ANNUAL REPORT
2017
TOWN OF TISBURY
(also known as Vineyard Haven)
Incorporated July 8, 1671
Called "Holmes Hole" 1646 - 1871
POPULATION: 4627 (2015 CENSUS)
LAND AREA: APPROXIMATELY 7.5 SQUARE MILES

GOVERNMENT: Open Town Meeting with three-member Board of Selectmen and appointed Town Administrator

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING: First Tuesday in April
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION: Second Tuesday after Town Meeting
FY 2018 TAX RATE
Residential $9.11 per $1,000 of assessed valuation
Commercial $8.55 per $1,000 of assessed valuation

The Board of Selectmen voted in 2017 to continue the residential exemption for FY2018, maintaining the level of the residential exemption at 18%, as voted in 2013, for eligible residents meeting criteria established by the Department of Revenue and the Board of Assessors under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5C. The Selectmen also voted not to shift the tax burden to Commercial property and adopted a residential factor of 1, i.e., that there will not be a split tax rate in FY2018 for Residential and Commercial property. The Board of Selectmen has voted a Residential Exemption since 1988.

ASSESSMENTS: FY 2018 ASSESSED VALUATIONS

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<th>Property Type</th>
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<td>Residential Property:</td>
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<td>Commercial Property:</td>
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<td>5,918,400</td>
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TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATIONS: $2,585,118,517

CREDITS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: Photo courtesy of Michael Blanchard

COVER: This photo by popular Island photographer Michael Blanchard perfectly captures the spirit of the Vineyard Haven Harbor District and the uniqueness of the Tisbury Working Waterfront. It is one of the Town’s longstanding traditions to exclusively preserve its waterfront for the water dependent businesses. Marine industries, ship designers and builders, sail instructors and sailing yacht charters have been occupying the coastline of Vineyard Haven for many decades. Majority of the businesses are still family owned and operated.

PREPARATION, PROOFING AND ORGANIZATION: Alexandra Kral, Pamela Bennett
ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OF TISBURY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2017

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VOLUNTEER TO SERVE YOUR TOWN

The Board of Selectmen seeks Tisbury residents to serve in appointed positions on various boards, commissions and committees. A file of names submitted will be established and made available to all Town departments for filling future vacancies.

Complete the form, indicate your areas of interest and return with letter of interest, resume and/or list of qualifications to:

Tisbury Board of Selectmen
Attn: Volunteers
Tisbury Town Hall
51 Spring St.
PO Box 1239
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

YOUR PARTICIPATION IN TOWN GOVERNMENT IS IMPORTANT.

NAME _________________________________ TELEPHONE ____________________
ADDRESS ________________________________________________________________
OCCUPATION _____________________________________________________________
BACKGROUNDEXPERIENCE __________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
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LIST ORDER OF PREFERENCE
___ Advisory Board of Public Works
___ Community Preservation Committee
___ Conservation Commission
___ Council on Aging
___ Dredge Committee
___ Embarkation Fee Advisory Committee
___ Harbor Management Committee
___ Housing Committee
___ Housing Trust
___ Parking Committee
___ Personnel Board
___ Renewable Energy Committee
___ Shellfish Advisory Committee
___ Town Picnic Committee
___ Wastewater Planning Committee
___ Zoning Board of Appeals
___ Other(List) ______________________________
ABOUT THE REPORT

2017 Tisbury Annual Report is aimed to provide Town’s Residents with a brief but informative overview of the past year. Within the report you will find detailed information on the Town Department’s and Committee’s activities and accomplishments. Please contact the Board of Selectmen Office if you have any questions regarding the material included within this report.

We would like to dedicate this year’s report to the Tisbury Working Waterfront and Harbor District, as well as to the people and businesses, who help to maintain and enhance its cultural heritage and economic vitality. The ability of the local waterfront businesses to accommodate and serve large vessels played an essential part in the development of our community.

Many of our Town’s Boards and Committees are actively working on keeping the Town’s regulations up-to-date and relevant to the current needs of the community. So the existing businesses continue to thrive and efficiently serve Tisbury Residents and other Island Communities while embracing new and exciting opportunities.

Please enjoy some of our favorite photos of Tisbury Harbor and Waterfront in the report. We wish to express our gratitude to the talented photographers who contributed to 2017 Annual Town Report.

The Town would like to express its gratitude to Michael Blanchard for a breathtaking cover photo, Joshua Robinson-White for the photos used for the following sections: General Government, Town Departments, Financial, Boards, Committees & Commissions: Town; Mark Lovewell of the Vineyard Gazette for the photos used for the following sections: Education and Culture, Public Information; Timothy Johnson of the Vineyard Gazette for the photo used for Boards, Committees & Commissions: Regional Section.

Special thank you to the Vineyard Gazette for their assistance with our photo research.
IN MEMORIAM

Let the residents of Tisbury pause and reflect for a moment for those who served

Anthony M. Guyther
Council on Aging

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Alfred H. Hopp
Fireman

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Alden Besse
Registrar
# ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

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<td>J. Hillary Conklin</td>
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Akeyah Nunes 2020  
Sandra Johnson Pratt 2020  
George J. Balco 2018  
Nora Nevin 2018  
Pamela S. Street 2018  

**Constables**  
Mark Campos 2018  
Kenneth A. Barwick 2018  
Michael Ciancio 2019  

**Finance & Advisory Committee**  
Jeffrey C. Kristal 2019  
Leslie Segal Pallas 2019  
Sarah York 2018  
Pamela Brock 2020  
Jynell Kristal 2020  
Mary Ellen Larsen 2020  
Paul J. Cefola 2018  
Nancy B. Gilfoy 2018  
Thomas L. Keller 2018  

**Fish Committee**  
(Elected at Town Meeting)  
Janet Messineo 2018  
James T. Tilton 2018  
John M. Wilbur, III 2018  

**Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission**  
Term Expires at Annual Town Election  
John Anthony Nevin 2020  

**Martha's Vineyard Commission**  
Terms Expire December 31  
Clarence A. Barnes, III 2020  
Joshua Seth Goldstein 2020  

**Key to Symbols:**  
** Resigned  
*** Appointed to Fill Vacancy until Next Election
# APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS

Appointments Made by Board of Selectmen  
Expiration of Appointments - June 30  
(unless otherwise noted)

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Board of Registrars
Leniston Daughtery 2019
J. Hillary Conklin 2020
Catherine M. Mayhew 2020
Elizabeth M. Call 2018

Advisory Board of Public Works
Ian A. Aitchison 2018
George J. Balco 2018
Earl Littlefield 2018
Tomar Waldman 2018
Christine Colarusso 2018

Conservation Commission
Thomas M. Robinson 2019
Caroline Little 2020
John D. Best 2018
Lilian Robinson 2018
Nancy Weaver 2018

Beach Road Design Review Board
John Grande 2018
Melinda Loberg 2018
Ray Tattersall 2018
Ben Robinson 2018
Jane Varkonda 2018
Bill Veno 2018

Beautification Committee
Jynell Krystal 2018
Dawn Braasch 2018

Cape Light Compact
John Grande 2018

Cape & Vineyard Electric Cooperative
Kirk Metell 2018

Council on Aging
Edward Sternick 2019
Sandra Johnson-Pratt 2019
Eleanor Morad 2020
Donald Rose 2020
Kenneth R. Gross 2018
Constance Teixeira 2018

Community Preservation Committee
Cheryl S. Doble 2018
John Best 2018
Tomar Waldman 2018
Abbe Burt 2018
John Bacheller 2018
Victor Cappoccia 2020
Clarence A. Barnes, III 2019
Paul Munafo 2018
David Ferraguzzii 2019

Dredge Committee
Danielle E wart 2018
Charles Felder 2018
Nevin Sayre 2018
John Crocker 2018
Robert F. Jewett 2018
Shari Caseau 2018
Jacque Gagnon 2018
Richard Karney 2018

Dukes County Cable Advisory Committee
John W. Grande 2018

Dukes County Advisory Board
Melinda F. Loberg 2018

Dukes County Oversight Board for Senior Services
Larry J. Gomez 2018

Dukes County Pooled OPEB Trust
Jonathan V. Snyder 2018

Dukes County Regional Housing Authority
Daniel Jay Seidman 12.31.2018

Embarkation Advisory Committee
Peter Goodale 2018
Jynell Kristal 2018
Tristan R. Israel 2018
Matt Hobart 2018
Jonathan V. Snyder 2018

Government Study Panel
Bruce Lewellyn 2018
Jim Rogers 2018
Denys Wortman 2018
Shelley Carter 2018
Steven Zablotny 2018
Elaine Euster 2018
Andy Berry 2018

Harbor Management Committee
Matt Hobart 2018
James H. Lobdell** 2018
Jeffrey A. Robinson 2018
Jeremy T. Goodale 2018
Michael Baptiste 2018
Michael Jampel 2018
John R. Packer 2018
John Crocker 2018
Raymond Gale 2018
Malcolm Boyd 2018
Dawn Bellante Holland 2018
Nathaniel Benjamin 2018

Housing Committee
Laura L. Barbera 2018
Mary Brissette 2018
Abbe Burt 2018
John W. Grande 2018
Daniel Jay Seidman 2018
Mary Ellen Larsen 2018

Housing Trust
Tristan R. Israel 2018
Melinda F. Loberg 2018
Jonathan V. Snyder 2018
Abbe Burt 2018
Daniel Jay Seidman 2018

Hunting and Firearms Regulation Committee
John Grande 2018

Island Housing Trust Corporation
Tristan R. Israel 4.30.2018

Land Bank Advisory Board
Nancy Weaver 2018
Angela Cywinski 2018
Ian A. Aithison 2018
Holly Stephenson 2018
Nora Nevin 2018
Jeffrey Pratt 2018
David J. Schwab 2018

Martha’s Vineyard Cultural Council
Noreen Baker** 2017
Lara O’Brien 2020
Robert Cropper 2018

Martha’s Vineyard Commission
Ben Robinson 12.31.2018

MVC Joint Transportation Committee
Ray Tattersall 12.31.2018

Martha’s Vineyard Community Television Board of Directors
Robert Tankard 2018

Martha’s Vineyard Regional Transit Authority
John W. Grande 2018

Parking Clerk
Donna Michalski 2018

Personnel Board
John H. Rollins 2019
William C. McConnell 2017
William E. Brown 2018
Barbara Fortes 2018
Energy Committee
William Straw  2018
Kirk Metell  2018
Ray Tattersall  2018
Nancy Gilfoy  2018

Sewer Advisory Board
Jeff Pratt  2018
Dan Siedman  2018
Melinda F. Loberg  2018
Tomar Waldman  2018
Jeff Kristal  2018
Josh Goldstein  2018
John Best  2018
Jon Snyder  2018

Shellfish Advisory Committee
Steven J. Baccelli  2018
Ray Lincoln  2018
John Kollett  2018
Henry S. Nieder  2018
William Sweeney  2018
James T. Tilton  2018
Jackie Willey  2018
John Custer, Alternate  2018

Site Plan Review Committee (Planning Board)
(Waterfront, Commercial Island Road and Coastal Districts)
Caroline Little  2018
Frank Piccione  2018
Dana Hodson  2018
Benjamin Robinson  2018
Jeffrey Pratt  2018
Darren Reubens  2018

Spring Building Management Committee
Harriet Barrow  2018
Patricia Carlet  2018
Lorraine Wells  2018

Spring Building Preservation Committee
Harriet Barrow  2018
Patricia Carlet  2018
Aase M. Jones  2018
Henry Stephenson  2018
Lorraine Wells  2018
Denys Wortman  2018

Steamship Authority Port Council
George J. Balco  12.31.2018

Town Cabinet
George J. Balco  2018
J. Hillary Conklin  2018
John W. Grande  2018
Larry Gomez, President  2018
Jeff Kristal  2018
Malcolm Boyd  2018
Amy Houghton  2018
David J. Schwab  2018
Ben Robinson  2018
Jonathan V. Snyder  2018
Cynthia Richards  2018

Town Picnic Committee
Harriet Barrow  2018
Patricia Carlet  2018
Danielle Ewart  2018
Aase M. Jones  2018
Jonathan V. Snyder  2018
Henry Stephenson  2018
Lorraine Wells  2018
Sheetal Grande  2018
Denys Wortman  2018

Traffic and Roadway Safety Committee
Ray Tattersall  2018
Daniel Hanavan  2018
Larry Gomez  2018
John Schilling  2018
### Waterways Planning Committee
- Tristan Israel 2018
- James Tilton 2018
- Jeff Robinson 2018
- Ben Robinson 2018
- Jane Varkonda 2018
- Roger Moffat 2018
- Philip P. Hale 2018
- Michael O’Hara 2018
- Simone DeSorcy** 2018

### Wastewater Planning Committee
- John Best 2018
- Nancy Gilfoy 2018
- Gerard Hokanson 2018
- Melinda F. Loberg 2018
- Michael Loberg 2018
- Douglas H. Reese 2018
- Daniel J. Seidman 2018
- Christina Colarusso 2018

### William Street Historic District Commission
- Tomar Waldman 2018

### Tisbury Historical Commission
- Craig Whitaker 2019
- John Bacheller 2018
- Judith E. Federowicz 2018
- Dana L. Hodsdon, 2018
- Harold W. Chapdelaine 2018
- Paul Lazes 2018

### Zoning Board of Appeals
- Neal Stiller 2021
- Jeffrey C. Kristal 2022
- Susan Fairbanks 2018
- Anthony Holand 2019
- Michael Ciancio 2020
- Frank Piccione, Associate 2018
- John Guadagno, Associate 2018

### Police Department
- Daniel T. Hanavan Police Chief
- Eerik Meisner Lieutenant
- Timothy Stobie Sergeant**
- Christopher Habekost Sergeant
- Kindia Roman Sergeant
- Max Sherman Detective
- Scott J. Ogden Patrolman
- Michael O’Rourke Patrolman
- Jeremie D. Rogers Patrolman
- Andrew Silvia Patrolman
- Mark Santon Patrolman
- Jeffrey Day Patrolman

### Special Officers
- Noah Stobie 2018
- Michael Maliff 2018
- Jonathan Goeckel 2018
- Maria DeOliveira 2018
- Nick Sidoti 2018
- Pierce Harrer 2018

### Traffic Officers
- Eloise Moreis Boales 2018
- Daniel Tanner 2018
- Tom Girouard 2018
- Dwayne Koohy 2018

### Crossing Guards
- Katharine Colon 2018
- Stephen Nichols 2018
- John Rollins 2018
- Rita Reynolds 2018
- Kathleen Tilton 2018
- Marilyn Susan Yas 2018
- Robyn Lopes 2018
- William Magee 2018
- Phyllis Dunn 2018
- Rosemary Littlefield 2018
Fire Department

John F. Schilling, Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden 2020
James J. Rogers, Assistant Fire Chief** 2017
Joseph K. Tierney, Jr., Assistant Fire Chief 2018

Fire Captains
D. Andrew Dickson
Domenic Fullin

Fire Lieutenants
Gregory Leland
James McMann
James Rolston
Jason Robinson

Patrick Rolston
Patrick Murphy
Gary Sylvia
Darren S. Welch

Fire Lieutenants
Jeoffrey Pratt, Fireman**

trainer
Joseph K. Tierney, Jr. Patrick Rolston

Fire Police
H. Brian Flanders
Richard Roy

Engine #1 (Haz-Mat Team)
2007 Pumper

D. Andrew Dickson, Captain
Gregory Leland, Lieutenant
James Rolston, Lieutenant
Jeoffrey Pratt, Fireman**

Charles Duquette, Fireman
Gustavo Lioncio, Fireman
Hannah Rushing, Fireman
Julius Middleton, Fireman

Engine #2 (Rescue Squad)
1987 Pumper; 1990 Rescue Pumper

Glenn Pinkham, Captain
Jason Robinson, Lieutenant
James McMann, Lieutenant
Thomas Searle, Lieutenant**
Shawn DeCosta, Fireman
Connor Chisholm, Fireman*

Daniel Martino, Fireman
Sean Duart, Fireman
George R. Medeiros, Fireman
Brad Furtaw, Fireman
Asa Vought, Fireman

Engine #3 (Legion Pumper)
1997 Pumper

Domenic Fullin, Captain
Gary Sylvia, Lieutenant
Darren S. Welch, Lieutenant
Troy Maciel, Fireman
Christopher Kann, Fireman*

Jakob Levet, Fireman
Michael G Silvia, Fireman
Morgan Reitzas, Fireman
Michael Wilson, Fireman
Denis Gingras, Fireman*
Ladder Truck (Bronto)
2006 RLP

Kenneth Maciel, Captain
Patrick Murphy, Lieutenant
Patrick Rolston, Lieutenant
Joshua Robertson, Fireman
Louis D’Agostino, Fireman

Tracey Jones, Fireman
Jared Meader, Fireman
Jesse Steere, Fireman
John Sundman, Fireman**
Ryan Welty, Fireman

Technical Rescue Team

Shawn DeCosta
D. Andrew Dickson
Julius Middleton

Patrick Rolston
Joseph K. Tierney, Jr.

Key to Symbol(s):

** Resigned
*** Retired
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

2017
The Board of Selectmen noted 2017 as a year of change and progress for the Town. Following the re-election of Melinda Loberg, the Selectmen reorganized Board officers. Larry Gomez was elected Chairman and Melinda Loberg was elected Clerk. New employees were also welcomed this past year with Alexandra Kral hired as the Executive Assistant to the Town Administrator and Pamela Bennett hired to the position of Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen and Personnel Director. Both have made a positive contribution in a very short period of time updating and improving office procedures and taking on new initiatives to help improve town-wide processes and communications.

Early in 2017, the Town Administrator and Selectmen established new goals for the upcoming 12 months. The Selectmen continued their effort from the prior year meeting with appointed and elected boards and committees to identify joint priorities and to coordinate efforts. This initiative has led to many positive results for the Town as follows.

**Special Legislation All Alcohol**
Following successful votes at Town Meeting and the Ballot, special legislation was filed and implemented this past year to allow “All Alcohol” to be served in Town. The existing Beer and Wine Regulations were revised to incorporate this change subject generally to the same terms and conditions of the existing requirements. Several restaurants have been granted request to convert their existing licenses to All Alcohol which were processed in advance of the high season.

**Community Compact Program**
The Community Compact is a voluntary mutual agreement entered into between the Governor’s Administration and Tisbury. Resources for technical assistance from the Commonwealth will be prioritized for those communities entered into a Compact. The Town of Tisbury applied and successfully got approval for two chosen “best practices” to amend zoning by-laws to increase affordable housing opportunities and to research and implement shared services possibilities with the Town of Oak Bluffs. The signing of the Tisbury Community Compact will take place spring 2018.

**Complete Streets Program**
The Planning Board and Selectmen worked collaboratively to adopt a Complete Streets Policy and Complete Streets Prioritization Plan. Tisbury was one of the first communities in the Commonwealth to achieve this status and the first on the Island of Martha’s Vineyard. The Complete Streets Program is an initiative by the State. Tisbury was awarded a grant to develop the policy and prioritization plan in the amount of $49,991. Tisbury was also awarded a grant to implement the plan in the amount of $371,851. The Planning Board, Selectmen and Public Works Department are working to see these projects complete by the end of this calendar year.

**NitROE System Program**
The Board of Health and Selectmen applied for a grant from MassCEC for our proposed NitROE System innovative wastewater initiative program. The Town has partnered with CES on the grant application due to their technical expertise, resources and capacity to fulfill the requirements of the grant. Tisbury was successful in being awarded a grant in the amount of $150,000. The funds
are for installing and monitoring at least ten (10) NitROE™ Tank Systems under MassDEP’s Pilot Permit Program. Our main focus is to determine the capability of these systems for enhanced nitrogen reduction as a complement to a Title 5 septic system. Four systems have been installed to date and the preliminary results are promising that show a significant reduction in nitrogen which if borne out will be another tool to reduce nitrogen and protect and potential improve the quality of our groundwater and surface water resources.

**Lake Street Facilities Project**
Lake Street pier, bulkhead and launch ramp located at 350 Lake Street is heavily used year round by both recreational and commercial boaters. A recent engineering survey indicated that the facility was structurally unsound for the heavy use it bears and dangerous. The Harbor Department and Selectmen have worked collaboratively to develop a program of improvements to the Lake Street pier, bulkhead and launch ramp which would address these deficiencies. This year the Town applied successfully for an Innovation Grant to the Seaport Economic Council and awarded a grant in the amount of $680,000 to complete this project. The Town was subsequently awarded an additional $100,000 for the project. The construction of these improvements proceeds forward and the expected date of completion is May 2017.

**Massachusetts Electric Vehicle Incentive Program**
Tisbury was successful to be awarded $33,000 in funding from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Affairs to acquire three electric vehicles and Level 2 dual head charging station(s) under Phase III of the Massachusetts Electric Vehicle Incentive Program (MassEVIP). The charging stations were installed at the Town Hall Annex and Senior Center. One electric vehicle is solely used by the Senior Center in support of their services to elders. The increased deployment of electric vehicles (EVs) helps the State meet its air quality and Global Warming Solutions Act goals.

**Tisbury School Project**
The Massachusetts School Building Authority awarded Tisbury a grant in the amount of $340,395 to conduct a feasibility study and develop a schematic for a new school and budget. This was completed over an intensive planning process with numerous public meetings. The Massachusetts School Building Authority has reviewed the preferred plan option and approved an estimated maximum total facilities grant in the amount of $14,792,718. The funding for the preferred plan will be considered for approval at Annual Town Meeting April 10, 2018 and April 24, 2018 Town Election. If approved, the Tisbury Building Committee will begin working on final plans and construction bid documents.

**Housing Production Plan**
The Selectmen work in collaboration with the Martha’s Vineyard Commission and Planning Board to develop a housing production plan for Tisbury. The plan was developed with a consultant funded through a grant applied for by the Martha’s Vineyard Commission. The plan went through an extensive public review process. The Selectmen reviewed and approved the plan and the Town is working towards implementing the recommendations of the plan.

**Greener Communities Projects**
The Town is a designated Green Community. A grant application was submitted and the necessary milestones were achieved this year. These funds will assist the Town in working
towards the goal to reduce energy consumption by 20%. We have recently made energy improvements to the Vineyard Haven Public Library and Police Station. The energy improvements at the Vineyard Haven Library was the replacement of the existing standard efficiency boiler with condensing with a new condensing boiler with same input that has a rated efficiency above 90%. The new condensing boiler was estimated to be around 20% more efficient than the existing boiler. The funds for this work in the amount of $23,031 were from Tisbury’s Greener Communities Grant. The energy upgrades to the Police Station involved the HVAC systems and boiler. These upgrades were funded from the Greener Communities Grant in the amount of $99,601.

The Selectmen continue to work closely with many agencies and groups outside of town hall. The Selectmen worked closely with the Vineyard Haven Business Association on many activities. Working with the Association, Beautification Committee and Vineyard Haven Cultural District, downtown activities included live entertainment and street events that drawing many visitors. The Town supported and participated in the Street Fair and other annual events. For the first time, Town Employees participated in the annual traditional Halloween Celebration in Vineyard Haven and Town Hall was decorated and opened to the public for the festivities, which was a huge success.

The Selectmen and Town Administrator also completed a strategic assessment of the Police Department in 2017. Working with our consultant Strategic Partners LLC, the town has initiated updates to key personnel policies and practices to position the Police Department for the 21st century. The consultant is also charged with assisting the Town in recruitment and hiring of personnel to the Police Department and more importantly to fill the position of Police Chief. The current Police Chief will be retiring in 2019. The Personnel Board has been actively reviewing and implementing new personnel policies town-wide. Town department heads and employees participated in a successful training retreat at the Spring Building and held two employee appreciation cookouts. Training and development opportunities are now an established regular practice for employees.

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation is completing 100% design plans for proposed roadway pedestrian and bicycle improvements to Beach Road from Five Corners to the Winds Up. This followed several public meetings and forums on the island to consider alternative design layouts approved by MassDOT and their traffic engineering consultant, Greeman Pedersen, Inc. The improvements would provide for improved vehicle, pedestrian and bicycle traffic flow. The utility poles will be relocated as part of this project. Several utility poles on the harbor side will be eliminated and the project improvements include partial undergrounding for power and communication systems and the installation of underground conduit for future placement of power and communication systems underground if approved by the town.

The Selectmen continue to seek funding for repair and replacement of the Beach Road seawall, which protects Beach Road, a critical transportation route between Tisbury and Oak Bluffs, the Hospital and the utility corridor for power to the Lagoon Pond Drawbridge. The seawall also protects the barrier beach, indirectly protecting the water quality and habitat areas of Lagoon Pond south of Beach Road. The seawall has been patched many times, but its foundation is eroding and the wall conditions continue to decline. The design for the seawall project not only
will improve seawall conditions, but provide public access by establishing a continuous harbor walk.

The Town has enhanced the town’s webpage with a new citizen e-participation tool powered by SeeClickFix. This provides greater civic participation and government transparency. Residents are now able to provide Town Employees with pictures, videos, specific descriptions. Residents will be able to report neighborhood issues like potholes, broken signs, cracked sidewalks and more with photos, videos, descriptions, and automatic geolocation. Once an issue is reported, the resident will be kept in the loop about progress on fixing it. The Town continues to implement web and mobile tools that make it easier to do business with the Town. Online applications and fillable forms technology and electronic financial transactions are now being widely utilized on the town’s webpage.

The Selectmen working with the Finance Committee have improved upon the capital planning process directing departments to develop five year capital plans which has enabled the Town to develop a capital spending plan going forward.

The Town continues to retain a sound financial standing with a current AA rating by Standard & Poor’s. The Selectmen have continued to support homeowners through a residential exemption. The Selectmen continue to also support a strong business community through initiatives to attract visitors that will continue to make the Vineyard a destination of choice for many.

To achieve the above progress and conduct the business of the Town requires a significant effort involving coordination among local, state and regional levels of government, which requires meetings. The Selectmen held 65 regular meetings and special meetings in calendar year 2017. In addition to the Board of Selectmen Meetings, the Selectmen routinely attend the meetings of other Town boards and committees. Other meetings the Selectmen participate in include the Annual Meeting of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, Massachusetts Municipal Association Selectmen Meetings, Cape and Island Selectmen Association Meetings, All Island Selectmen Meetings, Dukes County Commission Meetings and the Selectmen also send representatives to other regional groups such as the Cape Cod Light Compact, Cape and Vineyard Electric Cooperative, and Vineyard Transportation Authority.

We wish to thank the professionals who lead the Town departments, their capable and loyal staff and all Town employees who serve the public with courtesy and professionalism and work together harmoniously to make Tisbury an outstanding place to work and live. All of these people make holding the office of Selectman and position of Town Administrator an unequalled privilege and an honor, and helped us to navigate through some challenging issues and to achieve many successes during the past year. We look forward to future success in Calendar Year 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

LARRY J. GOMEZ, Chairman
TRISTAN R. ISRAEL
MELINDA F. LOBERG

JOHN W. GRANDE
Town Administrator/
Personnel Director
TOWN CABINET

“Democracy means nothing if people are not able to work the democracy for the common good.”

- Chandra Bhushan

The Town Cabinet was created by adoption of a Town Meeting article in 1998 to foster improved communication between Town Departments. The cabinet consists of the chairman of each of the following Boards: the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Health, the Department of Public Works, the Finance and Advisory Committee, the Planning Board, The School Committee, the Town Clerk, Board of Assessors, the Water Commissioner and the Library Trustees. In addition, the Town Administrator and the Finance Director attend as non-voting, Ex Officio members.

The Cabinet meets quarterly on the first Thursday of the month at 4:30 p.m. Under the directive of Larry Gomez, meeting discussions have encompassed a wide range of topics this year including town wide goals, reviews of the FY18 budget, and the Tisbury School project.

Discussions are thoughtful and members express their points of view, exchange ideas and discuss solutions as well as issues and activities that effect the Town as whole. The Town Cabinet is important since it presents ideas and solutions to provide better and more cost effective public service.

Respectfully submitted,

LARRY GOMEZ, Chairman-Selectmen
HILLARY CONKLIN, Town Clerk
JOHN GRANDE, Town Administrator (Ex Officio)
MALCOLM BOYD, Board of Health
DAVID SCHWAB, Water Commissioner
JEFF KRISTAL, Finance & Advisory Committee
AMY HOUGHTON, Tisbury School Committee
BEN ROBINSON, Planning Board
JONATHAN SNYDER, Finance Director (Ex Officio)
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TOWN OF TISBURY
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
TUESDAY, April 25, 2017 at 7:00 PM

The Special Town Meeting of the Town of Tisbury was called to order by Moderator, Deborah Medders at 7:23 PM, on April 25, 2016, at the Tisbury School Gymnasium/Auditorium with a quorum of 177+ voters. Ms. Medders announced the call of the warrant and the return of service was in order.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 25, 2017

ARTICLE 1
TO AMEND ZONING BYLAW, DEFINITIONS, AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SITE PLAN REVIEW  PASS-U 7:24 PM

ARTICLE 2
TO ELECT FISH COMMITTEE  PASS- U 7:46 PM

ARTICLE 3
TO AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER-COLLECTOR TO ENTER INTO A COMPENSATING BALANCE AGREEMENT  PASS-U 7:47 PM

ARTICLE 4
TO AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER TO BORROW IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE  PASS-U 7:48 PM

ARTICLE 5
TO AMEND PROCUREMENT BYLAW  PASS-M 7:50 PM

ARTICLE 6
TO ADD DEPARTMENT SECRETARY POSITION  FAIL 7:51 PM

ARTICLE 7
TO APPROVE NEW CONNECTION AND SEWER LINE EXTENSION FOR THE MARTHA’S VINEYARD MUSEUM  PASS-M 7:30 PM

ARTICLE 8
TO APPROVE NEW CONNECTIONS TO SEWER LINE EXTENSION ON HIGH POINT LANE  PASS-U 8:06PM

ARTICLE 9
TO ADD LABORER POSITIONS TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  PASS-U 8:14 PM

ARTICLE 10
TO ADD DEPARTMENT SECRETARY POSITION  FAIL 7:51 PM

ARTICLE 11
TO AMEND ZONING BYLAW, SITE PLAN REVIEW  PASS-U 7:24 PM

ARTICLE 12
TO AMEND ZONING BYLAW, WATERFRONT COMMERCIAL DISTRICT  PASS-U 7:27 PM

ARTICLE 13
TO AMEND ZONING BYLAW, SITE PLAN REVIEW BOARD  PASS-U 8:04PM

ARTICLE 14
TO AMEND THE TISBURY BYLAWS BY ADDING NEW BYLAW FOR REGULATION OF RENTAL HOUSING UNITS  TAKE NO ACTION 7:47 PM

ARTICLE 15
DEEM LICENSE OF ISLAND ADVENTURE RENTALS, LLC TO BE NULL AND VOID  PASS-M 7:59PM

ARTICLE 16
TO AMEND ZONING BYLAW, SITE PLAN REVIEW BOARD  PASS-U 8:04PM

ARTICLE 17
TO APPROVE NEW CONNECTIONS TO SEWER LINE EXTENSION ON HIGH POINT LANE  PASS-U 8:06PM

ARTICLE 18
TO OBTAIN OFFICIAL BONDS  PASS-U 8:13 PM

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE MEETING, IT WAS MOVED, SECONDED AND VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN WITHOUT DAY.

Counters for the Special Town Meeting were Tweed Roosevelt, Nelson Sigelman, Barbara Lampson, Dana Hodson, John Schilling and David Schwab.
ARTICLE 1   TO OBTAIN OFFICIAL BONDS

Acting on Article 1, the Town voted unanimously to instruct the Selectmen to obtain of the Town Officers from whom bonds are required in FY2018 only such bonds as are secured by regular bond and surety firms and, when the bond of any Town Officer is accepted by the Selectmen, that the Town shall bear the expense of the amount paid by him or her for said bond.

VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 2   TO ELECT A FISH COMMITTEE

Acting on Article 2, the Town voted unanimously to elect Janet Messineo, James T. Tilton and John M. Wilbur as a Fish Committee, in FY2018, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 40 of the Special Acts of 1847 as it relates to the regulation of herring fishing at Chappaquonsett Pond and Creek and access thereto.

VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 3    TO AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER-COLLECTOR TO ENTER INTO A COMPENSATING BALANCE AGREEMENT

Acting on Article 3, the Town voted unanimously to authorize the Treasurer-Collector to enter into a compensating balance agreement or agreements for Fiscal Years 2017 and 2018 pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53F, of the Massachusetts General Laws.

VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 4   TO AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER TO BORROW IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE

Acting on Article 4, the Town voted unanimously to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow from time to time, in anticipation of revenue for Fiscal Year 2017, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one (1) year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one (1) year, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 5   TO AUTHORIZE REVOLVING FUNDS AND SET SPENDING LIMIT FOR TASHMOO SPRING BUILDING REVOLVING FUND IN FY2018

Acting on Article 4, the Town voted unanimously, pursuant to the provisions of G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53E ½, as most recently amended, to amend the General By-laws by inserting a new bylaw establishing revolving funds, specifying the departmental receipts to be credited to each fund, the departmental purposes or programs for which each fund may be expended, and the entity authorized to expend each fund, such By-law to provide as follows:

There are hereby established in the Town of Tisbury, pursuant to the provisions of G.L. C.44, Sec 53E ½, the following Revolving Funds:

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Expenditures from each revolving fund set forth herein shall be subject to the limitation established annually by Town Meeting or any increase therein as may be authorized in accordance with G.L. C.44, Section 53E ½.

And, further, to set FY2018 spending limits for such revolving funds as follows:

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VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR
ARTICLE 6 TO AMEND PROCUREMENT BYLAW

Acting on Article 6, the Town voted in the majority to amend the Procurement and Property Disposal Bylaw, Paragraphs 2 and 3, by deleting the text shown below in strikethrough and adding the text shown below in bold, or take any action relative thereto:

All Town contracts or purchase orders with a value of at least one five thousand dollars ($1,000 - $5,000) but less than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) and all amendments to such contracts or purchase orders shall be signed by an elected official or board or the designee of such official or board. All procurements of supplies, equipment and services, including construction and design services, with a value of one five thousand dollars ($1,000 - $5,000) or more shall be reviewed and approved by the Chief Procurement Officer or his or her designee prior to execution of any contract or purchase order therefor.

VOTED: MAJORITY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 7 TO APPROVE NEW CONNECTION AND SEWER LINE EXTENSION FOR THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD MUSEUM

Acting on Article 7, the Town voted in the majority to approve a single-property connection to the Centralized Wastewater Collection and Treatment System to serve the property of the Martha's Vineyard Museum located at 151 Lagoon Pond Road and shown on Assessors’ Map 9A as Parcel 25, and to determine any assigned flow for said property.

VOTED: MAJORITY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 8 TO APPROVE NEW CONNECTIONS TO SEWER LINE EXTENSION ON HIGH POINT LANE

Acting on Article 8, the Town voted unanimously to approve the extension of the Centralized Wastewater Collection and Treatment System Service Area to serve the property shown on Assessors’ parcels 22-A-13.12, 22-A-13.13 and 22-A-13.14 in connection with a Service Area extension for High Point Lane, and to determine any assigned flow for said properties.

VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 9 TO ADD LABORER POSITIONS TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Acting on Article 9, the Town voted unanimously to approve two additional Laborer 1 union positions, Grade 1, to the Public Works Department.

VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 10 TO ADD DEPARTMENT SECRETARY POSITION.

Acting on Article 10, the Town voted majority opposed to establish a Department Secretary union position, Grade 1, to the Planning Board Department.

VOTED: MAJORITY OPPOSED

ARTICLE 11 TO AMEND ZONING BYLAW, DEFINITIONS, AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SITE PLAN REVIEW

Acting on Article 11, the Town voted unanimously to amend the Tisbury Zoning Bylaw by adding to Section 02.00, Definitions, the following definitions for Area Median Income, Affordable Housing, Community Housing, and Affirmative Fair-Housing Marketing Plan and Resident Selection Guidelines; and by revising the definition for Site Plan-Review Board by adding the text shown in bold print below:

**Area Median Income (AMI):** County Area Median Income is determined annually by the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and used to calculate limits for eligibility in a range of housing programs.

**Affordable Housing:** Affordable Housing is defined as permanently deed-restricted year-round rental or ownership housing for those earning up to 80% of AMI as referenced in HUD and the Massachusetts Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD) guidelines.

**Community Housing:** Community Housing is permanently deed-restricted year-round rental or ownership housing for those earning between 81% - 150% of AMI as referenced in the 2004 State Legislation for Martha’s Vineyard
Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan and Resident Selection Guidelines: Federal and State Housing statutes require municipalities to prevent and address disparities in access to community resources and assets in the promotion of healthy, diverse, and sustainable communities. All municipal housing efforts shall follow Fair Housing prescripts and guidelines.

02.73 Site Plan Review Board: The Site Plan Review Board shall act as an advisory body to the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Planning Board, the Building Inspector and the Zoning Enforcement Officer in reviewing all applications for Permits excluding applications for demolitions and repairs, provided that they do not involve changes to the structure, design, texture or material; and/or Special Permits, excluding applications for swimming pools within the Coastal District, the Tisbury Island Road District, and the Waterfront Commercial District as provided for in Sections 06.00, 09.00 and 10.00 and, in future, as provided for in any amendments to the Zoning By-Law.

VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 12  TO AMEND ZONING BYLAW, WATERFRONT COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

Acting on Article 12, the Town voted unanimously to amend Section 06.00 of the Tisbury Zoning Bylaw, Waterfront Commercial District, by deleting the text shown in bold print below, or take any action relative thereto:

06.07.00 Special Requirements.
Plan Review by the Site Plan Review Board shall be required prior to the issuance of a Special Permit, a permit to construct a structure, a permit to alter the exterior appearance of a structure, a permit to raze a structure or a permit to use land. All such applications shall be referred to the Site Plan Review Board by the Building Inspector and the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

.01 The Site Plan Review Board shall act as an advisory body to the Planning Board and to the Building Inspector and the Zoning Enforcement Officer. The Board shall perform its duties, as listed in Section 10.06.01 to ascertain an application’s compliance with the Site Plan Standards For Review.

The Site Plan Standards for Review for the Waterfront Commercial District as adopted on June 26, 1999, will be amended from time to time by the Tisbury Planning Board, and will be on file with the Tisbury Town Clerk.

Said members shall be appointed for a term of two years.

The Site Plan Review Board shall act as an advisory body to the Planning Board and to the Building and Zoning Inspector.

VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 13   TO AMEND ZONING BYLAW, SITE PLAN REVIEW BOARD

Acting on Article 13, the Town voted unanimously to amend Section 10.06.01 of the Tisbury Zoning Bylaw by adding the text shown in bold print below.

10.06    SITE PLAN REVIEW BOARD

.01 There is hereby established a Site Plan Review Board consisting of six (6) members. With the exception of the architect, landscape architect or designer, said members shall be Town residents and appointed for one (1) year. The Board will include:
- one (1) member of the Tisbury Historical Commission, appointed by the Chairman of said Commission;
- one (1) member of the Planning Board, appointed by the Chairman of said Board;
- one (1) member of the Conservation Commission, appointed by the Chairman of said Commission;
- one (1) member of the Tisbury Board of Health, appointed by the Chairman of said Board;
- one (1) member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, appointed by the Chairman of said Board;
- one (1) architect, landscape architect or designer to be appointed by the Site Plan Review Board.

who shall act as an advisory body to all Permit and Special Permit granting authorities and to the Building Inspector and the Zoning Enforcement Officer by reviewing all applications for Permits, excluding applications for demolitions and repairs, provided that they do not involve changes to the structure, design, texture or material; and/or Special Permits, excluding applications for swimming pools within the Coastal District, the Tisbury Island Road District and The Waterfront/Commercial District as required by sections, 09.01.07, 09.02.05 and 06.07 respectively.

Powers and Duties of the Site Plan Review Board shall include the following:

- To adopt, for the conduct of its business and to inform the public, rules and procedures consistent with the goals and objectives of this bylaw as they pertain to the Coastal District, the Tisbury Island Road District, and the Waterfront Commercial District.
  A copy of said rules and procedures shall be filed with the Tisbury Town Clerk.
- To conduct posted meetings with applicants or their appointed agent(s) and any other interested parties to review the information submitted by the applicant.
- To request advice from other Town Boards, as necessary.
- To report findings and recommendations in writing to the Board of Appeals, Planning Board, Building Inspector and the Zoning Enforcement Officer by the date of a posted public hearing on said application or within twenty days of receiving a complete application for any permit not requiring a public hearing (e.g. sign permit, building permit).

VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR

ARTICLE 14   TO AMEND THE TISBURY BYLAWS BY ADDING NEW BYLAW FOR REGULATION OF RENTAL HOUSING UNITS

Acting on Article 14, the Town voted unanimously to TAKE NO ACTION to amend the Town’s General Bylaw by adding a new bylaw providing for the regulation of all rental housing units in the Town of Tisbury, including but not limited to, year round, seasonal and short term rentals, as set forth below.

Section 1: Purpose
The purpose of the bylaw is to protect the public health, safety and welfare of both the general public and the occupants of all rental housing units within the Town of Tisbury, including but not limited to, year round, seasonal and short term rentals.

Section 2: Rental Certificate Required
No property owner shall rent or lease, or offer to rent or lease, or cause to rent or lease any building or any portion of a building to be used for human habitation without first obtaining a rental certificate from the Town of Tisbury.

Section 3: Application for Rental Certificate
The application shall contain the name and address of the property owner, the address of the property being registered, the number of units in the registered property, the number of rooms in each unit, and the size (in square feet) of each unit.

The application shall include the name and phone number of one or more responsible individuals who can be reached and who shall be available at all times to respond to emergencies.

The application shall include a certification by the owner or its authorized agent, under pains and penalties of perjury, that they have inspected each unit and that it complies with all applicable laws,
including but not limited to the State Sanitary Code, 105 CMR 410.000, et seq., the State Building Code, 780 CMR, the State Comprehensive Fire Safety Code 527 CMR 1.00 and the Town of Tisbury Zoning Bylaws.

The application shall be accompanied by the applicable fee. Fees shall be waived for affordable and community housing units.

**Section 4: Rental Certificate – Conditions, Term and Fees**

Rental Certificates shall be issued subject to such conditions as the Town deems necessary for the protection of public health, safety and welfare.

The Rental Certificates shall specify the maximum number of occupants that may be permitted in each unit. Maximum occupancy will be determined by the Town based on information provided in the application and available Town records. In no case shall occupancy exceed two persons for each legally recognized bedroom over 100 square feet. In accordance with the State Sanitary Code bedrooms less than 100 square feet shall be recognized for single occupancy only.

Prior to issuing a Rental Certificate the Town may require an inspection of the rental property by the Board of Health, Building Department and/or Fire Chief in order to determine maximum occupancy and to confirm that the rental unit complies with all applicable laws.

The Rental Certificates shall specify the name and contact information for persons responsible for responding to emergencies and requests for assistance from tenants and/or Town of Tisbury staff.

The Rental Certificate shall be conspicuously posted on the premises in a location accessible to all occupants and visitors.

All advertisements of property for rent shall clearly post the Rental Certificate number assigned by the Town of Tisbury.

Rental Certificates will be effective for three years from the date of issue, unless sooner revoked in accordance with these regulations.

The Rental Certificate fee shall be established annually by the Board of Selectmen.

**Section 5: Owner’s Duty of Compliance**

It shall be the responsibility of the property owner to ensure that compliance with the conditions set forth in the Rental Certificate and all applicable laws relative to the habitation of the premises is maintained at all times.

It shall be the responsibility of the property owner to ensure that the maximum occupancy of the premises is not exceeded at any time.

It shall be the responsibility of the property owner to ensure that the individual(s) identified as being available for responding to emergencies and requests for assistance are in fact available at all times and that a prompt and appropriate response is provided.

**Section 6: Suspension, Modification or Revocation of Rental Certificate**

The Town may suspend or revoke any Rental Certificate, after a hearing for violation of any provision of this bylaw, the State Sanitary Code, the State Building Code, the State Comprehensive Fire Safety Code or any other applicable General Law, regulation or by-law intended to protect public health, safety and/or the environment.

The Town may, in lieu of suspension or revocation, modify any Rental Certificate to impose additional conditions, including but not limited to a requirement for periodic inspections and/or a limitation on the maximum number of occupants allowed.

If any Rental Certificate is suspended or revoked, the owner of the premises shall be responsible for finding alternative and comparable housing for any and all tenants until such time as the tenancy ends or the rental certificate is reinstated.
This bylaw is intended to further the objectives of and to act in concert with any existing federal, state or local laws concerning the maintenance of property and the habitation of dwellings. Nothing in this bylaw is intended to limit or restrict the authority of the Town or any board, commission or officer of the Town to act in accordance with federal, state and local laws within their jurisdiction, including but not limited to the emergency condemnation procedures set forth in the State Sanitary Code and the State Building Code.

**Section 7: Fines and Penalties**

Any Code Enforcement Officer for the Town of Tisbury may enforce this bylaw. Any person who violates any provision of this bylaw shall be subject to a penalty of $300. Each day or portion thereof shall constitute a separate offense.

This bylaw may be enforced by means of the non-criminal disposition process as provided in G.L. c.40, §21D and the Town’s non-criminal disposition bylaw.

As an alternative to enforcement through non-criminal disposition, this bylaw may be enforced by indictment or on criminal complaint brought in the district court.

**Section 8: Severability**

If any provision of this bylaw is declared invalid or unenforceable, the other provisions shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

**Section 9: Operation and Effect**

This bylaw shall become effective July 1, 2017.

VOTED: TAKE NO ACTION

**ARTICLE 15 DEEM LICENSE OF ISLAND ADVENTURE RENTALS, LLC TO BE NULL AND VOID**

Acting on Article 15, the Town voted majority in favor to deem the license of Island Adventure Rentals, LLC to be null and void because of violations and the lack of enforcement of the Tisbury Moped Regulations, Paragraph 2 (c) and (d) regarding information to be filed with the license, and Paragraph 4 “Licenses shall not be transferable and licenses not used during on year’s time shall be null and void”, and not to issue further license to this entity.

VOTED: MAJORITY IN FAVOR

Attest:

J. Hillary Conklin
Town Clerk
TOWN OF TISBURY
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, April 25, 2017 at 7:00 PM

The Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Tisbury was called to order by Moderator, Deborah Medders at 7:17 PM, on April 25, 2017, at the Tisbury School Gymnasium/Auditorium with a quorum of 177+ voters. Ms. Medders reminded the audience of the following:

1. All of the school property is smoke free.
2. All aisles and the foyer must remain open.
3. All cell phones except those used by emergency personnel must be turned off. Also for tablets and laptops.
4. Moderator read the In Memoria from the Annual Town Report
5. Voters were asked to identify themselves and use the microphones when commenting on Articles and to remember to line up at the microphone when speaking.
6. All amendments must be made in writing. Supplies are available at the checkers’ tables
7. The meeting will continue until 10 PM and at that time, the meeting will decide if it wishes to continue.
8. It was moved, seconded and voted to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting and proceed to the business of the Special Town Meeting. See meeting minutes for the April 25, 2017 Special Town Meeting.
9. The Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Tisbury was reconvened by Moderator, Deborah Medders at 8:23 PM, on April 25, 2017, at the Tisbury School Gymnasium/Auditorium with a quorum of at least 228 voters.
10. After reading the call of the warrant and the return of service, the Moderator declared them to be in order.
11. The Board of Selectmen requested that the lottery be suspended with regard to Articles 1 and 5. Article 1 will be taken first and Article 5 will be taken last. Hearing no objections, the consent calendar was adopted.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 25, 2017

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<td>CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS AND NEW EQUIPMENT</td>
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<td>TO FUND THE FY2018 OPERATION OF THE LOCAL AREA LANDFILL DROP-OFF</td>
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<td>ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF DRAINAGE SYSTEM FOR SMITH BROOK ON LAMBERTS COVE ROAD</td>
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<td>BORROW TO FUND CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE STREETS PRIORITIZATION PLAN</td>
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<td>17</td>
<td>TOWN’S SHARE OF THE HEALTHY AGING MARTHA’S VINEYARD FIRST STOP INFORMATION SERVICE</td>
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The second night of the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Tisbury was called to order by Moderator, Deborah Medders at 7:13 PM, on April 26, 2017, at the Tisbury School Gymnasium/Auditorium with a quorum of 107+ voters. Ms. Medders reminded the audience of the following:

1. All of the school property is smoke free.
2. All cell phones except those used by emergency personnel must be turned off.
3. Quiet tablets and laptops.
4. Voters were asked to identify themselves and use the microphones when commenting on Articles.
5. All amendments must be made in writing. Supplies are available at the checkers’ tables.
6. The meeting will continue until 10 PM and at that time, the meeting will decide if it wishes to continue.
## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
### APRIL 26, 2017

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<td>PLACE BEACH ROAD UTILITIES UNDERGROUND</td>
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<td>ENGINEERING OF DELANO DRAINAGE SYSTEM</td>
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<td>ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR NEW WATER WORKS FACILITY</td>
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<td>COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE BUDGET RESERVE ACCOUNTS</td>
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<td>SICK AND VACATION TRUST FUND</td>
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<td>ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION</td>
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<td>DESIGN WICK SYSTEM FOR WASTWATER DISPOSAL</td>
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<td>PURCHASE AND RIG OF NO-WAKE BUOYS</td>
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<td>ENGINEER AND REPLACE TOWN HALL STEEPLE ROOF</td>
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<td>REPLACE SENIOR CENTER KITCHEN &amp; COMMUNITY ROOM FLOORING</td>
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<td>PAINT SENIOR CENTER INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR</td>
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<td>POLICE STATION REPAIR-LOCKS, FLOORS, TREADS AND PAINT</td>
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<td>NEW DUMP TRUCK &amp; PLOW</td>
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<td>REPLACE LIGHTING ON BEACH RD WITH LED</td>
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<td>MASTER PLAN FOR OAK GROVE CEMETARY</td>
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<td>SNOW AND ICE DEFICIT</td>
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<td>LIBRARY MEETING ROOM DESIGN AMENDED</td>
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<td>FORM A BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE AMENDED</td>
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<td>THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE MEETING, IT WAS</td>
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<td>MOVED, SECONDED AND VOTED TO ADJOURN WITHOUT DAY.</td>
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Counters for the first night of Annual Town Meeting were Tweed Roosevelt, Nelson Sigelman, Barbara Lampson, Dana Hodsdon, John Schilling and David Schwab.

Counters for the second night of Annual Town Meeting were Nelson Sigelman, Barbara Lampson, Dana Hodsdon, David Schwab and John Schilling until 7:32pm at which time Kirk Metell replaced Mr. Schilling.
Also, to answer yes or no to the following ballot questions:

Question #1:
Shall the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury be authorized to convert licenses for the sale of wine and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises under the provisions of Section 12 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, originally granted or authorized pursuant to Section 1 of Chapter 187 of the Acts of 2009, to licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises to restaurants, including restaurants within inns and hotels with seating capacities of not less than 30 persons; to be consumed with meals only, and only to patrons who are seated at dining tables, and to grant seasonal licenses for the same as the selectmen may determine?

Yes: ________  No: ________

Question #2:
Shall the Town of Tisbury be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to fund the design, engineering and installation of an underground utility system for the re-routing and relocating of the overhead power and communication networks on Beach Road?

Yes: ________  No: ________

Question #3:
Are you in favor of establishing a regional housing bank, to address the critical housing needs on the island of Martha’s Vineyard? (Non-binding)

Yes ______   No ______

Question #4:
Are you in favor of eliminating rental mopeds from Martha’s Vineyard? (Non-binding)

Yes ______   No ______

And you are further directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Tisbury who are qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to assemble at the Tisbury School Gymnasium-Auditorium, 40 West William Street, Vineyard Haven, in said Town of Tisbury, on the twenty-fifth day of April in the year Two Thousand and Seventeen at seven o’clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles in this warrant:

ARTICLE 1    TO HEAR OR RECEIVE REPORTS

Acting on Article 1, the Town voted unanimously to hear or receive the reports of the Selectmen and other Town boards, commissions, committees, and officials.

ARTICLE 2    TO PAY BILLS OF PRIOR YEARS

Acting on Article 2, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from designated sources the sum of Six Thousand One Hundred Three Dollars and Ninety-one Cents ($6,103.91) to be expended in FY2017 by the departments listed below for the payment of bills incurred in a prior fiscal year.

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ARTICLE 3  FISCAL YEAR 2018 OPERATING BUDGET

Acting on amended Article 3, the Town voted unanimously on the amended article to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Six Million Nine Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars ($26,837,774.00); to transfer from Reserve from Betterment Fund the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000.00); and to transfer from the Waterways Fund the sum of Fifty-eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars ($58,250.00) for a total FY2018 operating budget of Twenty-Seven Million One Hundred Forty-Six Thousand and Twenty-Four Dollars ($27,146,024.00) to defray Town charges as set out in Appendix A of this warrant for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 (FY2018).

ARTICLE 4  CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER NEW EQUIPMENT

Acting on amended Article 4, the Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds in FY2017, or authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow under chapter 44, section 7 or 8, or section 21A of the General Laws, or any other enabling legislation, the sums of money listed below, to be expended by the indicated Departments for the purposes listed and deemed to be capital expenditures:

a) Acting on Article 4a, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Waterways Fund, the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars ($7,000), to be expended by the Harbor Department for the hauling, transportation, and disposition of abandoned vessels.

b) Acting on amended Article 4b, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Waterways Fund, the sum of Sixty-five Thousand Dollars ($65,000) ($21,000), to be expended by the Harbor Department for the planning, surveying, purchase of materials and installation of a transient rental mooring field consisting of up to 20 moorings near the causeway in the inner harbor with the understanding that space will be left for the anchoring of up to 10 vessels.
c) **Acting on Article 4c,** the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Waterways Fund, the sum Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000), to be expended by the Harbor Department for the purchase and rigging of no-wake buoys.

d) **Acting on Article 4d,** the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Building Maintenance Stabilization Fund the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000), to be expended by the Department of Public Works for professional engineering services, interior bracing and repair and replacement of the roof for the Town Hall steeple.

e) **Acting on Article 4e,** the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Building Maintenance Stabilization Fund the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($25,500), to be expended by the Department of Public Works to replace flooring in the community room and kitchen of the Senior Center.

f) **Acting on Article 4f,** the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Building Maintenance Stabilization Fund the sum of Four Thousand One Hundred Dollars ($4,100), to be expended by the Department of Public Works for painting the exterior and interior of the Senior Center.

g) **Acting on Article 4g,** the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Building Maintenance Stabilization Fund the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000) to be expended by the Department of Public Works/Board of Selectmen to fund building repairs, renovations and maintenance to include interior and exterior door locking systems, flooring replacement, stair treads and interior painting, and associated and peripheral costs of materials and services at the Tisbury Police Station and to authorize the Department of Public Works to enter into contracts to procure said construction materials and services.

h) **Acting on Article 4h,** the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Public Works Stabilization Fund the sum of Forty-two Thousand Dollars ($42,000), to be expended by the Department of Public Works to replace an existing 2011 Chevy 3500 1-ton dump truck with snowplow as a trade-in for a new dump truck with plow package and tool compartment for use in the Department of Public Works.

i) **Acting on Article 4i,** the Town voted unanimously to transfer from the Public Works Stabilization Fund the sum of Fifteen Thousand Two Hundred Five Dollars and Thirty Five Cents ($15,205.35) and transfer the remaining unexpended balance of Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Four Dollars and Sixty Five Cents ($14,794.65) appropriated under Article 34 of the April 29, 2014 Annual Town Meeting to modify the Sander Vehicle into a Box Truck, for a total of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000), to be expended by the Department of Public Works to purchase a used cab and chassis to replace the existing 1987 Ford cab and chassis used for road sanding.

j) **Acting on Article 4j,** the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Public Works Stabilization Fund the sum of Thirty-six Thousand Dollars ($36,000), to be expended by the Department of Public Works to purchase a new 8-foot snow plow and two 10-foot snow plows with installation.

k) **Acting on Article 4k,** the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Public Works Stabilization Fund the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000), to be expended by the Department of Public Works to purchase a new fleet fueling system to replace the old inoperable fueling system which monitors Town-wide departmental fuel consumption.

l) **Acting on Article 4l,** the Town voted unanimously To appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars ($40,000) to be expended by the Department of Public Works to purchase additional LED light fixtures and street light poles to replace existing HPS lighting on Beach Road which is in disrepair or inoperable.
Acting on amended Article 5, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($750,000) One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) from Unreserved Fund Balance to meet the limitations of Chapter 59 of the General Laws, (Proposition Two and One-Half, so called), as amended, or to reduce the tax rate.

ARTICLE 6 TO FUND THE FY2018 OPERATION OF THE LOCAL AREA LANDFILL DROP-OFF
Acting on Article 6, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and/or transfer the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000) from the Landfill Fee Reserved for Appropriation Fund as provided for in Article 19 of the Special Town Meeting of November 2, 1993 and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) from Unreserved Fund Balance for a total of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000), to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the operation of the local area drop-off and ancillary residential curbside recycling and refuse service and residential hazardous waste disposal for fiscal year 2018.

ARTICLE 7 TO ADD FUNDS TO THE SICK/VACATION TRUST FUND
Acting on Article 7, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and/or transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) to be added to the General Fund Sick and Vacation Trust and appropriate or transfer from Water Available Surplus Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($6,500.00) to be added to the Water Works Sick and Vacation Trust to pay for accrued sick and vacation time owed to employees leaving their employment with the Town.

ARTICLE 8 TO ADOPT FY2018 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET
Acting on Article 8, the Town voted unanimously to approve the proposed Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget for FY2018 of Seven Hundred Five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-four Dollars ($705,964.00), a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, and as shown below, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen, to operate and maintain the Tisbury Wastewater Collection and Treatment System for FY2018, and raise and appropriate and appropriate from user fees the following sums therefor.

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Quarterly Base Charges $26,400.00
Labor Charges $2,350.00
Grease Trap Cleanout Fees $500.00
Sewer Flow Fees $400.00

WasteWater Related Earnings $705,964.00

ARTICLE 9 TO FUND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF STATE ROAD SEWER DISTRICT
Acting on Article 9, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) for professional services related to the engineering and design of a State Road Sewer District.

ARTICLE 10 TO FUND ENGINEERING AND REPAIR AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF MAIN PUMP STATION AT WATER STREET MUNICIPAL PARKING AREA
Acting on Article 10, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from Sewer Enterprise
Fund surplus the sum of Sixty-five Thousand Dollars ($65,000) for engineering and repair and/or replacement of the wet well at the Water Street Municipal Parking Area, and for any other ancillary equipment related thereto.

ARTICLE 11  TO FUND REPAIRS OF LAKE STREET LANDING TOWN DOCK AND OWEN PARK TOWN DOCK
Acting on amended Article 11, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000) for necessary repairs in accordance with specifications and plans funded at the January 12, 2016 Special Town Meeting under Article #5, to upgrade and repair the Lake Street Landing Town Pier, including the bulkhead and launch ramp, and Owen Park Town Pier for safe public use.

ARTICLE 12  TO TRANSFER FUNDS FOR DREDGING
Acting on Article 12, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer in FY2017 from the Waterways Fund the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars ($70,000), to perform maintenance dredging as needed in various locations, including the entrance to the Lake Tashmoo Channel.

ARTICLE 13  EMBARKATION FUND EXPENDITURES
Acting on Article 13, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate in FY2017 the total sum of Two Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($278,500) from the passenger ferry embarkation fee receipts, said funds to be expended by the Departments listed below in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 46, Section 129 of the Acts of 2003, as amended, for the specific purposes set forth below, each expenditure to be considered a separate appropriation:

a) Acting on Article 13a, the Town voted majority in favor, Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($3,500) to be expended by the Police Department to train and equip the Island-wide Tactical Response Team, such appropriation to be paid to the Martha's Vineyard Law Enforcement Council as the Tisbury Police Department’s share of the Island-wide program in FY2018.

b) Acting on Article 13b, the Town voted majority in favor, Sixty-five Thousand Dollars ($65,000) to be expended by the Police Department to fund the wages of four or more traffic officers for the summer season, and to upgrade training, equipment and uniforms for all seasonal employees.

c) Acting on Article 13c, the Town voted majority in favor, Seven Thousand Dollars ($7,000) to be expended by the Ambulance/EMS Department for the purchase of mass casualty incident and medical rehab equipment.

d) Acting on Article 13d, the Town voted majority in favor, Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000) to be expended jointly by the Board of Selectmen and Traffic Committee for design and construction drawings for improvements to the Water Street bus turnaround area.

e) Acting on Article 13e, the Town voted majority in favor, Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for signage for destinations of cultural interest around the downtown area.

f) Acting on Article 13f, the Town voted majority in favor, Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) to be expended by the Department of Public Works for costs related to burying communications wires on Union Street.

g) Acting on Article 13g, the Town voted majority in favor, Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) to be expended by the Department of Public Works for costs related to repair and replacement of sidewalks on Water Street and Beach Street.
h) **Acting on Article 13h**, the Town voted majority in favor, Twenty-one Thousand Dollars ($21,000) to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for engineering services related to the Beach Road seawall project.

i) **Acting on Article 13i**, the Town voted unanimously, Seventy Thousand Dollars ($70,000) to be placed in the Dredge Stabilization Fund for future dredge projects.

j) **Acting on Article 13j**, the Town voted unanimously, Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000) to be expended by the Harbor Department for repairs to the Owen Park dock.

k) **Acting on Article 13k**, the Town voted unanimously, Seventeen Thousand Dollars ($17,000) to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for beautification of the downtown area, including Main Street, Union Street, Water Street and surrounding areas.

