

Fire Department Information

The Fire Department holds meetings every Wednesday night at 7:30pm at the fire station on Plainfield Road. Anyone who wishes to volunteer to become a firefighter or EMT is welcome, but they will be required to take certain training.

TO REPORT A FIRE: Call 911

TO CALL AN AMBULANCE: Call 911

OBTAIN A BURNING PERMIT: 339-5526, 339-5592 or 339-8650

CHIMNEY CLEANING LIST: Greg Cox 339-5526

Town Clerk:

The Town Clerk holds weekly office hours on Wednesdays from 9am – 12noon, and is also available at Selectboard meetings, or by appointment (339-4091).

Tax Collector:

Elizabeth Nichols holds weekly office hours on Thursdays from 4-6pm.

Board of Selectmen:

The Board of Selectmen holds meetings every other Tuesday evening at 7:00pm at the Town Office on Pudding Hollow Road. The Administrative Assistant, Cass Nawrocki, can be contacted at the Town Office (339-5518) on Tuesday afternoons, and Wednesday and Friday mornings, unless otherwise posted.

Board of Assessors:

The Board of Assessors holds meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm at the Town Office on Pudding Hollow Road. The Assessor's Clerk, Virginia Gabert, can be contacted at the Town Office (339-5518) on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 1:00pm-5:00pm, unless otherwise posted.

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By the Town Officers



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DEDICATIONS

For 2019 there are two Dedications:

CourtneyAnn Hoyt



CourtneyAnn Hoyt, of West Hawley, is a mother of two and serves on the Hawley Fire Department and Hawlemont Regional School Committee. She has also formerly served on the Town's Bylaw Review Committee and the Committee that drafted Hawley's Recall Elections Law.

Last year, Courtney was diagnosed with brain cancer. Thankfully, it was detected early enough that aggressive treatment appears to have got the condition under control. She is now recovering from surgery and a bout of

chemical and radiation therapy and, again thankfully, she is back to working and taking care of her family. Even during treatment, and without being asked, Courtney made heroic efforts to attend School Committee, Select Board, and Fire Department meetings and that says a lot about her strong personality, altruism, and dedication to this community.

Courtney's fight against cancer and determined refusal to surrender or give up is a lesson to us all in these difficult times; it is a lesson of strength, resilience; faith, dedication, optimism, and fortitude. Let us all learn something from that.

The Hawley Communications Committee



The Communications Committee consists of Connie Emmett, Hussain Hamdan, Rick Kean (former Chair), Craig Shrimpton, Pamela Shrimpton, and Kirby “Lark” Thwing (current Chair). They are pictured above clockwise, starting at the top left. Former members include Susan Olson, Thom White, and Greg Rowehl. The Committee is responsible for the Town Website, information technology resources, and, perhaps most notably, directing Hawley’s project to roll out affordable high speed Internet (a decade long process at this point). It hasn’t been easy and the road has had many turns, but now we see the light at the end of the tunnel and it is getting bigger and brighter every day. The Four Town wireless network is being built. It is a perfect example of New England “Yankee” know-how: innovative, affordable, effective, and outside the box. Customers are being connected already. More will be soon. Broadband is coming!

Thank you to all members, current and former, for your years of service, hard work, countless meetings attended, thousands of miles driven and hours devoted to the process, and tenacious unwavering efforts to slowly but surely get the job done.

TOWN OFFICIALS – ELECTED

Selectmen/Board of Health (3-year term)

Hussain Hamdan, Chair	Term expires 2022
Robert Root	Term expires 2020
Robert Maclean	Term expires 2021

Town Clerk (3-year term)

Pamela Shrimpton	Term expires 2020
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Assessors (3-year term)

Rick Kean, Chair	Term expires 2020
Ed Brady	Term expires 2022
Eugene LaValley	Term expires 2021

Hawlemont School Committee (3-year term)

Courtney Hoyt	Term expires 2021
Hussain Hamdan	Term expires 2022
Robert Root (appt.)	Term expires 2020

Representative K-12 Com for Mohawk Trail Dist. (3-year term)

Suzanne Crawford	Term expires 2021
Scott Purinton (appt.)	Term expires 2020

Non-Parent Member LEC for Hawlemont District (3-year term)

Suzanne Crawford	Term expires 2022
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Moderator

Kirby (“Lark”) Thwing	Term expires 2020
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Auditor

Carla Clark	Term expires 2020
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TOWN OFFICIALS – APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

(Unless otherwise indicated, terms are for 1 year)

Treasurer & Tax Title Custodian
Virginia Gabert

Tax Collector (3-yr term)
Elizabeth Nichols
Term expires 2021

Administrative Assistant
Cassandra Nawrocki

Highway Superintendent / Tree Warden
Gary Mitchell
Term expires 2020

Police Chief
Jared Bellows
Term expires 2020

Fire Chief / Forest Fire Warden / Emergency Management Director
Gregory Cox
Term expires 2020

Animal Control Officer
Chris Tirone
Term expires 2020

Constable
George Rice
Term expires 2020

Inspectors:

Franklin County (FC) Cooperative Building Inspector Program
James D. Hawkins
Thomas McDonald
James Cerone
Andrew French

Inspector of Animals
Chris Tirone
Term expires 2020

Representative to Veterans Service Center
Chris Tirone
Kevin Richardson
Term expires 2020
Term expires 2020

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEES
APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN**

(Unless otherwise indicated, terms are for one year)

Planning Board (5-year term)

Henry Eggert, Chair (Res. 1/2020)	Term expires 2020
Lloyd Crawford	Term expires 2022
Kathryn Sternstein	Term expires 2024
Paul Norcross	Term expires 2021
Charles Cutler	Term expires 2023

Board of Appeals (Selectboard – 3 year term)

(vacant)	Term expires 2022
(vacant)	Term expires 2020
(vacant)	Term expires 2021

Conservation Commission (3-year term)

Lloyd Crawford, Chair	Term expires 2021
Robert Taylor	Term expires 2022
Williams Cosby	Term expires 2021
Sarah Ohmann	Term expires 2020
Robert Root	Term expires 2022

Historical Commission (3-year term)

Pamela Shrimpton, Chair	Term expires 2020
Lark Thwing	Term expires 2021
Suzy Groden	Term expires 2020
John Sears	Term expires 2022
Bob Root	Term expires 2022

Registrar of Voters (term expires March 31)

Pamela Shrimpton	Daniel Hoyt
Melanie Poudrier	John Sears
Margaret Eggert	

Election Officers (term expires August 31)

Gloria Decker	Christine Hicks
Melanie Poudrier	Tammy Schofield
Elvira Scott	Juanita Clark
Mary Gelinas	Jerome Sternstein

Trina Sternstein	Beth Thwing
Lorraine McCarthy	Lark Thwing
Anne Hamilton-Kean	CourtneyAnn Hoyt
Susan Olsen	Margaret Eggert
Paul Norcross	Suzy Groden
Jane Grant	
Council on Aging	
Ann Falwell	Term expires 2020
Jennifer Rich	Term expires 2020
Elaine Thomson	Term expires 2020
Sandra Dupuis	Term expires 2020
Burial Agent	
Pamela Shrimpton	Term expires 2020
Measurer of Wood and Surveyor of Lumber	
Gregory Cox	Term expires 2020
Agricultural Commission (3-year term)	
(vacant)	Term expires 2022
Peter Mitchell	Term expires 2020
(vacant)	Term expires 2021
Communications Committee (3-year term)	
Lark Thwing, Chair	Term expires 2021
Rick Kean	Term expires 2020
Hussain Hamdan	Term expires 2020
Connie Emmett	Term expires 2022
Pamela Shrimpton	Term expires 2021
Vacant	Term expires 2022
Personnel Committee (3-year term)	
Lark Thwing	Term expires 2021
John Sears	Term expires 2020
Rick Kean, Chair	Term expires 2022
Town Counsel - Donna MacNicol	

TOWN OFFICIALS – APPOINTED BY MODERATOR

Finance Committee: (5-year term)

Kirby (Lark) Thwing, Jr, Chair	Term expires 2020
Lloyd Crawford	Term expires 2023
Carla Clark	Term expires 2024
Jane Grant	Term expires 2021
Tammy Schofield	Term expires 2022

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION WARRANT June 1, 2020

(Due to Disaster Declaration, the FY21 Annual Town Election was postponed to the first Monday in June.)

FRANKLIN SS:

To George A. Rice, Constable of the Town of Hawley, GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn said inhabitants of the Town of Hawley qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Hawley Town Office in said Hawley on Monday, the first day of June, 2020.

The following officers are to be elected by ballot, for which purpose the polls will be open at 11:45 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.:

Selectman/Board of Health (3 year term).

Town Clerk (3 year term).

Auditor (1 year term).

Assessor (3 year term).

Hawlemont School Committee (3 year term).

Representative K-12 Committee for MTRSD (3 year term).

Moderator (1 year term).

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the West Hawley Town Garage, one at the Hawley Town Office, and one at the Hawley Fire Station, seven days at least before time of holding said election.

Given under our hands this twelfth day of May, 2020.

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
June 8, 2020**

(Due to Disaster Declaration, the FY21 Annual Town Meeting was postponed to the second Monday in June.)

There follows a list of business to come before the Annual Town Meeting, June 8, 2020. **This is a preliminary warrant, and the final warrant, as posted, will likely contain additions and alterations.**

At seven o'clock in the evening on Monday, the eighth day of June, 2020 the meeting will convene to act on the following articles,

Article 1: To act on the reports of the Town Officers, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries and compensation of the following offices of the Town as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108, as amended, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Salaries to be voted on are as follows:

Chairman of Selectboard	1,900.00
Selectboard members (2)	1,700.00
Town Clerk	8,755.00

Chairman of Assessors	1,380.00
Assessors members (2)	1,175.00
Auditor	120.00
Moderator	120.00

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following non-school general operation appropriations, or take any other action in relation thereto. Total for Article 3 is \$539,974.56. (This budget can be voted on in its entirety; by Department; or by line. Any balances remaining in these appropriations will close to Surplus Revenue at the end of the fiscal year).

line	Department	FY20	FY21	%
#	Acct Name	Budget	proposed	change
1	Moderator Salaries & wages	\$120.00	\$120.00	0.00%
2				
3	Board of Selectmen	\$26,700.00	\$25,950.00	-2.81%
4	Salaries & wages	\$20,300.00	\$20,300.00	0.00%
5	Expenses	\$3,000.00	\$2,500.00	-16.67%
6	Drug & Alcohol testing	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
7	Legal Service	\$1,000.00	\$750.00	-25.00%
8	Town Reports	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	0.00%
9	Board of Health expenses	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
10				
11	Finance Committee -Expenses	\$150.00	\$150.00	0.00%
12				
13	Town Auditor -Salaries & wages	\$120.00	\$120.00	0.00%
14				
15	Board of Assessors	\$10,680.00	\$9,080.00	-14.98%
16	Salaries & wages	\$3,730.00	\$3,730.00	0.00%
17	Expenses	\$6,950.00	\$5,350.00	-23.02%
18				
19	Treasurer/Financial Admin.	\$41,900.00	\$41,700.00	-0.48%
20	Salaries & wages	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	0.00%
21	Expenses	\$1,900.00	\$1,700.00	-10.53%
22				
23	Collector	\$8,777.54	\$8,677.56	-1.14%
24	Salaries & wages	\$6,202.54	\$6,202.56	0.00%
25	Expenses	\$2,575.00	\$2,475.00	-3.88%

