655	\$ 1,377,178	\$ 22,780,833

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds		
	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
Operating Revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 1,563,788	\$ 2,089,047	\$ 3,652,835
Total Operating Revenues	1,563,788	2,089,047	3,652,835
Operating Expenses:			
Operating expenses	740,562	601,748	1,342,310
Depreciation	549,070	371,922	920,992
Total Operating Expenses	1,289,632	973,670	2,263,302
Operating Income (Loss)	274,156	1,115,377	1,389,533
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):			
Intergovernmental revenue	-	1,398,653	1,398,653
Interest expense	(155,053)	(1,475,284)	(1,630,337)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses), Net	(155,053)	(76,631)	(231,684)
Income (Loss) Before Transfers	119,103	1,038,746	1,157,849
Transfers:			
Operating transfers in	-	233,944	233,944
Operating transfers out	(121,830)	(86,484)	(208,314)
Change in Net Assets	(2,727)	1,186,206	1,183,479
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	21,406,382	190,972	21,597,354
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 21,403,655	\$ 1,377,178	\$ 22,780,833

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds		
	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:			
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 1,602,730	\$ 1,897,308	\$ 3,500,038
Payments to vendors and employees	(777,871)	(600,852)	(1,378,723)
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	824,859	1,296,456	2,121,315
Cash Flows From Noncapital Financing Activities:			
Operating transfers in	-	233,944	233,944
Operating transfers out	(121,830)	(86,484)	(208,314)
Net Cash provided By (Used For) Noncapital Financing Activities	(121,830)	147,460	25,630
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities:			
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(714,974)	(192,863)	(907,837)
Principal payments on bonds and notes	(315,000)	(666,307)	(981,307)
Interest expense	(155,053)	(1,475,284)	(1,630,337)
Intergovernmental subsidy	-	1,398,653	1,398,653
Net Cash (Used For) Capital and Related Financing Activities	(1,185,027)	(935,801)	(2,120,828)
Net Change in Cash and Short-Term Investments	(481,998)	508,115	25,117
Cash and Short-Term Investments, Beginning of Year	2,444,272	626,151	3,070,423
Cash and Short-Term Investments, End of Year	\$ 1,962,274	\$ 1,134,266	\$ 3,096,540
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash provided by (Used For) Operating Activities:			
Operating income	\$ 274,156	\$ 1,115,377	\$ 1,389,533
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:			
Depreciation	549,070	371,922	920,992
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
User fees	38,942	(191,739)	(152,797)
Warrants and accounts payable	(45,065)	(7,091)	(52,156)
Accrued liabilities	(2,550)	200	(2,350)
Compensated absence	10,305	5,353	15,659
Other liabilities	-	2,434	2,434
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	\$ 824,859	\$ 1,296,456	\$ 2,121,315

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2004

	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 6,000	\$ 518,715
Investments	<u>269,767</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	275,767	518,715
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
Other liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>518,715</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>518,715</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		
Total net assets held in trust	\$ <u>275,767</u>	\$ <u>-</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Private Purpose Trust Funds
Additions:	
Investment income	\$ (34,256)
Contributions	<u>7,000</u>
Total additions	(27,256)
Deductions:	
Other expenses	<u>1,000</u>
Total deductions	<u>1,000</u>
Net increase (decrease)	(28,256)
Net assets:	
Beginning of year	<u>304,023</u>
End of year	\$ <u>275,767</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF KINGSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Notes to Financial Statements

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Town of Kingston (the Town) conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

A. Reporting Entity

The government is a municipal corporation governed by an elected Board of Selectmen. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the government and applicable component units for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. In fiscal year 2004, it was determined that no entities met the required GASB-39 criteria of component units.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (2) operating grants and contributions, and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes and excises.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers property tax revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The government reports the following major governmental fund:

- The *general fund* is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of

sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989 generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The government has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

The government reports the following major proprietary funds:

- Water operations
- Wastewater (sewer) operations

The private-purpose trust fund is used to account for trust arrangements, other than those properly reported in the pension trust fund or permanent fund, under which principal and investment income exclusively benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

D. Cash and Short-Term Investments

Cash balances from all funds, except those required to be segregated by law, are combined to form a consolidation of cash. Cash balances are invested to the extent available, and interest earnings are recognized in the General Fund. Certain special revenue, proprietary, and fiduciary funds segregate cash, and investment earnings become a part of those funds.