ARTICLE 14 TO FUND VARIOUS COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT PROJECTS

**Acting on Article 14**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from FY2016 reserved and unreserved Community Preservation Fund revenues, unless otherwise specified, the following sums to be expended in FY2017 for the following purposes, each project to be considered a separate appropriation:

a) **Acting on Article 14 a**, the Town voted majority in favor To appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Historic Reserved Fund the sum of Eighty-five Thousand Dollars ($85,000), as the Town of Tisbury’s share of the project to replace the roof and rebuild the chimneys at the Martha’s Vineyard Museum’s historic 1895 Marine Hospital building located at 151 Lagoon Pond Road, on property shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #9-A-25.

b) **Acting on Article 14 b**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Historic Preservation Reserved Fund the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00), for the preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of the Martha’s Vineyard Museum’s historic 1895 Marine Hospital building’s porches located at 151 Lagoon Pond Road, on property shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #9-A-25.

c) **Acting on Article 14 c**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Historic Preservation Reserved Fund the sum of Twenty Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Sixty-Four Cents ($20,218.64) and from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-One Dollars and Thirty-Six Cents ($9,871.36), for a total of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000.00) as the final appropriation for updating and restoring the theatre lighting and sound equipment within the Katharine Cornell Theatre in the Tisbury Town Hall, 51 Spring Street, as shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #7-M-1 or take any action relative thereto.

d) **Acting on Article 14 d**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00), to continue the work of preservation and restoration of the historic gravestones in the Old Village Cemetery, 60 Center Street, and shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #7-M-1.

e) **Acting on Article 14 e**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000.00), to fund costs of the American Legion Post #257 Artifact Cataloging/Preservation project, including cataloging, preserving, appraising, displays and associated labor costs, located at 47 Martin Road, and shown on Tisbury Assessor’s Maps as Parcel #8-E-1.

f) **Acting on Article 14 f**, the Town voted majority in favor To appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars ($70,000.00), to fund costs of the American Legion Post #257 Building Restoration project which will include, but not be limited to, an engineering study and architectural drawings, window and door replacement, painting, carpentry, insulation, sidewall removal, deck replacement, electrical work
and associated costs, located at 47 Martin Road and shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #8-E-1, provided that no sums shall be expended unless and until the building has been designated as an historical site by the Historic District Commission.

g) **Acting on Article 14 g**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Three Thousand One Hundred Seventy-five Dollars ($3,175.00), to fund Tisbury’s share of the costs for the Lagoon Pond Herring Run Project, including repairing framing and sections of chain link fencing, lumber and fasteners for the Denil ladder, repair of Denil ladder and labor for the project, located on property shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Map #17 and Oak Bluffs Assessors’ Map #40.

h) **Acting on Article 14 h**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Open Space Reserved Fund the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00), to fund costs for the second phase of the Beach Street Firehouse Pocket Park development, including design, site work, addition of plant materials, reconfiguration of the parking area, lighting, information kiosk, benches, bike racks and the continued development of the pocket park, located at 21 Beach Street, and shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #9-A-11.

i) **Acting on Article 14 i**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Open Space Reserved Fund the sum of Sixty-five Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-nine Dollars and Seventy-four Cents ($65,899.74) and from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Four Thousand One Hundred Dollars and Twenty-six Cents ($4,100.26), for a total of Seventy Thousand Dollars ($70,000.00) for the Owen Park Upper Entrance and Overlook project, including design work, safety improvements to the entrance and ADA accessibility, a sitting, viewing and gathering area that is ADA accessible, pavers and pavement improvements for improving access, to include improved slope/grade requirements, visibility and connectivity to the street and park, benches, plantings and their supporting infrastructure, located at 19 Owen Park Way, and shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #6-C-35.

j) **Acting on Article 14 j**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($10,500.00) for the Owen Park Bandstand project, culminating in the development of design drawings and construction documents for the bandstand, located at 19 Owen Park Way, and shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #6-C-35.

k) **Acting on Article 14 k**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Forty-six Thousand Dollars ($46,000.00), for the War Veterans’ Memorial Park Baseball/Softball Field Infield Improvement and Lighting project, to include rehabilitation of the infield playing surface and lights, and the associated costs of this work, located at 10 Causeway Road, and shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #9-A-41.

l) **Acting on Article 14 l**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) for the American Legion Post #257 Veterans’ Pocket Park project flagpole restoration, located at 47 Martin Road, and shown on Tisbury Assessor’s Maps as Parcel #8-E-1.

m) **Acting on Article 14 m**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Forty-five Thousand Dollars ($45,000.00), for the new Lake Street Restroom construction project to contain two handicapped accessible bathrooms using the current septic system, which will replace the existing unusable building, with the project to include site preparation, grading, fixtures, electrical work, plumbing, and the associated costs of the work, located at the end of Lake Street next to the tennis courts, and shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #37-B-1.
n) **Acting on Article 14 n**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00), for the Tisbury Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

o) **Acting on Article 14 o**, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars ($120,000.00) to fund the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority’s Rental Assistance Program.

p) **Acting on amended Article 14 p**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars ($300,000.00), for the Island Housing Trust’s Kuehn’s Way affordable rental housing project (formerly the Bridge Project off State Road), with the understanding that the Tisbury Community Preservation Committee will recommend two additional requests in the next two funding cycles of FY 2018 and FY 2019 for Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.00) each, for the remainder of the cost of funding for the project, the property being shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #53-1, **no funds to be disbursed until all required permits have been obtained**.

q) **Acting on Article 14 q**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Housing Reserve Fund the sum of Sixty-three Thousand One Hundred Twenty-three Dollars and Eighty-eight Cents ($63,123.88) and from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-six Dollars and Twelve Cents ($106,526.12) for a total of One Hundred Sixty-nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars ($169,650.00) as the Town of Tisbury’s share of the Island Housing Trust’s Kuehn’s Way affordable rental housing project (formerly the Bridge Project off State Road), as the property being shown on Tisbury Assessors’ Maps as Parcel #53-1.

r) **Acting on Article 14 r**, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00) for FY 2018 administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, including wages, dues and advertising.

**ARTICLE 15 TO ESTABLISH COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE FY2018 BUDGET RESERVE ACCOUNTS**

**Acting on Article 15**, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to Chapter 44B of Massachusetts General Laws and set aside for later expenditure the following amounts to the following reserve funds:

- FY2018 Community Preservation Committee Budget Reserve Account:
  - $68,132.40 to the Community Preservation Open Space Reserve Fund;
  - $68,132.40 to the Community Preservation Community Housing Reserve Fund;
  - $68,132.40 to the Community Preservation Historic Reserve Fund; and
  - $476,926.76 to the Community Preservation Budget Reserve Account

**ARTICLE 16 TO FUND THE TOWN’S SHARE OF SUPPORTING CORE PROGRAM WITH MARTHA’S VINEYARD COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ISLAND COUNCILS ON AGING**

**Acting on Article 16**, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-eight Dollars ($9,938), as the Town’s share in support of the CORE program of the Martha’s Vineyard Community Services and the other Island Councils on Aging, to provide various community-based behavior, health and support services to people over 55 years of age, provided that no sums may be expended hereunder unless all six Island Towns vote to fund their proportionate shares of the cost of this program.
ARTICLE 17  TO FUND THE TOWN’S SHARE OF THE HEALTHY AGING MARTHA’S VINEYARD FIRST STOP INFORMATION AND RESOURCE SERVICE

Acting on Article 17, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Eleven Dollars ($16,311) as the Town’s proportionate share, 18.75% of FY2018 adjusted cost, to fund the First Stop information and resource service as recommended by Healthy Aging Martha’s Vineyard (formerly known as the Healthy Aging Task Force), provided that no sums may be expended hereunder unless all six Island Towns vote in the affirmative to fund their respective proportionate shares of the service.

ARTICLE 18  TO FUND TISBURY’S SHARE OF ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS FOR ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Acting on Article 18, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000) to fund the Town’s share of the administrative expenses contract of the All Island School Committee for Adult and Community Education in FY2018.

ARTICLE 19  TO FUND LIBRARY MEETING ROOM PLANNING AND DESIGN

Acting on amended Article 19, the Town voted unanimously to borrow or appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000) ($40,000), to be expended under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees to fund engineering, design and architectural services for an addition to the Library building in order to build a multi-purpose meeting room.

ARTICLE 20  TO AUTHORIZE BORROWING TO FUND CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN THE COMPLETE STREETS PRIORITIZATION PLAN

Acting on amended Article 20, the Town voted unanimously to borrow the sum of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars ($400,000) to be expended by the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board for infrastructure construction projects entitled for reimbursement by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division for the Town of Tisbury’s Complete Streets Prioritization Plan, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow such sum under Chapter 44, Section 7 or 8, or Section 21A of the General Laws or any other enabling legislation, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, not to exceed the grant approved by and received by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division; and further, that any premium received by the Town upon sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be in accordance with chapter 44, section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

ARTICLE 21  TO FUND ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF DRAINAGE SYSTEM FOR SMITH BROOK ON LAMBERTS COVE ROAD

Acting on Article 21, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000), to be expended for the engineering, design and permitting of Smith Brook Culvert on Lamberts Cove Road and related drainage improvements.

ARTICLE 22  TO FUND ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF DRAINAGE SYSTEM FOR DELANO ROAD

Acting on Article 22, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000), to be expended for the engineering, cost estimating and design of drainage improvements and system for Delano Road.

ARTICLE 23  TO FUND VARIOUS WATER WORKS DEPARTMENT CAPITAL EXPENSES

Acting on Article 23, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from Water Available Surplus in FY2017 the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars ($85,000), to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners for the following purposes deemed to be capital expenses: a) Well Rehabilitation Program ($50,000) and b) Replace Vehicle ($35,000).
ARTICLE 24 TO FUND ADDITIONAL COSTS TO CONSTRUCT A WATER WORKS GARAGE AND OFFICE FACILITY AT 275 SPRING STREET

Acting on Article 24, the Town voted majority in favor to appropriate and transfer from Water Available Surplus in FY 2018 the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($750,000) to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners for the purpose of funding additional costs for construction of a garage and office facility on Town property at 275 West Spring Street, shown on Tisbury Assessor’s Maps as Parcel #39-B-1, said funding to be provided as follows: transfer Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) of the amount appropriated under Article 30 at the April 14, 2015 Annual Town Meeting for Sanborn Well Phase I; transfer Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000) of the amount appropriated under Article 29 of the April 12, 2016 Annual Town Meeting for Sanborn Well Phase II, and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($350,000) from Water Available Surplus.

ARTICLE 25 TO APPROVE THE WATER WORKS DEPARTMENT FY2018 BUDGET

Acting on Article 25, the Town voted unanimously to approve the proposed Water Works Department Enterprise Fund Budget for FY2018, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, and as shown below, to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners to operate the Tisbury Water Works Department in FY2018, and to appropriate and transfer the sum of One Million Six Hundred Ninety-seven Thousand and Eighteen Dollars ($1,697,018) from estimated revenues for said purpose.

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ARTICLE 26 TO FUND PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF CONNECTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WICKS SYSTEM FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT EFFLUENT DISPOSAL

Acting on Article 26, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000) for preliminary design services for three components necessary to bring the WICKS System on-line as part of upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant, to include the force main connection, providing disinfection facilities at the WICKS, and the effluent delivery system inside the WICKS.

ARTICLE 27 TO FUND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE OAK GROVE CEMETERY

Acting on Article 27, the Town voted unanimously to re-appropriate and transfer in FY 2017 the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) appropriated under Article 35 of the Annual Town Meeting on April 12, 2016 for development of a Cemetery Master Plan, to be used to contract for consulting engineering, design and construction costs for new avenues, drainage and related improvements at the Oak Grove Cemetery.

ARTICLE 28 TO TRANSFER FUNDS WITHIN THE FY2017 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET FOR PURCHASE OF NEW LEAF LOADER

Acting on Article 28, the Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars ($8,000) from the FY 2017 Department of Public Works Operating budget, Parks Maintenance line, to be expended in FY 2017 to purchase a new Leaf Loader.
ARTICLE 29  TO FUND SNOW AND ICE DEFICIT

Acting on Article 29, the Town voted unanimously to transfer and appropriate Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) from Unreserved Fund Balance to cover any deficit related to snow and ice operations in FY2017.

ARTICLE 30  TO PURCHASE AND EQUIP A NEW CLASS A PUMPER TRUCK

Acting on Article 30, the Town voted unanimously to appropriate and transfer the sum of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars ($400,000) from the Fire Stabilization Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars ($75,000) for a total of Four Hundred Seventy-five Thousand Dollars ($475,000) to purchase and equip a new Class A pumper truck to replace an existing 1987 Ford F8000 truck.

ARTICLE 31  TO AUTHORIZE BORROWING TO PLACE BEACH ROAD UTILITIES UNDERGROUND

Acting on Article 31, the Town voted to Table borrow the sum of One Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,800,000.00) to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to fund the design, engineering and the installation of an underground utility system for Beach Road for the re-routing and relocation of the overhead power network and communication network on Beach Road, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow such sum under Chapter 44, Section 7 or 8, or Section 21A of the General Laws, or any other enabling legislation, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, provided, however, that no sums shall be appropriated or expended hereunder unless the Town shall have voted by ballot at the Town Election on May 9, 2017 to exempt the amounts required to pay for the bonds or notes issued therefor from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½ so-called.

ARTICLE 32  TO AUTHORIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND ALL TOWN OFFICIALS TO REFRAIN FROM USE OF TOWN FUNDS AND RESOURCES TO ENFORCE FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAWS

Acting on Article 32, the Town voted unanimously to request the Selectmen to authorize law enforcement and all Town officials to refrain from using Town funds and/or resources to enforce federal immigration laws, in keeping with current practices, unless presented with a criminal warrant or other evidence of probable cause as required by the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution.
ARTICLE 33  TO AMEND THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR MANAGERIAL AND PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES

Acting on Article 33, the Town voted unanimously to approve the following amendment to the Classification and Compensation Plan for Full-time Managerial and Professional Employees, effective July 1, 2017.

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ARTICLE 34  TO AMEND THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR NON-UNION PART-TIME, SEASONAL
AND TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES

Acting on Article 34, the Town voted unanimously to amend the Classification and Compensation Plan for part-time, seasonal and temporary employees adopted at the Special Town Meeting on April 11, 2000, amended at the Annual Town Meeting on April 10, 2007, and most recently amended at the Annual Town Meeting on April 12, 2016, to become effective July 1, 2017, as follows:

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<td>Head Life Guard</td>
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Longevity Increments

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ARTICLE 35  TO ESTABLISH A BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE AND MAKE
RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING THE TOWN’S LEGISLATIVE GOVERNMENT
STRUCTURE

Acting on amended Article 35, the Town voted in the majority to form a Tisbury Blue Ribbon Government Study Panel to examine Town legislative government structure and make recommendations to the Town relative to changing the size, composition, or term of the legislative body evaluation in how the Town governs and conducts business. To promote a maximum level of diverse and qualified citizen participation, the Tisbury Government Study Panel shall consists of 7 members who are not currently serving on any elected or appointed board within the Town of Tisbury. The Moderator shall appoint a panel of seven, four members within 90 days, the Board of Selectmen, Financial Committee and Planning Board shall each appoint one member. The Panel shall report or make recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Panel shall be presented to the Town at the 2018 Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 36  TO FUND PLANNING BOARD SECRETARY POSITION

Acting on Article 36, the Town voted unanimously to TAKE NO ACTION to appropriate and/or transfer from Unreserved Fund Balance the sum of Twenty-four Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-one Dollars ($24,531) to fund a Department Secretary union position, Grade I., for the Planning Board.
FINANCE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Finance and Advisory Committee is a volunteer board of Tisbury residents elected (or, if vacancies occur – appointed by joint action of the Committee and the Board of Selectmen) to review and make recommendations on all articles brought to the citizens for a vote. The Finance and Advisory Committee publish a guide each year for Town Meeting. This guide shows how Committee members voted regarding each issue proposed in the Warrant articles to be voted on at Tisbury’s 2018 Special and Annual Town meetings. It also summarizes the arguments on each side when the committee was not of one mind.

The current Committee members believe our voters rely on them primarily to assess and give considered opinions on the financial aspects of Warrant articles. Committee’s work is done in the months before the Annual Town Meeting. We meet with Town departments and others proposing Warrant articles and work with them to establish realistic operating budgets, capital expenditures and funding requests. The Committee then makes recommendations to the voters.

Sometimes, the Committee recommends that you vote against spending the money that is being requested in a particular warrant article. That is because, after careful consideration we have agreed that the requested expenditure or warrant request is not in the overall best interests of the Town, and the taxpayers. Our determination not to recommend, however, does not prevent a proposal from being submitted to you on the Town Meeting floor, where we leave it to the voters to make the final decision.

Respectfully submitted,

PAMELA BROCK
PAUL J. CEFOLA
NANCY B. GILFOY
THOMAS L. KELLER
JEFFREY C. KRISTAL, CHAIR
JYNELL KRISTAL
MARY ELLEN LARSEN
SARAH YORK
The assessors of each community are responsible for developing a reasonable and realistic program to achieve the fair cash valuation of property in accordance with constitutional and statutory requirements. The nature and extent of that program will depend on the assessors’ analysis and consideration of many factors, including but not limited to, the status of the existing valuation system, the results of an in-depth sales ratio study, and the accuracy of the existing property record information.

State law requires that local assessed values reflect market value every year. Every five years Massachusetts cities and towns are mandated to re-evaluate the assessed values of their municipality. During calendar year 2016, our office reviewed and analyzed the sales data from calendar year 2015 of real property. Depending on the market conditions and property value trends, adjustments may increase, decrease or leave values unchanged.

Total town expenditures increased 3% from fiscal year 2016 ($31,705,915) to fiscal year 2017 ($33,516,893). The residential tax rate is $9.11 per thousand and the commercial tax rate is $8.55 for fiscal year 2017. The reason for the different tax rates is a result of the Board of Selectmen’s voting to continue the benefit of the residential exemption. As the total assessed value of the exemptions decreases, the tax rate of the residential class, which covers 85% of the town budget, increases from $8.55 to $9.11.

The fiscal year 2017 value of all town real estate is $2,717,608,165, an increase from fiscal year 2016. Listed below is the breakdown of classes of property for fiscal year 2017:

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Part of the process of assessing fair and equitable is collecting data for the department, to keep the town records and values up-to-date when building permits are issued. Ms. Alycelee Pigman, the data collector, collects valuation data through a cyclical inspection program required by the Massachusetts Division of Local Assessment as part of the revaluation certification over a ten year period. During the inspection, we are confirming our information regarding the construction details, depreciation of the home and other valuation variables.

Alycelee Pigman, with the assistance of Jonathan Snyder, Finance Director, created the following chart showing the growth of the average tax bill over the past thirty years.
The average residential parcel in town is $829,205, with a tax bill of $7,554.06. Looking back twenty years ago our average value was $183,816, with a tax bill of $2,751.73.

Our office receives several questions as to why tax bills have increased from the preliminary estimated tax bills. The Tax Collector stated the following: “Each fiscal year, which runs from July 1st through the following June 30th, the treasurer mails two sets of real estate tax bills: the “preliminary” bills are mailed at the end of June and include payment stubs due August 1st and November 1st. These are calculated by dividing the previous fiscal year tax for each property by four. In December, the treasurer mails bills due February 1st and May 1st. These “actual” bills are based on updated assessed values, and they are often higher than the preliminary bills, because assessed values may change and because the tax rate changes each year.”

Please come to the Assessors’ office to discuss any issues with the assessed value of your property and the Assistant Assessor would be happy to review the assessment with you.

The Board of Assessors would like to thank the staff, Assistant Assessor Ann Marie Cywinski, Data Collector Alycelee Pigman and Administrative Secretary Meghan Montesion for their continued hard work and attention to detail that keeps the Town of Tisbury assessments in compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY CUTRER, Chair
CYNTHIA H. RICHARD, Clerk
ANGELA A. CYWINSKI, Member
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

In fiscal 2017, our annual budget continued to grow, driven by health care costs, salaries and wages, and increasing needs in public works and other departments. There is no easy solution since, in addition to funding the town budget; we must address infrastructure needs, with the school and the town hall as two important needs. The challenge will be to protect core services while funding infrastructure improvements.

Our stabilization or “rainy day” fund remains healthy, and we continue to reserve this fund to cover any unexpected financial crisis. Maintaining a solid stabilization fund also helps our credit rating and reduces our borrowing costs. Our Standard and Poor’s credit rating remains a solid “AA+ stable,” an excellent rating for a town our size, and interest rates remain low, keeping down the cost of borrowing.

Scanlon & Associates has completed the Fiscal 2017 audit. This comprehensive audit looks at all aspects of town finances. Copies of the audit report and management letter are available for anyone interested in reviewing the results of the audit and the comments from the auditors.

Finance Department Staff Members: Assistant Treasurer/Collector Kim Serpa, Financial Assistant Libby Cleary, and Assistant Town Accountant John Minnehan. For all of us, our goal is to serve you, the citizens of Tisbury. Please feel free to call or stop by the office anytime. We will be happy to assist you.

Respectfully submitted,

JONATHAN V. SNYDER, Treasurer/Collector
SUZANNE E. KENNEDY, Accountant
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FISCAL 2017

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Financial Highlights

Statement of Activities Highlights

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<td>Penalties and interest on taxes</td>
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<td>28,441,515</td>
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<td>889,476</td>
<td>(238,153)</td>
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<td>779,819</td>
<td>(40,714)</td>
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<td>5,923,706</td>
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<td>State assessments</td>
<td>1,317,021</td>
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<td>Interest</td>
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<td>259,778</td>
<td>(27,676)</td>
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<td>26,771,583</td>
<td>2,661,781</td>
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| Contributions to permanent funds           | 6,262      | 13,442     | (7,180)    |
| Transfers                                  | (204,822)  | (184,367)  | (20,455)   |
| Change in net position                     | 1,206,675  | 1,499,007  | (292,332)  |

| Net position - beginning of year           | 18,670,482 | 17,171,475 | 1,499,007  |

| Net position - end of year                 | $19,877,157 | $18,670,482 | $1,206,675 |
## TOWN OF TISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS
### BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
#### JUNE 30, 2017

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<thead>
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<td>2,764,628</td>
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<td>Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:</td>
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<td>Property Taxes</td>
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<td>-</td>
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<td>$128,727</td>
<td>242,071</td>
<td>370,798</td>
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<td>Due from Other Governments</td>
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<td>602,590</td>
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<td><strong>Liabilities:</strong></td>
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<td>Bond Anticipation Notes Payable</td>
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<td><strong>Total Liabilities</strong></td>
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<td>Unavailable Revenue</td>
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<td>Restricted</td>
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**Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances**

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TOWN OF TISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

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<td>1,862,029</td>
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<td>147,587</td>
<td>1,183,831</td>
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<td>Hotel Room Occupancy and Meal Taxes</td>
<td>504,155</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>504,155</td>
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<td>Licenses, Permits, Fees</td>
<td>1,154,153</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1,154,153</td>
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<td>Charges for Services</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>400,254</td>
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<td>Gifts and Donations</td>
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<td>2,746</td>
<td>153,784</td>
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<td>94,118</td>
<td>6,950</td>
<td>101,068</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td>278,894</td>
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<td>-</td>
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**Total Revenues**  
$28,281,581 $2,303,924 $30,585,505

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<td>985,439</td>
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**Total Expenditures**  
$26,781,849 $1,489,391 $28,271,240

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<th>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</th>
<th>Total Governmental Funds</th>
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<td>145,000</td>
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<td>(377,172)</td>
<td>(436,421)</td>
<td>(813,593)</td>
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**Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)**  
$86,599 $(291,421) $(204,822)

| Net Change in Fund Balances                | 1,586,331    | 523,112                     | 2,109,443                |
| Fund Balances, Beginning of Year           | 11,417,817   | 7,178,885                   | 18,596,702               |
| Fund Balances, End of Year                 | $13,004,148  | $7,701,997                  | $20,706,145              |

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TOWN OF TISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGETARY BASIS -  
(NON-GAAP) - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

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<th>Amounts Original</th>
<th>Amounts Final</th>
<th>Variance with Final Budget</th>
<th>Variance with Positive Basis</th>
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<td>Property Taxes</td>
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<td>$ 22,978,635</td>
<td>$ 22,927,872</td>
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<td>942,692</td>
<td>1,026,586</td>
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<td>770,000</td>
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<td>Hotel Room Occupancy and Meal Taxes</td>
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<td>375,000</td>
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<td>757,000</td>
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<td>120,000</td>
<td>82,613</td>
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<td>15,000</td>
<td>94,118</td>
<td>- 79,118</td>
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<td>$ 26,825,741</td>
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<td>3,063,819</td>
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<td>Health and Human Services</td>
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<td>599,710</td>
<td>641,583</td>
<td>518,495 35,302</td>
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<td>Culture and Recreation</td>
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<td>588,631</td>
<td>818,691</td>
<td>676,904 130,011</td>
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<td>5,109,384</td>
<td>4,393,630 - 715,754</td>
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<td>2,071,627</td>
<td>1,317,021 - 754,606</td>
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<td>978,504</td>
<td>977,825</td>
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<td>Interest</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>300,870</td>
<td>224,425</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenditures</strong></td>
<td>$ 2,435,120</td>
<td>26,900,180</td>
<td>29,860,781</td>
<td>25,470,434 1,721,401</td>
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| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures | (2,435,120) | (941,853) | (3,902,454) | 1,355,307 | (1,721,401) | 3,536,360 |

| Other Financing Sources (Uses):         | Oper. Trans In | 209,750 | 738,436 | 766,576 | - 28,140 |
| Operating Transfers (Out)              | (762,172) | 832,172 | 832,172 | - 28,140 |
| Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)    | (552,422) | (93,736) | (65,596) | - 28,140 |
| **Net Change in Budgetary Fund Balance** | (2,435,120) | (1,494,275) | (3,996,190) | $ 1,289,711 | (1,721,401) | $ 3,564,500 |

| Other Budgetary Items:                 | Free Cash and Other Reserves | - 1,544,600 | 1,611,395 |
| Prior Year Deficits                    | - (50,325) | (50,325) |
| Prior Year Encumbrances                | 2,435,120 | 2,435,120 |
| **Total Other Budgetary Items**        | 2,435,120 | 1,494,275 | 3,996,190 |

**NET BUDGET**                      | - $ | - $ | - $

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### TOWN OF TISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS
### SCHEDULE OF REAL ESTATE, PERSONAL PROPERTY, DEFERRED PROPERTY AND ROLLBACK TAXES
### JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017

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<th>Abatements and Adjustments</th>
<th>Collections Net of Refunds and Overpayments</th>
<th>Uncollected Taxes</th>
<th>Taxes Per Detail</th>
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#### Real Estate Taxes:

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<th>Abatements</th>
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<th>Collections</th>
<th>Net of Refunds</th>
<th>Total Tax</th>
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### TOWN OF TISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS
### SCHEDULE OF MOTOR VEHICLE AND VESSEL EXCISE TAXES
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# TOWN OF TISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

## SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL RECEIVABLES

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TOWN OF TISBURY
FY 2017
REVENUE

TAXES 91.7%

REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY 85.4%

MOTOR VEHICLE & VESSEL EXCISE 3.8%

INTEREST & PENALTIES .6%

HOTEL & MEALS TAXES 1.9%

LOCAL RECEIPTS 4.5%

STATE RECEIPTS 3.7%

INVESTMENT INCOME .1%

INTEREST & PENALTIES .6%

HOTEL & MEALS TAXES 1.9%

LOCAL RECEIPTS 4.5%

STATE RECEIPTS 3.7%

INVESTMENT INCOME .1%
TOWN OF TISBURY
FY 2017
EXPENDITURES

- TOTAL EDUCATION: 38.6%
- REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL: 14.1%
- PUBLIC SCHOOL: 24.5%
- PUBLIC SAFETY: 13.1%
- GENERAL GOVERNMENT: 7.4%
- INSURANCE & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS: 16.0%
- DEBT SERVICE: 6.0%
- ASSESSMENTS: 5.4%
- HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES: 2.0%
- PUBLIC WORKS: 6.6%
- CULTURE & RECREATION: 2.6%
- STABILIZATION FUNDS & RESERVES: 2.3%
- ASSESSMENTS: 5.4%
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## TOWN AND SCHOOL EMPLOYEE EARNINGS OVER $60,000
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017

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ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

“I am in favor of animal rights as well as human rights. That is the way of a whole human being.”

- Abraham Lincoln

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Tisbury,
This year the Animal Control Department logged in a total of 1186 calls. They are as follows:

2017 STATISTICS

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Always a huge thank you for all the donations received throughout the year.

The Animal Control Department would like to acknowledge the continued support of the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Tisbury.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURIE C. CLEMENTS
Animal Control Officer
BUILDING & ZONING DEPARTMENT

The total number of building permits for calendar year 2017 is Three Hundred and Thirty Eight (338). This is an increase from last year. This Department continues to administer all Building, Electrical and Propane Gas, Permits. We are constantly and successfully enforcing all Town Rules and Regulations, along with the International Commercial & Residential Building codes with Massachusetts amendments.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Town’s people, Elected and Appointed Officials and co-workers for their continued support and assistance of this department. We strive to continue our administration and enforcement efforts in preserving the “Public Safety” throughout our Town and Regional Community. We continue to assist applicants with the regulations, terms and conditions applicable to their respective projects.

End of the Year Data

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Total Cost of Construction in Tisbury:

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Total Fees Collected $203,576.00

Respectfully Submitted,

KENNETH A. BARWICK
Building Commissioner &
Zoning Enforcement Officer
**WIRING INSPECTOR**

For calendar year 2017 a total of 245 electrical permits were issued in the Town of Tisbury. Most permits were issued for residential projects, but there were some commercial and Town related permits.

The total of fees collected for all permits issued during the calendar year of 2017 was $50,625.00.

I would like to thank Kenneth A. Barwick the Building Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer and Rhonda DeBettencourt Administrative Secretary in the Building Department for their assistance with making the office a very pleasant place to work in and for processing electrical permits, and the scheduling of wiring inspections in a timely manner.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND GOSSELIN
Wiring Inspector

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**GAS INSPECTOR**

There were a total of 122 gas permits issued and inspections performed in the Town of Tisbury during the calendar year 2017. Most were for installations of central heating systems, of which the some were for new construction and the remainder for modernization of central heating systems. The total fees collected for gas inspections during 2017 totaled $5,950.00

With state-of-the-art equipment and new technology, gas has become a safe and efficient fuel. The public’s awareness of safety regulations and the need for professional installations has contributed to create an environment in which the use of gas for heating and cooking is both economical and safe.

Respectfully Submitted,

MICHAEL CIANCIO
Gas Inspector
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To the Citizens of the Town of Tisbury:

The Department of Public Works has continued its role serving the public by performing the essential services for the Town. The Department provided local drop off services for refuse and recycling collection, roads and sidewalk maintenance, snow removal services, parks and recreation services, cemetery maintenance and operations services, municipal building maintenance and sewer plant operations and maintenance services.

The DPW Advisory Board has met throughout the year to discuss resident concerns and give input with the direction of the department.

Recently a new Town wide reporting program called SEE CLICK FIX was set up allowing Town Departments and Town residents the ability to report issues within the Town. The new system will allow the DPW to track resident concerns and work order progress more efficiently.

Refuse and Recycling and Hazardous Waste Disposal Services:
The Department continues to provide local drop off services for the refuse and recycling needs of the Town and has continued its partnership with the Martha’s Vineyard Refuse District in the disposal of residential hazardous waste. In the past calendar year the Local Drop Off has received $60,454.76 in revenue and $26,334.37 in access stickers, brush permits and leaf bag fees.

Municipal Building General Maintenance:
The Department continues to provide routine services to the various Town Facilities with support from the Facilities Manager. The Department has handled 303 work orders with 46 being of high priority.

Highway and Sidewalk Maintenance:
This year the Department has been working to get shore up failing basins around Town along with repairing the parking lot exit at Water Street. The DPW continues to street sweep the downtown area every Friday morning and has renewed its State Road Access Permit allowing the Town the ability to sweep and remove snow on State Road. The new Beach Road lighting along the Towns bike path will be completed by Memorial Day. The DPW is looking to restart an old leaf pick up program at residential properties to alleviate the need to maintain leaf disposal at the Local Drop Off. The Department has also been working on repainting the Park and Right lot and restructuring the parking with a kiosk for short term parking and numbered spaces for long term parking. In the past year we have been working with Environmental Partners Group on Pavement Management and Storm Water Management capitol planning.
In Junction with the Planning board the DPW is moving forward with projects associated with the Complete Streets program, focusing on Union and Water Street, and the Veteran’s Park access from State Road.

Parks and Recreation:
This past summer the Department’s recreation programs continued to include life guard services on the two Town beaches and band concerts at Owen Park; we would again like to express our sincere thanks to the Vineyard Haven Band for those concerts. The DPW contracted out beautification needs throughout Town with success and looks to expand on this contractual support to improve the appeal of Tisbury. Total park revenues for the season amounted to $6,885.00 which accounted for Tennis court access fees $1,175.00 at Church Street, Men’s and Women’s softball league use, Travel Youth Soccer, camps $5,110.00 and wedding functions at the Owen Park Bandstand $600.00. The Department continues to do annual maintenance on the Church Street Clay courts, and is finishing up the move of the beach volleyball court along with resurfacing of the two ball fields and replacing the field lighting with CPC monies. Earlier this year it was reported to the Director that studies done by the Field Fund showed that the Veteran’s Park fields were the best grass playing surfaces on island.

Cemetery Maintenance and Operations:
The Town continues to operate and maintain the four Town cemeteries. There were 19 interments within the Town cemeteries this past year with lot sales totaling $5,225.00.

Sewer and Septage Operations:
The DPW continues to operate the Tisbury Wastewater Facility with minimal difficulty as the staff is well trained and well-seasoned in the operation of the Tisbury Plant. This fiscal year’s proposed budget reflects no increase in rates and so it is anticipated that the sewer treatment rate will continue to be .041 cents per gallon, the septage treatment rate will stay at .20 cents per gallon. The 104,000 gallon per day wastewater plant is operating at an average of 70,000 gallons per day during peak season and 35,000 gallons per day off season. The Sewer Advisory Board continues to meet regularly and has established new rate structures and penalties that have been missing in prior years and reviewing plans to upgrade the plant in the upcoming years and the future planning for expansion of the plant.

Acknowledgments:
This Department would like to thank the taxpayers of Tisbury and other Town Departments and Boards for their continued support, and the fine people which make up our Public Works Team.