line #	Department Acct Name	FY20 Budget	FY21 proposed	% change
27	Technology/Internet Expenses	\$3,900.00	\$3,550.00	-8.97%
28				
29	Town Clerk	\$11,255.00	\$11,155.00	-0.89%
30	Salaries & wages	\$10,255.00	\$10,255.00	0.00%
31	Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$900.00	-10.00%
32				
33	Town Buildings	\$13,005.00	\$12,650.00	-2.73%
34	Purchased Services	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
35	Repairs & Maintenance		\$95.00	
36	Expenses	\$12,005.00	\$11,555.00	-3.75%
37				
38	Employee Benefits	\$64,536.00	\$67,168.00	1.67%
39	Insurance	\$30,000.00	\$30,500.00	4.08%
40	Retirement	\$29,886.00	\$32,668.00	9.31%
41	Sick Pay fund (accrued pay)	\$4,650.00	\$4,000.00	-13.98%
42				
43	Police	\$1,450.00	\$1,450.00	0.00%
44	Salaries & wages	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	0.00%
45	Expenses	\$250.00	\$250.00	0.00%
46				
47	Fire	\$29,725.00	\$29,625.00	-0.34%
48	Salaries & wages	\$7,575.00	\$7,575.00	0.00%
49	Purchased Services	\$3,000.00	\$3,200.00	6.67%
50	Repairs & Maintenance	\$4,400.00	\$3,500.00	-20.45%
51	Expenses	\$9,550.00	\$10,150.00	6.28%
52	EMS	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	0.00%
53	Capital outlay	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	0.00%
54				
55	Emergency Mgmt	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	0.00%
56	Salaries & wages	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	0.00%
57	Purchased Services	\$150.00	\$150.00	0.00%
58	Expenses	\$100.00	\$100.00	0.00%
59				
60	Franklin Reg Council of Govts	\$10,756.00	\$10,952.00	1.82%
61	FRCOG Assessments			
62	Building Inspection Prog	\$4,500.00	\$4,600.00	2.22%
63	Cooperative Public Health	\$3,266.00	\$3,331.00	1.99%

line	Department	FY20	FY21	%
#	Acct Name	Budget	proposed	change
64	Regional Services	\$2,822.00	\$2,864.00	1.49%
65	Statutory Charges	\$168.00	\$157.00	-6.55%
66				
67	DPW - Highway	\$266,400.00	\$258,900.00	-2.82%
68	Salaries & wages	\$140,000.00	\$140,000.00	0.00%
69	Repairs & Maintenance	\$46,500.00	\$41,500.00	-10.75%
70	DPW Equipment Purchase	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%
71	Expenses - Roads	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00	0.00%
72	Expenses - Garage	\$7,900.00	\$5,400.00	-31.65%
73	Care of Cemeteries	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	0.00%
74				
75	Solid Waste	\$20,200.00	\$25,302.00	25.26%
76	Ashfield Transfer Station	\$14,400.00	\$19,152.00	33.00%
77	F. C.Solid Waste Mgt Dist	\$1,500.00	\$1,650.00	10.00%
78	Tri-Town Landfill Maint.	\$4,300.00	\$4,500.00	4.65%
79				
80	Animal Inspector Expenses	\$250.00	\$250.00	0.00%
81				
82	Veterans Services	\$2,850.00	\$2,850.00	0.00%
83	District assessment	\$750.00	\$750.00	0.00%
84	Veterans Benefits	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	0.00%
85	Veterans expenses	\$100.00	\$100.00	0.00%
86				
87	Boards, Committees	\$1,825.00	\$1,825.00	0.00%
88	Conservation Comm Exp	\$125.00	\$125.00	0.00%
89	Planning Board Exp	\$50.00	\$50.00	0.00%
90	Zoning Bd of Appeals Exp	\$50.00	\$50.00	0.00%
91	COA Grant match	\$400.00	\$400.00	0.00%
92	Tyler Memorial Library	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	0.00%
93				
94	Unclassified	\$27,350.00	\$27,200.00	-0.55%
95	Prop & Liab insurance	\$19,000.00	\$19,500.00	2.63%
96	Surety bonds	\$1,000.00	\$900.00	-10.00%
97	MA Unemployment	\$350.00	\$300.00	-14.29%
98	FICA/Medicare	\$7,000.00	\$6,500.00	-7.14%
99				
100	TOTAL	\$543,249.54	\$539,974.56	-0.60%

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following school general operation appropriations, or take any other action in relation thereto. Total for Article 4 is \$591,656.00. (This budget can be voted on in its entirety; by Department; or by line. Any balances remaining in these appropriations will close to Surplus Revenue at the end of the fiscal year).

line	Department	FY20	FY21	%
#	Acct Name	Budget	proposed	change
101	School - Vocational	\$30,000.00	\$122,500.00	308.33%
102	Transportation	\$10,000.00	\$22,500.00	125.00%
103	Tuition	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00	400.00%
104				
105	School - Hawlemont	\$250,385.00	\$284,954.00	13.81%
106	Operating assessment	\$241,525.00	\$276,683.00	14.56%
107	Capital outlay	\$8,860.00	\$8,271.00	-6.65%
108				
109	School - MTRSD	\$198,244.00	\$184,202.00	-7.08%
110	Operating assessment	\$193,193.00	\$179,251.00	-7.22%
111	Capital outlay	\$5,051.00	\$4,951.00	-1.98%
112				
113	TOTAL	\$ 478,629.00	\$591,656.00	23.61%

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$40,000 from the Vocational Stabilization Fund to the FY21 Vocational Tuition account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to carry forward any balance in the FY20 Vocational Tuition and Vocational Transportation accounts to the FY21 respective accounts, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to accept \$175,120 in Chapter 90 road funds available subject to conditions detailed by Massachusetts Department of Transportation, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide the sum of \$3,000 for Fire Station Building Improvements, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000 for the Reserve Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from Free Cash to the Highway Department Stabilization Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from Free Cash to the General Stabilization Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from Free Cash to the Fire Department Stabilization Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from Free Cash to the Vocational Stabilization Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving account pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, section 53E ½ for which revenues from fees or fines related to licensing and care of dogs will be deposited into the fund and expended to purchase dog tags; pay for various expenses in relation to licensing, care and other related dog control expenses, under the direction of the Town Clerk, and total expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 will be limited to \$2,000, with all money remaining in the fund at the end of the fiscal year, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 15: To transact any other business that legally may come before the Town Meeting.

Hussain A. Hamdan, Chairman
Robert W. Root
Robert MacLean
Selectboard, Town of Hawley

**TOWN OF HAWLEY
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 13, 2019**

The Annual Town Meeting was convened on 5/13/19 at 7:00 pm by Moderator Kirby Lark Thwing.

26 registered Hawley voters were present.

The Annual Town Election results from 5/6/19 are as follows:

<u>CANDIDATES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>SELECTMAN</u>	
Hussain Hamdan	42
Write-Ins	1
Blanks	3
TOTAL:	46
<u>ASSESSOR</u>	
Edward Brady	44
Write-Ins	0
Blanks	2
TOTAL:	46
<u>REP K-12 MTRSD</u>	
Write-Ins (Hussain Hamdan/Peggy Travers	8 + 1
Blanks	37
TOTAL:	46
<u>HAWLEMONT SCHOOL COMMITTEE</u>	
Hussain Hamdan	43
Write-Ins	
Blanks	3
TOTAL:	46
<u>NON PARENT LEC FOR HAWLEMONT</u>	
Suzanne Crawford	43
Write-Ins	0
Blanks	3
TOTAL:	46

<u>MODERATOR</u>	
Kirby "Lark" Thwing	41
Write-Ins	1
Blanks	4
TOTAL:	46
<u>AUDITOR</u>	
Write-Ins (Carla Clark/Jerry McCarthy)	10 + 1
Blanks	35
TOTAL:	46

HUSSAIN HAMDAN HAS ACCEPTED THE POSITION HE WAS WRITTEN IN FOR AS REPRESENTATIVE K-12 TO MTRSD. CARLA CLARK HAS ACCEPTED THE POSITION SHE WAS WRITTEN IN FOR AS AUDITOR.

Article 1: To act on the reports of the Town Officers. **MOVED TO ACCEPT.**
COMMENT BY VIRGINIA GABERT – THERE IS TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR ON THE DRAFT WARRANT IN THE 2018 ANNUAL REPORT ON PAGE 16, LINE 56 HAWLEMONT “OPERATING ASSESSMENT” SHOULD BE \$241,525.00 AS OPPOSED TO \$341,525.00. THIS ERROR WAS NOT CARRIED INTO THE TOTAL FOR HAWLEMONT NOR THE TOTAL FOR THE ARTICLE. THIS ERROR IS ALSO ON THE ACTUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT. REPORTS UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED AS CORRECTED.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries and compensation of the following offices of the Town as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108, as amended, or take any other action in relation thereto.
Salaries to be voted on are as follows:

Chairman of Selectboard	1,900.00
Selectboard members (2)	1,700.00
Town Clerk	8,755.00
Chairman of Assessors	1,380.00
Assessors members (2)	1,175.00
Auditor	120.00
Moderator	120.00

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following general operation appropriations, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Total for Article 3 is **\$1,036, 878.54**. (This budget can be voted on in its entirety; by Department; or by line. Any balances remaining in these appropriations will close to Surplus Revenue at the end of the fiscal year).

	Dept	Acct Name	
1	Moderator		120.00
2		Salaries & wages	120.00
3	Board of Selectmen		26,700.00
4		Salaries & wages	20,300.00
5		Expenses	3,000.00
6		Drug & Alcohol testing	500.00
7		Legal Service	1,000.00
8		Town Reports	1,400.00
9		Board of Health expenses	500.00
10	Finance Committee		150.00
11		Expenses	150.00
12	Town Auditor		120.00
13		Salaries & wages	120.00
14	Board of Assessors		10,680.00
15		Salaries & wages	3,730.00
16		Expenses	6,950.00
17	Treasurer/Financial Administrator		41,900.00
18		Salaries & wages	40,000.00
19		Expenses	1,900.00
20	Collector		8,777.54
21		Salaries & wages	6,202.54
22		Expenses	2,575.00
23	Technology/Internet		3,900.00
24		Expenses	3,900.00
25	Town Clerk		11,255.00

26	Salaries & wages	10,255.00
27	Expenses	1,000.00
28	Town Buildings	13,005.00
29	Purchased Services	1,000.00
30	Repairs & Maintenance	0.00
31	Expenses	12,005.00
32	Employee Benefits	64,536.00
33	Insurance	30,000.00
34	Retirement	29,886.00
35	Accrued sick pay	4,650.00
36	Police Department	1,450.00
37	Salaries & wages	1,200.00
38	Expenses	250.00
39	Fire Department	29,725.00
40	Salaries & wages	7,575.00
41	Purchased Services	3,000.00
42	Repairs & Maintenance	4,400.00
43	Expenses	9,550.00
44	EMS	3,000.00
45	Capital outlay	2,200.00
46	Emergency Mgmt	1,300.00
47	Salaries & wages	1,050.00
48	Purchased Services	150.00
49	Expenses	100.00
50	Franklin Regional Council of Govts	10,756.00
51	FRCOG Assessments	10,756.00
52	School - Vocational	45,000.00
53	Transportation	10,000.00
54	Tuition	35,000.00
55	School - Hawlemont	250,385.00
56	Operating assessment	241,525.00
57	Capital outlay	8,860.00

58	School - MTRSD	198,244.00
59	Operating assessment	193,193.00
60	Capital outlay	5,051.00
61	DPW - Highway	266,400.00
62	Salaries & wages	140,000.00
63	Repairs & Maintenance	46,500.00
64	DPW Equipment Purchase	500.00
65	Expenses - Roads	70,000.00
66	Expenses - Garage	7,900.00
67	Care of Cemeteries	1,500.00
68	Solid Waste	20,200.00
69	Ashfield Transfer Station	14,400.00
70	Frank. Cty Solid Waste Mgt Dist	1,500.00
71	Tri-Town Landfill Maintenance	4,300.00
72	Animal Inspector	250.00
73	Expenses	250.00
74	Veterans Services	2,850.00
75	District assessment	703.42
76	Veterans Benefits/expenses	2,100.00
77	Boards, Committees	1,825.00
78	Conservation Comm. Expenses	125.00
79	Planning Board Expenses	50.00
80	Zoning Board of Appeals Expenses	50.00
81	Council on Aging Grant Match	400.00
82	Tyler Memorial Library	1,200.00
83	Unclassified	27,350.00
84	Prop & Liab insurance	19,000.00
85	Surety bonds	1,000.00
86	Massachusetts unemployment	350.00
87	FICA/Medicare	7,000.00
88	TOTAL	1,036,878.54

JANE GRANT MADE A MOTION TO VOTE ON THESE NUMBERS IN THEIR ENTIRETY WITH THE CORRECTION TO LINE 56. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. ARTICLE 3 APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to accept \$175,120 in Chapter 90 road funds available subject to conditions detailed by Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for the FY20 Assessors Revaluation.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000 for the Reserve Fund.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$600 for Interest Expenses.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$30,000 required for the FY20 payment for the purchase of the used Fire Pumper and 1-ton truck.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from Free Cash to the Highway Department Stabilization Fund.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from Free Cash to the General Stabilization Fund.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving account pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, section 53E ½ for which revenues from fees or fines related to licensing and care of dogs will be deposited into the fund and expended to purchase dog tags; pay for various expenses in relation to licensing, care and other related dog control expenses, under the direction of the Town Clerk, and total expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 will be limited to \$2,000, with all money remaining in the fund at the end of the fiscal year.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum from the FY19 Vocational Tuition or Transportation accounts into the Vocational Education Stabilization Fund.