Deposits with financial institutions consist primarily of demand deposits, certificates of deposits, and savings accounts. A cash and investment pool is maintained that is available for use by all funds. Each fund's portion of this pool is reflected on the combined financial statements under the caption "cash and short-term investments". The interest earnings attributable to each fund type is included under investment income.

For purpose of the statement of cash flows, the proprietary funds consider investments with original maturities of three months or less to be short-term investments.

E. Investments

State and local statutes place certain limitations on the nature of deposits and investments available. Deposits in any financial institution may not exceed certain levels within the financial institution. Non-fiduciary fund investments can be made in securities issued by or unconditionally guar-

anteed by the U.S. Government or agencies that have a maturity of one year or less from the date of purchase and repurchase agreements guaranteed by such securities with maturity dates of no more than 90 days from the date of purchase.

Investments for the Trust Funds consist of marketable securities, bonds and short-term money market investments. Investments are carried at market value.

F. Property Tax Limitations

Legislation known as "Proposition 2 1/2" limits the amount of revenue that can be derived from property taxes. The prior fiscal year's tax levy limit is used as a base and cannot increase by more than 2.5 percent (excluding new growth), unless an override or debt exemption is voted. The actual fiscal year 2004 tax levy reflected an excess capacity of \$ 28,616.

G. Interfund Receivables and Payables

Transactions between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due from/to other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans).

H. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (for enterprise funds only) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$ 10,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

Property, plant and equipment of the primary government is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	40
Building improvements	20
Water/sewer infrastructure	50 - 75
Vehicles	5
Office equipment	5
Computer equipment	5

I. Compensated Absences

It is the government's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. All vested sick and vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide, proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

J. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net assets.

K. Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

L. Use of Estimates

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures for contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the basic financial statements, and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenditures/expenses during the fiscal year. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

2. Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

A. Budgetary Information

At the annual town meeting, the Finance Committee presents an operating and capital budget for the proposed expenditures of the fiscal year

commencing the following July 1. The budget, as enacted by town meeting, establishes the legal level of control and specifies that certain appropriations are to be funded by particular revenues. The original budget is amended during the fiscal year at special town meetings as required by changing conditions. In cases of extraordinary or unforeseen expenses, the Finance Committee is empowered to transfer funds from the Reserve Fund (a contingency appropriation) to a departmental appropriation. "Extraordinary" includes expenses which are not in the usual line, or are great or exceptional. "Unforeseen" includes expenses which are not foreseen as of the time of the annual meeting when appropriations are voted.

Departments are limited to the line items as voted. Certain items may exceed the line item budget as approved if it is for an emergency and for the safety of the general public. These items are limited by the Massachusetts General Laws and must be raised in the next year's tax rate.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund and Proprietary Fund. Effective budgetary control is achieved for all other funds through provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws.

At year-end, appropriation balances lapse, except for certain unexpended capital items and encumbrances which will be honored during the subsequent year.

B. Budgetary Basis

The General Fund final appropriation appearing on the "Budget and Actual" page of the fund financial statements represents the final amended budget after all reserve fund transfers and supplemental appropriations.

C. Budget/GAAP Reconciliation

The budgetary data for the general and proprietary fund is based upon accounting principles that differ from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Therefore, in addition to the GAAP basis financial statements, the results of operations of the general fund are presented in accordance with budgetary accounting principles to provide a meaningful comparison with budgetary data.

The following is a summary of adjustments made to the actual revenues and other sources, and expenditures and other uses, to conform to the budgetary basis of accounting.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>
Revenues/Expenditures (GAAP basis)	\$ 26,113,055	\$ 26,517,708
Other financing sources/uses (GAAP basis)	<u>380,253</u>	<u>505,798</u>
Subtotal (GAAP Basis)	26,493,308	27,023,506
Adjust tax revenue to accrual basis	(234,290)	-
Reverse beginning of year appropriation carryforwards from expenditures	-	(990,246)
Add end of year appropriation carryforwards to expenditures	-	812,833
To record raising prior year deficits	-	211,122
To reverse the effect of non-budgeted State contributions for teachers retirement	(613,278)	(613,278)
Record timing differences	40,000	126,676
Recognize use of fund balance as funding source	<u>2,174,142</u>	-
Budgetary basis	\$ <u>27,859,882</u>	\$ <u>26,570,613</u>

D. Deficit Fund Equity

The following funds had deficits as of June 30, 2004:

Special Revenue Funds:

Police Rotating	\$ 26,045
Fire Rotating	17,462
Title I	2,017
Highway Safety Grant	<u>4,586</u>
Total	\$ <u>50,110</u>

The deficits in these funds will be eliminated through future departmental revenues, bond proceeds, and transfers from other funds.

E. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

In fiscal year 2004 the Town overexpended the snow and ice appropriation by \$ 114,656 and court judgments by \$ 20,000. These excess expenditures will be raised as part of the fiscal year 2005 tax rate.

3. Cash and Short-Term Investments

The carrying amount of the Town's deposits with financial institutions at June 30, 2004 was \$ 9,803,868. The bank balances, which do not include reconciling items such as deposits in transit and outstanding checks, are categorized as follows:

	<u>Town Deposits June 30, 2004</u>
Amount insured by the FDIC and DIF, or collateralized with securities held by the Town in its name	\$ 311,218
Amount collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department in the Town's name	2,661,951
Uncollateralized	5,328,275
State investment pool	<u>1,916,912</u>
Total Bank Balance	\$ <u>10,218,356</u>

4. Investments

Investments are categorized into the following three categories of credit risk:

- (1) Insured or registered, or securities held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name.
- (2) Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Town's name.
- (3) Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Town's name.

At year-end, the government's investment balances were as follows (in thousands):

	Category			Total
	1	2	3	
U.S. Government securities	\$ 1,047	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,047
Corporate equity	<u>315</u>	-	-	<u>315</u>
Subtotal	\$ <u>1,362</u>	\$ -	\$ -	1,362
Investments not subject to categorization:				
Mutual funds				<u>4,063</u>
Total Investments				\$ <u>5,425</u>

5. Taxes Receivable

Real estate and personal property taxes are levied and based on values assessed on January 1st of every year. Assessed values are established by the Board of Assessor's for 100% of the estimated fair market value. Taxes are due on a quarterly basis and are subject to penalties and interest if they are not paid by the respective due date. Real estate and personal property taxes levied are recorded as receivables in the fiscal year they relate to.

Fourteen days after the due date for the final tax bill for real estate taxes, a demand notice may be sent to the delinquent taxpayer. Fourteen days after the demand notice has been sent, the tax collector may proceed to file a lien against the delinquent taxpayers' property. The Town has an ultimate right to foreclose on property for unpaid taxes. Personal property taxes cannot be secured through the lien process.

Taxes receivable at June 30, 2004 consist of the following (in thousands):

Real Estate		
2004	\$ 313	
2003	22	
2002	1	
Prior	<u>18</u>	
		354
Personal Property		
2004	4	
2003	3	
2002	4	
Prior	<u>56</u>	
		67
Tax Liens		390
Rollback Taxes		29
Deferred Taxes		<u>15</u>
Total		\$ <u>855</u>

6. Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The receivables reported in the accompanying entity-wide financial statements reflect the following estimated allowances for doubtful accounts:

	Governmental	Business-Type
Property taxes	\$ 262,776	\$ -
Excises	154,536	-
Utilities	-	119,047
Other	31,684	-

7. Intergovernmental Receivables

This balance represents reimbursements requested from Federal and State agencies for expenditures incurred in fiscal 2004.

8. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2004 was as follows (in thousands):

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	\$ 29,002	\$ 50	\$ -	\$ 29,052
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	<u>4,508</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>(391)</u>	<u>4,365</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	33,510	298	(391)	33,417
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(4,207)	(720)	-	(4,927)
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	<u>(2,158)</u>	<u>(551)</u>	<u>259</u>	<u>(2,450)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	(6,365)	(1,271)	259	(7,377)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	27,145	(973)	(132)	26,040
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	6,230	-	-	6,230
Construction in progress	<u>4,193</u>	<u>1,319</u>	<u>(92)</u>	<u>5,420</u>
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>10,423</u>	<u>1,319</u>	<u>(92)</u>	<u>11,650</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ <u>37,568</u>	\$ <u>346</u>	\$ <u>(224)</u>	\$ <u>37,690</u>

Note: The Town has not yet capitalized infrastructure assets for governmental activities.