Respectfully Submitted,

RAY TATTERSALL
Director Public Works
Honorable Tisbury Board of Selectmen,

We are pleased to inform you that 2017 was a rather quiet winter season with no major impacts on the Town of Tisbury other than a few snow storms. It was not necessary for the regional emergency shelter to be opened. Individual cases of sheltering need were forwarded to the American Red Cross and the Island Clergy Association throughout the winter season. As you know the regional shelter has been moved to the Oak Bluffs School, leaving the Tisbury School as a back-up shelter if necessary. This decision was made by the regional emergency managers for a number of reasons, to include the simple fact it is unknown what the Tisbury School plans are for their facility in the immediate future. The summer season was busier with joint emergency services responses to several maritime fires within our jurisdiction involving vessels. This included one response to the Steamship Authority due to a fire aboard the Governor; all other responses were to smaller personally owned vessels. None of these situations resulted in any harmful impact on the environment. The summer season ended with a large tropical storm threatening to impact the island. Due to the upgrades by Eversource to their infrastructure in the Town of Tisbury we were minimally affected.

The Atlantic hurricane season was rough for the Caribbean, specifically Puerto Rico. This has brought emergency planning for such an event here on Martha’s Vineyard to the forefront. The regional emergency planners have joined forces with the Massachusetts Maritime Academy to conduct an analysis and training opportunity for members of the island emergency services. The cadets at Massachusetts Maritime Academy are in the process of designing a table top exercise for our region to better prepare us for an event such as what took place in Puerto Rico. These efforts are being supported by all the stakeholders involved on Martha’s Vineyard to include the regional emergency managers, the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), American Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Disaster Animal Relief Team, and other groups. There is also training opportunities planned for the coming year in regard to emergency shelter management and operations. As always these organizations are looking for volunteers to assist with emergency preparedness.

Respectfully submitted,

LT. EERIK MEISNER
Emergency Management Director
JOHN CROCKER, HARBOR MASTER
Assistant Emergency Management Director
Tisbury Ambulance Service provides pre-hospital medical treatment to the Tisbury community. In the year 2017, the Tisbury Ambulance Service had the following responses.

- Total Calls for Service: 507
- Priority One Responses (Cardiac arrest): 11
- Priority Two Responses (Advanced life support): 226
- Priority Three Responses (Basic life support): 140
- Mutual aid to/from another town: 44
- Patient Refusals: 69
- Cancelled Calls: 19
- Fire / Police Standby: 10
- Request for Public Assistance: 32
- Public Events: 5

The Service has two Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulances and are staffed 24/7 year-round. Staffing is a combination of full-time, part-time, per diem and volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT’s) and Paramedics. These dedicated groups of individuals are the backbone of the Service, all of whom work exceptionally hard to provide the best emergency care available to the Town of Tisbury. The department continuously seeks opportunities to reduce overall costs and reimbursements for Ambulance Services generated $198,760.00 into the general fund in 2017.

I would like to express my thanks to the Tisbury Fire department for their continued support when needed and to the Tisbury Firefighters/First Responders for the dedication they have put into increasing their level of medical training this year.

Tisbury Ambulance has enjoyed many successes over the years and we recognize that our growth and success depends largely on its people. Therefore, I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to three long standing EMT’s Polly (Mary) Brown, Melinda Loberg and Rick Brew, who have stepped down this year. Combined, these special individuals have dedicated over 60 years to EMS.

To Polly, to see the relief you have brought to your patients as they recognize your friendly face has been an inspiration to me. The 10 years you have devoted to Tisbury Ambulance has been amazing, thank you for your loyalty and commitment.

To Melinda, as one of the first EMT’s to become trained to provide advance life support, your knowledge and guidance has helped guide many on a path to delivering the best care available to our community. Thank you for the 20 years you have dedicated not only to the Service and community, but also to the EMT’s.
To Rick, my mentor, so much of who I have become as a medical professional, I owe to you. You are proof that volunteers are people who don’t want to be thanked for helping others, but want to thank others for giving them the opportunity to help. Thank you for the 30 years you have devoted to EMS, your dedication and loyalty are second to none.

To the personnel of the Tisbury Ambulance Service – Thank you for your dedication and professionalism in providing pre-hospital emergency healthcare. These attributes make us a quality Ambulance Service of which the citizens of Tisbury can be proud.

I would like to express my gratitude and thanks to the following individuals, many of whom have gone above and beyond the call of duty to help in the success of Tisbury Ambulance.

**Full-time Paramedic:**
- Kyle Gatchell
- Krystle Rose

**Part-time Paramedics:**
- Benjamin Stevens
- Brian Walker

**Tisbury EMT’s**
- Belinda Booker
- Jim Davin
- Haley Krauss
- Livia Sampaio
- Rick Brew
- Connor Chisholm
- Melinda Loberg
- Danielle Shea
- Polly Brown
- Dawn Gompert
- Patrick Rolston
- Trevor Scanlon
- Ben Davey
- Amanda Gonsalves
- Gleyzielle Rodrigues
- Ann Stone

**Per Diem Paramedics**
- Myriah Hallinan
- Matthew Montanile
- Steve Coombs
- Trulayna Rose

Respectfully submitted,

TRACEY A. JONES
Ambulance Coordinator
FIRE DEPARTMENT
Volunteers proudly serving our community since 1884

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

For the calendar year of 2017, the Tisbury Fire Department responded to 363 calls for service. Once again there were no significant losses that occurred to citizen’s homes or business. However most extraordinary amongst these calls were the 4 boat fires that occurred, 3 of which did suffer significant losses.

As I have reported in previous years, our staffing challenges continue. In 2017 we lost 7 members, of which 3 reached the age of mandatory retirement. These losses were only offset by the addition of 1 new recruit. Our present membership is reaching a historic low. This problem is being felt by the Departments all across the Island. To address our manpower challenges and provide for a safe response, the Island Fire Chiefs have now instituted an automatic mutual aid response system for any significant emergency.

As mentioned above, 3 members of the Tisbury Fire Department reached the mandatory retirement age of 65 in 2017. Firefighter John Sundman served for 10 years, Firefighter Jeffrey Pratt served for 31 years and Assistant Chief James Rogers served for 45 years. All 3 of these gentlemen contributed significantly throughout their years of service and their presence is missed. We wish them well with their retirements and thank them and their families for their contributions to our community.

We would like to recognize those who serve on the Tisbury Ambulance Service and the Tisbury Police Department. We appreciate the strong working relationship we have with these agencies and the teamwork employed whenever we are involved with mutual responses.

On behalf of the members of the Tisbury Fire Department, thank you to the taxpayers of Tisbury for their continued support of our mission. We are committed to providing you with an effective and professional response whenever called upon. To our families, thank you for understanding when that pager calls. We know it is never convenient. We couldn’t do this without you behind us.
**2017 YEAR END DATA**

In 2017 the Fire Department issued 251 fire safety code permits.

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Total Calls 363

Respectfully submitted;

JOHN F. SCHILLING,  
Chief/Forest Warden  

JAMES J. ROGERS,  
Assistant Chief  

JOSEPH K. TIERNEY Jr,  
Assistant Chief
HARBORMASTER

The waterfront is a special place where people both work and recreate thereby attracting customers to many town businesses. The job of the Harbor Department is to provide a safe and welcoming environment for the various user groups while maintaining a balance between the use and the protection of the resource.

Spring of 2017 began with 5 boat fires. More boat fires than the Fire Chief had seen in his entire career. Three of the fires resulted in vessels being a total loss. Fortunately no one was hurt and there was no environmental damage. Many thanks to our Fire Department for a job well done.

The biggest news took place at the end of the year at the Lake Street Landing. With the support of a Seaport Economic Council grant of $680,000 we awarded the contract for the rebuild of the pier, launch ramp, bulkhead and wharf. These structures will be replaced for the 2018 boating season using quality materials that will last many years providing tax payers and visitors alike with a facility that will meet their needs and expectations.

Our pump out program is an example of a proactive program to protect our fragile ecosystem. We operate two vessels and a dockside facility. This year we handled over 20,000 gallons of sewerage. This program is mostly paid for by a Clean Vessel Act grant administered by the State of Massachusetts.

Revenue figures for FY 2017 are as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CROCKER
Harbormaster
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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

The Information Technology Department is responsible for the overall technical infrastructure of the Town which includes the LAN at each town building, data, servers, LAN peripherals, communications, software applications, network security, cloud based services such as email, local WiFi and end user support.

The Information Technology Department has had a busy few years with the launching of a new website with the goals of offering a positive experience for users and to efficiently disseminate information to our citizens. Each department maintains their page and information to keep their section updated. There was a three-phase approach to this project with the first a new platform was built and launched, second moving to a “fillable form” platform which PDF files were converted to the new fillable format. This second phase is still in progress as hundreds of documents will get converted and new forms created. This technology offers a new approach to doing business with our citizens and business community, the goal is to get all documents on the website that can be converted to be fillable at which time a permit, application, license etc., will be filled out online and sent to the appropriate department(s) electronically. The third phase is to accept payment online for a completed form if payment is required. We have entered into this third phase. This is a new way of conducting business with the Town, of course, you can still come to any one of our town buildings and conduct your business as you have in the past.

The Information Technology Department improved lag time by increasing the bandwidth at the DPW, Annex, Water Works, Harbor Master station and ESF building. A wireless network was also added to the DPW with extended signals. A few routers at these locations have been upgraded to be able to handle the increased bandwidth. At our Town Hall, DPW and Annex locations new copier/scanner/printer/fax machines were installed to replace dilapidated equipment with hefty maintenance bills. These devices enable users to scan files to send to recipients rather than printing to paper as well as disburse large PDF files electronically, both reduce cost.

We launched a new citizen reporting tool powered by SeeClickFix (https://www.tisburyma.gov/home/pages/seeclickfix) which enables residents to report neighborhood issues like potholes, broken signs, cracked sidewalks and more - with photos, videos, descriptions, and automatic geolocation. Once an issue is reported, the resident will be kept in the loop about progress on fixing it. This new tool can be accessed via the town website (on the homepage in the Citizen Action Center, “Report an Issue”), go to https://seeclickfix.com/tisbury, or from your smart device download the app from and entering the location Tisbury, Ma.

Each town office can accept credit card payments and soon the local drop-off (AKA LDO) will be accepting credit card or checks only. An announcement will be in the paper before this goes live.
The IT Dept. acts as Help Desk offering daily support to end user issues and consulting services for projects. Cloud services will continue to expand to eventually allow file sharing with a single cloud storage solution. Aging equipment will continue to be swapped out with new as time goes by as will the file servers. Emphasis has been given to the security of our LANs with a managed antivirus solution. Within the year updated policy and procedures will be implemented to further secure our data and systems. A broader cloud based backup solution was implemented in event data restoring is needed.

A Mobile Device Management solution was implemented to assigned smart phones and iPads to enable a more efficient way of managing these devices. With MDM in place apps become a seamless distribution process for the devices.

Please look for the Town of Tisbury on [Facebook] and [Twitter]!

Our department goal is to continue to identify priority areas that we can automate and improve efficiencies in, implement a solution and measure that process.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Rydzewski
Information Technology Manager
To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Tisbury

The Tisbury Police Department is committed to the philosophy of community policing and partnership building within the community. The medication return box continues to be a success along with the department’s website (www.tisburypolice.org) with recent updates that include Facebook and twitter. In addition, we continue to receive positive feedback from the community regarding the officer foot patrol on Main Street.

All of our officers are cross trained as Emergency Medical Technicians who respond to medical emergencies and assist with patient care. Officer Ogden is the School Resource Officer at the Tisbury School and supports the student’s athletic events and accompanies school trips. His presence at the school allows him to continue to build relationships with the students on all grade levels. Officer Rogers is our Senior Citizen Liaison he visits the Senior Center on a regular basis to be available to listen to any concerns.

Our dedicated crossing guards who are present rain or shine do a valuable service keeping the children safe when coming to and from school. The list includes Daniel Tanner, Eloise Boales, Katherine Colon, Rosemarie Littlefield, Stephen Nichols, Rita Reynolds, William Mc Gee, John Rollins, Kathleen Tilton, and Marilyn Yas.

The Tisbury Police Department is an educated and professional group committed to a high degree of public service. We are committed to protecting the rights of all individuals with whom we have contact. The Tisbury Police Department investigated numerous cases and handled these professionally, including the following activities during 2017.

- Motor Vehicle Accidents 197
- Welfare Checks 82
- Burglar Alarms 293
- Medical Emergencies 332

We enjoy a positive working relationship with the Tisbury Volunteer Ambulance Service and the Tisbury Fire Department. We look forward to another year of positive interaction with these groups. We appreciate the support the community has given us this year.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL T. HANAVAN
Chief of Police
SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT

To the People of Tisbury,

In April, we participated in the 25th Earth Day Beach Clean Up with the help of the Lagoon Pond Association and the Shellfish Advisory Committee we removed 1500 pounds of garbage from around the shoreline.

The Department has tried to limit the amount of pollution in the pond by reducing Canada goose population. This is done by addling eggs, we added total of 29 eggs in 5 nests just around the West Arm. Members of the Lagoon Pond Association and the Shellfish Advisory Committee volunteered for this task.

As a part of our predator control program we made 16 new crab traps and harvested over 4000lbs. of spider and green crabs in the lagoon. The crabs were used as fertilizer and some bait for tautaug fishermen.

This past May we took part in the quahog relay where I traveled off to Fall River to pick up 330 bushel bags of quahogs. The Shellfish Advisory Committee and the Department planted 272 bushels in the West Arm of the Lagoon and 78 bushels by Hillman Point and Tashmoo. Tashmoo opened October 14th to harvest; the Lagoon will open next spring.

On June 17th the Shellfish Department put on the 2nd Annual Family Shellfish Day, a free event where kids of all ages learn about the local ecology of our marine ecosystem. We plan on continuing this as a part of educating the public of our natural resources. The Family Shellfish Day was successful thanks to the help of everyone involved the SAC, Planning Board, TWI and volunteers.

Oak Bluffs and Tisbury Shellfish Departments shared an intern Eleah Casseau through the help of the LPA and the MVC for Lagoon Pond.

We participated in helping the Island Grown Schools in collaboration with the Martha’s Vineyard Fishermen’s Preservation Trust with their pilot summer shellfish internship program. Once a week for 7 weeks the students were able to go out with a commercial fisherman to learn about quahogging or with the Shellfish Department to learn about predator control or seed out juvenile quahogs or bay scallops.

The department wants to send special thanks to all that have volunteered for Shellfish Advisory Committee, Tisbury Waterways, Inc. Vision Planning board, Alison and Terra Sheridan, Matthew Lanzilotta, William Reich Jr., Miles Bolton, Don MacGillivray, Fred Benson and many more. Thanks to their help we were able to make this productive growing season a little easier.
Shellfish by the Numbers:

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Permits Sold:

- Senior Residents 204 @ $5 = $1,020
- Residents 222 @ $40 = $8,800
- Commercial 22 @ $350 = $7,700
- Year round non-resident 5 @ $400 = $2,000
- Short term non-resident 140= $4,200

Total = $23,720

DANIELLE EWART,
Tisbury Shellfish Constable
BOARDS, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS: TOWN

2017
BOARD OF HEALTH

Under Massachusetts General Laws, state and local regulations and community direction, Boards of Health are held responsible for disease prevention and control, health and environmental protection and promoting a healthy community. Boards of Health serve as the local arm of both the Mass. Department of Public Health and the Mass. Department of Environmental Protection. To fulfill their duties, Boards of Health develop, implement and enforce health policies, oversee inspections to maintain minimum standards for sanitation in housing and food service, and assure that the basic health needs of their communities are being met.

Building on our commitment to protect our ponds and streams from excess nitrogen the Board of Health partnered with CES Clean Water LLC to receive a grant from the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center to pilot the NitROE system, an innovative septic system addition specifically targeted at total nitrogen removal. The NitROE tank is placed between an existing Title 5 septic tank and an existing Title 5 soil absorption system for the sole purpose of removing nitrogen. The NitROE tank thus serves to provide an even higher degree of environmental and public health protection beyond that of a conventional Title 5 by significantly reducing total nitrogen. During the months of February through July in 2017, a NitROE® Tank demonstration unit has been successfully operating at the Massachusetts Alternative Septic System Test Center (MASSTC) in Barnstable, Massachusetts with total nitrogen concentrations consistently below 10mg/L with several months of operation achieving TN concentrations less than 5 mg/L. It is expected that the systems installed under the pilot program will show a significant reduction in total nitrogen and result in receiving approval from the State Department of Environmental Protection to install many more of these systems.

Under the guidance of Richard Johnson, Field Biologist and public educator working for the Island Boards of Health, the Tick Program had another busy and highly successful year in 2017. Through the program 98 yard surveys were conducted and 14 public presentations were held, including school Health Fairs, the Hospital Health Fair, Libraries, Senior Centers, Community Centers, the Local Wild Food Challenge, The Rod and Gun Club and the Wampanoag Tribe/EPA conference on vector borne diseases. Another major effort to reduce the incidence of tick-borne illness involved encouraging private property owners to allow deer hunting on their properties. The Tick Program worked with 27 different landowners and was successful in arranging deer hunting on 20 properties totaling over 100 acres. In addition, an Island conservation group allowed limited hunting on 50 acres of their land for the first time. The Tick Program also collaborated with The Island Grown Initiative (IGI) to accept donated deer at the State Forest deer check station that had been harvested during the two-week shotgun-hunting season. The deer were transported and stored in a cooler operated by IGI to be held for processing in a commercial kitchen at The Larder in Tisbury. The venison produced from the 4 donated deer was mixed with 20% USDA pork fat, ground into burger and frozen. As a result of this effort 200 lbs. of donated venison was delivered to the food pantry in late December. The Massachusetts Department of Public Health – Food Protection Program, the Edgartown Board of Health, The Larder and IGI are all thanked for their participation in this groundbreaking new effort.
The Board of Health continued its efforts toward the long-term control of the mosquitos and mosquito borne illnesses in the town by funding a mosquito program, which includes spraying and pelletizing public parks and problem areas within the town as well as a county-wide trapping and testing program. In order to avoid mosquito borne diseases during warmer weather you should avoid outdoor activities between dusk and dawn, if possible, since this is the time when mosquitoes are most active. If you must be outdoors when mosquitoes are active, wear a long-sleeved shirt and long pants and use a mosquito repellent that contains DEET, following the directions on the label.

Ever aware of our responsibility to the community, we continue to be active in the area of Public Health. In 2017 the Board of Health continued working with other Island agencies on efforts to address the growing problem of substance use disorder on Martha’s Vineyard. Our office also oversees a nursing contract to provide home visits to new mothers, home nursing visits to senior citizens, blood pressure screenings and other important health care needs such as dental clinics for income qualifying residents and educational programs through the schools and the Council on Aging.

The Board of Health is responsible for the continued inspection and regulation of over 60 food service establishments as well as monitoring water quality in the Harbor, Lagoon and Lake Tashmoo, thus ensuring that dining out and other recreational activities in Tisbury remain an enjoyable and risk free experience.

Servicing the taxpayers in a professional and courteous manner is our number one priority. In helping us achieve this we are fortunate to have the services of our Health Agent Maura Valley, Assistant Health Agent Catherine Blake and Administrative Secretary Valerie Soushek.

The Board of Health meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Annex, 66 High Point Lane. Meetings are always open to the public and we welcome all who wish to attend.

The Board of Health Office collected the following fees for calendar year 2017:

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Respectfully submitted,

MALCOLM BOYD, Chairman
MICHAEL D. LOBERG
JEFFREY C. PRATT
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

“History is who we are and why we are the way we are”

- David McCullough

To Tisbury Town Residents:

The Community Preservation Act (CPA) enables Massachusetts Communities to levy a surcharge of property tax bills to raise funds to expand their open space, historic, recreational and affordable housing assets. A nine-member Community Preservation Committee (CPC) helps develop and administer projects funded with CPA monies. It encourages participation by interested community members, and all recommended projects are specifically voted on at Town Meeting by the citizens of Tisbury.

Tisbury has appropriated $7,228,227 over the past eleven years, FY 2006 - FY2017. This year (in FY2017) the following CPC projects completed include:

- Tisbury Town Hall Window Restoration
- Tisbury Town Hall Partial Roof Replacement
- Tisbury Town Hall Door Replacement
- Tisbury Town Hall Records Preservation
- Gravestone Restoration and Training
- Dukes County Regional Housing Authority Rental Assistance
- Tisbury Housing Trust Fund
- Owen Park Landscaping: Flag Pole and Two Gardens
- Owen Park Masterplan
- Owen Park Showers
- Duke’s County Courthouse Electrical Service
- Martha’s Vineyard Agricultural Society Artifact Restoration/Cataloging
- Martha’s Vineyard Shellfish Hatchery - Phase I Stairs

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN BACHELLER
CLARENCE A. BARNES, III
JOHN BEST
ABBE BURT
VICTOR CAPOCCIA
CHERYL DOBLE
DAVID FERRAGUZZI
PAUL MUNAFO
TOMAR WALDMAN

HEIDI DIETTERICH
Administrative Assistant
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Tisbury Conservation Commission is a seven member board appointed by the Selectmen. Its primary responsibility is the administration of state and local statutes, the purpose of which is to protect Tisbury’s wetlands, shorelines and flood plains. Projects within these areas that may environmentally alter or impact these resources must be reviewed and approved by the board prior to commencement of work.

Typical projects reviewed by the Commission were Chapter 91 licensing for existing piers, septic system upgrades, construction within wetland buffer zones and various construction projects such as stairs, decks, landscaping and dwelling renovations which may impact wetland resources and which fall within the board’s jurisdiction.

The Beach Road area along the harbor, the lagoon and Lake Tashmoo continue to be of major concern to the Conservation Commission. Septic system problems, increased demand for use, road runoff and applications for new water related construction such as piers continue to put pressure on our water resources. The Conservation Agent and harbormaster have been working on permitting various dredging, and pier maintenance projects in town.

The Conservation Commission reviewed thirty-two (32) applications for projects subject to review under state and local wetlands laws during 2017, and application fees for these projects generated $4,195.00 in revenue for the Town of Tisbury.

The Commission thanks the administrative staff, Assistant Laura Barbera and Conservation Agent Jane Varkonda for providing invaluable service and expertise. We appreciate the assistance of the Harbormaster, Division of Marine Fisheries, Shellfish Warden, the Board of Health and the Building/Zoning Department for their advice and input over the past year.

The Commission meets on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at a new time of 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Annex. Meetings are open to the public and all interested persons are welcome to attend. The Commission would also welcome any and all interested citizens willing to serve.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN D. BEST
CAROLINE LITTLE
LILLIAN ROBINSON
THOMAS ROBINSON, CHAIR
NANCY WEAVER
The Council on Aging strives to meet the needs of the growing population of Tisbury seniors. We continue to have an increase in referrals for many services/program such as Supportive Day Program and home care services that provide skilled nursing, personal care and elder services. We refer many to Elder Services who contracts with VNA and Greater Boston Health Care for home care services, Meals on Wheels and other services that help keep seniors in their homes.

We have programs through Martha’s Vineyard Partnership for Health who focuses on programs to improve balance and strength. There is a program called Powerful Tools for Caregivers helping family members cope with caregiving. Carol Aranzabie offers gentle yoga designed for seniors, Daisy Lifton offers Tai Chi. Elizabeth Sanderman, RN our new Town Nurse offers wellness talks, provides blood pressure clinics monthly and Adult Health Promotion visits through the Board of Health, as well as providing health talks and speakers for the Diabetes Support Group. Catie Blake offers a class in Functional Fitness concentrating on strength, balance, flexibility, and agility.

The Council on Aging uses the Formula grant from the State to defray some of the cost of the program.

Sandy Whitworth, our Activities Director continues to present new programs in addition to ongoing programs. She puts out a monthly newsletter and highlights of planned activities available on the website.

We offer Legal Clinic talks given by Attorney Arthur Bergeron. His talks which we hope to continue in the spring and fall are popular and helpful to our seniors and their family members.

We value our volunteers who help us in answering the phone, deliver holiday meals, food distribution, and special events held at the center. We always honor them as part of Volunteer Week with a luncheon for our appreciation for all they do for our center. Volunteers provide a great service to our community. We are always looking for volunteers at the front desk.

A SHINE Counsellor will be working with seniors providing assistance with Medical insurance claims and answer question. Service is offered the second and fourth Thursday of each month.

The Supportive Day Program continues to provide respite for caregivers who care for a loved one 24/7. The program is led by a wonderful and dedicated staff and volunteers. The program meets four days a week, two days at the Tisbury Senior Center and two days at The Anchors (Edgartown Council on Aging). The program provides all day activities for its participants to promote stimulation and provide a safe environment for the participants and peace of mind for the caregiver. They are preparing to move into a permanent place to have their program.

We offer assistance programs ex: fuel assistance, food stamps, and surplus food distribution. Other services and programs include: Legal services provided by Tom Kosman Elder Law lawyer, Tax Assistance for those 55 years of age and over, Hearing Clinic through Miracle Ear who comes quarterly, Blood Pressure and Town Nurse Clinics and VTA Bus passes at a discount for seniors 65 years of age and older. We work with the Healthy Aging of Martha’s Vineyard who work to project the needs of our growing elder population. We use My Senior Center a software
program and One Stop which is an information and referral website for one to gain access to services that are available to our elder population and their caregivers.

We want to thank Our Friends of the Council on Aging for all of their support they have given. They still need volunteers to help with fundraising and to help with their planned events.

New programs and services are in the 55 Plus Times that goes out in the last Thursday issue of The Martha’s Vineyard Times each month or look on our website www.tisburyma.gov that has each months events happening at the senior center.

We are sadden of the deaths of Anthony Guyther a longtime Board member and Virginia Iverson volunteer and President of our Friends of the Tisbury Council on Aging. We appreciate their contribution to the Senior Center.

We welcome Eleanor Morad and Edward Sternick to our Board. They will be a great asset to the Board.

The Tisbury Council on Aging continues its mission to provide services and programs to Senior Citizens of the Town of Tisbury. We welcome everyone to our center and participate in our various activities.

JOYCE STILES-TUCKER,
Director

CONSTANCE TEIXEIRA, CHAIRPERSON
SANDRA JOHNSON-PRATT
KENNETH GROSS
DONALD ROSE
EDWARD STERNICK
ELEANOR MORAD
DREDGE COMMITTEE REPORT

To Tisbury Town Residents:

The Tisbury Dredge Advisory Committee was created by the Selectman to advise and assist those who work on dredging issues for the Town, particularly the Harbor Master, as overseen by the Selectman.

2017 has ended with a flurry of activity as the Lake Street Landing project has gotten into full swing. Permits are in place for dredging small volumes as the structural aspects of the project are completed.

2017 has been a struggle with delays in securing final permits for maintenance dredging of the Tashmoo Entrance. Fortunately, an informal practical survey performed by the Harbor Master and the Shellfish Constable on March 24, 2017 found that winter storms had spared Tashmoo Entrance and the channel was deemed passable for the immediate future. However, subsequent sand movements in the course of the next months found the channel to be inadequate in the late summer/fall. The channel needs to be dredged, and Tashmoo Channel Dredge permits were finally issued in November. The project was put out for bid but the contractors who responded were asking exceptionally high prices to complete the project prior to the January 15 – June 30 Time of Year restrictions when dredging is prohibited due to spawning flounder, horseshoe crabs and other species.

The Harbor Master is currently seeking special allowance to dredge parts of the channel where wildlife is not vulnerable in the beginning of April. Although unable to dredge the entire channel, this should have favorable impact on the channel for the 2018 boating season. As of the end of January, we are waiting for approvals from the various permitting agencies. The Harbor Master and Dredge Committee are also starting the initial steps to permit maintenance dredging of the inner Vineyard Haven Harbor.

The Dredge Advisory Committee would like to thank the Town for taking the wise steps to accrue funds annually so that the town is in the position to fund major necessary maintenance dredge projects that happen every 3-10 years.

Respectfully submitted,

SHERI CASEAU
JOHN CROCKER
DANIELLE EWART
CHARLES FELDER
JACK GAGNON
BOB JEWETT
NEVIN SAYRE
EMBARKATION FEE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Embarkation Fee Advisory Committee was established to address allocation appropriations from revenue generated from a 50 cent fee on Steamship Authority passenger tickets sold in Tisbury. The Legislation enacted in 2003, (Chapter 46, Section 129 of the Acts of 2003) established this fee to be collected by the Steamship Authority and distributed to ports served by the Authority to mitigate the impact of tourism and increased traffic. Initially, after the inception of the Embarkation Fee, the Selectmen and the Finance & Advisory Committee addressed requests for use of these funds, but in 2008, the Town Meeting approved a Bylaw to formally provide a process for expenditure of Embarkation Fee monies received by the Town.

The Embarkation Fees Bylaw established the Embarkation Fee Advisory Committee to be constituted by one member of the Board of Selectmen, one member recommended by the Finance & Advisory Committee, one member of the Harbor Management Committee and two At Large Members, not serving on any board or committee, with all members appointed by the Selectmen and serving one-year terms.

Since the first distribution of $269,395.50 in 2004, after the adoption of the Embarkation Fee Legislation, the Town has received a total of $3,481,075 an average of about $250,000+/− a year over the past 12 years.

The members of the Embarkation Fee Advisory Committee determine how these funds are allocated. Department heads are asked in December to submit requests, which are reviewed and considered by the committee prior to the January deadline for Articles for the Annual Town Meeting. When approved by the Embarkation Fee Advisory Committee and the Selectmen, the requests are presented in an Article at the Annual Town Meeting. The legislation specifically limits the use of these funds to areas that are impacted by tourism and additional traffic. Thus the funds are primarily appropriated for Harbor, Fire, Police, Ambulance, Shellfish and public safety-related projects and expenditures.

For FY 2018 the approved appropriations included the following: Police Department: Tactical Response Team, wages for summer traffic officers and funds allocated to the dredge stabilization fund.

The Committee looks toward 2019 as another year when funds generated by the Embarkation Fee can be used to provide services and equipment to benefit Tisbury residents and visitors.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER GOODALE
MATTHEW HOBART
TRISTAN R. ISRAEL
JYNELL KRISTAL, Chairman
JONATHAN V. SNYDER
The Tisbury Housing Committee meets monthly to review and initiate new affordable housing opportunities for the residents of Vineyard Haven and island-wide. We are pleased this year to continue to support an exciting new project in Tisbury – the Kuehn’s Way project on State Road, located next to the Scottish Bakehouse. The Island Housing Trust is coordinating this effort to build 22 affordable rental units on the 14.8 acre parcel. New projects which the Committee supported included a new proposal by Island Housing Trust to develop a new six unit, 3 duplex developments on Greenwood Avenue and Habitat for Humanity’s single family home construction on Marion’s Way.

Without the continued financial support of the Community Preservation Act Committee we would not have been able to do any of the eight housing projects completed over the past 10 years. Thanks to CPC financial support, we have been able to provide home-ownership opportunities, permanent affordable rental units, second mortgage loan assistance, support for the town rental assistance program and even put aside money for future housing projects in the Tisbury Municipal Housing Trust Fund.

The Tisbury CPC, with the full support of the Tisbury Housing Committee, has recommended funding for two housing initiatives on this April’s town meeting warrant as follows: $100,000 for the annual Rental Assistance program run by the Dukes County Housing Authority, $150,000 to the Greenwood Avenue project; $200,000 for the 22 unit Kuehn’s Way project and $50,000 for the single family home construction on Marion’s Way.

The Tisbury Municipal Housing Trust, with its seven member board, accrues funds for housing projects in Tisbury and serves in perpetuity as a legal and financial format for providing opportunities for affordable housing in Tisbury.

Thank you all for supporting affordable community housing in our town which enables Tisbury to continue to be a vibrant, diverse, healthy community. We also welcome new input so please consider joining as a member of the committee. Contact the town hall at 508 696 4200 if you are interested in serving.

Respectfully Submitted,

LAUR BARBERA, CHAIR
ABBE BURT
DANIEL JAY SEIDMAN
MARY ELLEN LARSEN
LAND BANK ADVISORY BOARD

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

We are pleased to announce the acquisition of The Watson’s family property known as Map 16A, Lot 22, for the price of $760,000. The parcel is 6.0 acres with 160 feet of new public beach on the Lagoon Pond. The property is named Beech Tree Preserve, connecting from the Edgartown Road, across from MV Campground.

The Board conducted a public hearing for the Little Duarte’s Pond Preserve to update the management plan and subsequently voted to approve it. The property is open to the public; enjoy the peaceful beauty of it, as it is well managed by the staff of the Land Bank.