JANE GRANT MADE A MOTION TO PASS OVER THIS ITEM. MOTION TO PASS OVER PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,600 to extend the engineering for the Special Highway Repair Project – West Hawley Road Culvert Replacement near Sears Road.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, section 57 allowing for the denial, revocation or suspension of a building permit or any local license or permit for a person, corporation or business enterprise for non-payment or delinquent payment of taxes or other municipal charges.

HUSSAIN HAMDAN MOVED TO COMBINE ITEMS 14 AND 15. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. TEDD WHITE VOICED SEVERAL CONCERNS; RICK KEAN MOVED TO TABLE THIS ARTICLE; HUSSAIN STATED THAT IT WOULD BE REFERED TO THE BYAW REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO TABLE.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following bylaw for the “Revocation or Suspension of Local Licenses.”

- a. The Tax Collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges, hereinafter referred to as the Tax Collector, shall annually

and may periodically furnish to each department, board, commission or division, hereinafter referred to as the Licensing Authority, that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation, or business enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the Party, that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges for not less than a six month period, and that such Party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or has a pending petition before the appellate tax board.

- b. The Licensing Authority shall deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the Tax Collector; provided, however, that written notice is given to the Party and the Tax Collector, as required by applicable provisions of law, and the Party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice. Said list shall be prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any Party. The Tax Collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the Licensing Authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purposes of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be issued or renewed until the Licensing Authority receives a certificate issued by the Tax Collector that the Party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges payable to the municipality as of the date of issuance of said certificate.
- c. Any Party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement with the Tax Collector, thereby allowing the Licensing Authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned

upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.

- d. The Board of Selectmen may waive such denial, suspension or revocation for good cause.

This section shall not apply to the following licenses and permits granted under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts: Open burning; section thirteen of chapter forty-eight; bicycle permits; section eleven A of Chapter eighty-five; sales of articles for charitable purposes; section thirty-three of chapter one hundred and one; children work permits; section sixty-nine of chapter one hundred and forty-nine; clubs, associations dispensing food or beverage license; section twenty-one E of chapter one hundred and forty; dog licenses; section one hundred and thirty-seven of chapter one hundred and forty; fishing, hunting, trapping licenses; section twelve of chapter one hundred and thirty-one; marriage licenses; section twenty-eight of chapter two hundred and seven; and theatrical events, public exhibition permits; section one hundred and eighty-one of chapter one hundred and forty.

SEE ITEM 14 NOTES: 14 AND 15 WERE COMBINED.

Article 16: To transact any other business that legally may come before the Town Meeting.

TINKY WEISBLAT BROUGHT UP THE FACT THAT THE CHARLEMONT/HAWLEY CULTURAL COUNCIL IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR FEEDBACK.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Pamela Shrimpton
Hawley Town Clerk**

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Town of Hawley
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
September 9, 2019 7:00 PM**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn said inhabitants of the Town of Hawley qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Hawley Town Office in said Hawley on **Monday, the ninth day of September, 2019 at seven o'clock in the evening** to act on the following articles,

The Meeting was convened at 7:00 p.m. by Moderator Lark Thwing. 17 Hawley registered voters were present.

Article 1: To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$5,000 from the General Stabilization Fund to a newly-created contingency fund for Hawley's share of possible cost overruns on the FHMS Four Town Broadband Network, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article moved and seconded. Per Mr. Hamdan, we went with wireless because we believed we could build the network with most of the costs being covered by the State's funding allocation. While we hoped the State allocation would cover 100% of the costs, we always realized that might not be realistic and that there could be overruns. In any event, putting up \$5,000 is a far more attractive proposition than the Town being liable for \$1 million or more with fiber. ARTICLE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to accept the admission of the Town of Heath, Massachusetts into the Hawlemont Regional School District, contingent upon approval of Articles 3 and 4 on this Warrant.

Article moved and seconded. Christine Hicks asked why this vote was happening as she thought Heath children were already attending Hawlemont. Hussain explained that Heath is currently sending students to Hawlemont pursuant to a tuition agreement, but is not yet a voting member of the District. Another question

was asked about what this would do to assessments. The Regionalization Study Group and Central Office project states that admitting Heath will lower assessments for both Hawley and Charlemont. A question was asked as to how many Heath students there are; no definitive answer could be had but several people estimated between 30 and 60. Hawlemont's overall enrollment is now well over 100, these figures having been substantially elevated by Heath's attending the school. **ARTICLE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Regional Agreement of the Hawlemont Regional School District by striking the current language thereof in its entirety and replacing it with the draft language recommended by the Hawlemont Regional School Committee on August 13, 2019, a copy of which is available at the Hawley Town Office, effective July 1, 2020 and contingent upon approval by the Towns of Charlemont and Heath and the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Article was moved and seconded. Hussain Hamdan presented a floor amendment as follows: Add to the Draft regional Agreement "*SECTION XV—The Member Towns hereby recognize and affirm the fact that the old Charlemont High School building that is part of the Hawlemont Regional School complex belongs to the Town of Charlemont and is leased to the District.*" Amendment was moved and seconded. Hussain explained that this was a formality being done at Charlemont's request to recognize the Town's ownership of the old building in the Regional Agreement itself. No changes are being made to ownership. AMENDMENT APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. ARTICLE 3 AS AMENDED APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to request special legislation to ensure the legality of the amended Hawlemont Regional Agreement discussed in Article 3, specifically including provisions relating to School Committee member election, a requirement that all Member Towns be represented at School Committee meetings, a requirement that at least one representative from each Member Town vote in favor of any School Committee motion for it to be effective, a requirement that budgets be approved by the local

appropriating authorities of all Member Towns, and a provision ensuring the survival of the applicability of the aforesaid items to the Regional School District as a whole in the event that a Town joins or withdraws from the District. A copy of the text of the legislation being requested is available at the Town Office.

Article was moved and seconded. Paul Cooper asked if the State needed to approve the regional agreement. Hussain explained that the Regional Agreement needs to be approved by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. There are several provisions in the current Agreement (dating to 1952) that are inconsistent with current State laws, passed afterwards. One of the big issues has to do with voting. Currently, representatives from Hawley and Charlemont have equal, non-weighted, votes. The current statutory framework contemplates weighting votes by population instead. The Regionalization Study Group and Hawlemont Regional School Committee wanted to preserve equal voting, even though Charlemont is bigger than the other two towns. Charlemont also wanted to assure that Hawley and Heath would not end up voting budgets by two thirds majority at School Committee and then adopting them at Town Meeting over Charlemont's objections. That scenario could leave them, as the largest community, holding the bag for the biggest financial obligation with very little say. Taking this and various legal considerations into account, the Study Group and School Committee decided on the following system. 1. There would be a weighted vote. 2. Notwithstanding the weighting, all votes of the School Committee would require at least one YES vote from a representative of each Member Town (an effective veto power). 3. In addition to School Committee approval, all budgets would need to be passed by town meetings in all three Member Towns (not two thirds as in current State law). These alternative provisions reflect an arrangement the towns feel comfortable with, but they will require special legislation to be legal in today's statutory environment surrounding education law. An amendment was proposed by Hussain Hamdan to the Article: "The Town of Hawley also requests on behalf of itself and of the Hawlemont Regional School District, the following special legislation: *Notwithstanding anything in 603 CMR 41.03(2) or any other regulation or law, the Town of Heath may be admitted to the Hawlemont Regional School District effective July 1, 2020, even if the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has not completed its process for approving this admission and the new regional agreement by December 31, 2019, provided, however, that all necessary approvals are in place by March 1, 2020.*"

Amendment was moved and seconded. Hussain explained this was being sought because scheduling considerations make it unlikely that all the steps will be completed by the December 31, 2019 deadline for Heath's admission to become

effective with the next fiscal year. AMENDMENT WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. ARTICLE 4 AS AMENDED WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Article 5: To transact any other business that legally may come before the Town Meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Pamela Shrimpton
Hawley Town Clerk**

**Hussain A. Hamdan
Hawlemont-Heath Regionalization Study Group**

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Town of Hawley
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2019 7:00 PM**

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by Lark Thwing, Moderator, at 7:00 pm. Nineteen Hawley Registered Voters, and one non-voter were present.

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$45,000 from Free Cash or the Vocational Stabilization Fund to offset the FY20 tax rate.

Moved and seconded to transfer \$45,000 from Free Cash to offset the FY20 tax rate. Approved Unanimously.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the FY20 Vocational Tuition budget by \$15,000 (to \$20,000).

Moved and seconded. The Financial Administrator explained the reasons for the Article – the budget approved at Annual Town Meeting was to cover two students, but only one is enrolled for FY20. This, in conjunction with article 1, was recommended by the Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen in order to reduce the impact of decreased state aid and increased district educational expenses, as well as several other factors, on the average single family tax bill. Approved Unanimously.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to support the following non-binding resolution, to be taken under advisement by the Board of Selectmen:

RESOLVED, that the Town of Hawley, Massachusetts should join the Western Massachusetts Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement and thereby accord reciprocity and full law enforcement powers within the boundaries of Hawley to the law enforcement officers of the other municipalities and police forces that are party to said Agreement in accordance with the provisions contained therein. The consequence of adoption will be that Hawley will be able to request law enforcement mutual aid from any of the other parties to the Agreement; whether or not such aid is rendered is at the discretion of the sending department. Additionally, any police officer belonging to any of the departments that are party to this Agreement may, on his or her own initiative, “self-activate” and engage in law enforcement activities, including arrest, within the borders of any other member community as though he or she was operating within their own town. Current members of the Western Massachusetts Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement include:

<i>Agawam</i>	<i>Granville</i>	<i>Russell</i>
<i>Ashfield</i>	<i>Greenfield</i>	<i>Shelburne</i>
<i>Athol</i>	<i>Hadley</i>	<i>Southampton</i>
<i>Belchertown</i>	<i>Hampden</i>	<i>South Hadley</i>
<i>Bernardston</i>	<i>Hatfield</i>	<i>Southwick</i>
<i>Blandford</i>	<i>Holyoke</i>	<i>Sunderland</i>
<i>Charlemont</i>	<i>Huntington</i>	<i>Tolland</i>
<i>Chester</i>	<i>Leverett</i>	<i>UMASS Amherst</i>
<i>Chesterfield</i>	<i>Longmeadow</i>	<i>Westfield</i>
<i>Chicopee</i>	<i>Middlefield</i>	<i>Westhampton</i>
<i>Colrain</i>	<i>Monson</i>	<i>West Springfield</i>
<i>Conway</i>	<i>Montague</i>	<i>Whately</i>
<i>Cummington</i>	<i>Northfield</i>	<i>Wilbraham</i>
<i>Deerfield</i>	<i>Northampton</i>	<i>Williamsburg</i>
<i>Easthampton</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>Worthington</i>
<i>East Longmeadow</i>	<i>Palmer</i>	
<i>Erving</i>	<i>Pelham</i>	
<i>Gill</i>	<i>Peru</i>	
<i>Goshen</i>	<i>Plainfield</i>	

Discussion ensued. Motion made and seconded to amend the wording to “vote to not support the following non-binding resolution...”. Approved, as amended, unanimously.