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Business-Type Activities:				
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	\$ 10,081	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,081
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	758	47	(280)	525
Infrastructure	<u>36,869</u>	<u>280</u>	-	<u>37,149</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	47,708	327	(280)	47,755
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(1,056)	(275)	-	(1,331)
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	(477)	(43)	140	(380)
Infrastructure	<u>(9,430)</u>	<u>(603)</u>	-	<u>(10,033)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	(10,963)	(921)	140	(11,744)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	36,745	(594)	(140)	36,011
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	463	-	-	463
Construction in progress	<u>12,925</u>	<u>953</u>	<u>(232)</u>	<u>13,645</u>
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>13,388</u>	<u>953</u>	<u>(232)</u>	<u>14,109</u>
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ <u>50,133</u>	\$ <u>359</u>	\$ <u>(372)</u>	\$ <u>50,120</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions of the Town as follows (in thousands):

Governmental Activities:	
General government	\$ 3
Public safety	201
Education	737
Public works	233
Human services	<u>97</u>

Total depreciation expense - governmental activities \$ 1,271

Business-Type Activities:	
Water	\$ 549
Sewer	<u>372</u>

Total depreciation expense - business-type activities \$ 921

9. Warrants and Accounts Payable

Warrants payable represent 2004 expenditures paid by July 15, 2004 as permitted by law. Accounts payable represent additional 2004 expenditures paid after July 15, 2004.

10. Deferred Revenue

Governmental funds report *deferred revenue* in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period.

The balance of the General Fund deferred revenues account is equal to the total of all June 30, 2004 receivable balances, except real and personal property taxes that are accrued for subsequent 60-day collections.

The business-type activities report deferred revenue to offset sewer betterment receivables not yet due. This will be reported as revenue when collected and will be used to help finance related bond debt service costs.

11. Tax Refunds Payable

This balance consists of an estimate of refunds due to property taxpayers for potential abatements. These cases are currently pending with the state Appellate Tax Board.

12. Other Liabilities

This balance consists primarily of an amount representing arbitrage interest and payroll withholdings.

13. Notes Payable

The Town had the following notes outstanding at June 30, 2004:

	Interest Rate	Date of Issue	Date of Maturity	Balance at June 30, 2004
Bond anticipation	0.00%	10/02/03	08/02/04	\$ 600,000
Bond anticipation	1.88%	06/16/04	06/16/05	<u>578,000</u>
				\$ <u>1,178,000</u>

The following summarizes activity in notes payable during fiscal year 2004:

	Balance Beginning of Year	New Issues	Maturities	Balance End of Year
Town equipment	\$ -	\$ 578,000	\$ -	\$ 578,000
MWPAT septic	<u>600,000</u>	<u>600,000</u>	<u>(600,000)</u>	<u>600,000</u>
Total	\$ <u>600,000</u>	\$ <u>1,178,000</u>	\$ <u>(600,000)</u>	\$ <u>1,178,000</u>

14. Long-Term Debt

A. General Obligation Bonds

The Town issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. General obligation bonds

have been issued for both governmental and business-type activities. General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Governmental Activities:	Serial Maturities Through	Interest Rate(s)%	Amount Outstanding as of June 30, 2004
Land acquisition - library	09/15/08	5.20	\$ 205,000
School heating system	09/15/08	5.20	230,000
Landfill closure	09/15/08	5.10	125,000
School	11/15/09	5.39	22,855,000
Land acquisition	11/15/09	5.39	550,000
Highway garage	11/15/09	5.39	290,000
Septic loan - Title 5	08/01/19	-	168,389
Landfill closure	03/01/21	3.70	255,000
Town buildings	03/01/22	3.72	2,575,000
Town buildings	03/01/22	3.74	470,000
Gray's beach	03/01/15	3.24	275,000
Athletic fields	03/01/17	3.42	650,000
Total Governmental Activities			<u>\$ 28,648,389</u>

Business-Type Activities:	Serial Maturities Through	Interest Rate(s)%	Amount Outstanding as of June 30, 2004
<u>Sewer Fund:</u>			
MWPAT	08/01/18	1.36	\$ 646,864
MWPAT	08/01/29	1.73	1,261,699
MWPAT	08/01/29	1.73	7,028,738
MWPAT	08/01/29	1.73	2,342,327
MWPAT	08/01/30	1.73	1,422,448
MWPAT	08/01/30	1.73	7,109,043
MWPAT	02/01/31	1.85	590,506
MWPAT	02/01/31	1.85	6,001,965
Sewer	03/01/21	3.69	250,000
MWPAT	08/01/32	2.60	465,436
Total Sewer Fund			<u>27,118,966</u>