As part of our financial responsibility, we voted to approve refinancing the Land Bank’s 2006 bond, for a better interest rate. We thoroughly analyzed the Land Bank FY2018 operating budget before approval. The Advisory Board is working to help conserve and preserve the natural beauty of our Town.

We would like to thank John Best for his years of dedicated service on the advisory board. Huge round of applause for Matt Dix a/k/a “the Goat Whisper”. He retired after twenty five years as the Land Superintendent and passed the torch to Ian Peach. The Land Bank office phone number is (508) 627-7141, and please to go the www.mvlandbank.com website for maps and information regarding the trail system.

Respectfully submitted,

ANGELA A. CYWINSKI, Chair

Current members and their appointing boards:

IAN AITCHISON, Department of Public Works
ANGELA A. CYWINSKI, Board of Assessors
ELAINE MILLER, Planning Board
NORA NEVIN, Board of Selectmen
JEFFREY PRATT, Board of Health
DAVID SCHWAB, Water Commissioners
NANCY WEAVER, Conservation Commission
PERSONNEL BOARD

“Outstanding leaders go out of their way to boost the self-esteem of their personnel. If people believe in themselves, it’s amazing what they can accomplish.”

- Sam Walton

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Tisbury,

The Personnel Board’s mission is to put in place personnel policies and procedures that are appropriate for a well-run municipality and fair to all affected employees, both current and future.

In 2017 the Board met generally once a month to act on the following matters:

Review current personnel policies for accuracy and to reflect current changes within the workforce. The review of all policies will continue into 2018.

The Personnel Board also reviewed and approved changes for Managerial & Professional Wage Scale and Cost of Living Adjustment of 2.3% for Fiscal Year 2019.

The Board works closely with the Town Administrator John Grande who also holds the position of Personnel Director for the Town and Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen and Personnel Director Pamela Bennett for their fair and well considered counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM MCCONNEL, Chairman
JOHN ROLLINS
BARBARA FORTES
Looking back on 2017, the Tisbury Planning Board sees the Town moving forward on a number of important planning projects. The Town continues to work closely with Mass DOT on the refinement of design plans for Beach Rd. improvements. Board members are actively working with the Selectmen, town department heads, and committees on efforts to address the health of our ponds, plans for the Tisbury School, harbor management issues, the development of a town-wide parking plan and facilitating the implementation of the Town's priority Complete Streets projects. Work continues on the Tisbury Open Space and Recreation Plan and planning to improve town-wide pedestrian and bike circulation. Following adoption of the Tisbury Housing Production Plan, the Tisbury Planning Board is acting on recommendations to review, and update the Town’s bylaws to better support the development of affordable housing. The Tisbury Planning Board continues to host the Vision Forum, a public forum where town officials, staff, and community members come together to discuss town issues, contribute to planning studies and collaborate on multiple projects that support the goals outlined in the 2015 Vision Plan.

Zoning Bylaw Amendments
- added Definitions in section 02.00 (Area Median Income, Affordable Housing, Community Housing and Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan and Resident Selection Guidelines)
- revised section 02.00, Definition for Site Plan Review Board to exclude applications for repairs and swimming pools from being referred to the Site Plan Review Board
- revised section 06.07.00, Waterfront Commercial District - Site Plan Review Board to eliminate referrals for projects that proposed to raze a structure
- revised section 10.06.01, Site Plan Review Board, to remove the residency requirement for the architect/landscape architect or designer serving on board., and to exclude applications for repairs and swimming pools from being referred to the Site Plan Review Board

All Island Planning Board
The Planning Board has been actively involved in the All Island Planning Board (AIPB). In its third year, the AIPB provides a productive forum for addressing shared concerns, collaborating on common projects and broadening understanding between the six Island towns. Though the last year did not see the same level of overall participation, an ongoing conversation between the island towns is critical to good planning where the sharing of information and strategies may help each town best utilize the resources available on the island.

Tisbury Planning Board Projects
The Tisbury Planning Board in concert with the Selectman, the DPW, nonprofit organizations, and the Martha's Vineyard Commission are actively working on planning projects that directly address town goals identified in the 2015 Vision Plan. The studies will become part of a Town Master Plan and will facilitate new action initiatives and project development.
1. **Complete Streets** - initiated by Mass DOT to help communities create streets that provide safe and accessible options for all travel modes -- walking, biking, transit and motorized vehicles. After developing a Complete Streets Policy (adopted in 2016) the Board helped develop the Town’s priority project list, applied for implementation funding which resulted in $371,851 for the Town to fund 8 priority projects and will coordinate project implementation.

2. **Parking Study** – Holly Stephenson served on the Town Parking Study Committee.

3. **Zoning Revisions** - based on recommendations in Tisbury's Housing Production Plan, the Board is preparing by-law amendments that will support greater flexibility in the development of affordable and year-round rental housing.

4. **Open Space, Park, and Recreation Plan** - work continues with the Martha’s Vineyard Commission on development of an Open Space, Parks and Recreation Plan. An inventory of town open space and park land was completed; a public survey was conducted to provide a better understanding of current use, desired improvements and potential stewardship strategies, to guide the development of planning goals by the Tisbury Planning Board, a management plan and stewardship strategy.

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**Vision Forum**

The Vision Forum, now in its third year, provides a community venue in which all town residents are welcome. This forum fosters a community dialogue to improve citizen understanding of town issues, provide the opportunity for community comment on current projects, and to facilitate public participation in town activities.

Visit [https://www.tisburyma.gov/vision-forum](https://www.tisburyma.gov/vision-forum) to keep up with meeting dates and activities.

The 2017 Vision Forum process resulted in these projects:

1. **Owen Park** - a citizen committee, the DPW staff, and TPB members worked together to continue improvements to Owen Park. CPA funds were used to complete a Master Plan to guide future long-term park improvements and maintenance. During the winter of 2018 final plans will be completed for the upper section of the park to improve pedestrian access into the park and to create a handicap accessible seating area at the top of the park. We anticipate construction in the spring.

2. **Old Fire Station Lot** - With input received through the Vision forum, the TPB completed a phased plan for the redevelopment of this critical in-town public property. The plan includes an improved bike and pedestrian corridor, a new entrance to the park, and planting on Beach Street. This project will be constructed in 2018 with CPA and Complete Streets funding.

3. **Parks, Open Space Park and Recreation Plan** - Vision Forum discussions emphasized the need to improve the town’s stewardship of its parks and open space land, and served as the impetus to this planning. This year community members participated in a review of the MV Commission’s inventory, an online public survey and a review of the survey analysis.

4. **Union Street Gateway Study** -- Vision forum discussions led the Planning Board to form a committee to develop a conceptual plan to improve the sense of arrival at the Steamship
terminal, upgrade the visitor information facility and enhance the pedestrian experience along Union Street. This project is one of the priority Complete Streets projects to be implemented in 2018.

5. **Wayfinding** -- Plans are underway to design and implement a system that will help visitors find their way to desired destinations and attractions in the town. Members of the Cultural District Partnership, Merchant’s Association and local residents are participating in this process through vision forum meetings.

6. **The Tisbury School** - The Vision Forum hosted a public meeting providing an opportunity for the School Building Committee and Tisbury School consultant to share planning alternatives, answer questions and receive feedback from town residents.

7. **Presentations of the 2017 Tisbury Town Warrants** - The Vision Forum held informational meetings ahead of Town Meeting giving warrant sponsors an opportunity to explain their warrants and answer resident’s questions.

**Departing Planning Board Member**

Holly Stephenson served on the Planning Board from 2016 to 2017. Holly brought valuable planning experience from serving on the MV Commission and a critical eye to the board's work, which contributed to thorough project review and contributed to rigorous planning.

**Acknowledgements**

The Tisbury Planning Board would like to thank all of the participants in the Vision Forum for their willingness to participate in this critical public forum. We would also like to thank Adam Turner and the Martha’s Vineyard Commission staff; they have been an invaluable resource to the Town’s planning efforts. We thank the Selectman, for both their support and participation in the Towns planning initiatives. Lastly, a special thanks to our Planning Assistant Patricia Harris, who as always, keeps us on track.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN ROBINSON, Chairman  
CHERYL DOBLE,  
DANIEL SEIDMAN  
DAWN BELLANTE-HOLAND  
ELAINE MILLER  
PAUL MUNAFO
ENERGY COMMITTEE

Over the last year the Energy Committee has focused on its two main objectives: Energy Efficiency Program and Energy Generation Program. Below is a listing of the progress made on these two efforts.

Energy Efficiency
Through the use of Green Community funds two projects have been completed in coordination with Cape Light Compact and a MET grant.

- The air conditioning and heating system at the Police Department was converted to a heat pump thus reducing the oil consumption. The oil boiler will be used as a back up system.
- The boiler at the Library was upgraded.

Also a test LED light was installed at the Park and Ride lot. The intent is to change all the lights to LED's.

Three all electric cars were leased by Tisbury for the Town use.

Committee’s goal is to make all of the town buildings as energy efficient as possible with changes to: heating and cooling, hot water, and electrical systems.

Energy Generation
Tisbury continues to receive income from the coordination of a CVEC land lease at the Town land fill and the 3000 panel solar array. This contract has been in operation since 2015 and the income to date is more than $275,000.

A warrant article has been prepared by Kirk Metell, Facilities Manager to install solar panel on the new EMS building. This project will reduce the approximate $25,000 annual cost of electricity by 80%. Please support this effort at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

NANCY GILFOY
KIRK METELL
RAY TATTERSALL
WILLIAM STRAW, Chairman
SHELLFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Tisbury,

The Shellfish Advisory Committee continues to work closely with the Shellfish Constable in her many projects whether it’s putting out steamer seed on the flats in Tashmoo or helping with the quahog relay we work as a team. This year we also helped by donating equipment and time in June for the Second Annual Family Shellfish Day. Although the weather was predicted to be rainy the day went off without a hitch. We introduced people to the world of shellfishing by teaching them how to use a quahog rake and what to look for. We even shared some of our favorite recipes and how to shuck a quahog. Kids were delighted to see what kinds of creatures we find in our ponds ecosystem.

Over the past year the Advisory Committee has worked on drafting Shellfish Aquaculture Regulations. We spent two meetings entirely devoted to writing and discussing these regulations and possibilities of potential sites. In November with Chris Schillaci from Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries, who specializes in aquaculture and we had a thorough discussion on the regulations. We speculate that we will have something for the Board of Selectmen in early 2018.

Reminder that the Shellfish Advisory Committee meets the third Thursday of the month at the Town Hall Annex at 6 pm, we changed up our location this year from the DPW to the Town Hall Annex.

Sincerely,

STEVE BACCELLI
JOHN CUSTER
JOHN KOLLETT
RAYMOND LINCOLN
HENRY NIEDER
WILLIAM SWEENEY
JAMES TILTON, CHAIRMAN
JACKIE WILLEY
The restored 1887 Tashmoo Spring Building, owned by the Town of Tisbury, continues its renaissance as a venue for private and public events. The Committee thanks the Town employees who are now fully involved in the maintenance, booking and rental of the building. We are also grateful to the Community Preservation Committee, which has provided essential support for the building's restoration and reuse. The building is available at no cost for events/meetings held by town departments/committees and the Tisbury School, and offers a reduced rate for nonprofit organizations. Private and nonprofit events have included family gatherings, art shows, anniversary, retirement, and graduation parties, weddings, and the Annual Memorial Day Picnic. Chris Baer’s informational panels about the history of the site and the building provide a movable backdrop to events. The committee continues to meet to discuss and decide upon issues related to the upkeep of and continuing restoration of the building and the brick outbuilding, built in the same style, and currently used by the Water Dept. Currently, additional outdoor lighting to provide enhanced safety for users of the building is planned. We welcome feedback from town residents and users of the building as we collaborate to maintain this beautiful, historic building in its lovely waterfront setting at the head of Lake Tashmoo.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRIET BARROW
AASE JONES
HENRY STEPHENSON
LORRAINE WELLS
DENYS WORTMAN
PATRICIA CARLET
The Tisbury Town Picnic has been billed in recent years as the “Memorial Day Picnic” to emphasize that the picnic, while sponsored by the Town of Tisbury, is open to all. However, in 2017, the picnic was not able to be held on Memorial Day due to weather, and was held the following Sunday, June 4th. The Flying Elbows performed, with funding from the MV Cultural Commission, Cronigs donated hot dogs and rolls, Stop and Shop donated watermelons, and many volunteers donated their time, row boating assistance, and grilling expertise. The Town of Tisbury contributed ice cream, committee members planned, grilled, organized, gave tours of the historic Tashmoo Spring Building, circa 1887, and supervised chalk art, three legged races, sack races and tennis ball on a spoon competition. No ponies were available this year for pony rides- maybe in 2018!

Respectfully Submitted,

HARRIET BARROW
 DANIELLE EWART
 SHEETAL GRANDE
 AASE JONES
 JON SNYDER
 HENRY STEPHENSON
 LORRAINE WELLS
 DENYS WORTMAN
 PATRICIA CARLETT
WATER COMMISIONERS - TISBURY WATER WORKS

To the Citizens of the Town of Tisbury:

The new Water Works Building was started in 2017. We expect to move into the completed building sometime in the spring of 2018.

The Manter Well was taken out of service for preventative maintenance on September 18, 2017. It was determined that the pump bowl assembly should be replaced. The motor bearings were replaced and the motor serviced. We do this to each well every 5 years to ensure system reliability.

The wells produced the following water during 2017:

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**TOTAL PUMPING** 271,973,172 gallons

The maximum daily pumping was 1,966,976 gallons on July 5, 2017. The maximum week was 11,369,440 gallons during the week of July 8th. The average day was 745,132 gallons per day.

The decrease of 95,671 gpd was due to the consistent rainfall during the warm months of 2017. There were 52.83-inches of rainfall for 2017 measured at the Tashmoo Well.

During Fiscal Year 2017, $1,870,538.04 was collected for water usage, system development fees, jobbing fees and lease revenue.

The Water Works continued to provide safe drinking water to the community and produces both an Annual Statistical Report (ASR) for the Department Environmental Protection and the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) for our customers. The ASR and CCR reports are available online or at our office located at 400 West Spring Street.

The Water Works continued the Town’s Water Use Restriction Bylaw throughout the year in 2017. We ask our customers to observe our voluntary water restrictions. During the hot summer months customers are more likely to use greater quantities of water than normal. This can diminish our ability to supply the Town with adequate fire flow protection as well as affect our operating permit issued by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. We wish to thank Timothy Sylvia, Patricia Diamond, Scott Norbury, David Lopes, James Cleary and Paul Wohler for their hard work and dedication to the people of Tisbury.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID J. SCHWAB, Chairman
ROLAND M. MILLER
ELMER SILVA, JR.
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The primary function of the Tisbury Zoning Board of Appeals is to hear and decide applications for Special Permits, Variances and Appeals as they apply to the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Tisbury. The Board has attempted, in every case, to determine the intent of the Zoning By-Law as regards the protection of the integrity of the Town of Tisbury and the rights of the individual citizens to use their properties in a proper manner under the By-Law approved by the people of the Town over fifty (50) years ago.

We urge all who come before this Board to prepare their cases carefully and seek professional assistance, if appropriate. We often find that this is not the case and undue delays result. Also, be reminded by the Zoning By-Law, Section 10.03.01 that “Permits, Special Permits, and Variances are not granted as a matter of right; they are privileges which may be granted as appropriate in specific circumstances and which are in keeping with the intent of the Zoning By-Law. It is incumbent upon applicants to demonstrate the appropriateness of their petitions for Permits, Special Permits and Variances.”

The Board is seeing an increased number of applications for accessory apartments and guest houses. The Board has been working with the Tisbury Planning Board and Affordable Housing Committee to address changes to the Zoning Bylaws in an effort to address the need for new affordable housing opportunities.

We would like to thank Town Counsel, Kopelman & Paige, for their advice and counsel in helping us understand and interpret the Zoning By-Law and Massachusetts General Laws. Thanks also go to Laura Barbera in her twenty-fifth year of outstanding service as the Board’s Administrative Assistant. Further thanks go to the Building/Zoning Department, Planning Board and Board of Health for their continued cooperation.

Cases handled by the Board of Appeals during the calendar year 2017 are as follows:

1. Melene, John 5-H-5 Special Permit – Height modification Approved
2. Dimmick, Andrew 11-A-50 Special Permit – Expansion in shore zone Approved
3. Bell, Mercy 21-B-30 Special Permit – Guest House Withdrawn
4. Soltz, Robert 26-D-9.12 Special Permit - Guest House Approved
5. Xi Yu 7-C-9 Special Permit – Food service Approved
6. Downing, Charles 7-C-9 Special Permit – Outside display Approved
7. Hanschka, Whit 4-B-3 Special Permit - Expansion of garage Approved
8. Adler, Paul 24-A-24.2 Special Permit – Construction 8’ fence Approved
9. Cory, Brian 8-F-10 Special Permit – Accessory apartment Approved
10. Eddy, Anne Marie 7-F-21 Special Permit – Outside display Approved
11. Flynn, Christine 4-H-5 Special Permit – Accessory apartment Approved
12. Miller, Howard & 11-A-7 Special Permit – Reconstruct in shore zone Approved
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Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL CIANCIO  
SUSAN FAIRBANKS  
JOHN GUADAGNO  
ANTHONY HOLAND  
JEFFREY C. KRISTAL, Chairman  
FRANK PICCIONE  
NEAL STILLER
BOARDS, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS: REGIONAL 2017
The Dukes County Regional Housing Authority is publically chartered and locally funded to assist the towns of Martha’s Vineyard to address the Island’s growing need for stable community housing opportunities. The Housing Authority collaborates with town, state bodies and regional and island organizations to provide year-round rentals and rental assistance, homebuyer training, lottery support, affordability monitoring, homelessness prevention as well as advocacy and planning for future housing development, management and support.

2017 saw the continuation of increased displacement of year-round Island renters at all income levels due to second home sales and summer season rental demand, welcome news in other parts of our economy. The Housing Authority participated in and supported town planning and zoning discussion of modifications to by-laws effecting accessory apartments, multifamily development, top-of-the shop rentals as well as ongoing follow-up to Housing Production Planning facilitated by the Martha’s Vineyard Commission. The Housing Authority continued its support of needed permanent rental development by the Island Housing Trust at Scott’s Grove for the Town of West Tisbury; by the Town of Edgartown at Meshacket Road; by the Trust at Kuehn’s Way in Tisbury; by the Town of Oak Bluffs on two potential sites; and by the Town of West Tisbury on their former fire station site as well as at a private development including proposed rentals with a preference for teachers and school related personnel.

The Housing Authority currently manages eighty-five affordable, year-round apartments on thirteen properties in five towns including annual income certifications, inspections and compliance with multiple funding source requirements as well as with Affirmative Fair Housing strictures. The six towns also dedicate Community Preservation Act funding to the Rental Assistance program administered by the Housing Authority for an average annually of sixty-five working households who can afford at least half of a fair market rental. We provide the usage, need, cost and landlord availability necessary for thorough committee deliberation before Town meeting funding votes. In addition, the Housing Authority provides income certifications and administrative assistance for town programs such as accessory apartments and resident homesite subdivisions; maintains rental housing waitlist numbering two hundred and sixty households; and partners with the Housing Assistance Corporation, The Resource Inc, the County Manager’s office and other organizations that offer assistance with rent, utilities, emergency support or apartment rehabilitation to island tenants and their landlords.

The Housing Authority’s work on homeownership in 2017 included a lottery for resale of a community home in Edgartown with lottery agency, homebuyer training and Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing; preparation with the Town of Aquinnah for lottery of two community homes in 2018; preparation with the Town of Edgartown for lottery of a resident home site in 2018; serving as affordability monitor for properties in six towns.
including seven affordable home re-finance efforts this past year; twenty-seven referrals through Edgartown’s Demolition Delay by-law; and maintenance of the Homebuyer Clearinghouse used to publicize homebuyer opportunities and currently numbering over four hundred island households.

In 2017 the Housing Authority completed a restructuring of its offices at 21 Mechanic St off State Road in Vineyard Haven to host a homelessness prevention caseworker through the Housing Assistance Corporation of the Cape and Islands and increase capacity for affordable rental development through the work of the Island Housing Trust in partnership with the island towns.

The DCRHA Board of Directors and Staff:

HARVEY BETH: Oak Bluffs
ANN WALLACE: Chilmark
MELISSA NORTON VINCENT; Edgartown
RICHARD SKIDMORE: Aquinnah
DAN SEIDMAN: Tisbury
KRISTIN ZERN: West Tisbury
LINDA MOTT-SMITH: Governor’s Appointee
LUCY MORRISON: At-Large

DAVID VIGNEAULT: Executive Director
TERRI KEECH: Administrator
BARBARA HOFFMAN: Administrative Coordinator
KARIN KUGEL: Administrative Assistant
ELDER SERVICES OF THE CAPE COD & ISLANDS INC.

Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands Inc. is a private not-for-profit community-based organization serving the changing needs of the elder population. Since 1972, we have been dedicated to enhancing the quality of life of elders and assisting them to maintain maximum independence and dignity. We are the federally designated Area Agency on Aging (AAA), the state designated Aging Services Access Point (ASAP), and the Aging Disability Resource Consortium (ADRC). Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands also hosts the federal Corporation of National and Community Senior Service Corps.

In FY 17 our Nutrition program (Meals on Wheels, Senior Dining) served 45,318 meals provided through our contract with the Martha’s Vineyard Hospital. There were 245 seniors served at Elder Services Dining sites, and 262 seniors received meals delivered to their homes by a corps of over 70 Meals on Wheels volunteers. Under the oversight of the Elder Services registered Dietitian, all meals are prepared by the Martha’s Vineyard Hospital and are delivered to homes and dining sites in all six towns by our volunteers. Our Senior Dining sites are located at the Oak Bluffs, Tisbury, Edgartown, and Up Island Councils on Aging. Our Nutrition program also participates in the Island Food Equity Network Summit.

Our Home Care Program provides eligible elders the supportive services they need to live safely and independently at home. Professional Care Managers assess needs, develop a service plan, arrange for necessary support, and see elders on going to ensure continuous management of services. In FY 17, The Home Care Program served 236 elders on MV. There were 17,681 hours provided through; personal care assistance, skilled nursing, meal prep, shopping, chore, and laundry services. In addition, 76 elders were enrolled with the Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) and the cost for our consumers to attend the Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living Supportive Day Program was covered by our Home Care Program.

The Elder Service’s Mature Workers program participants are receiving on-the-job training at Felix Neck Sanctuary. Senior Service Corps Volunteers are providing transportation services for Vineyard Village at Home. A Volunteer Nursing Home Ombudsman regularly visits residents of Windemere Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Elder Services has also been an active member of The Dukes County Health Council since its inception. We also serve on the Oversight Committee of its Healthy Aging Martha’s Vineyard task force as well as the Falls Prevention sub-committee. Our Protective Services unit has joined Martha’s Vineyard Community Services’ Connect to End Violence elder abuse prevention effort and Safe Seniors collaboration. We look forward to active and ongoing participation in these local initiatives.
In addition to the Elder Services’ in-house programs that serve the elder population, the AAA distributes Older America Act funds to other community agencies/organizations to provide needed care and assistance. Martha’s Vineyard was awarded funds for several programs. Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living (Medical Transportation, $6,000). Island Health Care Community Health Center (‘My Life My Health” Stanford model) chronic disease self-management program, $ 4,943). Martha’s Vineyard Community Services (bi-monthly caregiver support group $5,220 and Assessment, intervention and referral for mental health/substance abuse services $ 5,220).

Elder Services uses federal, state, town and private funds to provide services and maintain programs. The value of these funds is greatly enhanced by Town support, the cooperative efforts of the Councils on Aging, and the many Island residents who volunteer their time and skills. We appreciate the value of the community support we receive and expect to continue to work collaboratively and productively with local resources to meet the challenges of the future.

For information on all services available to older adults on Cape Cod and the Islands as well as the entry point for referral to Elder Services’ many programs please call 800-244-4630 or 508-693-4393 for Martha’s Vineyard Office.
For additional information visit our website at www.escci.org.

Respectfully submitted,

MEGAN ROSE, MV Director
MARTHA’S VINEYARD COMMISSION

The Martha’s Vineyard Commission (MVC or Commission) is the regional planning agency for Dukes County offering planning services to the six towns on Martha’s Vineyard, Cuttyhunk, the Elizabeth Islands, and the County, as well as reviewing Developments of Regional Impact. The Commission’s enabling legislation also allows the towns of Martha’s Vineyard to adopt special regulations targeting Districts of Critical Planning Concern (DCPC) and requires the Commission to review Developments of Regional Impact (DRI) on the Vineyard. The year 2017 was a demanding one for The Martha’s Vineyard Commission. Along with completing reviews and decisions on projects; large scale planning efforts were also at the forefront.

The Commission’s major planning focus for 2017 again focused on the control and removal of nitrogen from Island great ponds and the provision of housing for Island residents. The Commission also considered important planning issues such as services to elderly residents, revisions to the DRI water quality policy, the development of an Island-wide economic and demographic database, and a database of historical structures.

The seventeen-member Commission is made up of nine members elected Island-wide biennially and one appointed member each from the Dukes County Commission, the six Vineyard Town Boards of Selectmen, and the Governor of Massachusetts. Commission officers in 2017 were Jim Vercruysse of Aquinnah, Chairman; Rob Doyle of Chilmark, Vice-Chairman; and Ernie Thomas of West Tisbury, Clerk-Treasurer. The Commission is supported by a professional staff of eleven. More detail is provided below and is available on the Commission’s website: www.mvcommission.org.

The following items represent major focuses of the Commission during 2017.

The Removal of Nitrogen from Island Ponds

Testing - Commission staff completed the third year of extensive testing of the Island ponds. Sampling was conducted in multiple locations in 16 ponds. Samples were collected that demonstrated nitrogen content, pond visibility, temperature, salinity and other factors. This testing was conducted in the same locations and manner that the Massachusetts Estuaries Program utilized so that results could be compared. A comprehensive report was completed in February 2017 that detailed the results of the testing and evaluated the current trends for each pond for the period 2015 to 2016. A similar report will be completed in early 2018.

Water Quality Policy - A wastewater subcommittee was established and began evaluating the MVC’s ten-year-old DRI water quality policy. The committee evaluated data results, technologies, and recent DRI approvals. The subcommittee is in the process of developing their report to the full Commission along with recommendations for amendments to the policy.

Provision of Housing

A major focus of 2017 was the continuing effort to address the Island’s housing needs. The Commission obtained funding to enable the Towns to collectively hire consultants to assist them
in individually developing Housing Production Plans, or HPPs, that quantify and number and type of housing units for each Town and their potential general locations. MVC staff and the All-Island Planning Board developed a scope of work designed to permit each town to consider and complete an HPP that reflected their needs and focus. The Planning Boards hired two experienced firms to lead the project.

Each Town held a series of workshops assessing the Town’s housing needs, developing housing goals and policies, and identifying implementation methods specific to the Town. Completed production plans were provided to the Planning Boards and Boards of Selectman.

Staff has received further funding toward assisting the Towns implement their HPPs.

The project was funded by the Commission and the State Department of Housing and Community Development. Reports and background documents are found at www.mvcommission.org/housing-production-plan.

**Healthy Aging Task Force**

During the later portions of 2017, the Commission collaborated with the Health Aging Task Force to provide technical services for fact collection and other services. The Task Force is an Island-wide group that coordinates services to persons over 60. In the coming year, the Commission will work on offering trend analysis and other information to forward the groups strategic goals.

**Automated Traffic Counter Data Gathering**

The MVC was given funding from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) to plan and implement a permanent count station program. Permanent count stations are automated traffic counters that provide digital result data on traffic conditions. This data is offered in real time. The Commission has funds to install six counters in various island locations.

**Inventory of Historical Structures**

In 2017, the MVC began the process of scanning, cataloging and organizing historic structure surveys into a searchable database that will include each historic structure on the Island. The database will be based on the Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System (MACRIS) database, with additional information to be obtained from the Massachusetts Historical Commission’s inventory forms, and possibly from additional on-site survey work. The second objective of this project is to start outlining another round of historical inventories.

**Herbicide Spraying**

The MVC worked with the Towns of Edgartown, Tisbury and Oak Bluffs to investigate the permitting and spraying of herbicides along the electricity line rights of way on the Island by Eversource. The MVC corresponded with both Eversource and the Department of Agricultural Resources, the State department in charge of approving herbicide applications. The MVC also worked with Protect Our Cape Cod Aquifer (POCCA) to try to prevent the herbicide application in 2017. MVC staff and the Tisbury Board of Health agent met with Eversource representatives to have the procedures and practices more fully explained. Eversource has agreed to meet with the
Island Board of Health agents and MVC Commissioners to discuss application methods in the future.

**Mapping and Graphics**

The MVC’s mapping department provides maps as requested by Town departments, Island nonprofits, and private entities. This mapping resource permits the spatial display of demographics, zoning, natural resources, transportation, and assessing data. In 2017, some of the major mapping efforts included linking of Town water & sewer data to the Town’s parcel data and preparing the Island’s trail network data for use in an upcoming trail app.

**Finances:** The Commission’s FY2017 income was $1,580,475, of which 64.1% came from town assessments, 32.8% from grants and contracts, and 3.1% from other sources. The Commission received $512,000 in grant funding, a 41% increase over the previous fiscal year. FY 17 Expenses were $1,555,086, of which 55.2% was for salaries, 23.8% for salary-related costs, 8.0% was for 3rd party consultants, and 13.0% for other expenses. The annual audit by an independent auditor showed fiscal soundness. The budget and audited financial statements are on the website.

**ALL ISLAND EFFORTS**

The Commission’s regulatory reviews of Developments of Regional Impact (DRI) generally result in considerable improvements to projects to mitigate their environmental, traffic, and other impacts. Commission decisions must be consistent with Chapter 831 Mass Statutes

**Projects Reviewed:** In 2017, 45 projects were reviewed in some manner by the MVC through the DRI process. These projects can be classified as follows: 11 were full DRI’s reviewed with public hearings that were approved with conditions; 0 were a full DRI reviewed with public hearings that were denied; 5 were minor modifications of existing DRI’s that were approved and remanded back to their towns without a DRI public hearing review; 5 were projects referred to the MVC for concurrence review that were sent back to their towns without DRI public hearing review; 2 were previously approved DRI’s returning to LUPC for approval of their landscape plan; 4 projects were withdrawn before a decision was made; 7 are on hold at the applicant’s request; 5 are still under review; 1 previously approved DRI’s were granted extensions; 4 were projects approved in December 2016 that had written decisions finalized in January 2017; and 1 project that was referred did not trigger DRI review. Additionally, a number of previously approved DRI’s were reviewed for compliance with DRI conditions.

The MVC also adopted a revised DRI Checklist (Version 13) that became effective on April 15, 2017.

**Economic Development:**

- **Downtown Revitalization and Community Planning:** MVC staff continued to provide technical assistance to complete the *Oak Bluffs Downtown Streetscape Master Plan Phase II*. MVC staff assisted Oak Bluffs in drafting a Complete Streets Policy for adoption and received approved
from MassDOT. MVC staff supported Tisbury’s ongoing Visioning efforts including identifying grant opportunities such as Complete Streets and Mass Works.

- Additional MVC Sponsored Webinars and Workshops:
  - MassDevelopment Workshops
  - TA Connect Webinars:
    - Site Readiness Programs
    - Placemaking
    - Creative Economy, Innovation, & Technology
    - District Management Strategies for Downtowns

- The MVC provides the Towns, business community and public with economic and demographic information from federal and state sources, while also responding to more than 400 requests for information.

- The Cost of a Decline in Water Quality: MVC staff has begun to quantify the Economic and Fiscal Implications to the Towns if Water Quality is not addressed by the Island.

- Inter-regional Collaboration:
  - Statewide Population, Workforce, and Housing Projections: MVC staff collaborated with MAPC, the Cape Cod Commission, and the Nantucket Planning & Economic Development Commission on Workforce Housing and Population Projections as part of Mass DOT’s Transportation Plan for the Commonwealth. Christine Flynn and Bill Veno have participated in this process since 2017.
  - Blue Economy: MVC staff supported the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce in an Island-wide Planning Session, as well as attending the launch of the Blue Economy Foundation and Blue Economy Implementation Plan.
  - Cape and Islands Workforce Investment Board Regional Planning Meetings: MVC staff participated in planning sessions related to enhancing workforce development and opportunities for the Cape and Islands region.