Article 4: To transact any other business that legally may come before the Town Meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Shrimpton**

TREASURER'S REPORT FY19

Our new budget setting process is already underway for FY20 to provide more time for review by the Finance Committee as well as the Selectboard before coming before the voters at Annual Town Meeting. An effort is being made to continue to minimize the tax burden while providing the services needed in town and keeping up with the changing times.

Financial reports on the next pages provide the following information:

- **FY20 Budget Overview:** An overview of FY19 and FY20 approved budgets – where the money is coming from and where it will be going.
- **FY20 Budget:** Shows the actual expenditures from FY18 and FY19 and approved appropriations for FY20 by Department and account category, as well as any balances carried from FY19.
- **Accounting of Free Cash FY19:** Shows the amount of Free Cash certified, how much was used, and for what purpose. Also included is Free Cash FY20 projections.
- **Treasurer's Revenues and Account Balances:** Shows the cash balance at the beginning of the year; all money that was received; minus the total of the Treasury Warrants. The balance of cash at the end of the year is verified against the bank balances.
- **FY19 Balance Sheet**

I am enjoying continuing to serve the townspeople (residents and property owners) of Hawley.

Respectfully submitted,
Virginia Gabert, Treasurer/Financial Administrator

FY20 BUDGET OVERVIEW

	FY19 Budget	FY20 Budget
<u>Revenues</u>		
Property Tax Levy	824,729	830,528
State Aid	127,270	109,090
Local Receipts	43,400	48,650
Free Cash	149,586	170,200
Chapter 90	177,126	175,120
	1,322,111	1,333,588
<u>Appropriations</u>		
Raise & Appropriate		
Article 3 - Omnibus	981,894	1,021,879
Article 4 - Ch 90	177,126	175,120
Article 5 – Reval.	1,000	1,500
Article 6 - Audit	0	0
	1,160,020	1,198,499
Free Cash		
Art. 7 - Reserve	2,000	2,000
Art. 8 - Interest	1,200	600
Art. 9 - Truck loan	30,000	30,000
Hwy Equip Purchase	0	60,000
Transfer to Hwy Stabiliz	0	15,000
Transf. to Gen. Stabiliz.	40,000	15,000
Current FY Snow Over	26,214	0
Current FY Other Over	3,352	0
Firefighter Stipends	2,000	0
Hwy Projects Engineer.	46,820	2,600
Prior FY Free Cash	151,586	125,200
Other amounts to be raised		
*Cherry sht charge/offset	2,243	2,559
**Allowance for overlay	8,262	7,330
(Amt certified for Tax Title)	0	0
	10,505	9,889
	1,322,111	1,333,588

FY20 BUDGET

Department Acct Name	FY18 Expended	FY19 Expended	FY20 Appropriated	Bal. Forward
Moderator				
Salaries & wages	118.50	118.50	120.00	
Board of Selectmen	23,001.71	22,622.80	26,700.00	
Salaries & wages	18,372.55	17,915.71	20,300.00	
Expenses	1,905.01	2,518.64	3000.00	
Drug & Alcohol testing	457.00	484.00	500.00	
Legal Service	562.50	0.00	500.00	
Town Reports	1,254.65	1,371.50	1,400.00	
Board of Health expenses	450.00	332.95	500.00	
Finance Committee	85.00	85.00	150.00	
Expenses	85.00	85.00	150.00	
Town Auditor				
Salaries & wages	118.50	118.50	120.00	
Board of Assessors	7,703.66	4,856.46	10,680.00	
Salaries & wages	3,605.00	2,472.00	3,730.00	
Expenses	4,098.66	2,384.46	6,950.00	
Treasurer/Financial Admin.	38,938.57	37,974.35	41,900.00	
Salaries & wages	37,494.60	36,659.99	40,000.00	
Expenses	1,443.97	1,314.36	1,900.00	
Collector	8,144.51	8,031.06	8,777.54	
Salaries & wages	5,875.00	6,021.88	6,202.54	
Expenses	2,269.51	2,009.18	2,575.00	
Technology/Internet	2,172.60	2,570.25	3,900.00	
Expenses	2,172.60	2,570.25	3,900.00	4,397.42
Town Clerk	9,970.35	10,976.13	11,255.00	
Salaries & wages	9,398.50	10,586.50	10,255.00	
Expenses	571.85	389.63	1,000.00	
Town Buildings	19,869.15	11,698.82	13,005.00	
Purchased Services	735.00	840.00	1,000.00	
Repairs & Maint	6,404.10	0.00	0.00	5,987.41
Expenses	12,730.05	10,858.82	12,005.00	

Department Acct Name	FY18 Expended	FY19 Expended	FY20 Appropriated	Bal. Forward
Employee Benefits	52,525.45	53,340.89	64,536.00	
Insurance	28,043.45	36,208.89	30,000.00	
Retirement	24,482.00	27,132.00	29,886.00	
Sick Pay(accrued sick pay)	0.00	0.00	4,650.00	12,980.92
Police	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,450.00	
Salaries & wages	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	
Expenses			250.00	
Fire	22,254.83	25,626.59	29,725.00	
Salaries & wages	4,744.00	6,357.00	7,575.00	
Purchased Services	2,902.14	2,924.99	3,000.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	3,706.41	4,604.23	4,400.00	
Expenses	8,183.70	7,339.24	9,550.00	
EMS	1,719.06	3,157.28	3,000.00	
Capital outlay	999.52	1,243.85	2,200.00	2,467.10
Emergency Mgmt	1,290.90	1,230.80	1,300.00	
Salaries & wages	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,050.00	
Purchased Services	150.00	150.00	150.00	
Expenses	140.90	80.80	100.00	
Fr Reg Co of Govts	10,654.00	10,957.00	10,756.00	
FRCOG Assessments	10,654.00	10,957.00	10,756.00	
School - Vocational	24,629.66	0.00	30,000.00	
Transportation	7,901.66	0.00	10,000.00	
Tuition	16,728.00	0.00	20,000.00	
School – Hawlemont	263,677.00	243,043.00	250,385.00	
Operating assessment	254,195.00	233,751.00	241,525.00	
Capital outlay	9,482.00	9,292.00	8,860.00	
School - MTRSD	173,801.00	181,414.00	198,244.00	
Operating assessment	169,248.00	176,253.00	193,193.00	
Capital outlay	4,553.00	5,161.00	5,051.00	

Department Acct Name	FY18 Expended	FY19 Expended	FY20 Appropriated	Bal. Forward
DPW - Highway	264,259.40	440,615.13	266,400.00	
Salaries & wages	156,269.98	153,003.05	140,000.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	36,897.91	34,640.90	46,500.00	
DPW Equipment Purchase	10,000.00	175,009.00	500.00	
Expenses - Roads	58,864.94	70,417.12	70,000.00	
Expenses - Garage	1,099.07	5,184.22	7,900.00	
Care of Cemeteries	1,127.50	2,360.84	1,500.00	
 Solid Waste	 19,696.33	 19,784.33	 20,200.00	
Expenses	19,696.33	19,784.33	20,200.00	
 Animal Inspector	 0.00	 0.00	 250.00	
Expenses	0.00	0.00	250.00	
 Veterans Services	 714.66	 633.42	 2,850.00	
District assessment	714.66	633.42	750.00	
Veterans Benefits			2,000.00	
Veterans expenses			100.00	
 Boards, Committees..	 1,680.63	 489.00	 1,825.00	
Conservation Comm	100.00	89.00	125.00	
Planning Board	0.00	0.00	50.00	
Zoning Bd of Appeals	0.00	0.00	50.00	
Council on Aging grant match	380.63	400.00	400.00	
Tyler Memorial Library	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	
 Unclassified	 22,878.14	 24,376.33	 27,350.00	
Prop & Liab insurance	15,868.00	17,361.00	19,000.00	
Surety bonds	870.00	870.00	1,000.00	
Mass. unemployment	227.94	231.50	350.00	
FICA/Medicare	,5,912.20	5,913.83	7,000.00	
 TOTAL	 969,184.55	 1,101,562.36	 1,021,878.54	

Department Acct Name	FY18 Expended	FY19 Expended	FY20 Appropriated	Bal. Forward
Separate articles:				
Raise & Appropriate	7,042.14	4,637.13	1,500.00	
Continuing Ed	145.00	110.00	0.00	2,299.83
Independent Audit	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,840.00
Assessors Reval	2,500.00	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,289.73
Tax Title & Foreclosure	4,397.14	3,527.13	0.00	9,499.73
Chapter 90 (not in total)			175,120.00	534,399.00
Free Cash	32,211.86	31,200.00	62,600.00	
Reserve	411.86	0.00	2,000.00	
Debt Service	31,800.00	31,200.00	30,600.00	
Transfer to Fire Stabilization			15,000.00	
Transfer to Hwy Stabilization			15,000.00	
Hwy Repair project		46,820.00	2,600.00	6,215.04
Hwy Dept Truck replacement		180,000.00	0.00	
Total Appropriations	1,008,038.55	1,137,399.49	1,088,578.54	59,977.18

ACCOUNTING OF FREE CASH FY2019

FREE CASH CERTIFIED AS OF 7/1/2018	137,723.00
12/26/18 STM	
Truck purchase	50,000.00
OSHA Compliance	8,000.00
Firefighter Stipends	2,000.00
TOTAL STM TRANSFERS	60,000.00
May 2019 ATM	
Reserve Fund	2,000.00
Interest Expense	600.00
Truck loan payment	30,000.00
General Stabilization	15,000.00
Hwy Stabilization	15,000.00
Hwy Project Engineering	2,600.00
TOTAL ATM TRANSFERS	65,200.00
Balance of Free Cash as of 6/30/19	12,523.00

ACCOUNTING OF FREE CASH FY2020 TO DATE:

FREE CASH CERTIFIED AS OF 7/1/2019	153,975.00
11/18/19 STM	
offset tax rate	45,000.00
TOTAL STM TRANSFERS	45,000.00
May 2020 ATM Tentative requests	
Reserve Fund	2,000.00
General Stabilization	15,000.00
Fire Dept Stabilization	15,000.00
Hwy Stabilization	40,000.00
TOTAL ATM TRANSFERS	72,000.00
Projected balance at 6/30/2020	36,975.00

SURPLUS REVENUE

BALANCE AS OF 7/1/2017	162,669.59
07/19/2018 Tax title pmt	251.66
08/09/2018 Tax title pmt	262.55
09/05/2018 Tax title pmt	219.46
09/05/2018 Tax title pmt	240.72
10/18/2018 Tax title pmt	468.60
11/02/2018 Refund ck prev. closed to tailings	-500.00
11/02/2018 Tax title pmt	310.07
11/08/2018 Tax title pmt	133.28
11/29/2018 Tax title pmt	4,844.28
12/26/2018 STM from Free Cash	-60,000.00
01/03/2019 Tax title pmt	451.61
02/07/2019 Tax title pmt	246.94
03/18/2019 Tax title pmt	192.89
05/13/2019 FY20ATM from FY18 Free Cash	-65,200.00
05/16/2019 Tax title pmt	179.24

06/06/2019	Tax title pmt	247.84
06/08/2019	TaxTaking	-3,216.25
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-3,243.26
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-1,389.26
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-1,535.94
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-428.48
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-4,527.06
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-978.91
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-41.20
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-6.59
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-428.48
06/27/2019	Subsequent added to Tax title	-1,549.12
06/28/2019	TS Irene MEMA reimb received	
	- prev. funded through Free Cash	67,081.00
06/30/2019	diff. betw. recap and commitment	-1.30
06/30/2019	Receipts in excess of budget	16,466.52
06/30/2019	Balance in appropriation accts	67,552.59
06/30/2019	Library offset/cherry sheet chgs	2,243.00
Balance as of 6/30/2019		181,015.99

**TREASURER'S REVENUES AND ACCOUNT BALANCES
REPORT
7/1/2018 – 6/30/2019**

BALANCE AS OF 7/1/18	831,237
RECEIPTS:	
TAX COLLECTIONS:	
Real Estate Taxes	759,493
Personal Property Taxes	42,284
Motor Vehicle Taxes	47,190
In Lieu of Taxes	1,000
Tax Title payments	7,739
Penalties & Interest on Taxes	5,877
Penalties & Interest on Tax Titles	2,795