<u>Water Fund:</u>			
Water meters	06/01/05	5.10	85,000
Trammel Pond well	06/01/13	5.10	875,000
Water storage facility	03/01/23	3.82	1,425,000
Water mains	03/01/23	3.82	1,140,000
Water (paint) trucks	03/01/12	2.89	155,000
Total Water Fund			<u>3,680,000</u>
Total Business-Type Activities			<u>\$ 30,798,966</u>

B. Future Debt Service

The annual principal payments to retire all general obligation long-term debt outstanding as of June 30, 2004 are as follows:

Governmental	Principal	Interest	Total
2005	\$ 1,470,539	\$ 1,420,447	\$ 2,890,986
2006	1,525,539	1,353,401	2,878,940
2007	1,575,539	1,282,869	2,858,408
2008	1,635,539	1,207,407	2,842,946
2009	1,545,539	1,126,877	2,672,416
2010 - 2014	8,252,979	4,413,216	12,666,195
2015 - 2019	10,097,294	2,073,549	12,170,843
Thereafter	<u>2,545,421</u>	<u>88,110</u>	<u>2,633,531</u>
Total	<u>\$ 28,648,389</u>	<u>\$ 12,965,876</u>	<u>\$ 41,614,265</u>

Business-Type	Principal	Interest	Total
2005	\$ 999,232	\$ 554,627	\$ 1,553,859
2006	951,126	535,872	1,486,998
2007	969,926	518,472	1,488,398
2008	992,158	499,515	1,491,673
2009	1,014,126	479,585	1,493,711
2010 - 2014	5,289,498	2,054,159	7,343,657
2015 - 2019	5,637,900	1,464,652	7,102,552
2020 - 2024	6,065,000	885,394	6,950,394
Thereafter	<u>8,880,000</u>	<u>334,483</u>	<u>9,214,483</u>
Total	<u>\$ 30,798,966</u>	<u>\$ 7,326,759</u>	<u>\$ 38,125,725</u>

C. Changes in General Long-Term Liabilities

During the year ended June 30, 2004, the following changes occurred in long-term liabilities (in thousands):

	Total Balance 7/1/03	Additions	Reductions	Total Balance 6/30/04	Less Current Portion	Equals Long-Term Portion 6/30/04
<u>Governmental Activities</u>						
Bonds payable	\$ 30,075	\$ -	\$ (1,427)	\$ 28,648	\$ (1,471)	\$ 27,177
Other:						
Accrued employee benefits	1,242	-	(145)	1,097	(62)	1,035
Landfill closure	<u>586</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(30)</u>	<u>556</u>	<u>(30)</u>	<u>526</u>
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 31,903</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (1,602)</u>	<u>\$ 30,301</u>	<u>\$ (1,563)</u>	<u>\$ 28,738</u>

	Total Balance 7/1/03	Additions	Reductions	Total Balance 6/30/04	Less Current Portion	Equals Long-Term Portion 6/30/04
Business-Type Activities						
Bonds payable	\$ 31,780	\$ -	\$ (981)	\$ 30,799	\$ (999)	\$ 29,800
Other:						
Accrued employee benefits	39	16	-	55	(3)	52
Total Business-Type Activities	\$ 31,819	\$ 16	\$ (981)	\$ 30,854	\$ (1,002)	\$ 29,852

15. Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs

State and Federal laws and regulations require the Town to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at its landfill site for thirty years after closure.

The \$ 556,000 reported as landfill postclosure care liability at June 30, 2004 represents future monitoring costs of the landfill. Actual cost may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

16. Restricted Net Assets

The accompanying entity-wide financial statements report restricted net assets when external constraints from grantors or contributors are placed on net assets.

Permanent fund restricted net assets are segregated between nonexpendable and expendable. The nonexpendable portion represents the original restricted principal contribution, and the expendable represents accumulated earnings which are available to be spent based on donor restrictions.

17. Reserves of Fund Equity

"Reserves" of fund equity are established to segregate fund balances which are either not available for expenditure in the future or are legally set aside for a specific future use.

The following types of reserves are reported at June 30, 2004:

Reserved for Encumbrances - An account used to segregate that portion of fund balance committed for expenditure of financial resources upon vendor performance.