- Development of an Island Statistical Profile: MVC staff developed a statistical profile of the Island with a focus on population, housing growth, economic conditions, jobs and other metrics. The report not only considered current statistics, but also evaluated trends. In 2018, the MVC will solicit input from the Towns to identify data and trends that are the most useful to Town Boards.

Affordable Housing:

- Housing Production Plan: Along with the five other towns on the Vineyard, Tisbury participated in a process to produce a Housing Production Plan (HPP) in 2017. The HPP includes an assessment of the Town’s housing needs, goals to assist with meeting those needs, and strategies toward achieving the goals. A series of three workshops were held at the Tisbury Senior Center to solicit public opinions about the future of affordable housing in Tisbury. The Tisbury Affordable Housing Committee, Planning Board and Board of Selectmen collaborated
and were able to approve the document in 2017. More information can be found: [http://www.mvcommission.org/tisbury-housing-production-plan](http://www.mvcommission.org/tisbury-housing-production-plan).

- **FY 2017 Community Development Block Grants (CDBG):** MVC staff worked with Edgartown’s consultant to provide supplemental materials and coordinated Public Hearings for FY 2017 CDBG Grant Application for approximately $1.2 million, which was awarded in July 2017. Edgartown and Oak Bluffs, the two CDBG lead communities for Dukes County, were awarded over $2 million for the Housing Rehabilitation Program and Childcare Subsidy Program. Both programs assist individuals and families that are income qualified earning at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI), which for an individual is $46,000 and a family of four is $65,500. The Town of Edgartown, along with Aquinnah, West Tisbury, and Gosnold, was awarded $1,207,147 in funding to rehabilitate 25 homes providing 0% interest deferred payment forgivable loans. The funds will also assist low to moderate income families pay for childcare, allowing parents to work and go to school knowing that their children are safe and well-cared for. The Town of Oak Bluffs, along with Tisbury, was awarded $921,014 to rehabilitate approximately 21 homes and provide childcare assistance. (Chilmark has to sit out of the CDBG Applications for the next two years.)

- **FY 2018 CBDG Funding:** MVC staff will continue to assist the Towns and grantwriter Alice Boyd of Bailey Boyd Associates with the CDBG application process.

**GIS:**
The MVC’s cartography and spatial data staff provides spatial analysis and cartographic production to aid MVC and town planning efforts, including custom cartographic services to towns, organizations, and individuals.

- **Data Updates and Distribution:** The MVC cartography staff maintains and continuously updates a county-wide GIS (Geographic Information System) spatial data warehouse. The MVC uses the GIS to provide data to Towns, consulting groups working on Town projects, academics conducting research, state agencies, and local residents. In 2017, the cartography staff focused on updating the open space data. In particular, identifying the year each property was acquired into conservation.

- **GIS/Mapping Software Installation, Training, and Support:** MVC staff provides technical support for the County’s Island-wide GIS software contract, giving all Island towns and the MVC unlimited GIS software licensing at a fixed fee. Technical support to towns included software installs, on-site training, and technical support via phone and email.

- **Assistance to MVC Planning Projects and Island-Wide Efforts:** Several Towns began to update their Open Space Plans this year. The MVC provided maps to assist with those efforts. Also, the mapping department prepared the Island-wide trails network data for use in an upcoming Trails App to be released by the Sheriff’s Meadow Foundation in 2018.

**Coastal, Ocean, and Hazard Planning:** The MVC works with towns, the Commonwealth, and federal agencies on planning coastal areas, ocean conservation and development, and mitigating natural hazards.
• **Climate Change Adaptation:** The MVC continued technical work and outreach on impacts of sea-level rise and climate change, and related mitigation strategies. The main challenge here is preparing to adapt to coming changes with vulnerability assessments and mitigation strategies to improve the Island’s resiliency. MVC staff assisted three towns with successful applications for the MVP (Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness) project to strategize and prioritize mitigation actions for climate change adaptation. MVC staff continues to assist the three towns.

• **Hazard Management:** The *Dukes County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan* includes management tools, as well as keeping the towns eligible for federal funding for mitigation projects. Mitigation measures were highlighted and discussed in various planning sessions. MVC staff tracked progress in preparation for the next update.

• **Wetlands Vulnerability and Adaptation:** MVC staff continued assessing the vulnerability of wetlands to the impacts of climate change, particularly inundation. MVC staff and others are prioritizing vulnerable wetlands to target for protection and continued assessment, and continued a program of sophisticated wetland elevation monitoring to assess wetlands’ abilities to grow in height as sea level rises. Measurements were recorded at the first monitoring station at Felix Neck, hosted by Mass Audubon with funding from the Friends of Sengekontacket and the Edey Foundation.

• **Massachusetts Ocean Management Plan:** The MVC Coastal Planner is the Governor’s appointed representative for the MVC on the Massachusetts Ocean Advisory Commission. In 2017, the group participated in development and review of the Northeast Ocean Plan.

• **Martha’s Vineyard Wind Energy Area:** The MVC, Towns, and Tribe kept in close contact with the leaseholders for wind development south of Martha’s Vineyard. MVC staff participated (for the MVC Chair) in the BOEM – State- Towns Task Force to keep this partnership up to date. MVC staff participated in planning for transmission for the projects to be developed.

**Collaboration:** The Commission facilitates collaboration on many fronts.

• **Education and Training:** The Commission hosted courses and information sessions on topics of interest to Town officials, the business community, and members of the general public. The MVC helped sponsor the *Living Local* event for the third year. *Living Local* promotes sustainability in lifestyle choices.

• **Island Collaboration:** The MVC facilitates meetings of Town Boards and other organizations to foster exchange of information and collaboration, such as the Joint Affordable Housing Group and Island Conservation Commissions. MVC staff participated in meetings of the All-Island Planning Board and supported an effort initiated by the All-Island Selectmen to improve taxi regulations.

**Transportation**
The MVC performs transportation planning for the Vineyard, in association with the Towns, Martha’s Vineyard Transit Authority, Martha’s Vineyard Airport, Steamship Authority, public, and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT). MassDOT contracts for planning in the region and provides approximately $300,000 to the MVC budget for transportation planning and related services such as mapping.
**Joint Transportation Committee:** The Commission facilitates meetings of the JTC, made up of appointees from each town, the County, Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA), MVC staff, and the Airport with MassDOT as Ex-Officio Members, to coordinate Island transportation planning. In 2017, the JTC met to formulate, discuss, release for public comment, and approve the certification documents required to continue to qualify for federal and state funding for transportation projects in the region. The certification documents developed in 2017 included the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) and the Martha’s Vineyard Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FFY 2018-2022. The UPWP and TIP are produced annually on Martha’s Vineyard. In addition, the Martha’s Vineyard Public Participation Plan (PPP) was developed to provide an overview of transportation planning and outline the public process.

**Martha’s Vineyard Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):** The TIP is produced annually on Martha’s Vineyard through the JTC and includes federal aid projects to implement within available federal and state funds. In Federal Fiscal Year 2017, $643,418 in federal funds were obligated for Martha’s Vineyard. The 2017 update on Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Projects:

- **Correllus State Forest Path Resurfacing – Phase 1 #608529**
  In January 2017, due to project readiness of the Beach Road project, the JTC amended the funding to support the resurfacing of the paths in the Correllus State Forest. MVC staff continues planning support toward resurfacing of the Correllus State Forest paths with the Department of Conservation Resources, MassDOT, and the Towns. An endangered species evaluation was conducted of which none were identified. The project went out to bid in December of 2017. Work is anticipated to begin in the spring of 2018.

- **Bus Purchases**
  In November 2017, the JTC amended the FFY 2019 element of the TIP for use of 5339 – Low or No Emission Vehicle Program (LoNo) funds in the amount of $1,200,000. The monies will be flexed from FHWA-to-FTA for use by the VTA to purchase a 35-ft electric bus and an energy storage system.

- **Bicycle-Pedestrian Network Improvements**
  Two links in the island planned shared use path (SUP) network are under design, both are along Beach Road, one section in Tisbury and the other begins at the Lagoon Pond Bridge heading into Oak Bluffs to improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities. The 75% design plans for the Beach Road project were submitted to the Town in 2017.

**Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC):** MVC staffs the BPAC, an advisory committee to the JTC and the wider community on bicycling and pedestrian matters. The Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) members continued efforts and support toward improved facilitation of bicycle and pedestrian facility improvements in their respective towns.

**Complete Streets:** MVC Regional Planner has assisted the Towns of Tisbury (Tier 3), West Tisbury (Tier 2) and Oak Bluffs (Tier 2) in adopting a complete streets policy.

**Trails Planning:** A portion of the MVC Senior Planner’s time is contracted by the Land Bank to work with towns and landowners to protect and extend the Island’s trail network.
• **Data Collection:** During 2017, MVC staff conducted automatic traffic recording counts at various locations, and performed Turning Movement Counts at some intersections. Summer interns continue to build a historical database for the MVC.

**Water Quality:** The Commission continued its scientific and community work helping to protect the Vineyard’s water quality, and especially our threatened coastal ponds.

• **Massachusetts Estuaries Project:** For more than a decade, the MVC provided extensive water quality testing and land use data analysis as a basis for the Commonwealth’s Mass Estuaries Project, which prepares detailed models of water quality problems in coastal ponds and helps identify the most cost-effective way to solve them. In 2017, the MEP completed final reports for Menemsha and Squibnocket Ponds. MVC staff worked with the Friends of Sengekontacket, Tisbury Waterways, the Lagoon Pond Committee, the Edgartown Great Pond Foundation and the Joint Lagoon Pond Watershed Wastewater Committee to devise plans to address excess nitrogen.

• **Water Testing:** MVC staff took water samples of the following ponds: Farm, Sengekontacket, Lagoon, Tashmoo, Edgartown Great, Chilmark, Katama, Cape Pogue, Pocha, Tisbury Great, James, Menemsha, Squibnocket and Oak Bluffs Harbor. MVC staff collected samples for analysis with the Dartmouth School of Marine Science and Technology (SMAST). Results will be compared with data used for the analysis and recommendations of the MEP to determine the status of the coastal ponds.

• **Water Alliance and Associations:** The MVC Water Resources Planner is an active participant in the Martha’s Vineyard Water Alliance, which meets monthly at the MVC offices, and all of the Island pond advisory committees.

• **Groundwater Monitoring:** In conjunction with the United States Geological Survey (USGS), Water Resources Planner measures groundwater elevation at nine well sites around the island monthly, and maintains a database of this information.

• **Edey Funding:** The MVC received an Edey grant to partner with the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth, School for Marine Science and Technology (SMAST). The main focus of this partnership is to consolidate all historic and present nutrient related water quality data into a unified database for our most impaired watersheds: Lagoon Pond, Lake Tashmoo, Sengekontacket, and Edgartown Great Ponds. This database will serve as a baseline and allow synthesis and analysis of the almost two decades of water quality data that has been collected. As the Towns and the MVC move forward with implementation, there is a need to unify all of these data sets in order to gauge improvements, as well as meet the compliance monitoring criteria of the estuary specific nutrient Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) developed by the MassDEP.

**Collaboration and Education:**

• **Island Collaboration:** The MVC facilitates and participates in many joint meetings of Town boards and organizations to foster the exchange of information. Among there were the Joint Affordable Housing Group, All-Island Boards of Selectmen, Island Conservation Commissions, and the MV Water Alliance.
• **Education and Training:** The Commission hosted two-hour workshops targeted to Planning Boards and Zoning Boards Appeals, but also open to the public. Two workshops from the Citizen Planner Training Collaborative – *Special Permits and Variances*, and *Municipal Vulnerability and Resilience Planning* – were brought to the Island.

• **MARPA:** The Commission is a member of the Massachusetts Association of Regional Planning Agencies. The thirteen regional planning agencies that form MARPA are advisory bodies to member communities, private business groups, and state and federal governments. MARPA meets monthly to discuss legislation, programs, and funding with senior Commonwealth officials.

• **State Socio-economic Projections:** Staff joined representatives from other regional planning agencies to review and comment on the State’s efforts to develop new population and workforce housing forecasts out to the year 2040. Ostensibly for use in long-range transportation planning, the State’s methodology revealed a couple of significant erroneous assumptions for the Cape and Islands that would have greatly under-projected the area’s population growth and housing stock/affordability. The final projections are to be released in spring 2018.

• **Rural Policy Advisory Commission:** The MVC is one of eight regional planning agencies represented on a 15-member Governor’s commission within the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development. The Commission is charged with making recommendations over a four-year period to enhance the economic vitality of the Commonwealth’s rural communities and advance the health and well-being of its rural residents. (FYI, the State has defined rural as having populations of no more than 500 people per square mile – which excludes Oak Bluffs and Tisbury). The RPAC has been looking at the characteristics of rural communities and reported on its conclusions. [https://www.mass.gov/service-details/rural-policy-advisory-commission-rpac](https://www.mass.gov/service-details/rural-policy-advisory-commission-rpac)

**SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES FOR TISBURY**

In addition to the efforts described above, the MVC undertook the following activities in Tisbury.

**Coastal, Ocean, and Hazard Planning**

• **Harbor Management Committee:** MVC staff discussed user conflicts with the Harbor Management Committee and remains available for further consultation.

• **Waterfront Visioning:** MVC staff participated in discussions with a subcommittee of the Planning Board looking at waterfront options with a student designer; and with students looking at Mud Creek.

**MEPA review**

• MVC staff participated in MEPA review of the Tisbury School project and the Beach Road project.

**DCPCs**

• MVC staff assisted the Town of Tisbury in investigating its first nomination of a Special Way in the Island Road DCPC. The Town is interested in nomination of a way that is protected in West
Tisbury and continues into Tisbury without protection. MVC staff continues to advise the Planning Board on this potential Special Way.

**Economic Development and Affordable Housing**
- MVC staff continued to work with Tisbury Planning Board and Vision Council to identify economic development opportunities and improvements for the downtown business district.
- MVC staff attended Mass Works Infrastructure Grant Program Workshop with Town Administrator, March 2017.
- MVC staff will assist the Tisbury with the FY 2018 CDBG Application.
- MVC staff worked with the Tisbury’s Affordable Housing Committee and Planning Board to review and support island-wide uniform zoning definitions for Affordable and Community Housing and Affirmative Fair Housing Practices. The Town of Tisbury adopted the terms and definitions at 2017 Annual Town Meeting.

**Geographic Information Systems**
- The MVC’s mapping department assisted the Tisbury Assessor’s Office by conducting a special analysis to identify which Zoning District a parcel is in. Also, Neighborhood Code maps were produced for submission to the Commonwealth.
- The MVC assisted with facilitating the data delivery to the consultant who was digitizing the Department of Public Works’ sewer line data.
- For the Tisbury Planning Board, an Open Space map of conservation properties was produced for use in the visioning sessions. Other miscellaneous custom maps and prints were provided as needed upon request.
- Assistance was given to the Downtown Parking Task Force, and road maps were supplied to the Historical Commission for use in field review.
- The MVC GIS staff also GPSed a few locations of interest for the Shellfish Department and supplied them with maps of various shellfishing sites.

**Transportation:** As Regional Planning Agency, the MVC is responsible for coordinating transportation planning on the Island, in association with the Martha’s Vineyard Transit Authority, and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.
- **Developments of Regional Impact:** Provided traffic impact analysis for the Beach Street takeout, Vineyard Vines store, Cape Cod 5, MV Museum, Net Result Addition, and Winter Tide Expansion.
- **Data Collection:** As part of the MassDOT Regional Planning Agency Traffic Counting Program, the MVC conducted traffic counts at 5 locations this year as well as 3 SUP counts.
- **Local Technical Assistance:** The MVC provided assistance to the Town in becoming recognized as a “Complete Streets” community. Took part in the Downtown Parking Task Force. Staff provided technical support on the following projects: Beach Road SUP.

**Water Quality:** The Commission continued its scientific and community work helping to protect the Vineyard’s water quality, especially our threatened coastal ponds.
• **Water Sampling:** MVC staff collected water quality samples and on-station field data of Lagoon Pond and Lake Tashmoo in cooperation with the Tisbury and Oak Bluffs Shellfish Departments and the Buzzards Bay Coalition.

• **Lagoon Pond:** MVC staff is meeting with the Joint Lagoon Pond Watershed Wastewater Committee to review the Lagoon Pond MEP study findings and discuss options for improving water quality and meeting the Pond’s nitrogen loading limit. MVC has developed several grants for nitrogen mitigation in the watershed. Water Resource Planner acts as science advisor to the Tisbury Wastewater Committee.

• **Tisbury Channel Dredging:** The MVC Water Resource Planner continued to work with other members of the Tisbury Dredge Committee to address dredging needs in the Tashmoo Channel and the Vineyard Haven Harbor. MVC staff continues to advise Harbor Committee and Selectmen on issues related to eelgrass and anchoring.

• **Community Involvement:** The MVC Water Resources Planner participates on the Joint Lagoon Pond Watershed Wastewater Committee, Lagoon Pond Association, Tisbury Waterways Inc., and the Tisbury Dredge Committee. The Water Resources Planner has provided technical support on storm water mitigation to the Town and Drawbridge Committee and to the Board of Health for use in changes to regulations. Staff has assisted visiting researchers in sample collection and site review.

**Developments of Regional Impact Tisbury:**

In 2017, 14 projects in Tisbury were reviewed in some manner by the MVC through the DRI process. These projects can be classified as follows:

3 were full DRIs reviewed with a public hearing that were approved with conditions:


- Santander Historic Roof Tiles (DRI 674): The Applicant removed ceramic roof tiles from the building and replaced them with asphalt tiles. Approval of this DRI required that the asphalt tiles be replaced with ceramic tiles. *Referred on October 18, 2016; approved on June 1, 2017, written decision signed on July 7, 2017.*

- Westman Historic Demolition (DRI 675): Demolition of a house built in at least 1850, possibly earlier, and construction of a similar house on the same footprint with dormers and an 816 sf addition. *Referred on January 19, 2017; approved by the MVC on June 22, 2017, written decision signed July 6, 2017.*

2 were minor modifications of existing DRIs that were approved and remanded back to the Town without a DRI public hearing review:


4 were projects referred to the MVC for concurrence review that were sent back to the Town without a DRI public hearing review:

- Vineyard Haven Marina (C.R. 1-2017): Use of upper deck to provide additional 30 outdoor seats to Garde East restaurant. Remanded to Town on February 2, 2017.

1 project was a previously approved DRI returning to the LUPC for approval of their landscape plan:


1 previously approved DRI was granted an extension:


1 project was referred and withdrawn by the Applicant:


2 projects are on hold at the Applicant’s request:

- Verizon Tower Height Extension (DRI 677): Increase height of Verizon tower used to transmit landline calls and internet access via narrow width microwaves between Vineyard Haven and Falmouth from 77 feet to 130 feet. Referred on June 28, 2017; on hold as of November 2, 2017.
- Cook Road New Mixed Use Building (DRI 646): Construction of a two-story 4,500 sf (3,000 sf footprint) building with a truck repair garage and office on the ground floor with a 1,500 sf apartment on the second floor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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MARTHA'S VINEYARD LAND BANK COMMISION

3381 acres, representing 5.9% of Martha's Vineyard, have been conserved by the land bank since voters created it in 1986. Please visit them; maps are available at town halls and libraries; online at www.mvlandbank.com; and at the land bank office in Edgartown.

ACQUISITIONS

The glaciers rived the land on the west side of the Lagoon Pond, leaving behind intriguing topography. A new conservation area - the 6.0-acre Beech Tree Preserve — was created by the land bank in 2017, comprising a wide scooped bowl, a rise and then a plunging ravine down to the water. 160 feet of beach there are now publically-owned. The core of the preserve was acquired from Malcolm Watson at a price of $760,000.

As hard as it is to imagine, sometimes Vineyard land lies dormant for decades because its title appears indecipherable. Sussing out the identities of the original owners’ heirs, in order to reassemble the ownership, is arduous — but is worthwhile if the land sits in a sensitive area. A 5.1-acre lot on the west side of the Menemsha Creek, containing more than 900 feet of beach braced by a moor backland, was targeted by the land bank in 2007; a decade later, the final 0.7116% interest was acquired. The sellers were Yvonne Miles et al. and the aggregate price was $100,284. The lot was incorporated into the land bank’s Menemsha Neck Preserve.

The land bank paid $250,000 to Jan Whiting, land court commissioner, for 3.2 acres of sandy grassland adjacent to its Toad Rock Preserve. Nearby, the land bank paid $1,300,000 to Donald Worley et al. for a 66% interest in a 46.5-acre property known for more than a century as the Hebron Wamsley Homestead. Many of the original stonewalls are extant and the land is sliced by multiple streams.

Later, and separately, Mr. Worley and his family sold a 1.4-acre lot to the land bank, for inclusion in its Aquinnah Headlands Preserve. The price was $110,000.

A hole in the land bank’s Three Ponds Reservation was plugged via the purchase of 4.3 acres from Karen Stephens. The price was $312,500.

Gregory Mayhew and the members of his family and extended family allowed the land bank to plat a conservation subdivision for their land, resulting in three building lots and the balance in conservation. The protected land abuts and will be assimilated into the Middle Line Woods Preserve. The conservation lot comprises 6.0 acres and cost $668,404.

A two-step brought 7.5 acres of grassland into land bank fee-simple ownership. In 2001 the land bank purchased, for $225,000, an agricultural preservation restriction from Barbara and Edward Child over their Old County Road land; in 2017 the land bank paid their sons $150,000 to acquire the land outright. The land has been known as the Child Farm East.

In addition, the land bank continued to pursue and purchase partial interests in properties across the island.
LAND MANAGEMENT

Ecological inventories and studies continued at many land bank properties: Aquinnah Headlands Preserve, Edgartown Great Pond Beach, Fulling Mill Brook Preserve, Gay Head Moraine, Great Rock Bight Preserve, Manaquayak Preserve, Middle Line Woods Preserve, Paint Mill Brook Preserve, Pecoy Point Preserve, Poucha Pond Reservation, Quammox Preserve, Sepiessa Point Reservation, Toad Rock Preserve, Tiasquam Valley Reservation, Tisbury Great Pond Beach, Tisbury Meadow Preserve, Waskosim’s Rock Reservation and the Wilfrid’s Pond Preserve.

The commonwealth approved management plans for the Little Duarte’s Preserve and the expanded Fulling Mill Brook Preserve. The land bank applied for, and received, a permit for the grassland-protection fence at the Trade Wind Fields Preserve. Pending is the management plan for the Middle Line Woods Preserve.

The final phase of trail installation was completed at the expanded Manaquayak Preserve. In 2016 the land bank opened the preserve’s new trailhead, on the Lamberts Cove Road, plus its new pond-access trail; in 2017 a loop spotlighting an unusual slough that only intermittently earns its name — Rainwater Pond — was finished.

The land bank hunting subcommittee recommended, and the land bank commission approved revisions to the agency hunting policy; the goal is to increase the deer harvest.

Pines were removed from the grassland at the Trade Wind Fields Preserve; pine is a particularly invasive species and will overwhelm a field if not controlled. Similar prophylaxis led the land bank to remove woody vegetation along the rock embankment at the Priester’s Pond Preserve dam.

The land bank renovated the cottage at the Ocean View Farm Preserve, which serves as housing for several of its summer rangers, in order to extend its working life.

The land bank continued specialized grassland management at its Waskosim’s Rock Reservation and Fulling Mill Brook Preserve via its goat herd, boosted this year by 75 kids.

As usual, the land bank field crew continued ongoing general maintenance on various land bank properties across the island.

CROSS-ISLAND HIKE

To celebrate the twenty-fifth — the first took place in 1992 — of its annual cross-island hikes observing National Trails Day, the land bank in 2017 guided hikers on a peregrination that passed through each of the six island towns. Quirks helped: 66% of the towns were checked off by executing a gyre around the Four-Town Bound, and hikers kept their feet dry by simply padding onto the 0.4 acres of Aquinnah that happens to be located on the Chilmark side of the Menemsha Creek. The trek began at South Beach and ended at Menemsha Beach. Some 80 individuals hiked at least some of the route; 30 completed the entire 25-mile course. Thirteen ancient ways were utilized and 20 conservation properties were crossed.
BUDGET AND RELATED MATTERS
The following chart synopsizes the land bank’s annual finances. Anyone wishing to read the budget in its entirety, which includes a narrative describing the purpose of each line item expenditure, is welcome to obtain a copy at the land bank office:

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As of December 1, 2017 the land bank treasury contained some $12.7 million in cash, to fund all expenses including new acquisitions and the payment of debt service for existing properties. The asterisk (*) indicates the land bank’s revenue projection.

GIFTS
The land bank gratefully accepted a gift of $100 in memory of Wayne Kallman; and a gift of $14,000 from H. Keasby Bramhall, Jr. and Elizabeth Bramhall.

TRANSFER FEE REVENUES
Fiscal Year 2017 transfer fee revenues were:

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<td>Chilmark Fund</td>
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**TOTAL** $13,635,100 100%

This represented a 3% increase over the previous year.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES LENGYEL
Executive Director
MARThA’S VINEYARD CENTER FOR LIVING

Mission statement:
“Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living strives to improve the quality of life for those impacted by issues of aging and impairment.”

In March of 2016 Dukes County purchased the building at 29 Breakdown Lane, (funded by all six towns), and over the next several months, the Center for Living negotiated a long term lease with the County to renovate and occupy the first floor of the building. Municipal Agreements were drawn up with all six towns for the Center for Living to provide regional services to island seniors, including the Supportive Day Program. Because of their expertise in designing spaces for those with dementia, the team of Marc Maxwell, Architect and John Zeisel, Design Consultant, were hired to draw up plans for the renovation. Trademark Services LLC, owned by Mark Nicotera, was engaged to renovate the first floor space according to those plans, and this work was begun in April of 2017. As of January 2018, the renovations are complete and we are in the process of moving our offices and programs.

Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living Programs & Services:

Supportive Day Program:
The Supportive Day Program (SDP) is a professionally run social program for individuals who would be at risk if left alone and are unable to participate independently in the programs and offered at the municipal Senior Centers. Of equal importance is the respite provided for families and caregivers of SDP participants. Many of the clients of the SDP suffer from various and sometimes multiple conditions and/or chronic illnesses, including Alzheimer’s disease or other dementias, but wish to remain at home in the care of their families. At the SDP, a wide range of engaging activities are tailored to individual capacity. Most importantly, loving, careful attention is paid to the individual physical and emotional needs of our clients. A nutritious meal and snacks are provided daily. Transportation is available.

In 2017, 43 individuals, along with their families and caregivers were served at the Supportive Day Program; providing over 20,000 hours of quality direct care and respite for families and caregivers. At $40 for full day and $30 for half day attendance, this is a highly cost effective and affordable alternative to private in-home care and/or long term care (nursing home) costs. The Supportive Day program partners with families in the care of their loved ones at home; to extend and enhance a safe, nurturing environment into the community. Due to space constraints, we have been limited in our ability to increase the number of families served by this program. The anticipated move to the new building will become a reality in 2018 and provide the opportunity to expand the program to 5 days and increase the number of clients on a daily basis from 18 to 25.

Dementia Family Support Services: In January 2017, with a $5,000 pilot grant from the Permanent Endowment for Martha’s Vineyard, the Center for Living launched additional services for families and caregivers dealing with a loved one with dementia. Dementia Family Support Ser-
services include a Dementia Caregiver Support Group twice a month, consultations via phone or in-home assessments with the clinician, and community education programs for emergency service personnel, professionals and the general public. The goal for FY19 and beyond is for MV Center for Living to collaborate with the local Councils on Aging and other professionals, to make Martha’s Vineyard a Dementia Friendly Community.

Memory Café: In 2017, we continued to expand the Memory & Music Café, with funding from the Department of Developmental Services a local grant from Vineyard Golf Foundation and private fundraising efforts. The Café is for folks with memory loss, their family members and caregivers. It is also an inclusive program offered to older adults with developmental disabilities who are more likely to develop an early dementia than the general population. The Memory and Music Café takes place once a week, at the American Legion Hall and occasionally at the Portuguese American Club (PA) when the Legion Hall is unavailable. It is a welcoming place where people can socialize and enjoy the company of others without fear or stigma. Our café activities center around music, sing-a-long, discussion, art activities and Martha’s Vineyard Museum programs. There is no charge to participants and this program has grown in popularity, with 25 to as many as 40 participants on a weekly basis. We expect to permanently move the Café to the new Center for Living building in 2018.

Funding Sources: Department of Developmental Services (State); Vineyard Golf Foundation; Fundraising

Medical Taxi (transportation to off-Island medical appointments):
In FY2017 (Sept 2016 – Oct 2017), the Medical Taxi program provided 215 Islanders with transportation 1080 one way trips to and from medical appointments throughout Cape Cod. The direct cost of this program was $19,696. MV Center for Living provides management and administrative support for this program. MV Center for Living continues to seek new or additional and more cost effective ways to provide this service. With the help of the MV Commission Transportation Planner, the Cape Cod Commission and the transportation authorities (SSA, VTA and CCRTA) we hope to move closer to a solution in 2018.

Funding Sources: Elder Services of Cape Cod & Islands: Title IIIB Grant, $6,000 grant from Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands; Department of Elder Affairs Grant, $6,000 (through Oak Bluffs Council on Aging); Voluntary donations from participants, $5240. All grants and donations go toward the direct cost of this service.

Emergency Food Program:
Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living is the island’s lead sponsoring agency of the Greater Boston Food Bank Emergency Food Distribution Program. As such MVC4L coordinates five designated Emergency Food Pantries (four Senior Centers and the Serving Hands Pantry, located at the Baptist Church Parish House on Williams St. in Vineyard Haven). On a monthly basis, each of the 5 sites orders a variety of nutritious foods from the Greater Boston Food Bank in Boston. MV Center for Living is responsible for coordinating the pick up and delivery of these shipments for distribution to needy islanders of all ages.
Island Food Products (IFP) continues to provide crucial support by picking up food at the Greater Boston Food bank twice a month for distribution at the 5 pantry sites. Without IFP this lifeline against food insecurity would be cut off. This program serves an average of 250-300 households monthly, including children and elders. The Faith Community also orders food from the Food Bank during December, January and February, to support their Community Suppers and Homeless Shelter program. Through the Greater Boston Food Bank we also have access to grant funding to increase capacity by providing additional refrigeration and/or freezer storage at sites where this is feasible.

2017 Emergency Food Program Funding sources: Project Bread Grant $2,000 (annual); Vineyard Committee on Hunger donation $3627; Stop & Shop donations (Food for Friends Program) $4377; 78,038 pounds of food received from GBFB; Value of food received $89,819; Cost of purchased food $3810.99; Island Food Products donation (truck, time, storage, Steamship Authority) valued at over $30,000; Transportation costs reimbursed to IFP: $4,000

We also partner with the Island Grown Initiative Gleaning program to distribute fresh produce at our pantry sites, gleaned from local farms during the harvest season. Our local Stop & Shop stores have designated the Emergency Food Program as the recipient organization for their “Meat the Needs” program, as well as their holiday “Food for Friends” program.

55PLUS Times: Information and Referral The 55PLUS Times is a comprehensive resource with information pertaining to programs and services available to all 55+ Islanders and their families. It is published in the Martha’s Vineyard Times on the last Thursday of each month. MV Center for Living is responsible editing and submitting all the information published in the 55Plus Times. The cost for this publication is $7200 annually.

Older Americans Act / Senior Nutrition Program:
The Elder Services Nutrition Program, under the Older Americans Act (Meals on Wheels and Senior Dining Centers), is supported financially by the six Vineyard towns through the Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living budget. In FY2017, the towns on Martha’s Vineyard contributed a combined total of $36,750 to Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands in support of this vital nutrition program.

Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School Luncheon Program:
Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living coordinates with the Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School Culinary Arts Department to offer a three course gourmet meal for $12 per person once a month in the Culinary Arts dining room at the High School. Under the direction of Chef Jack O’Malley, Culinary Arts students plan, prepare and serve the meal. Students from the Music Department, under the direction of Michael Tinus, provide musical entertainment. Between 25 and 40 seniors attend these luncheons each month. Proceeds go to the Culinary Arts Department.