PERMITS/FEES/LICENSES:

Tax Collector Fees	1,947
Deputy Collector Fees	236
Mark/Dup. Bill Fees	360
Town Clerk Fees	416
Police Department Fees	1,425
Trash Bags/Permits	2,514
Fire Department Permits	130
Dog Licenses & Late Fees	650
Class III Permit	50
WPA Fees	2,607
Conservation Comm. Review Fees	11,950

OTHER:

Insurance proceeds	13,854
Sale of Cemetery Lots	1,750
Refunds	268
Earnings on Investments	1,259
Trust Fund Interest	1,977
Retiree Health Insurance	4,116
Solar Credits (SREC)	2,667
Donations – Fire Department	1,225
Donations – Veterans Assist Fund	630

GRANTS:

Fire Dept Grants (EMPG)	2,220
COA Grant	6,000
DEP Recycling Grant	497
HMPG – Bank Stabilization	17,157
MassTech Collaborative	116,000
MEMA – Storm Damage balance	117,081

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS:

Chapter 70	13,462
Exemptions (Veterans/Blind/Elderly)	3,454
Unrestricted General Aid	44,746
SAPL 12 (Library)	1,875

State Land	63,452
Chp. 90 Reimbursement	0
Registry of Motor Vehicles	145
School Transportation	0
Extended Election Assistance	868
Veteran's Reimbursement	70
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	1,303,166

BALANCE PLUS RECEIPTS:	2,134,403
LESS SELECTMEN'S WARRANTS:	1,362,570

771,833

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES AS OF 6/30/18:

GENERAL FUND:

Checking Accounts	4,229
Savings Accounts	447,892

TRUST FUNDS:

Stabilization Account	298,796
Other Trust Funds	20,916

TOTAL:	771,833
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Respectfully submitted,
Virginia Gabert, Treasurer

BALANCE SHEET

GENERAL FUND

Current Assets (Bank Accounts)	452,120.93
Accounts Receivable	
Personal Property Taxes	
PP Taxes FY16	230.85
PP Taxes FY17	186.00
PP Taxes FY18	227.80
PP Taxes FY19	411.29
Total Pers Property Taxes	1,100.94

Real Estate Taxes	
RE Taxes FY19	25,439.91
RE Taxes FY20	-7.85
Total Real Estate Taxes	25,432.06
Total Taxes due (PP, RE)	26,533.00
Taxes due (Excise Taxes)	
Motor Vehicle 2014	279.37
Motor Vehicle 2015	549.27
Motor Vehicle 2016	643.96
Motor Vehicle 2017	237.09
Motor Vehicle 2018	641.15
Motor Vehicle 2019	6,533.11
Total Excise Taxes	8,883.95
Total Taxes due (other)	8,883.95
Other tax collections	
Tax Titles	53,779.00
Tax Possessions	38,963.19
Total Other tax collections	92,742.19
Due from Federal Govt	
EOC Grant	631.68
EMPG Grant	2,220.00
HMPG - Garage (a/r)	35,071.36
	37,923.04
Due from Commonwealth	
DOER-Green Comm.	34,230.00
MassWorks Grant-Garage	1,408.87
	35,638.87
Capital Projects Receivable	
State Aid to Highways	629,727.93
	629,727.93
Loans Authorized (asset)	1,000,000.00
Due from Stabilization (toGen)	0.00
Due from Trust (toGen)	720.28
Total Current Assets	2,284,290.19

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities

Due to Trust(from Gen.)	1,750.00
Overlay	32,516.12
Payroll Liabilities	54.19

Federal Grants

EMPG	280.00
EOC Grant	631.64
HMPG - Garage	35,071.36
Total Federal Grants	35,983.00

State Grants

Community Policing	1,585.34
DARE Grant	929.02
HCI Grant	2,893.80
DOER - Grn Comm.	71,302.74
IT Grant	697.57
MassWorks - Garage	1,408.87
Library (SAPL) Fund	6,387.64
NIMS education	500.00
DCR Fire Grant	-500.00
Total State Grants	85,204.98

Receipts Reserved for Appopr.

Sale of Real Estate	1,650.00
WPA Fund	6,121.75
Police Dept (FID/LTC)	425.00
Veterans Assist. Fund	629.73
Total Rec. Reserved for Appopr	8,826.48

Revolving Funds

Dog Fund	4,129.15
Total Revolving Funds	4,129.15

Special Revenue liability funds

Donations	1,501.65
Cons Comm Review	6,175.00
Total Special Rev. liability funds	7,676.65

Capital Projects

Chapter 90	629,727.93
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FHMS Netwk Cons.	88,909.18	
Total Capital Projects		718,637.11
Deferred Revenue		
Motor Vehicle	53,779.00	
Tax Title	38,963.19	
Tax Possession	8,883.95	
Total Deferred Revenue		101,626.14
Insurance Reimb. – Prop Damage		7,318.20
Total Other Current Liabilities		1,003,722.02
Long Term Liabilities		
Loan Authorized and Unissued		1,000,000.00
Equity		
Surplus revenue		181,015.99
Other continuing appropriations		
Audit	14,840.00	
Continuing Ed.	2,299.83	
Assessors reval	1,289.73	
Tax Title/Foreclosure	9,499.73	
Town Bldg maint/renov	5,987.41	
Internet Access (ins/eq)	4,397.42	
Vacation pay carry over	4,375.00	
Employee Sick Pay	12,980.92	
Special Hwy Projects	6215.04	
Fire Station Bldg Impv.	2,467.10	
Total Other continuing app.		64,352.18
Free Cash - allocated		35,200.00
Total Equity		280,568.17
TOTAL LIAB & EQUITY		2,284,290.19

TRUST FUNDS

Trust Funds - cash

Gfld Coop CD (Library)	3,784.91
GSB General Stabilization	46,676.25
GSB Hwy Stabilization	45,761.11
GSB Fire Stabilization	100,560.24
PUB Voc. Stabilization	105,798.83

PUB CD - Cemetery 1	1,752.53	
PUB CD - Cemetery 2	1,667.42	
PUB Care of Cemeteries	4,357.45	
PUB Historical Comm	462.30	
PUB Bicentennial CD	8,891.11	
Total Trust Funds - cash	319,712.15	
Due from General Fund (to Trust)	1,750.00	
Due from General (toStabiliz)	0.00	
Total Trust Funds - assets		321,462.15
Due to General Fund(from Stab)	0.00	
Due to General Fund(from trust)	720.28	
Trust Funds (equity)		
Library fund	3,784.91	
Historical Commission trust	9,265.13	
Cemetery Fund	8,895.40	
Stabilization Fund	46,676.25	
Hwy Dept Equip Stabiliz.	45,761.11	
FireEquip Stabiliz. Fund	100,560.24	
Vocational Ed. Stabiliz.	105,798.83	
Total Trust Funds equity	320,741.87	
Total Trust Funds - liab & equity		321,462.15
DEBT		
Long Term Liabilities		
Net Funded Fixed Debt	-30,000.00	30,000.00
Note Payable - trucks	30,000.00	30,000.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT - 2019

REAL ESTATE	BALANCE ON 07/01/18	COMMITTED AFTER 06/30/18	COLLECTED	ABATED	EXEMPTED	REFUNDED	TAX TAKINGS	BALANCE ON 06/30/19
FY 2020	\$0.00	\$397,303.68	\$7.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$397,295.83
FY 2019	\$383,090.67	\$402,924.61	\$742,429.73	\$0.00	\$6,900.00	\$2,882.66	\$14,128.30	\$25,439.91
FY 2018	\$20,271.73	\$0.00	\$17,055.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,216.25	\$0.00
PERSONAL								
PROPERTY								
FY 2020		\$19,516.23	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$19,516.23
FY 2019	\$19,401.35	\$19,310.81	\$38,300.87	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$411.29
FY 2018	\$4,256.19	\$0.00	\$3,983.39	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$272.80
FY 2017	\$186.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$186.00
FY 2016	\$230.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$230.85
MOTOR								
VEHICLE EX								
FY 2019	\$0.00	\$42,357.28	\$35,928.82	\$341.67		\$446.32		\$6,533.11
FY 2018	\$7,099.70	\$5,208.00	\$10,932.42	\$2,014.27		\$1,280.14		\$641.15
FY 2017	\$516.78	\$0.00	\$225.94	\$225.00		\$171.25		\$237.09
FY 2016	\$746.46	\$0.00	\$102.50	\$66.25		\$66.25		\$643.96
FY 2015	\$549.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$549.27
FY 2014	\$279.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$279.37

BOARD OF ASSESSORS REPORT – 2019

The Board of Assessors holds monthly meetings at the Town Office at 7:00 pm on the first Wednesday of each month (unless otherwise posted). The Board currently consists of Ed Brady, Rick Kean, and Gene LaValley, with Rick serving as Chair.

The current Board has a combined experience of over 20 years as Assessors, plus more than that in house construction. In addition, Virginia Gabert will be entering her 24th year as Assessors' Clerk. She provides her invaluable services and holding office hours at the Town Office on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 1-5pm.

The past 12 months have been challenging in that the Board (and especially Virginia) have been mandated by DOR to participate in both a "reval" of all Town properties and a major conversion of the software that is at the core the modern assessing enterprise. Despite these and other challenges, the Board will endeavor to make the next year as smooth as possible for the taxpayers of Hawley, and appreciates your assistance if we require additional data.

The Assessors review approximately 1/3 of the properties in town each year, generally during the spring and summer months. To ensure most accurate assessments, they need to have access to residences in order to perform interior data collection. Any residents who would like to have the Assessors confirm or update the data on file are welcome to contact Virginia Gabert, at the Town Office to set up an appointment. Otherwise, approximately once every three years, all residents can expect a visit. If access is not available, or is denied, the Assessor's will make their best determination based on exterior data collection.

Townpeople with questions about their assessments, abatements, or any other related issues are welcome to contact Virginia Gabert at the Town Office. If she is unable to answer your inquiries, you are invited to attend a meeting of the Board of Assessors and discuss directly with them, or Virginia will gather the necessary information, present it to the Board and contact you with the response.

To assist taxpayers in fulfilling filing requirements, early each year we do a mailing which may include any of the following forms (also

available at the Town Office or on the website at
<http://www.townofhawley.com/hawley-assessors/>):

- “Form of List” for those required to pay personal property taxes
- “Exemption Application” for certain elderly; blind; veterans; farmers
- “Form 3ABC” for charitable organizations

Abatement applications are mailed out separately, upon request.

Timely filing of these forms may result in a reduction in taxes, in some cases; may preserve your right to a full abatement in the case of an overvaluation; and may help you avoid penalties due to late filing.

If you did not receive the correct form; if you have any questions about them; or if you think that you may qualify for an exemption and did not receive an application, please contact Virginia in the Town Office.

All of these forms have important deadlines – many of which the Board of Assessors do not have the authority to extend. Although we mail forms to most landowners, it is the sole responsibility of the landowner to obtain the necessary forms and file them prior to the respective deadlines.

The following chart shows the overall property value of the town in recent years. This past year, the tax rate decreased slightly to \$16.22/1,000. We will continue to keep a very close eye on property values and any possible new growth in order to minimize impacts on taxpayers as much as possible. We anticipate some continued valuation decline in FY21, although the impact of improved internet access, and apparent interest in development possibilities is yet to be seen. We remain hopeful that these may offset the current declining values in following years – we will continue to discuss ways to stabilize the tax rate and minimize impact on tax bills.

Respectfully
submitted,

Rick Kean, Chairman
Ed Brady
Gene LaValley
Board of Assessors

◆ Special Acknowledgement ◆

It is with heavy hearts that the Assessors and Selectboard acknowledge the passing of **Gene LaValley** on April 29, 2020. Gene volunteered to rejoin the Assessors in 2018, quickly became recertified, and played a key role in helping us successfully complete a challenging revaluation process. His quiet, knowledgeable and dependable approach provided a huge service to the Town, and we honor him for it.