Reserved for Expenditures - Represents the amount of fund balance appropriated to be used for expenditures in the subsequent year budget.

Reserved for Perpetual Funds - Represents the principal of the nonexpendable trust fund investments. The balance cannot be spent for any purpose; however, it may be invested and the earnings may be spent.

18. General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance

The undesignated general fund balance reported on the balance sheet is stated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), which differs in certain respects from the Massachusetts Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS). The following paragraphs summarize the major differences.

Massachusetts general laws include provisions to allow municipalities to over-expend certain appropriations if they are incurred in an emergency situation and for the safety of the public. The most common example involves the "snow and ice" appropriation. All such over-expenditures, however, must be funded in the subsequent year's tax rate.

Massachusetts General Laws require that non-property tax revenue budget shortfalls, net of appropriation tumbucks, be funded in the subsequent year. The same treatment is also applied to the excess of actual property tax abatements and exemptions over the provision for abatements and exemptions (overlay).

The following summarizes the specific differences between GAAP basis and statutory basis of reporting the general fund undesignated fund balance:

GAAP basis balance	\$ 1,858,519
Snow and ice deficits	114,656
Tax refunds payable	50,000
Court judgments	20,000
Statutory (UMAS) Balance	\$ 2,043,175

19. Commitments and Contingencies

Outstanding Lawsuits - There are several pending lawsuits in which the Town is involved. The Town's management is of the opinion that the potential future settlement of such claims would not materially affect its financial statements taken as a whole.

Grants - Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

20. Post-Retirement Health Care and Life Insurance Benefits

The Town has accepted Chapter 32B of Massachusetts General Laws to provide for health care and life insurance benefits to retirees, their dependents, or their survivors. These benefits are provided through the Town's group plans. The cost of these benefits are included in the total cost of benefits for both active and retired employees. The number of participants currently eligible to receive benefits, and cost of benefits for retirees, their dependents, or their survivors for the year ended June 30, 2004 was not available.

21. Pension Plan

The Town follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 27, *Accounting for Pensions for State and Local Government Employees*, with respect to the employees' retirement funds.

A. Plan Description

The Town contributes to the Plymouth County Retirement System (the "System"), a cost-sharing multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plan administered by a county retirement board. The System provides retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws assigns the System the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions of the plan, and grant cost-of-living increases, to the State legislature. The System issues a publicly available financial report which can be obtained through the Plymouth County Retirement Association, 11 South Russell Street, Plymouth, Massachusetts 02360.

B. Funding Policy

Plan members are required to contribute to the System at rates ranging from 5% to 11% of annual covered compensation. The Town is required to pay into the System its share of the remaining system-wide actuarially determined contribution plus administration costs which are apportioned among the employers based on active covered payroll. The contributions of plan members and the Town are governed by Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. The Town's contributions to the System for the years ended June 30, 2004, 2003 and 2002 were \$ 675,246, \$ 498,244 and \$ 483,801, respectively, which were equal to its annual required contributions for each of these years.

C. Teachers

As required by State statutes, teachers of the Town are covered by the Massachusetts Teachers Retirement System (MTRS). The MTRS is funded by contributions from covered employees and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The Town is not required to contribute.

All persons employed on at least a half-time basis, who are covered under a contractual agreement requiring certification by the Board of Education are eligible, and must participate in the MTRS.

Based on the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' retirement laws, employees covered by the pension plan must contribute a percentage of gross earnings into the pension fund. The percentage is determined by the participant's date of entry into the system and gross earnings, up to \$ 30,000, as follows:

Before January 1, 1975	5%
January 1, 1975 - December 31, 1983	7%*
January 1, 1984 - June 30, 1996	8%*
July 1, 1996 - June 30, 2001	9%*
Beginning July 1, 2001	11%

* Effective January 1, 1990, all participants hired after January 1, 1979, who have not elected to increase to 11%, contribute an additional 2% of salary in excess of \$ 30,000.

The Town's current year covered payroll for teachers was \$ 3,929,240.

In fiscal year 2004, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts contributed \$ 613,278 to the MTRS on behalf of the Town. This is included in the education expenditures and intergovernmental revenues in the general fund.

22. Self Insurance

The Town self-insures against claims for unemployment coverage. Annual estimated requirements for claims are provided in the Town's annual operating budget.

23. Risk Management

The government is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the government carries commercial insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and have been no material settlements in excess of coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

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