Home Delivered Holiday Meals:
Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living coordinates and provides funding for a home delivered holiday meal to seniors who are alone and/or homebound on the Thanksgiving, Christmas and East-
er holidays. The Martha’s Vineyard Hospital food service prepares and packages the meals on each of these holidays. The local Councils on Aging coordinate the volunteers to deliver the meals in their towns. In the 2017 holiday season, on Thanksgiving Day 71 meals were delivered and on Christmas Day 74 meals were delivered to homebound seniors.

Through Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living programs and services, 55+ islanders have benefited from the generous support, both financial and in spirit, of the town Boards of Selectmen, Finance Committees, Councils on Aging, other municipal agencies and the community at large. This on-going support and generosity makes a positive impact on the lives of many islanders and is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE CLAPP, Executive Director
To the Honorable Boards of Selectmen:

The Martha’s Vineyard Shellfish Group, Inc. continued its programs to preserve and enhance the shellfish resources of Martha’s Vineyard and the clean water they require. In 2017, our program received funding from the six Island towns, the US Environmental Protection Agency, the Wampanoag Tribe of Aquinnah, the Jewish Communal Fund, the Great Pond Foundation, the Edey Foundation, the Permanent Endowment Fund for Martha’s Vineyard and many private donors. Highlights of our 2017 program are as follows:

Seed Shellfish Production for Municipal Enhancement
In 2017, we produced over 12.5 million seed quahogs; remotely set 11 million eyed oyster larvae in both Tisbury and Edgartown Great Ponds, and produced over 20 million seed scallops. Working with the Island’s shellfish constables, these seed shellfish were planted in the Island’s ponds in a successful and ongoing shellfish enhancement effort.

The Richard C. Karney Solar Shellfish Hatchery
The lower half of the public stairs on Tisbury Town land, on which the Solar Hatchery holds a lease, were repaired at the end of 2017. The job was made possible through funding from the Community Preservation Act, granted through the Town of Tisbury. The top half is in dire need of repair, and the project is awaiting CPA funds to be allocated at the 2018 Town Meeting.

John T. Hughes Hatchery and Research Station
In 2017, we continued a cooperative venture with the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries at the John T. Hughes Hatchery (former State Lobster Hatchery) in Oak Bluffs. Under the lease agreement, Marine Fisheries supplies funds for utilities and systems maintenance, while we act as stewards for the property, and use it to complement our existing programs. Grants from the Permanent Endowment Fund for Martha’s Vineyard (in 2013, 2014, 2016 and 2017) help us increase larval and nursery capacity, construct new systems, increase awareness of our programs, as well as properly staff and maintain the large facility.

Oyster Restoration
We continued our oyster restoration programs in Edgartown and Tisbury Great Ponds with the overall goal of restoring the oyster populations to levels at which this keystone species can again provide vital ecosystem functions and balance to the local marine environment. In light of our efforts, we are observing a continued expansion of the oyster populations in both ponds. We observed expanding eelgrass habitat in Edgartown Great Pond again this year. Unfortunately, a
thick green seaweed bloom in parts of Tisbury Great Pond persisted for much of 2017 and may have caused some oyster mortalities. Green seaweeds/macroalgae are indicative of high nitrogen levels. Pathology tests of oysters from both ponds showed low levels of Dermo disease - a disease that is lethal to only oysters and has been present in the Great Ponds since the 1990’s - and no other abnormalities.

Pilot Kelp Culture Project
Under a grant from the Edey Foundation, we continued a pilot study of the potential to culture sugar kelp, Saccharina latissima, on the Island. Like shellfish, cultured sea vegetables have potential to improve water quality through their uptake of nitrogen while providing a healthful local food product. Kelp from a small harvest in the early spring of 2017 was served at Beach Road Restaurant and at our April fundraising event in Chilmark. We observed the greatest growth among several kelp growing sites in Massachusetts. This winter we did not spawn and grow juvenile kelp in our nursery, but instead focused on utilizing a new site off of Menemsha Beach as well as on the Cottage City Oyster farm in Oak Bluffs.

EPA-funded Study on Using Phragmites to Remove Nitrogen
Nitrogen overloads are recognized as one of the greatest threats to estuarine water quality and shellfish resources. Under a grant from the EPA we continued a 2.5-year investigation into the potential of nitrogen removal through Phragmites harvest. The project relies on many Island partners as well as researcher Dr. Jamie Vaudrey from the University of Connecticut. The project will conclude in March and results will be available to the community. The Regional High School’s MVironment Club was inspired to initiate their own, complimentary, energy-based project, Phragmites Pellets: Engineering Biomass and received both state and national awards for their work.

Reports and pictures of our work are posted on our website www.mvshellfishgroup.org and on our Facebook page.

Respectfully submitted,
EMMA GREEN-BEACH
AMANDINE SURIER HALL
Shellfish Seed Distributed in 2017 by MVSG
### Shellfish Seed Distributed in 2017 by MVSG

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<td>Tisbury</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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| Eggs                     | 133,612,500|
| Larvae                   | 20,175,000 |
| Remote set               | 5,240,000  |
| Singles                  | 105,000    |

- Provided under contract
- **Provided under private foundation funding**
Ridership
Fiscal Year 2017 showed an overall decrease of 0.42%, or 5,853, passenger boardings from FY 2016. Passenger boarding analysis showed a 3.11% increase in the FY 2017 off-season ridership from FY 2016 and a continuing increase of multi-day travel passes, specifically one, three and seven day passes.

Fixed Route Ridership

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Total | 1,160,266 | 1,224,587 | 1,292,233 | 1,364,768 | 1,358,915 |
The “Lift”
Fiscal Year 2017 showed a decrease in nutrition and social/recreational service trips on “The Lift” resulting in an overall decrease of 4.1% from FY 2016.

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Fare Increase
The VTA is now in the final year of their multi-year fare increase, which began in January 2014, as approved by the VTA Advisory Board:

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Electric Bus Project
The VTA placed an order for four (4) battery all-electric transit buses with the California bus manufacturer Build Your Dreams (BYD) Motors. The VTA’s order of four buses is the first step in a larger project, Electric Drives the Future, in which the VTA plans to transition its entire fleet to all-electric. This will include installing solar canopies in the parking lot and solar roof panels at their Operations & Maintenance Facility to charge an onsite energy storage system so the buses can be charged with renewable energy.

The BYD buses ordered by the VTA are approximately the same size as the buses in their current fleet, but can hold more passengers because they don’t need room for an engine. The batteries
on BYD buses have an iron phosphate chemistry and are guaranteed to last the 12-year life cycle of the buses. This first order of all-electric transit buses will be delivered in June 2018 and put into operation next summer. Moving forward, the VTA plans to pursue funding to expand the number of all-electric vehicles in their fleet and invest in the charging infrastructure needed to support these vehicles on route. The VTA has applied for various grants for assistance in these areas.

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**Revenue**

- Farebox & Other: $1,791,938
- Brokerage & 3rd Party Reimb.: $131,680
- State: $1,585,533
- Local: $891,674
- Federal: $870,240

**Expense**

- Fixed Route: $4,334,501
- Admin./Debt Service: $255,315
- Demand Response: $551,980
- Brokerage & 3rd Party Reimb.: $62,664
# Statement of Net Position
## June 30, 2017 and 2016

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EDUCATION AND CULTURE

2017
At the April, 2017 Town Meeting, the Town approved a warrant article to fund the design and construction of an addition to the Library building at 200 Main Street, in order to build a multi-purpose meeting room. A Building Design and Construction Committee was formed to advise the Library Board of Trustees on this project. Committee members were appointed by the Library Board of Trustees with input from the Tisbury Board of Selectmen, and include Ian Aitchison, George Balco, Andrew Flake, Hal Garneau, Johanna Kobran, Paul Munafo, Jim Norton, Ben Robinson, and Amy Ryan. It is the goal of the Library Trustees to complete the expansion with community input and support, and when the schematic design(s) is available, the library will work with the Tisbury Vision Forum to present the plans to the public for review. In order to complete funding for the project, the library has formed a Capital Campaign Committee with Rose Styron as Honorary Chair.

On April 29th 75 people attended the opening of a Time Capsule that had been placed in the library in 1967, including 13 of the former Tisbury School 6th grade students who created the Time Capsule. Most items from the Time Capsule are available for viewing at the library. The date also marked the retirement of long-time library staff member Hal Garneau, who graduated in the same class as the students who created the Time Capsule.

Free programs for all ages continued to be an important part of the Library’s services to the community. In June, the library kicked off a grant-funded program series “Pushing the Limits”, with an event at the Katharine Cornell Theatre with Jonathan White, author of Tides: The Science and Spirit of the Ocean. “Pushing the Limits” is a nationwide program funded through the National Science Foundation and the Califa Library Group that explores ways that scientific ideas intersect with everyday life. Programs in the series included a reading, viewing and discussion group, as well as a variety of lectures on scientific topics by leaders in their fields, including Dr. Henry Kriegstein, Don Berwick, Peter Brannen, and Daniel Goleman. Many of these programs have been filmed for MVTV.

Other popular programs included a talk by Lilac Girls author Martha Hall Kelley, a six-part seminar on Classic Short Stories with Phil Weinstein, a panel discussion on CRISPR and Genetic Editing, and a reading of the A.R. Gurney’s play The Grand Manner, about Katharine Cornell. The community also gathered at the library for screenings of award winning films, and to view the national debates and election results. Several programs offered participants opportunities to make social connections and engage in the community, including the “Great Decisions” global affairs discussion group, Library Book Club, and Martha’s Vineyard Photography Club. An Eclipse viewing party on Monday August 21st was attended by more than 800 people, who managed to graciously share 50 pairs of eclipse viewing glasses and assorted homemade viewers.
The Martha’s Vineyard Library Association (MVLA) presented the Annual Martha’s Vineyard Mini Maker Faire in May at the Agricultural Hall, with several hundred people attending. In December, in cooperation with the Film Center, MVLA presented a free screening of the award-winning documentary “Ex Libris: The New York Public Library”, by acclaimed filmmaker Frederick Wiseman. Another free screening, of the documentary “Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age” was offered in cooperation with the Regional High School and the Martha’s Vineyard Youth Task Force. In October, Friends, Trustees, and other library stakeholders came together for the first annual Martha’s Vineyard Library Symposium, featuring Maureen Sullivan, past President of the American Library Association, as the keynote speaker.

More than 300 children, young adults, and adults participated in the library’s Summer Reading Program this year. Reading incentives were donated by community businesses including Bob’s Pizza, Candy Haven, Island Cove Mini Golf, La Choya Burritos, Mad Martha’s Ice Cream, Martha’s Vineyard Film Society, Mocha Motts, Murdicks Fudge, Sandy's Fish and Chips, Tisberry Frozen Yogurt, The Toy Box at Tisbury Marketplace, Wolf Den’s Pizzeria, and the Friends of the Vineyard Haven Public Library. Summer Reading included programs for Martha’s Vineyard Public Schools ELL Summer School students and their parents.

Weekly programs for children were presented with the support of the Friends of the Library, the Anderson Foundation, and the Martha’s Vineyard Library Association. Throughout the year families continued to participate in the “1,000 Books Before Kindergarten” program. To participate, parents or caregivers visit the library to register their child, at any age before they enter kindergarten, for this free do-it-at-home program. Each child receives a reading log to record the books they read, and for every 100 books read, the family receives rewards and incentives.

Patrons continue to use the library to meet their technology needs through access to computers and the internet, free scanning services, and Mobile apps to access library services. Library apps include Printer-On to print to the library printers from home or from your mobile device, the Boopsie app to access your library account and request items, and the Shoutbomb app for text message notifications from the library. Patrons may download popular free eBooks and downloadable audiobooks from Overdrive and Axis 360. Other online resources available to library cardholders and visitors include Consumer Reports, Morningstar Investment Research Center, and Mango Languages.

The Library Trustees gratefully acknowledge a number of significant gifts to the Library this year. The Library received the gift of a painting by Tisbury resident Douglas Look, given by Natalie King and framed by the Friends of the Library. Community member Elaine Bart gave a generous donation to fund a collection of science books for children. Gifts from the Friends of the Library included a new outdoor book return, funding for staff training and professional conferences, Brazilian Portuguese language books for children and teens, and art books given in memory of
Doug Look, Helen Mickelson, and Jan Mead, from donations made to the Friends in their honor. The Friends also provide annual support for the Ancestry genealogy database, eBook services, discount passes for the Museum of Fine Arts, and refreshments and financial support for the library’s year-round programs for all ages.

In addition to financial assistance, the Friends of the Vineyard Haven Public Library provided exceptional volunteer support to the Library and planned many special events for our patrons, including the annual 5k race and kids’ fun run, Play readings in cooperation with the Peter H. Luce Play Readers, a summer event honoring Amor Towles, author of “A Gentleman in Moscow”, and “mini” book sales on the third Saturday of each month. Shelving volunteers provided more than 300 hours of service, and “Adopt-a-Shelf” volunteers helped to keep the shelves in order. The Friends organized monthly art exhibits at the Library year-round, and sponsor a group show of work by the Martha’s Vineyard Photography Club in June.

The Library Trustees appreciate the dedication and creativity of our outstanding staff, including Director Amy Ryan, Reference Librarian Cecily Greenaway, and Library Associate Betty Burton, who were joined this year by a new Children’s Librarian, Libby Mueller, and Library Associate Anne McDonough. Jennifer Rapuano was promoted to Young Adult Librarian, and part time staff member Lagan Treischmann became a full-time Library Associate.

The Vineyard Haven Library is open Monday through Saturday year round, and on Sundays during the winter months. The Board of Trustees meets at the Library at 5:30 pm on the third Wednesday of each month and welcomes your input.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE BALCO, CHAIR
NORA NEVIN, VICE-CHAIR
AKLEYAH LUCAS, SECRETARY
IAN AITCHISON
KAREN CASPER
CAROLYN HENDERSON
JIM NORTON
SANDRA PRATT
PAMELA STREET

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To the Citizens of Tisbury:

In compliance with Section VIII of the Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School District Agreement under which the District was formed and according to the recommendations of the Office of the Directors of Accounts, we submit the following financial reports of the District for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

FY2017 Assessment
Balance Sheet
Expenditures – Budget vs Actual

Respectfully submitted,

MARYLEE SCHROEDER
Treasurer
MARTHA’S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Description
Operating & Capital Budget $18,663,094.35
Charter School/School Choice Tuition 950,231.00

Less
Chapter 70 State Aid 2,756,975.00
Chapter 71 Regional Transportation Aid 223,545.00
Other Revenues 207,461.00
E&D Offset -

Net Amount for Assessments $16,425,344.35

Town Apportionments
(i) Required Minimum Local Contribution
Aquinnah 108,726.00
Chilmark 274,027.00
Edgartown 1,860,189.00
Oak Bluffs 1,936,832.00
Tisbury 1,590,931.00
West Tisbury 1,122,424.00
Total 6,893,129.00

(ii) Excess of NSS over Required Minimum
Aquinnah 157,114.10
Chilmark 314,228.29
Edgartown 2,291,247.82
Oak Bluffs 2,513,826.14
Tisbury 1,898,462.48
West Tisbury 1,387,842.48
Total 8,562,720.35

(iii) Transportation
Aquinnah 7,733.85
Chilmark 15,467.71
Edgartown 112,785.36
Oak Bluffs 123,741.65
Tisbury 93,450.73
West Tisbury 68,315.70
Total 421,495.00

(iii) Capital
Aquinnah 10,009.17
Chilmark 20,018.35
Edgartown 145,967.13
Oak Bluffs 160,146.79
Tisbury 120,944.19
West Tisbury 88,414.37
Total 545,500.00

(iii) Other Costs
Aquinnah 45.87
Chilmark 91.74
Edgartown 668.96
Oak Bluffs 733.94
Tisbury 554.28
West Tisbury 405.20
Total 2,500.00

Gross Assessments
Aquinnah 283,629.00
Chilmark 623,833.09
Edgartown 4,410,858.27
Oak Bluffs 4,735,280.53
Tisbury 3,704,342.68
West Tisbury 2,667,400.79
Total 16,425,344.35

Less E&D Offset -

FY17 Assessments Per Statutory Assmt Method $283,629.00 $623,833.09 $4,410,858.27 $4,735,280.53 $3,704,342.68 $2,667,400.79 $16,425,344.35

This schedule presents the town apportionments consistent with DESE’s Statutory Assessment Methodology format. Numbers may be off due to rounding.

Member Town % Based on Statutory Assessment
Method (voted by School Committee) 1.726777% 3.797991% 26.853977% 28.829110% 22.552603% 16.239543% 100.000000%
School Population based on Town (10/1/17) 11 28 169 177 160 98 643

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MARTHA’S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

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Total Liabilities and Fund Equity: $ 3,325,043.61 $ 600,887.25 $ 866,099.31 $ 779,174.16 $ 5,571,204.33
## MARTHA’S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET VS ACTUAL
### YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

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Dear Dr. D’Andrea:

It is my pleasure to present to you a summary of the accomplishments of our departmental staff at MVRHS in the service of our students and community. There are many things to be proud of. As an all-Island school, we strive to represent the best of this unique community through our high-performing academic core, our hands-on Career and Technical Programs, our abundantly talented performing and visual arts departments, and our very competitive sports teams. It is through the dedication and support of the towns, school committee, staff, students, community partnerships, and parents that all of this is made possible on a daily basis.

Art, Design & Technology
The MVRHS Art, Design & Technology Department had a full and productive year in 2017. Our annual art show was held in May in coordination with the Performing Arts Department. We showcased our “Art Throwdown” – a lively collection of interactive and sometimes competitive art, design, and technology events. The MVRHS yearbook and our art and literary magazine, SEABREEZES, both had successful publications this year.

21 students won a total of 26 awards in the 2017 Scholastic Art Awards. Six of them advanced to the national competition, including one senior portfolio. One student was awarded a National Gold Medal in Video Game Design, one of only three students in the country to win this top prize.

16 students attended Portfolio Day in Boston this November and prepared senior portfolios for college admission, as well as for the national Young Arts portfolio contest. Art students also took a field trip to the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston.

A graduating senior was showcased in an exhibit at the Old Sculpin Gallery. Several photography students each designed solo exhibits at the West Tisbury Library and the 51 Art Gallery. Many students participated in a group photography show and a pottery exhibit sale at Featherstone, as well as the Vineyard Conservation Society’s "The Art of Conservation" competition and exhibit. A few students competed in Rep. Keating’s Congressional Art Contest in Plymouth. Seven students won awards in the 2017 Cape Cod Times' "Classroom Times" photography contest.

Fashion and photography students joined forces with the Performing Arts Department in the spring and produced an exhibit of 1940s film noir black-and-white Hollywood-style portraits.
Students participated in a captioned photography and virtual reality exchange with high schools in Pakistan and Taiwan.

A new AP Computer Science Principles class is now in its second year and a second AP course in Studio Art (2-D Design) is being planned for 2018. Students in the Digital Video Production course created a pilot for MVRHS News in the spring and this year’s students have turned the format into a monthly news show.

Two teachers successfully led portions of the CTE Department’s expanded Freshman Exploratory course in 2017-18, introducing 9th graders to product development and technology. Two teachers also completed their M.Ed. degrees.

Athletics
The 2017 MVRHS Athletic year had ups and downs. The following teams all made appearances in the post-season play: boys’ basketball, indoor track, boys’ and girls’ tennis, baseball, outdoor track, boys’ soccer and field hockey. The boys’ soccer team and the boys’ and girls’ tennis teams were Eastern Athletic Conference champions. The highlight of the year had to have been the girls’ tennis team winning their third straight MIAA State Championship. In addition to the success of the aforementioned teams, we had two spring coaches honored with Coach of the Year awards: Nina Bramhall for girls’ tennis and Joe Schroeder for girls’ outdoor track. We must also give credit to Liz Roberts. Nina, by definition, is the girls’ tennis coach, but both Liz and Nina coach the team together. We would be remiss to not mention Liz in the same breath as Nina. Congratulations to Nina, Liz, and Joe. We are lucky to have them on staff coaching our children.

Some of our programs have had issues with participation numbers, which have resulted in programs having to have been canceled or waivers for junior high school students to participate on high school teams. As we see the numbers increase in the upcoming years, we hope this downturn in participation will reverse course and we’ll see participation numbers rising. We should give credit to those junior high athletes who have taken this opportunity to begin their high school careers a year or two early. That can be very daunting for a 7th or 8th grader, and they and their parents should be commended.

Career and Technical Education
Career and Technical Education (CTE) at MVRHS offers students exposure to a variety of pathways depending on their choices after high school. The skilled trades continue to be the hardest positions to fill, not only here on the Island but across the Commonwealth. Middle-skill jobs, jobs that require education and training beyond high school but less than a bachelor’s degree, are a significant part of the economy. CTE addresses the needs of high-growth industries and helps close the skills gap.

Students can continue on to a 2- or 4-year college, pursue additional licensing and training, or go directly into the workforce. The number of program offerings is growing to meet the needs of the Island community.
Under the direction of Ken Ward, the Automotive Technology Department has undergone some significant equipment updates. The automotive students continue to earn their 10-hour OSHA General Industry Certification.

Health care occupations, many of which require an associate degree or less, are projected to have greater than 10% job growth over the next few years. The Health Assisting program continues to grow and expand its presence in the community with its partnership with Martha’s Vineyard Hospital and Windemere and the experiences it offers the students. We celebrated Mary Vivian’s retirement in June and welcomed back Susan McHugh. In August, we earned Department of Public Health approval to conduct our own certified nursing-assistant program.

The Horticulture Department is ushering in a new era. We are preparing for a new greenhouse and overall make-over for this portion of our facility. This program has seen the retirement of John Wojtkielo and the addition of Kyle Crossland. Kyle joins our staff from Crossland Landscaping. The horticulture students continue to earn their 10-hour OSHA General Industry Certification.

Chef Kevin Crowell joined the Culinary Arts Department to work with Chef Jack O’Malley and the students who are always busy preparing a delicious meal for members of the Island community. Culinary Arts continues to host events for local groups, always with an eye towards including produce grown in the horticulture program and the school garden, which is supported by Island Grown Schools. Culinary Arts students work on an annual basis to become ServSafe and OSHA 10 certified.

Over the last year, our Building Trades Department, taught by Bill Seabourne, has continued with its shed building program. The building trades students continue to earned their 10-hour OSHA General Construction Certification.

Maritime Sciences, with Brock Callen at the helm, continues to expand its presence within CTE. This is the ninth year MVRHS has offered Maritime Science with the support of Sail MV. The program is the first of its kind in the state. The Maritime Sciences program has helped several students, with the credentials obtained through the program, to attend Maritime colleges or enter into the maritime industry.

Brian Jakusik continues to expand the business offerings at the High School to include a sequence of marketing courses to broaden the opportunities for all students at MVRHS. Participation in DECA continues to grow under Brian’s leadership.

We have added the Arts, Design & Technology Dept. to the exploratory rotation, which offers students an opportunity to explore a variety of career pathways.

WYOB 105.5FM is the Island’s newest radio station, broadcast directly from MVRHS. We are proud of this student-run endeavor, and thankful to Skip Finley and Bill Narkiewicz for their tireless efforts in fundraising and managing this station.
Career Technical Education programs continue to benefit from biannual advisory meetings. Advisory groups are made up of industry professionals and provide valuable oversight of programs. The departments rely on them for curriculum, equipment, and budgetary advice.

**English**

Once again, students who took the AP Literature and Composition exams last spring performed very well, with an impressive number of passing scores rivaling or exceeding state and national averages.

In addition, all general education sophomores passed the MCAS exam with the percentage of students receiving an advanced score exceeding the state average.

The Poetry Out Loud school competition took place in February with novelist, Nicole Galland; West Tisbury teacher, Peter Forrester; Island poet, Clark Myers; and memoirist, Sian Williams, serving as judges. Over 20 students participated in the competition and open mic. Danielle Hopkins was awarded first prize, but could not attend the regional competition. However, second place winner and freshman, Anne Culbert, took her place by representing MVRHS at the regional competition.

The third annual Writers Week featured visits from over 25 Island writers and poets. Pulitzer Prize winning authors, Geraldine Brooks and Tony Horwitz, kicked off the event with a talk in the library during which time they shared with student’s stories about their lives as writers. Students hosted author visits, participated in school-wide writing activities, and attended the culminating Writers Week Coffeehouse organized and directed by the staff of the literary magazine, *Seabreezes*.

The MVRHS student newspaper, *The High School View*, continues to win impressive awards at the New England Scholastic Press Association’s annual conference held at Boston University. *The High School View* won the “Highest Achievement Award” in its category. The newspaper also earned second place honors in the prestigious “All-New England” award category. The awards honor the outstanding efforts of the newspaper’s editors in chief -- Danielle Hopkins, Sophia McCarron, and Willa Vigneault -- to lead a staff of 30. In addition, four students received individual “Special Achievement Awards” for excellence in scholastic editing and publishing. Sophomore Mackenzie Condon won for her news story, “Poetry Takes Center Stage”; senior Annika Schmidt won for her news story, “Addiction Expert States the Facts”; senior Danielle Hopkins won for her news story, “Turf Debate Divides Community”; and senior Ali Barlett won for her news photo, “Guys and Dolls Fill the House.” MVRHS English teacher, Kate Hennigan, and newly retired English department chair, Dan Sharkovitz, serve as the newspaper’s faculty advisers. Dan was also honored this year by NESPA with the “Robert Baram Award,” which honors a distinguished adviser from this region who has helped students raise their sights and their standards in the practice of school journalism.
William McCarthy’s students had the pleasure of seeing Shakespeare’s *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* performed at the Trinity Rep last March, while David Wilson’s students sojourned at Walden Pond in the fall.

Rachel Schubert’s AP English 11 students wrote and received letters from students at an all-girls school in Senegal as part of a pen pal program started by Ms. Schubert and Peace Corps volunteer, Ian Thompson. Thompson is an educator and a facilitator of the Michelle Sylvester Scholarship program, which provides scholarships to academically talented girls who are at risk of being pulled out of school for marriage to older villagers. The letter exchange began in November and will span the duration of the 2017-2018 school year.

**ESL**

The English as a Second Language (ESL) Department has had a busy year. The yearly Massachusetts ACCESS test, which assesses a student’s English language proficiency skills, went online. Thus, department chair, Dianne Norton, and teacher, Cheri Cluff, underwent training on administering the online test. Late in January, 45 ELLs took ACCESS online. Looking ahead to ACCESS in January 2018, 63 ELLs will be administered the assessment, a 40% increase.

In addition to new testing procedures, the ESL department worked to develop and introduce several Newcomer courses to service the growing number of students arriving from Brazil and other countries with no English language skills. These courses, including ESL Social/Lingual Skills and ESL US Culture, are designed to provide students with a program of structured English language instruction that will support students’ transition into the US school system and mainstream classes in a timely manner. The program is underway and will be evaluated at the end of this year.

**Guidance**

The culmination of our four-year developmental guidance program helped 177 graduates develop transitional plans during their post-secondary planning process. As a result, the Class of 2017 had 68% of students attending a four year college; 13% attending two-year college/technical/college/prep school; 12% entering the work force; 7% were admitted to college but took a gap year; and 6% pursued other alternatives including travel. The generosity of our community was demonstrated by the $1,792,113 awarded to seniors, post-graduates, and other Island students. Our 2017 graduates received 488 scholarship and post-graduates received 228.

In 2017, Michael G. McCarthy retired from a 41-year career in education, serving the last 19 years as MVRHS Director of Guidance. Mary K. MacDonald succeeded Michael, bringing to the position her considerable experience and knowledge of 30 years of education experience, with the previous 24 years of her career as a MVRHS Guidance Counselor. Michelle Lynch, a MVRHS 2002 alumni, has joined us as Guidance Counselor. Michelle spent the past ten years of her career in a Boston Public Charter School working with students from all walks of life, helping them with their career and college planning.
12 years running, Peer Outreach trained an additional 40 students and 4 faculty members during the annual retreat in October 2017. This effective, peer-driven program trained students to identify and assist their peers who are struggling and to refer to adults as needed. There are currently close to 100 Peer Outreach students at MVRHS.

In December 2017, at the 14th annual Race Culture retreat, 40 faculty-nominated students took part in a two-day retreat to discuss race, diversity, and culture.

In its second year, the 2016 senior project SWEAR (Stand With Everyone Against Rape) trained fifteen junior boys and five junior girls. This sexual assault awareness and prevention program is run in collaboration with CONNECT to End Violence. It is a predominantly male-focused program with the idea in mind that rape and sexual assault is not just a women’s issue but a men’s issue as well. SWEAR members hold an annual assembly for the junior class, educating students on the myths, stereotypes, and repercussions of sexual assault and rape. In collaboration with CONNECT and The MV Film Society, “The Hunting Ground”, is a documentary about the sexual assault epidemic on college campus. The film is shown to the senior class, followed by small group discussions. With the trained SWEAR and Peer Outreach students, we are facilitating small-group conversations with each class to educate the student body about healthy relationships, consent, and the repercussions of harassment and sexual assault.

In May, we held our third annual eighth-grade orientation program at the High School. STING (Smooth Transition into Ninth Grade) was a senior project that has morphed into an annual event. It is the first time the entire incoming freshmen class is together for a day of games, activities, and information about transitioning to MVRHS. This program is facilitated by our upperclassmen.

History
With the retirement of Dr. Cawley-Weintraub at the end of the 2016-2017 school year, the History Department has a new department chair, Olsen Houghton. This year, the department piloted a peer observation program, which is not evaluative but, instead, was designed for teachers to reflect on their own practice through observation. Four out of seven teachers participated from the beginning and a fifth teacher joined the group later. The group decided to use the same primary source analysis tool as our medium, and for four weeks the teachers had meetings, observations, and debriefings as they tried to explore the best way to teach and incorporate this analytical tool. The results were extremely positive. The collaboration, camaraderie, and boost to morale were a wonderful experience for all involved.

The department has a number of new courses being offered this year. There is an eleventh grade Humanities class, co-taught by Ena Thulin and a member of the English department and two new electives are offered: Global Revolutions, and Global Government and Politics. Global Revolutions, being offered this fall, is concentrating on political and cultural revolutions of the Twentieth century. Global Government and Politics, offered this spring, will focus on contemporary issues facing the world today. The Leadership elective is being offered again this year. They have been charged with helping to improve school climate and culture. Students are
required to design and implement action plans for this purpose. Examples of some of the action plans are implementation of a teacher/student disciplinary council, a school-wide capture the flag fundraiser for Breast Cancer research, developing an honor code for the school, and dedicating a month to celebrating our diversity here at MVRHS. This spring, the freshman history classes will go on the African-American Heritage Trail and create multimedia projects based on their experiences.

The History Department welcomes Jeremy Light, who joins us from the Charter School. He previously worked in Florida for 11 years teaching Advanced Placement World History, and is currently teaching sections of Global I, Global II, and a mythology elective. Jeremy has a positive energy that quickly made him a valued member of not only the History Department but also the school community. He has a great relationship with the students and we look forward to having him here for many years.

Math
The Math Department is completing work on a few curriculum changes that will be implemented in 2018-2019. We are offering an extended Algebra I program to help ensure the understanding of these key concepts and to better prepare some students for the MCAS exam. We are also offering a “Mathematical Literacy” course designed to provide students with the knowledge and background to thrive financially in today’s world. The Math Lab continues to work with students utilizing “Vineyard Time/Flex Block”.
Department teachers Melissa Braillard and Mary Lee Carlomagno have earned their master’s degree in a conjunctive program with Fitchburg State College and ACE MV. MVRHS scored well with regards to the 2017 math standardized test results. The average SAT score was 543, one of our three highest since the test was re-centered. The average on the Math Level I subject test was 578 and the Level II test was 620. The BC calculus AP scores averaged 2.91, with 73% scoring a three or higher. We again recorded the highest number of students ever taking an AP exam. The MCAS results continue to be encouraging, with 83% of students scoring proficient or higher and 54% scoring advanced. Both scores were above the state average and students recorded their highest Student Growth Percentile (SGP) of the last six years.

Performing Arts
In addition to our curricular classes offered both to performing and non-performing students, the Performing Arts Department offered opportunities to students outside the school day. Singers and string players participated in the Southeast District Music Festival last January and the All-Cape and Island Festival in February. Christian Schmidt performed with the All State Chorus at Symphony Hall in conjunction with the All State Conference. Students in the Musical Theatre Production Class presented their annual Cabaret at Alex’s Place.