Five-Year Summary of Hawley Property Values:

	Personal Property	Real Property	Total Property	Tax Rate per \$1000
2015/2016	2,384,902	48,944,500	51,329,402	15.50
2016/2017	2,462,909	49,278,200	51,741,109	15.50
2017/2018	2,415,209	49,528,100	51,943,309	15.50
2018/2019	2,349,038	47,695,182	50,044,220	16.48
2019/2020	2,143,109	49,060,811	51,203,920	16.22

Real property valuations by location are listed below:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPT OF FISH AND GAME ("WMA")		
	0 ASHFIELD ROAD	82,500
DELUCA, ELLEN/KLING, DOUGLAS	0 ASHFIELD ROAD	400
MASSACHUSETTS FOREST TRUST/MASSACHUSETTS LAND LEAGUE		
	0 ASHFIELD ROAD	9,900
CLARK, BRIAN	0 ASHFIELD ROAD	9,600
HAY, BENJAMIN & DOUGLAS	0 ASHFIELD ROAD	235,200
LAVALLEY, TANNER	0 ASHFIELD ROAD	28,000
MIZULA, MARK & SANDRA	5 ASHFIELD ROAD	121,800
FAY, JOHN C & GLORIA C	12 ASHFIELD ROAD	177,700
DEWKETT, NANCY E. & TODD R	13 ASHFIELD ROAD	219,400
SUMNER, DONNA	17 ASHFIELD ROAD	245,000
LAVALLEY, EUGENE & ARLENE	18 ASHFIELD ROAD	181,400
BOZRAH CEMETERY	0 BOZRAH CROSS ROAD	8,800
CLARK, KYLE & DAPHNE	0 BOZRAH ROAD	82,300
CLARK, JUANITA	7 BOZRAH ROAD	220,800
CLARK, ANGELA M	17 BOZRAH ROAD	195,000
BESHARA, DOROTHY A	18 BOZRAH ROAD	30,200
GRIFFIN, PAUL S. & ELIZABETH H	19 BOZRAH ROAD	74,700
LATSHANG, EILEEN WESTON	24 BOZRAH ROAD	178,000
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DCR (HAWLEY STATE FOREST)		
	0 BUCKLAND ROAD	399,000
BOGART, MATTHEW M	0 BUCKLAND ROAD	33,200
BOUFFARD, DENIS & KAREN	0 BUCKLAND ROAD	28,000
CLARK, THOMAS	0 BUCKLAND ROAD	30,100
GRANT, STEPHEN & ELLEN J	0 BUCKLAND ROAD	53,800
ROSENBAUM, LYNNEL & KIM	0 BUCKLAND ROAD	29,700
ROSENBAUM, LYNNEL & KIM	0 BUCKLAND ROAD	32,500
SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL	0 BUCKLAND ROAD	35,300
WOLCOTT, BRITTANY & ELLSWORTH	28 BUCKLAND ROAD	194,400
ULLIAN, KIT JESSE & SHARI	41 BUCKLAND ROAD	275,600
ORZECKOWSKI, PAUL & KIMBERLY	115 BUCKLAND ROAD	123,800
CLARK, DAVID A. & CARLA C	121 BUCKLAND ROAD	130,100
ULLIAN, FRANK	7 CLARK ROAD	559,800
COTHEY, PAMELA S	15 DODGE BRANCH ROAD	725,600
COTHEY, PAMELA STEWART	15 DODGE BRANCH ROAD	30,800
HOWLAND, STEVEN L. & PARLAND, NANCY M	0 DODGE CORNER ROAD	39,000
LOWELL, DAVID E. & TAMMY M	0 DODGE CORNER ROAD	23,600
RICHARDSON, KEVIN	0 DODGE CORNER ROAD	400
FAIT, HAROLD C	3 DODGE CORNER ROAD	80,900
HARRIS, WILLIAM R. & CONSTANCE H	26 DODGE CORNER ROAD	252,500

FARROW, RICHARD & EVELYN	5 DODGE ROAD	211,900
FAIT, HAROLD C	29 DODGE ROAD	183,400
RICHARDSON, KEVIN	32 DODGE ROAD	195,600
WEEKS, BARBARA	71 DODGE ROAD	88,100
CULVER, HARRY/BRUCE CULVER/DANA CULVER	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	29,200
CULVER, HARRY/BRUCE CULVER/DANA CULVER	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	53,200
CULVER, HARRY/BRUCE CULVER/DANA CULVER	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	72,000
MORRISON, PATRICIA ANN/CASWELL, BRENDA	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	19,500
APREA, FERDINAND & GARYFERDINAND APREA REVOCABLE TRUST	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	101,000
COBB, CHERYLGWIAZDA/HUFF-RUCHIN/TRAILSMITH	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	800
COBB, CHERYLGWIAZDA/HUFF-RUCHIN/TRAILSMITH	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	5,600
QUINNEHTUK COMPANYROCKY RIVER REALTY COMPANY	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	1,600
FAUFAW, KRISTIE/SISUM, MICHAEL	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	37,000
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS FOUNDATION	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	43,600
C TO THE THIRD POWER, LLC	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	63,000
COATES, BRANDIN R & MELISSA S	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	35,000
FIVE COLLEGES, INC	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	36,000
HEIRS & DIVISEES OF GEORGE RICHARDSON	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	2,500
MCLAUGHLIN, CHRISTINE	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	34,100
NATURE CONSERVANCY, INC	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	6,400
ROOT, ROBERT W. & SERRA A	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	65,400
TOWN OF HAWLEY	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	3,000
TOWN OF HAWLEY	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	28,000
TOWN OF HAWLEY	0 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	45,000
MENDE, ROBERT & SHIRLEY	5 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	156,300
WALSH, JAMES & KATHLEEN	8 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	104,900
CLARK, WENDY LAURA	24 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	100,500
DUPUIS, RONALD & SANDRA	28 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	217,500
CLARK, MITCHELL	29 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	69,900
GRISWOLD, GORDON & JANICE	31 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	225,300
LEMIEUX, JULIA	42 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	179,300
SWOPE, WESTON J	45 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	107,200
SWOPE, WESTON J	49 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	238,500
PARRA, PHILIP W. & PATRICIA JEAN	52 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	205,100
CLARK, TIMOTHY J. & ROBYN DEE	54 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	285,500
SCHAEFER, JONATHAN & MARIA LYNN	59 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	463,800
BOUCIAS, GREGG & JEAN	67 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	126,500
CLARK, KYLE & DAPHNE	69 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	306,800
LORENZEN, MARIANNE & R. BRUCE	74 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	219,300
ISAACSEN, KIMBERLY/TANGUAY, JODI	78 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	140,100
TANGUAY, WILLIAM	81 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	270,800
CLARK, TIMOTHY & ROBYN	86 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	114,400
GREEN, HAROLD F	95 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	399,700
EDMONSON, NANCY	98 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	97,900
MCLAUGHLIN, CHRISTINE	103 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	118,100
GERRY, CODY	104 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	159,100
THOMSON, ELAINE & RAYMOND	106 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	200,300
HOWE, ADAM & KELLY	112 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	193,200
HAGEN, SUSAN & SINTIRIS, WILLIAM	115 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	70,500
SEGAL, YVETTE	116 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	161,200
SHUTTA, STEVEN	120 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	212,300

PETERS, CASEY M. & SONJA M	124 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	233,600
BROWN, LOOCIE & SOMMERS, ELIZABETH	127 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	200,800
FAUFAW, KRISTIE & SISUM, MICHAEL	128 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	356,900
OLEFSKY, HAI ZHENG & MAXINE M.Z	153 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	289,200
SPRING, PATRICIA	168 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	107,600
LAWLESS, WILLIAM/MAYNARD-LAWLESS, CHERYL	214 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	83,800
GOTTA, DANIEL/GOTTA, DANIEL (TRUSTEE)	235 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	115,500
COLE, WILLIAM G., TRUSTEEWILLIAM G. COLE LIVING TRUST	252 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	56,600
SWOPE, JAMES & SUSAN	254 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	164,400
KAPSINOW, JAY & TERESITA	259 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	203,900
SWOPE, JAMES & SUSAN	262 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	51,200
BILLINGS, SHAWN R. & ELIZABETH A	270 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	232,900
BELLOWS, KEVIN	282 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	359,500
YATES, RICHARD & CHERYL	292 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	223,900
GRANT, STEPHEN & ELLEN JANE	319 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	244,400
HARRISON, DREW & ASHLEY	324 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	170,200
SONS & DAUGHTERS OF HAWLEY INC	327 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	169,400
ROOT, ROBERT W. & SERRA A	330 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	113,700
SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF HAWLEY	332 EAST HAWLEY ROAD	86,600
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDEPT OF FISH AND GAME ("NHA")	0 EAST ROAD	7,500
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDEPT OF FISH AND GAME ("NHA")	0 EAST ROAD	34,300
BERKSHIRE EAST SKI RESORT, LLC	0 EAST ROAD	1,254,200
BERKSHIRE HIGHLANDS LLC	0 EAST ROAD	29,800
HERRSHAFT, WILLIAM & JUDITH	0 EAST ROAD	1,800
HOLM, LOIS	0 EAST ROAD	56,900
HUGHES, HELENA	0 EAST ROAD	84,400
KLAGSBRUN, EDWARD	0 EAST ROAD	149,000
MAHA SIDDHA NYINGMAPA	0 EAST ROAD	3,700
SKELTON, ROBERT	0 EAST ROAD	7,500
CLARK, KEVIN	22 EAST ROAD	142,200
PIDA, MICHAEL	26 EAST ROAD	39,500
LEVINE, PAUL	40 EAST ROAD	245,000
BILLIEL, DARLENE	42 EAST ROAD	112,900
ALBRIGHT, LINDA	43 EAST ROAD	210,400
MAHA SIDDHA NYINGMAPA	47 EAST ROAD	352,400
SCHAEFER, JAMES & JONATHAN	49 EAST ROAD	323,700
GRISWOLD, DANA	54 EAST ROAD	95,800
KIMBALL, CHRISTINE & SPOONER, ALAN	58 EAST ROAD	3,700
KIMBALL, CHRISTINE & SPOONER, ALAN	58 EAST ROAD	209,500
TEPEDINO, MICHAEL	131 EAST ROAD	510,300
GOSSELIN, KENNETH/PAUL/NICOLE	0 FORGE HILL ROAD	68,200
FITZROY, ROBERT & DANIEL	0 FORGE HILL ROAD	10,100
SINGING BROOK FARM TRUST	0 FORGE HILL ROAD	46,000
FITZROY, KIM	5 FORGE HILL ROAD	226,200
SHRIMPTON, CRAIG & PAMELA	10 FORGE HILL ROAD	49,300
SHRIMPTON, PAMELA & CRAIG	12 FORGE HILL ROAD	280,700
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDEPT OF FISH AND GAME ("UNNAMED SITE")	0 FORGET ROAD	8,000
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDEPT OF FISH AND GAME ("WMA")	0 FORGET ROAD	65,600
DOANE CEMETERY	0 FORGET ROAD	22,200

KOZODOY, NEAL & MAUD	0 FORGET ROAD	41,400
CHURCHILL, GERTRUDE C/O CORBOSIERO	5 FORGET ROAD	128,600
DONELSON, LAURI	21 FORGET ROAD	176,700
STEWART, HOLLY B	26 FORGET ROAD	259,500
ABRASHKIN, WILLIAM/NIGROSH, BARRY	29 FORGET ROAD	1,200
NIGROSH, BARRY	29 FORGET ROAD	242,400
BRADY, EDWARD	30 FORGET ROAD	302,400
BRYANT, TANYA/FITZPATRICK, MARGARET	35 FORGET ROAD	188,000
ANDERSON, EDWARD/VALENTE-BLOUGH, SIENNA	49 FORGET ROAD	690,500
LACINSKI, PAUL M & KLIPPENSTEIN, AMY SIDE HILL FARM	58 FORGET ROAD	566,900
LACINSKI, PAUL & KLIPPENSTEIN, AMY	59 FORGET ROAD	296,400
BEGA, KATHRYN	86 FORGET ROAD	89,800
KOZODOY, NEAL & MAUD N	90 FORGET ROAD	477,700
GELINAS, MARY	97 FORGET ROAD	331,100
NELSON, RONALD	101 FORGET ROAD	238,900
HOPKINS, SUSAN & BERNARD	107 FORGET ROAD	232,000
MITCHELL, PETER	112 FORGET ROAD	173,300
KEAN, RICHARD/HAMILTON-KEAN, ANNE	117 FORGET ROAD	170,600
KEAN, RICHARD/HAMILTON-KEAN, ANNE	121 FORGET ROAD	432,100
AUBREY, SUZANNE	7 GROUT ROAD	144,800
HOFFMAN, KAREN	20 GROUT ROAD	302,100
SOUTH HAWLEY CEMETERY	0 HALLOCKVILLE ROAD	1,500
CLARK, BRIAN	0 HAWLEY ROAD	40,900
COOPER, PAUL R (TRUSTEE)PAUL R COOPER 2012 TRUST	13 HOWES ROAD	742,800
BURSTEIN, MERWYN/BURSTEIN, RUTH	0 HUNT ROAD	29,500
WALCZAK, MARGARET/ZAGORSKI, CATHERINE & CELIA	0 HUNT ROAD	4,500
DEFRIESSE, GEORGETTE	0 HUNT ROAD	4,500
GURSKI, FRANK	0 HUNT ROAD	4,500
TOWN OF HAWLEY	0 HUNT ROAD	4,500
GOULD, RICHARD	3 HUNT ROAD	212,200
COATES, BRANDIN R & MELISSA S	9 HUNT ROAD	194,100
DESROSIERS, JACOB	11 HUNT ROAD	157,500
DEFRIESSE, GEORGETTE	15 HUNT ROAD	195,800
DREHER, SARAH (HEIRS AND DIVISEES OF)	17 HUNT ROAD	51,700
AUBREY, TODD/KIMBERLY/BRIAN & BARBARA	19 HUNT ROAD	85,800
OHMANN, SARAH/COOK, RICHARD	0 LABELLE ROAD	6,300
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDEPT OF FISH AND GAME ("NHA")	0 LABELLE ROAD	173,100
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDEPT OF FISH AND GAME("PROJECTAVERY")	0 LABELLE ROAD	103,500
KAPLAN, DAVID A	0 LABELLE ROAD	72,600
LABELLE, CURTIS W. & NORMA J	0 LABELLE ROAD	3,700
MILT, ELLEN	0 LABELLE ROAD	21,500
OHMANN, SARAH/COOK, RICHARD	53 LABELLE ROAD	270,100
KING, MICHAEL & EVELYN	62 LABELLE ROAD	392,300
BEARFOOT REALITY TRUST	80 LABELLE ROAD	250,200
EASTWOOD, BRUCE	19 LOWER FORGET ROAD	117,900
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDCR (KENNETH DUBUQUE STATE FOREST)	0 MIDDLE ROAD	77,000
PURINTON, SCOTT	0 MIDDLE ROAD	12,100
PURINTON,SCOTT R. & ELLEN S	0 MIDDLE ROAD	10,100

TAYLOR, ROBERT & HOLT, PATRICIA	0 MIDDLE ROAD	2,200
MACLEAN, ROBERT & JOANNE	25 MIDDLE ROAD	144,100
ATKINS, CARLOS	35 MIDDLE ROAD	203,200
TAYLOR, ROBERT	38 MIDDLE ROAD	184,000
PURDY, PETER & SUSANPURDY FAMILY REALTY TRUST	45 MIDDLE ROAD	149,700
STEJSKAL, JIRI & MARYJIRI & MARY STEJSKAL REALTY TRUST	51 MIDDLE ROAD	73,900
SINGING BROOK FARM TRUST	54 MIDDLE ROAD	323,900
COSBY, WILLIAMS C. & JOHNSON, LISA	59 MIDDLE ROAD	497,600
SMART, ELISE C & JOHN III	79 MIDDLE ROAD	228,000
GILLAN, DUNCAN & RUTH	81 MIDDLE ROAD	316,200
WEISBLAT, TINKY	84 MIDDLE ROAD	271,900
CLARK, LESLIE	92 MIDDLE ROAD	243,600
PYLE, DAVID & ELIZABETH, ALICE PARKER	96 MIDDLE ROAD	282,100
TOWN OF HAWLEY	0 OLD TOWN COMMON	22,200
ASHFIELD ROD & GUN CLUB	0 PLAINFIELD ROAD	4,700
EAST HAWLEY CEMETERY	0 PLAINFIELD ROAD	26,300
HEIRS & DIVISEES OF JOHN THOMPSON III	0 PLAINFIELD ROAD	600
SCHOFIELD, MICHAEL & TAMMY	3 PLAINFIELD ROAD	158,500
O'CONNOR, JANE M	4 PLAINFIELD ROAD	227,000
TOWN OF HAWLEY/FIRE STATION	16 PLAINFIELD ROAD	70,100
SHAFFER INVESTMENT TRUSTSHAFFER, MARY E. TRUSTEE	21 PLAINFIELD ROAD	163,100
MCSPARRAN, CRAIG	23 PLAINFIELD ROAD	64,000
CARANTIT, JEFFREY & JULIE	38 PLAINFIELD ROAD	417,600
CHAFFEE, KENNETH & SHIELA	68 PLAINFIELD ROAD	269,700
SCOTT, RAYMOND	79 PLAINFIELD ROAD	151,300
SCOTT, JAMES	86 PLAINFIELD ROAD	234,000
AUSTIN, JUDITH	102 PLAINFIELD ROAD	260,300
MAPLESTONE, LLC	118 PLAINFIELD ROAD	350,500
ORZECKOWSKI, PAUL & KIMBERLY	0 POND ROAD	36,700
COX, GREGORY	0 POND ROAD	23,100
POUDRIER, RAYMOND & MELANIE	0 POND ROAD	4,500
THWING, KIRBY & ELIZABETH	6 POND ROAD	174,700
COX, GREGORY & DRAVES, SUSAN	13 POND ROAD	182,200
THWING, KIRBY JR & ELIZABETH	15 POND ROAD	232,900
POUDRIER, RAYMOND	29 POND ROAD	433,100
PUDDING HOLLOW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION	0 PUDDING HOLLOW RD	400
VELAZQUEZ, JASON, REGINA & SHEILA	7 PUDDING HOLLOW RD	100,500
BERTSCH, KENNETH/BECK, PETER	0 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	46,800
CROSSIN, CLARA ESTATE	0 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	35,000
SEARS, JOHN F/SEARS, KATHRYN	0 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	33,100
MCDERMOTT, SEAN P. & AVA S	0 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	91,600
PUDDING HOLLOW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION	0 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	28,000
SEARS, PAUL	0 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	28,000
WHITE, DOUGLAS	0 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	12,100
WHITE, MARK	0 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	18,200
BECK, R. PETER & BERTSCH, KENNETH	6 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	294,500
TOWN OF HAWLEY	8 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	69,700
CLARK, BRYAN	12 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	298,500
RICH, DAVID	45 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	266,600
DEFOUGEROLLES, ANTONIN & PAULA	61 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	834,000
STERNSTEIN, KATHRYN & JEROMETRUSTEES	73 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	174,900

SEARS, KATHRYN E.ILENE H. SEARS REVOCABLE TRUST	87 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	288,700
SEARS, JOHN FTHE JOHN F. SEARS REALTY TRUST	100 PUDDING HOLLOW ROAD	245,900
CUTLER, CHARLES	0 SAVOY ROAD	72,200
SCHOCH, AMY	2 SAVOY ROAD	148,100
CUTLER, CHARLES	22 SAVOY ROAD	323,300
DWIGHT, WILLIAM & LEWIS, LIDA	36 SAVOY ROAD	100,900
WHITE, MARK	0 SEARS ROAD	49,600
CHARLAND, JOYCE M	21 SEARS ROAD	144,800
SINGING BROOK FARM TRUST	17 SINGING BROOK LANE	324,700
BERKSHIRE HIGHLANDS LLC	0 SOUTH RIVER ROAD	21,000
LANOUE, NELSON & BRENDA	0 SOUTH RIVER ROAD	30,000
OVITT, BRIAN	0 SOUTH RIVER ROAD	17,300
CLARK, CLIFFORD JR	0 SOUTH ROAD	49,600
NEWELL, DAVID & VIRGINIA	0 SOUTH ROAD	30,100
TAVERN TOP TRUST	0 SOUTH ROAD	9,700
YATES, JEFFREY & LAURA	0 SOUTH ROAD	45,300
CLARK, SARA & WALL, KENNETH	133 SOUTH ROAD	187,400
NEW ENGLAND FORESTRY FOUNDATION INC	0 STETSON ROAD	123,500
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDCR (KENNETH DUBUQUE STATE FOREST)	0 STETSON ROAD	37,000
SHIPPEE, MURIEL/PHELPS, HAROLD S	0 STETSON ROAD	53,000
TOWN OF HAWLEY	2 STETSON ROAD	87,200
BRISSETTE, BARBARA (HEIRS & DEVISEES)	7 STETSON ROAD	41,800
KELLOGG, BARBARA E	9 STETSON ROAD	204,400
KIMBALL, STEPHEN & SUSAN	13 STETSON ROAD	174,800
MCCULLOCH, DAVID J	0 WATSON ROAD	700
SCHREIBER, THOMAS & SHIRLEY	0 WATSON ROAD	1,600
POPE, BENJAMIN L. & DANIEL C	7 WATSON ROAD	241,600
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDCR (KENNETH DUBUQUE STATE FOREST)	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	1,255,100
GORMLEY, JUNE/GORMLEY REALTY TRUST	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	28,000
NORCROSS, PAUL & RITA/NORCROSS, MIKEL A	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	31,800
EICHHOLZ, MARY & TIMOTHYTRUSTEES OF OAKWOOD FARM TRUST	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	6,400
BERTSCH, KENNETH & BECK, R. PETER	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	9,800
DESMARAIS, DEAN F. & MARIA C	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	19,500
HOLMES, TOBY A.O	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	32,300
NGUYEN, LEIM THANH	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	19,500
PURINTON, SCOTT R	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	20,300
SPOFFORD, BEVERLY	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	800
STREETER, PAUL	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	85,600
WHITE, TEDD	0 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	53,400
WHITE, MARK	10 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	231,200
WHITE, TEDD F	28 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	291,900
EGGERT, HENRY	48 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	293,000
GRODEN, SUZY Q & EMMETT, CONSTANCE	50 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	183,800
GRODEN, SUZY Q & EMMETT, CONSTANCE	54 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	44,300
PURINTON, SCOTT & ELLEN	60 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	368,500
BROWNELL, RYAN/SEARS, ELIZABETH	70 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	232,300
FALWELL, RICHARD L & ANN J	74 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	78,000
DESMARAIS, DEAN	76 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	78,400
DESMARAIS, DEAN	76 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	169,900
DESROCHERS, JAMES & KATHLEEN	90 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	155,200