In February, the entire department was part of the production of the musical ‘Guys and Dolls.’ Community instrumentalists, history classes, art classes, and faculty joined the student cast in four performances, with an amazing photographic displayed supplied by the art department and the Martha’s Vineyard museum.
Choral students had the opportunity to sing with the elementary school students at the annual All-Island Choral Festival. Our clinicians were three graduates from Berklee College of Music who presented workshops and performed at the elementary schools and the high school as well as an evening concert for the community.

The Minnesingers traveled to Italy, and performed in Verona at the military base in Vicenza and at the iconic St. Mark’s Basilica in Venice. They had the opportunity to visit many amazing venues such as La Scala, Il Duomo, and take a ride on the infamous gondolas. Students sang their way across northern Italy, performing in many informal concerts. They returned to the Island to present their Spring Shows, ‘Reach for the Stars.’

In May, the department concert was combined with the Pops Concert, featuring all the performing groups as well as solo and small group numbers. Several singers and instrumentalists performed in the Coffee House and in the hallways at Evening of the Arts. Chorus, Vocal Ensemble, Minnesingers, Concert Band, and Jazz Band participated in the graduation ceremonies at the Tabernacle, celebrating another successful group of seniors leaving the High School. Over the summer, the High School male a cappella group, SoundWave, performed around the Island, and some of the Minnesingers held a karaoke party at Anchors in Edgartown.

September auditions were held for the upcoming school musical, ‘West Side Story.’ Community members, along with the History, Art, and English Departments, and local musicians join the students in rehearsals. ‘West Side Story’ will run performances in February 2018.

All 39 singers and string players who auditioned for the All Cape Festival this fall were chosen to perform at the festival, and Christian Schmidt and Victoria Scott will represent MVRHS at the Southeast District Festival.

The Winter Concert featured the String Orchestra, combined instrumental groups, Concert Band and Jazz Band, Chorus, and Vocal Ensemble, who were joined by the Martha’s Vineyard Children’s Chorus. The Minnesingers presented their annual Winter Concerts at the Whaling Church, joined by several iconic Island musicians, in a true celebration of the holiday season. Instrumentalists continue to entertain at the Senior Citizen lunches and the Minnesingers performed for the community several times during the holiday season.

**Physical Education**

This year our health and physical education department continued to reconstruct and grow to meet the ever changing needs of our student population. The spring semester of ‘17 contained health education as a stand-alone course offered only to sophomores and restricted health conversations with other grades. Starting in September, along with physical education for every grade we infused health lesson for each grade. This decision was made to address drug-related issues statewide as well as all students needing age-appropriate developmentally designed lessons. As a department, we strived to align with the school and address social and emotional learning within our lessons, addressing the whole child and their needs.
We are extremely fortunate to have dedicated and generous community relations and connections with the Sound Foundation, YMCA, Youth Task Force, Felix Neck, and Connect to End Violence. They were also among some of our health class visitors. In Physical Education, The Yard, YMCA, and Felix Neck all played a critical role in supporting our students with engaging opportunities in fitness and recreation.

**Project Vine**

In order to become “Project Vine,” the Alternative Program here at MVRHS went through a process of rebranding. Students wrote assignments in Ms. Fletcher’s English class about different ways we, as a small learning community, could work to “rebrand.” Building on the success of things like Project Greenlight, Project Gutenberg, and Dani Fletcher’s former Alternative Program, Project ‘79, many students wanted to include the idea of a “project,” defined as “an individual or collaborative enterprise that is carefully planned and designed to achieve a particular aim.” But they also wanted the name to reflect the community of Martha’s Vineyard itself.

The “Vine” of Project Vine represents the vines of Martha’s Vineyard. Symbolically, the members of the program are also like vines themselves: they need roots to grow; they climb higher when given the right supports; they might have thorns, but they are for protection and if properly nurtured, they are productive, strong, connected, and eventually have the power to define their landscape.

Students and Ms. Fletcher developed and maintained a program website ([www.projectvineweebly.com](http://www.projectvineweebly.com)) through their enrichment class to document Project Vine’s ongoing activities. The seniors also wrote and produced a short movie about Project Vine that was shared with staff. A shorter version was created to inform students. It is being used this year to help inform freshman about Project Vine as an option for second semester. The website and movies have been helpful to parents and students who are interested in learning about Project Vine.

We have continued our focus on integrating SMARTS executive functioning, habits of mind, and the Character Report Card into our academic work. Students focus on process and skills of “learning to learn,” as well as their content. We began honors breakfasts with a focus on student-directed goal setting, and reflection on their goals and how to meet them. Much of this work supported students in leading student-directed team conferences in the spring with their parents and all four academic teachers.

Student learning in Project Vine has been active and engaged in and out of the classroom. Students traveled throughout the year to Providence to see “The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime” and to New York City to travel the steps of Holden Caulfield from “Catcher in the Rye.” On the Island, we worked on collecting data from the State Forest for the Harvard Forest Project, monitoring salamanders at Felix Neck, collecting soil samples at Long Point and in the MVRHS School Garden. In the classroom, catapults were built and tested in math while examining parabolic functions. In history, students built structures important to Aztec culture.
Science

In the past 12 months, the teachers in the Science Department actively engaged in education, community outreach, and collaboration. Our science teachers took classes in educating diverse populations and in curriculum design, including general curriculum design, physics curriculum design, and computer-based STEM design. Teachers attended the National Science Teachers Association Conference and an Engineering Design Conference that focused on engaging students in STEAM-based projects. The department has worked with several local groups (on-Island and off-Island), including BiodiversityWorks, Felix Neck, the Shellfish Hatchery, Island Grown Schools, and Cape Light Compact to provide project opportunities for students.

The 2017 science fair was very successful, with several students competing at the regional fair. MVRHS continued their success at the state and regional science fairs.

Jason Neago continued his leave of absence with a position in a DOD school in Japan. Louis Hall has again been teaching Chemistry and Biology courses in his absence.

The increased awareness and access to science electives for students has brought more students in contact with curriculum they have a particular interest in, and we have seen an increase in enrollment in these classes. We are hoping to add an AP Environmental science course to the program of studies next year so our students with an interest in that field can pursue more in-depth studies in environmental sciences.

Dr. Fyler has been working in conjunction with Dr. Kevin Esvelt from MIT to look at the growing issue of tick-transmitted Lyme disease on Martha’s Vineyard. Dr. Fyler and a number of students have been collecting and extracting tick DNA to better understand the transmission of the disease and its spread on the Island.

The Engineering Challenge continued to build on its success, offering over 40 students an opportunity to engage in competitive engineering design work. The strongest of these students were invited to attend the Cape and Islands Engineering Challenge in Woods Hole.

The department has set goals to study the new standards put forth by the State and align our curriculum to better fulfill those standards. We continue to try to identify best-practice standards and implement common skills, assessments, and overacting ideas that can be incorporated throughout the science curriculum.

We have continued to improve our co-teaching program, having added two Earth science classes for this coming academic year. Early indication is that these are being well received by the students and teachers involved.

MVRHS students continue to do well on the biology MCAS with students scoring proficient or well above the state average.
Special Education
The role of the Special Education Department is to identify eligible students and provide them with specialized instruction to help them fulfill their potential towards college and/or career readiness. Specialized instruction and supports are provided on a continuum from academic support, in-class support, co-teaching, and small group instruction to substantially separate programs. These services/programs are designed with the belief that all students can learn together in the same school to prepare for adult living after graduating/transitioning from the High School.

The focus of the department is to build a positive collaborative environment and continue to be an integral part of the school community at large. In the first few days of the year, during teacher professional development, we were able to meet with all teachers and staff. We presented how best to support the different individual needs that are included in our classrooms.

This year, there have been some changes to our specialized programs. We have changed the name of our Life Skills program to the Navigator Program. Our Therapeutic Program is now called The Compass Program. We have these programs in order to provide a continuum of services from our elementary programs through high school.

We have been meeting with a group of community members, parents, and teachers to re-imagine our program for students who are 18-22 and require specialized instruction. This program will be called the Voyager Program. It is designed to focus on ensuring that our students gain the skills necessary for them to be successful members of their community. In addition, we have been working with Community Services to develop more supports and services outside of the school day for families and students who have disabilities. Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission has had a representative at our school for one day each month to provide supports for students who qualify while in high school and after they graduate.

We continued to develop our co-teaching with training in Falmouth last spring. This included more special education teachers as well as regular education teachers and allowed us to add more classes at the freshman level. The consultant who provided the training continued after school ended and into this 2017-2018 school year, with observations and consultation directly to teachers. This is an exciting process that reflects the inclusive nature of the school’s culture and a commitment by our administration and staff to support this initiative.

We continue to develop a transition process to meet the needs of incoming freshman with IEPs. The MVRHS Special Education Department meets regularly with representatives of each sending school. A Parents’ Meet/Greet Night was held to provide parents an opportunity to meet the staff and learn about the overview of special education services. This event allowed teams to hold a focused individual student’s transition meeting in the spring.

Our Department meets on a monthly basis to review special education regulations, practices, compliance, and to ensure that appropriate supports and services are in place to meet the needs of our students with disabilities receiving specialized instruction. Each Special Education teacher
also participates in monthly content department meetings as a representative for the special education department.

World Language
In the spring, the Portuguese teachers and the department chair participated in an educational fair organized by the Brazilian consulate. At this event, we shared our curriculum and met with teachers from other native/heritage Portuguese programs. Later in the year, Jane Sampaio and Juliana Germani attended the annual Portuguese Language conference at UMass Dartmouth. They connected with the ambassador to the Brazilian consulate. Through that connection they organized an on-Island event to educate students on their Brazilian citizenship and offer consular services. The event was a huge success for our students and the community.

The World Language and ESL Departments were lucky enough to coordinate the scheduling of Portuguese II and ESL II this year. The classes meet during the same period and often collaborate to put their language learning to the test! In our Island community, one of the biggest challenges of learning a new language can be finding the opportunity to practice in an authentic way with native speakers: with this collaboration we are able to provide that opportunity for both English and Portuguese learners. This not only builds language skills, but also community.

In order to prepare for a schedule that includes teaching both Spanish and French, Cindy West attended an eight-week intensive French program at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies over the summer. While there, Cindy was also able to experience and acquire best practices guided by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL). Pierre and Lisa Bonneau also attended a two-day training over the summer to learn more about the ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) process. Justine DeOliveira and Erin Slossberg presented the pedagogical strategies for English Language Learners which can be applied in the World Language Classroom, and this fall six members of the department went to Dennis-Yarmouth High School to participate in "Foreign Languages for Everyone," an informative and timely workshop on teaching foreign languages to students with learning disabilities.

The department continues to strive to create more opportunities for students to practice their spoken language in an authentic and meaningful way. Students in Spanish I had the opportunity to practice their language skills with a guest speaker. Rocio Andrada, a native speaker from Uruguay, spent time with classes sharing her language and culture. Additionally, every Wednesday during Flex time students can participate in a Portuguese/English Language Learners Speaking Social Hour. This is a great opportunity for students that are learning either language to practice their skills and make connections with their peers. The 24 Spanish students that will be participating in the trip to Spain over April break have started to hold monthly meetings in order to get to know one another, learn about the places that they will visit, and practice speaking Spanish in real-life situations.

Another exciting component of the year has been our outreach to the elementary schools. In the spring, we hosted an informational night for students and parents. This fall, students taking
French and Portuguese traveled to the Island's elementary schools with their teachers and the department chair to introduce our language program and course options to the eighth graders. The presentations were informational, fun, and well-received, and the High School students did an excellent job of representing our school.

Respectfully Submitted,

SARA DINGLEDY
Principal
Cherry Sheet Aid Analysis  
Martha’s Vineyard Regional School

A. EDUCATION

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| School Choice Sending Tuition    | -       | 6,700   | 6,700      |
| Charter School Sending Tuition   | 978,077 | 874,229 | (103,848)  |
| **TOTAL ESTIMATED CHARGES**      | 978,077 | 909,648 | (68,429)   |

B. TOTAL RECEIPTS, NET OF ESTIMATED CHARGES

|                                |         |         |            |
|                                | 2,202,224 | 2,207,418 | 5,194     |
SUPERINTENDENT’S SCHOOL CALENDAR
ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-2018
MARtha’S VINEYARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

AUG./SEPT. 2017

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2017
August 28-29 New Teacher Orientation
August 30 Full Professional Development Day
August 31 & Sept. 1 Staff Preparation/Orientation Days
September 4 Labor Day
September 5 All Schools Open
October 6 Full Professional Development Day
October 9 Columbus Day
November 10 Veteran’s Day (Observed)
November 22-24 School Closed/Thanksgiving
December 22 Schools Close at Noon/December Recess
December 25-29 School Closed/December Recess

2018
January 1 New Year’s Day
January 2 Schools Re-Open
January 12 Full Professional Development Day
January 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 19 President’s Day
Feb. 26-March 2 February Vacation
March 14 Professional Development Day – ½ day
April 16 Patriot’s Day Observed
April 17-20 April Vacation
May 28 Memorial Day
June 6 Professional Development Day – ½ day
June 19 Last Day of School
June 26 Last Day of School with 5 Snow Days *

CALENDAR INCLUDES 185 SCHEDULED SCHOOL DAYS, INCLUDING 5 SNOW/EMERGENCY DAYS. IF THESE DAYS ARE NOT USED, THE CLOSE OF SCHOOL IN JUNE WILL BE ADJUSTED IN ORDER FOR THE CALENDAR TO CARRY A TOTAL OF 180 STUDENT SCHOOL DAYS.

ADDITIONAL DATES
September 20 Rosh Hashana
September 29 Yom Kippur
October 10 Cranberry Day
March 30 Passover
March 30 Good Friday
April 1 Easter
June 15 Eid al-Fitr

HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS
September 1 Freshman Orientation

PARENT CONFERENCE DAYS
Elementary Schools: October 24, 26 and 30; April 24, 26 & 30
MV Regional High School: Oct. 12 to 18

Approved by the AISC 2.23.2017
Dear Mr. Marcus:

In accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth, I am pleased to submit my 2017 annual report as Superintendent of Schools to the members of the six school committees of the Martha’s Vineyard Public Schools. The schools on the Island continue to strive to provide our students with a quality education that prepares them with the skills necessary to compete in today’s world.

There have been minimal personnel changes at the Central Office. Edith Rousseau has retired as Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent after eighteen years on the job; she will be greatly missed. However, I am excited that Ruda Stone will be taking her place. We also welcome Susan Conlan, who’ll be working as our Coordinator of Shared Service Programs. Our Shared Services Programs include our Bridge, Compass, and Project Headway programs. Susan has extensive experience working with students with special needs.

This year we have been busy building budgets and addressing facility issues. In order to learn, students must be comfortable in their learning environment, and it is incumbent on us to create welcoming and safe schools. With this in mind, we will be looking closely at our health and wellness programs to evaluate how we are delivering information to our students around making healthy choices. By reviewing how we deliver this instruction, and the protocols we follow to address mental health issues, we can begin to analyze how to best serve our students. Keeping our students healthy is a priority.

Our Strategic Plan is in place and we’ll use this document as a guide when making educational decisions around curriculum and instruction. I thank everyone for their input into the development of the plan. An important piece is the safety and well-being of our students and staff. For that reason, Synergy Solutions has conducted safety training in all our schools at the beginning of this school year. By partnering with the towns, we have developed emergency response plans for all of our buildings to make sure that we’re prepared in the event of an emergency. Additionally, starting in January, Jim Shillinglaw will continue his evaluation of our special education programs by looking at services at the High School. The study is aimed to help us provide our students with the best education possible while using our resources in the most efficient manner.

At the High School, we continue to upgrade our facility to ensure that the building is safe for our students and staff, and that the teachers have the resources they need to provide our students
with the best education possible. We will continue to pursue all avenues to upgrade and improve the facility.

Several staff members will be retiring this year and I would like to recognize them for their dedication to our students. At the Tisbury School, Nancy Nevin and Leslie Williamson will be moving on. At the Central Office, Grants Coordinator Pat Ingalls and School Psychologist Lorraine Wells are retiring. John Nelson will be retiring from the High School. And, lastly, thank you to Mara Coleman and Sarah Murphy from the West Tisbury School. Collectively, these staff members have dozens of years of service to the Island’s students.

I am truly privileged and honored to be serving as the Island schools ‘Superintendent. Happy New Year!

MATTHEW D’ANDREA, LP.D.
Superintendent of Schools
Tisbury School Committee

This last year has been remarkable for our school community. Our students are thriving, as evidenced by notable achievements in academics, music, art and sports. Performance on standardized tests, which represents only one measure of success, continues to be at the top of the District and among the top in the state. Our students represented us in local, District, Regional and state programs that highlighted music, art and math expertise. Our students also prioritized contributing to the fabric of our community by volunteering, collecting items to donate to families in need, and leading efforts to promote kindness within the school.

For more than two years now, the broader school community has been planning in earnest for a new school campus. This process has been one of inclusion, discussion, collaboration and compromise. The Tisbury School Building Committee, comprised of 19 community members representing Selectmen, Town Administration, Local and District School Officials, Planning Board, Vision Council, teachers, parents, builders, environmentalists and interested residents, has met monthly to start, and biweekly of late, to develop the concept presented to you now for your approval.

Understanding that this school project will be one of the largest undertakings that the town will see for many years, the Committee has not taken the charge lightly, nor without extensive discussion on educational programming needs, environmental impacts, impact on the immediate neighborhood and expense. By partnering with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA), the state will support the project financially to the tune of about 42%, a savings of approximately $15 million. The value of the partnership is not just financial support; the MSBA is in the business of building new schools. MSBA officials guide decision making to ensure that the Committee considers all necessary factors. This is critical given no one on the Committee has ever built a school before.

Being on the School Committee gives one a special opportunity to see how our students are being educated and guided in what are the most important years of development and growth. Our job is to establish a budget and set policies that ensure our students have the tools to excel. Our job is made much easier because the Tisbury staff, teachers, and administrators are professionals who see our children daily to know how to best support their varying needs, hopes and dreams. Every meeting we are privileged to have a spotlight on a different class. Without exception, every student demonstrates clear understanding of the material presented, emphasized by enthusiasm! The confidence exuded by the students tells the story of a learning environment that is respectful, engaging, inclusive and fun. It is an amazing school!

I hope you will take time to review the materials available to understand the opportunities the proposed new school will bring to our students and the town. Thank you for supporting our school financially and as parents, teachers, volunteers, coaches, grandparents, employers and more.

Sincerely,

AMY HOUGHTON
Chair, Tisbury School Committee
Tisbury School Principal

Following an April 2015 application with a Statement of Interest, in January 2016 the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) invited the Town of Tisbury into its Eligibility Period. This provided an incredible opportunity for our community to address necessary improvements to the current school facility. Thanks to voter support at the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, necessary funding was approved allowing Tisbury to progress to the Feasibility Study and Schematic Design phase of its partnership with the MSBA. An Owner’s Project Manager (Daedalus Projects, Inc.) was hired and a Designer (Turowski2 Architects) was selected. Much work has been done over the past years and the responsibility to address our school’s needs is happening now. Partnering with the MSBA promises partial reimbursement for the project costs, as well as “hand-holding” throughout. Tisbury is fortunate to have this remarkable and exciting opportunity.

This past year, Tisbury School students in grades 3-8 participated in testing in English/Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science/Technology Engineering as part of the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System. Our students performed exceptionally well – the 14th highest-scoring district in the state. The Tisbury School continues to earn a Level I rating (the highest possible) from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. These noteworthy results are due to a strong collaborative effort from students, staff, and parents.

Complementing a rigorous academic curriculum, Tisbury School students benefit from a well-rounded education that continues to include valuable programs such as visual art, vocal and instrumental music, family and consumer science, industrial technology, health, Spanish, physical education, library/media skills, and computer technology. Students have opportunities to participate in extra-curricular activities involving athletics, music, theater, writing and publishing, media production, and technology. The benefits of these programs for students are clear, and they show a significant commitment to providing for children’s needs and interests. The Town of Tisbury continues to demonstrate its commitment to children, and officials and departments promote this goal clearly. Of note is the Tisbury Police Department’s support of the School Resource Officer program, which our school benefits from. The school staff, on a daily basis, works to ensure that children are afforded the most favorable conditions for learning and growing. The best interest of students is the prevailing sentiment that guides our collective efforts and I am proud to be part of this school community that puts children first.

Sincerely,

John Custer
Principal
SCHOOL DIRECTORY 2017-2018

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Amy Houghton, Chairperson
Colleen McAndrews
Janet Packer

ADMINISTRATION
Matthew D’Andrea  Superintendent
Richard Smith  Assistant Superintendent
Amy Tierney  Business Manager
John Custer  Principal
Sean Mulvey  Associate Principal

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT PERSONNEL
Barbara Armstrong
Rachel Hickey
Esther Teves

CLASSROOM TEACHING STAFF
Rita Jeffers  Kindergarten
Kate Harding  Kindergarten
Kara Webster  Grade 1
Amy D’Andrea  Grade 1
Emily Levett  Grade 2
Alison Smith  Grade 2
Nicole Shirley  Grade 3
Anne Williamson  Grade 3
Hope Fecitt  Grade 4
Meredith Goldthwait  Grade 4
Sean DeBettencourt  Grade 5, 6 Social Studies
Susan Canham  Grade 5, 6 Math
Cassandra Atwood  Grade 5, 6 Language Arts
Arik Goff  Grade 5, 6 Science
Reuben Fitzgerald  Grade 7, 8 Social Studies
Scott Schofield  Grade 7, 8 Language Arts
Connie Alexander and Susan Adamo  Grade 7, 8 Science
Kari Leal  Grade 7, 8 Math
Vanessa Forrester  Algebra

UNIFIED ARTS STAFF
Emily Anderson  Vocal Music K-8
Julie Brand  Art K-8
Debbie Conroy  Educational Technology K-8
Jane Taylor
James Hickey
Nancy Jephcote
Kevan Nichols
Alice Robinson
Kelly Sullivan

Spanish
Industrial Technology 5-8
Strings Program K-3
Phys. Ed. K-8
Family & Consumer Science 5-8
Instrumental Music 4-8

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS

Grade K-4 ESPs
Ruth Ambrozaitis
Laura Bernard
Amy Custer
Brenda Dimovich
Jenny Friedman
Sarah Hall
Julie Hatt
Evan Kavanagh
Mollee Lewis
Maria Metters
Shannon Moore
Nancy Nevin

Alice Robinson
Marianne Sebastian
Laura Weisman
Grade 5-8 ESPs
Sue Adamo
MaryJean Connolly
Roy Cutrer
Susie Fauteux
Cole Maciel-Wingate
Lesley Williamson

ESP-Media
Kathryn Harcourt

SUPPORT STAFF

Alyson Wiesner
Joan Creato
Lorraine Wells
Catherine Coogan
Gail Herman
Melissa Mahoney
Molly Chvatal
Veronika Buckley and Jill Waxweiler
Natalie Krauthamer
Vanessa Forrester
Tamzin Patridge
Glenn Maciel
Sherry Maciel
Mike Cohen
Linda Rose
Melinda Maveety
Janet Ponte
Whitney Burke
Sue Leonard
Elizabeth Bradley
Shannon Carbon

School Counselor K-4
School Counselor 5-8
School Psychologist
School Nurse
Speech Pathologist
Occupational Therapist
Physical Therapist
Support Specialist K-4
Literacy Specialist K-4
Math Specialist 5-8
Literacy Specialist 5-8
Head Custodian
Custodian
Custodian
Cafeteria-Head Cook
Cafeteria-Asst. Cook
Cafeteria - Helper
Media Specialist
Network Administrator
ESL Teacher
ESL Teacher
Emily Walkenstein
ESL Teacher

SPECIAL EDUCATION SUPPORT STAFF

Melissa Ogden
Special Education Team Chair
Sara Smestad and Laura Bernard
Grades K-2 SPED Teacher
Moiria Mercier
Grades 3-4 SPED Teacher
Ashley Tarter
Grades 5-8 SPED Teacher

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*- students that are not physically at Tisbury School, but receiving services in other MV Public School Programs/or receiving services outside of MV Public School Programs
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
OFFICIAL BALLOT
TISBURY, MASSACHUSETTS
May 9, 2017

To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the right of the candidate's name. To vote for a person not on the ballot, write that person's name and residence in the blank space provided and fill in the oval.

For MODERATOR
Three Years  Vote for not more than ONE
Deborah Medders
62 State Road  Candidate for Re-election

For TOWN CLERK
Three Years  Vote for not more than ONE
J. Hillary Conlin
51 Leland Avenue  Candidate for Re-election
Joseph Patrick McCarthy
28 Ousman Avenue

For SELECTMAN
Three Years  Vote for not more than ONE
Melinda F. Lober
33 Main Avenue  Candidate for Re-election
James E. Rogers
340 Westfield

For ASSESSOR
Three Years  Vote for not more than ONE
Roy Cutler, Jr.
221 Lake Street  Candidate for Re-election

For ASSESSOR
One Year  Vote for not more than ONE
Cynthia H. Richard
47 Old Lighthouse Road

For BOARD OF HEALTH
Three Years  Vote for not more than ONE
Jeffrey G. Pratt
330 Franklin Street  Candidate for Re-election

For PLANNING BOARD
Five Years  Vote for not more than ONE
Dawn Bellante Holland
215 Main Street  Candidate for Re-election

For LIBRARY TRUSTEE
Three Years  Vote for not more than THREE
Carolyn Ruth Henderson
133 William Street  Candidate for Re-election
Alana J. Lucas
96 Fairlawn Avenue  Candidate for Re-election
Sandra Johnson-Pratt
390 Franklin Street

For SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Three Years  Vote for not more than ONE
Janet M. Packer
11 Kuffen Pond Way  Candidate for Re-election

For WATER COMMISSIONER
Three Years  Vote for not more than ONE
David J. Schwab
141 Centennial Lane  Candidate for Re-election

For FINANCE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Three Years  Vote for not more than THREE
Jenni A. Kristal
16 Cricket Avenue  Candidate for Re-election
Mary Ellen Lasen
64 Main Street  Candidate for Re-election
Pamela S. Brock
32 Main Street  Candidate for Re-election

For MARTHA'S VINEYARD LAND BANK COMMISSIONER
Three Years  Vote for not more than ONE
John A. Tony Noyes
20 Harbor View Lane  Candidate for Re-election

Question #1
Shall the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Tisbury be authorized to convert licenses for the sale of wines and alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises under the provisions of Section 12 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, originally granted or authorized pursuant to Section 1 of Chapter 167 of the Acts of 2009, to licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises to restaurants, including restaurants within inns and hotels with seating capacities of not less than 30 persons, to be consumed with meals only, and only to patrons who are seated at dining tables, and to grant seasonal licenses for the same as the selectmen may determine?

Yes  ☑
No  ☐

Question #2
Shall the Town of Tisbury be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition Two and One Half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to fund the design, engineering and installation of an underground utility system for the relocation and relocating of the overhead power and communication networks on Beach Road?

Yes  ☑
No  ☐

Question #3
Are you in favor of establishing a regional housing bank, to address the critical housing needs of the Island of Martha's Vineyard? (Non-binding)

Yes  ☑
No  ☐

Question #4
Are you in favor of eliminating rental moratoriums from Martha's Vineyard? (Non-binding)

Yes  ☑
No  ☐
Dear Town of Tisbury,

It is an honor to serve you and the Town of Tisbury in the State House. I want to give you a brief update on our work these past three months.

We hit the ground running at the State House by filing seven bills in the first month that address critical issues facing our district - affordable housing, environmental stewardship, and our opioid and heroin epidemic. The bills include a) setting up a commission to connect those struggling with opioid addiction with the best long term treatment options, b) creating a housing bank to fund workforce and affordable housing, c) establishing a commission to combat ocean acidification, d) standing in solidarity with the Paris Climate Agreement’s green house gas emission standards - and more.

I am committed to partnering with Town of Tisbury in all its endeavors and am honored to represent such a vibrant and conscientious community. We have enjoyed hosting events at the Hebrew Center on legislative policy and climate action, and we look forward to more in the months to come!

It is very important to me that everyone in Tisbury know that our office is here for you. Please feel free to reach out to us at any time. My email is dylan.fernandes@mahouse.gov and our office line (subject to change as our office will move this month) is 617-722-2425. You can also reach out to Kaylea Moore, our brilliant and dedicated Island Liaison at kaylea.moore@mahouse.gov.

Yours,

Dylan Fernandes
State Representative
TISBURY MUNICIPAL TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

AMBULANCE COORDINATOR  31 Water Street  508-696-4214
ANIMAL CONTROL  66 High Point Lane - (Dog Pound)  508-696-4209
ASSESSORS  51 Spring Street – (Town Hall)  508-696-4206
BUILDING/ZONING INSPECTOR  66 High Point Lane (Annex)  508-696-4280
CONSERVATION  66 High Point Lane (Annex)  580-696-4260
COUNCIL ON AGING  34 Pine Tree Road  508-696-4205
COUNTY COMMUNICATION CENTER (Non-Emergency)  508-696-1212
DEPT OF PUBLIC WORKS  115 High Point Lane  508-696-4220
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  215 Spring Street  508-696-4250
FINANCE DEPARTMENT  51 Spring Street (Town Hall)  508-696-4205
FIRE DEPARTMENT To Report A Fire  911
FIRE DEPARTMENT, 215 Spring Street (Office- Non-emergency)  508-696-4246
HARBORMASTER  19 Owen Park Way  508-696-4249
HEALTH DEPARTMENT  66 High Point Lane (Annex)  508-696-4290
IT Department 66 High Point Lane (Annex)  508-684-8303
LIBRARY MAIN NUMBER  200 Main Street  508-696-4210
PLANNING BOARD  66 High Point Lane (Annex)  508-696-4270
POLICE DEPARTMENT  31 Water Street
   To Report An Emergency  911
   Headquarters  508-696-4240
RECREATION/PARKS  115 High Point Lane  508-696-4220
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT  40 West William Street
SELECTMEN  51 Spring Street – (Town Hall)  508-696-4202
SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT  51 Spring Street – (Town Hall)  508-696-4201
TAX COLLECTOR/TREASURER  51 Spring Street – (Town Hall)  508-696-4250
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR  51 Spring Street – (Town Hall)  508-696-4203
TOWN CLERK  51 Spring Street – (Town Hall)  508-696-4215
TOWN ACCOUNTANT  51 Spring Street – (Town Hall)  508-696-4255
TOWN HALL  General Information  51 Spring Street  508-696-4201
WATER DEPARTMENT  325 West Spring Street  508-696-4230
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  66 High Point Lane (Annex)  508-696-4260

NOTE: All Departments listed at 51 Spring Street are located in the Main Town Hall
All Town Hall Annex Departments listed are now located at 66 High Point Lane
YEARS OF SERVICE

**RETIRED**

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**10 + YEARS OF SERVICE**

John Childs, Alycelee Pigman, Marie Ann Maciel
Laurie Clements, Pat Harris, Scott Ogden
David Lopes, Amy Maciel, John Crocker
Donald Fraser, Betty Burton, Dan Tanner
John Childs, Troy Maciel, Patrick Murphy
Sean Duarte, Brian Flanders, Jakob Levett

**15 + YEARS OF SERVICE**

Rhonda DeBettencourt, Kenneth Maciel, Ann Marie Cywinski
Cecily Greenaway, Laurie Clements, Scott Ogden

**20 + YEARS OF SERVICE**

Laura Barbera, Tim Sylvia, Kim Serpa
Patty Diamond, Scott Norbury, Hillary Conklin
Sandra Whitworth, Joanna Jernegan, Maura Valley
Ken Barwick, Shawn Dacosta, David Dickson
Kenneth Maciel, George Medeiros, Jason Robinson
Joseph Tierney Jr., Darren Welch

**30 + YEARS OF SERVICE**

Dan Hanavan, Joyce Stiles Tucker, Suzanne Kennedy
Glenn Pinkham, John Schilling, Gary Sylvia

TOWN OF TISBURY WOULD LIKE TO THANK MENTIONED ABOVE EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS FOR THE MANY YEARS OF SERVICE AND DEDICATION!

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