DONNA M. LEMOINE LIVING TRUST	94 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	59,900
DONNA M. LEMOINE LIVING TRUST	96 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	36,500
TRIVERS, GRAHAME & PEGGY	108 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	313,000
HANECAK, NANCY AND VIENS, JOSLYN	128 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	151,700
HICKS, CHRISTINE	136 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	143,100
WEST HAWLEY ROAD REALTY TRUST	138 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	120,500
BONNETTE, DONALD	140 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	69,300
BONNETTE, DONALD	144 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	166,400
YOUMELL, DEBORAH & JAMES	197 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	37,100
CLARK, WAYNE & ROBIN	198 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	117,100
MACNICOLL, SAM	200 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	135,100
ROBERTS, BRYAN & MILLER, JACQUELYN	201 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	283,200
FRIED, RICHARD G	213 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	180,500
DESMARAIS, DAVID	214 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	36,500
SOULE, PETER & CHRISTOPHER	228 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	296,400
BROWNE, MARGARET	232 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	323,500
HICKS, CHRISTINE & TIRONE, CHRISTOPHER	240 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	171,600
TOWN OF HAWLEY	247 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	439,000
GORMLEY, JUNE/GORMLEY REALTY TRUST	264 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	324,900
WARGO, MARIE	282 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	346,100
SARLY, ANNA/LERNER, LYNN	298 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	271,600
LAMOUNTAIN, ROBERT & PATRICIA	319 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	41,000
ROWEHL, GREGORY	324 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	198,800
LAMOUNTAIN, ROBERT & PATRICIA	325 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	43,800
HOYT, THOMAS & VIOLA	326 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	127,800
VAN BATENBURG, DEBORAH	330 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	36,500
SCHMITT, MICHAEL	334 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	100,400
DECKER, DOUGLAS & GLORIA	335 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	73,300
DECKER, DOUGLAS G. & GLORIA J	336 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	45,500
HODGKINS, GUY & MARIE	337 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	85,800
STONE, ROBERT (ESTATE OF)	339 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	75,500
HOYT, WILLIAM	340 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	69,200
NORCROSS, PAUL D & RITA M	380 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	117,800
NORCROSS, PAUL & RITA	382 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	370,300
BIGELOW, MARK	390 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	172,000
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTSDCR (KENNETH DUBUQUE STATE FOREST)	466 WEST HAWLEY ROAD	3,926,300
DOYLE, KAREN/RICE, BETH & RICE, BRIAN	0 WEST HILL ROAD	30,000
BRADLEY, DOUGLAS & DEBORAH	0 WEST HILL ROAD	46,000
BUTHMAN, NANCY & WAGNER, ELEANOR	0 WEST HILL ROAD	43,000
MAYNARD, ADIN & LLAMA	0 WEST HILL ROAD	31,700
PALMER, SHEILA	0 WEST HILL ROAD	32,500
WEST HAWLEY CEMETERY ASSOCIATION	0 WEST HILL ROAD	1,500
MCCARTHY, GERARD & LORRAINE	7 WEST HILL ROAD	208,200
RICE, GEORGE	20 WEST HILL ROAD	415,500
RICE, GAIL	28 WEST HILL ROAD	150,800
SAVOIE, JOSEPH & LINDA	40 WEST HILL ROAD	198,000
WRIGHT, MICHAEL & MEWIS, RUTH	43 WEST HILL ROAD	52,900
CRAWFORD, LLOYD & SUZANNE	63 WEST HILL ROAD	395,000
CRAWFORD, LLOYD & SUZANNE	64 WEST HILL ROAD	231,000
HARDING, ROBERT R. & CARDWELL, LUCY A	86 WEST HILL ROAD	664,300
CARLE, ROLF	91 WEST HILL ROAD	290,300
MAYNARD, ADIN & LLAMA	120 WEST HILL ROAD	103,700

SELECT BOARD/BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT 2019

*The Hawley Select Board and Board of Health presents
this Annual Report for 2019 and the early part of 2020.*

Bob MacLean, Our New/Old Selectman

Following the passing of our dearly loved colleague, Sarah “Sally” Rich, we had a special election to fill the vacancy on our Board. In June of 2019, Bob MacLean—who has previously served on the Board in the recent past—was elected to fill the seat and has been busy working with us since. Welcome back Bob. The regularly scheduled election in May also returned Chairman Hussain Hamdan to another term.

Private Well Regulations

In August, Hawley’s Board of Health updated and approved new private well regulations. These regulations apply to new construction, as well as water supplies at short and long term rental sites. The new regulations take measures to protect the public health, while rolling back some unnecessary earlier restrictions that we considered onerous, unrealistic, contradictory, or incompatible with Hawley’s rural character. We think our new regulations appropriately meet the needs of our area.

Highway Department

With respect to the roads, we continue to examine our culverts and infrastructure and to prioritize projects based on road conditions and vulnerabilities to events like flooding. A recent project was undertaken to resolve the “slump” on Rt. 8A in the vicinity of Pudding Hollow Road. The culverts at 8A and Sears Road, the King Corner culvert, and the retaining wall of the “dug way” are also projects of interest if we can secure State funding. We are also considering some paving work. The Road Crew recently fabricated their own “bucket lift” which can be attached to the loader and will allow them to do work at elevation. Trees have been trimmed along Rt. 8A and elsewhere to reduce the risk of downed lines. We have also formalized a policy allowing residents to

pick up sand from the Town Garage and allowing local plowing businesses (based in Hawley only) to buy sand “at cost.”

Green Communities

As part of the Green Communities initiative, we spent down the remainder of the grant money we received by installing solar panels at the East Hawley Fire Station, further reducing the Town’s electrical costs.

Broadband Project

The wireless broadband project we all have been waiting on is under construction and already serving some subscribers. Despite a number of delays, (some beyond anyone’s control, including inclement weather in other parts of the country that created a temporary shortage of the wooden poles on which electronics are mounted), the project is moving forward and hopefully will make broadband available to everyone by some point in the summer. As part of rolling this service out, we plan to make public wi-fi available not only at Town Hall, but also at the Garage and Fire Station, though parking restrictions and guidelines will exist to ensure Town vehicles are not blocked off.

The Schools

On the school front, the Hawlemont-Heath regionalization process continues to be worked on as Heath students continue to attend Hawlemont per a tuition agreement with the Mohawk District. Unfortunately, the process has been delayed by a number of technicalities, including the need for special legislation and also negotiations for Heath to pay down its OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits) obligations to the Mohawk District upon withdrawing. Although Hawley already took one vote to approve a proposed Regional Agreement including Heath in the Hawlemont system, it is quite possible that slight changes may require another vote within the next year or so.

As many of you know, we are also in the process of finding a new Superintendent for the Mohawk-Hawlemont system since Michael Buoniconti moved on after 15 years of service. This process is

underway; in the meantime, Pat Bell, who has a history with the Districts, is serving as Interim Superintendent.

Another major issue with the schools is, of course, budgets. They have continued to rise even against the backdrop of declining enrollments and some recent miscalculations resulted in actual expenditures being even higher than what was budgeted. The Hawlemont and Mohawk School Committees have reacted to this by taking a very hard look at expenditures and making some reductions. Even so, the budgets this year are higher than many Towns are comfortable with. In fairness, some of the increases in expenses are not optional. (For example, rising costs of health care and benefits and pay raises already contracted for). However, we all recognize that we need to be creative and take proactive measures as to those expenses we CAN control. We need to balance the imperatives of providing high quality education to our children and living within budgets we can afford. We recognize that what “we can afford” includes the financial limitations presented by the fact that we have many elderly residents on fixed incomes throughout the area and by our need to also provide other necessities, like keeping our roads plowed.

To resolve this issue, we will need to be creative and to consider outside the box efficiencies to help control expenses. One possibility would be using the school buildings for multiple purposes, such as space for Town governments, or partnering with other entities (ex. Community Colleges) to offer lifelong learning programs after hours. This could be done alongside an agreement by which such programs would help share fixed costs of running the facility. The Towns might also consider partnering with the Schools on shared services, such as information technology infrastructure, procurement, and printing. These are just concepts right now, but they are promising possibilities for how we can save money and operate with greater efficiency going forwards.

Emergency Management, the Fire Service, and Coronavirus

On the emergency management side, we have been meeting to update our Hazard Mitigation Plan as required by FEMA to receive certain funding streams. We have put together an emergency needs survey that we periodically send out to residents to identify those with the greatest vulnerability to, say, a prolonged power outage, (as with the 2008 ice storm), so that our first responders can provide help where it is most needed. Interestingly enough, other communities have borrowed

our idea. This information is confidential and only shared among a select few within our emergency services on a “need to know” basis. We recently signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Adams Ambulance Service in Berkshire County, to provide an additional Paramedic level response agency to meet the emergency needs of Hawley residents. Our primary ambulance remains Charlemont, but this measure has added one more service to the several with whom we have mutual aid and formalizes our relationship with Adams after they already responded to a few calls in Hawley. With the help of our Fire Department’s Medical Coordinator, Mike Poirier, we recently obtained a donation of 13 air packs and 25 air bottles from the Town of Lee, which was upgrading to a newer model. These supplies, in good working order and worth tens of thousands of dollars, will greatly increase our operational and training capabilities without costing Hawley a dime.

We have also been working to replace our aging 1981 fire pumper which has many technical issues and has been on the list to be replaced for many years. We recently identified a 1996 engine from South Plattsburg, NY. It is in great condition, can seat six firefighters (the 1981 can only seat three), has ample space for gear, and can fit in the East Hawley Fire Station. At a Special Town Meeting on March 30, 2020, Hawley residents authorized the expenditure of \$40,000 from the Fire Department stabilization fund for this purchase (enough to buy the truck and add some modifications necessary for Hawley’s terrain and rural character). We thank all who turned out for this unconventional meeting, held outdoors on a drizzly evening in order to practice social distancing and other precautions related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Finally, we come to the subject of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). This global pandemic has put all of us in a difficult situation and changed our lives. Our hearts go out to the families around the world who have lost loved ones to this terrifying and sometimes fatal illness which has spread over the globe like wildfire. Although the lethality rate of COVID-19 is actually quite low, it is extremely contagious and, when hundreds of thousands or even millions are infected, even a low lethality rate can mean tens of thousands of deaths. China, Italy, Iran, and Spain have all suffered greatly and the virus has now spread to almost every nation on the globe including our own, severely impacting several places, including New York City. Here in western Mass., we’ve seen it too. We are blessed to live in a rural area with a good health care system and, thus far, not to have been as hard hit as some places, especially those with greater population density. Even so, we can feel the consequences.

“Social distancing” has become the order of the day, schools and businesses have closed, and there have been runs at stores for items like hand sanitizer and, comically, toilet paper. More worrisome is the shortage of masks and protective equipment needed by our health care workers and first responders. Meanwhile, the economy has taken a major hit as a result of massive closures and shutdowns, many people are out of work, and it will be a while before we fully recover from this.

This situation is frightening and not to be taken lightly, but we hope you take some comfort in knowing that we, your local leaders, along with our regional, State, and Federal partners, are taking all reasonable steps to reduce risk and keep us safe. This may result in some annoying measures, like holding Town Meetings outdoors, carrying out some Board and Committee meetings via conference call, temporarily shutting down physical access to Town Hall, or possibly even rescheduling the local election (or requesting you vote by absentee ballot), but bear with us. Any measures we take will be temporary and we will always act in what we believe are the best interests of the Town and our citizens. If we hold a Board meeting by phone, the public will be allowed to access recordings of it online, or by requesting the same from Town Hall. We have also made arrangements for residents to access essential items, like dump bags, and pay their bills during any time when the Town Office is closed to the public.

It goes without saying that you should do everything reasonable to keep you, your loved ones, and those around you safe. Please take public health advisories seriously. Try to avoid large crowds and gatherings, at least until the spread of the virus dies down. Practice safe distancing from those outside your immediate family and good hygiene, including washing your hands frequently and keeping them away from your face. Don't go to work or out in public if you are sick. And remember, you're not just protecting yourself. You're also preventing spread of the virus to others, including those who may be more vulnerable than you.

This is a good time to reassert the guidance we frequently give. Whether it is a pandemic, flood, ice storm, power outage, or war, we need to be ready for disruptive disasters. Preparedness of a community begins at the individual level. Again, we urge you to be ready for situations where you may be stuck at home for longer than you would like. If you don't have a generator already, please consider buying one. Don't leave your car in the yard with an empty gas tank. Try to keep at least a week (and preferably two weeks) of food, sanitary items, and

essential medical supplies on hand at home. All of these steps will help cushion the impact of major events going forwards, but the important part is to be ready BEFORE the event happens, rather than playing catch up when everyone is in the supermarket fighting over toilet paper.

In a way, this terrible situation has brought out the best in people. We have watched the schools continue to provide breakfasts and lunches to students “take out” style. Hawley residents have come forward and offered to pick up groceries for neighbors who are older or have health conditions that would make going out risky. Politicians across party lines have chosen to work together to make sure there is enough health care equipment and provide financial relief to millions of people and businesses struggling with the economic fallout we are facing. Our thanks go out to everyone who has stepped up and answered the call at all levels, including volunteers helping neighbors; our first responders, EMTs, firefighters, police and public health staff; doctors and health care workers; educators continuing to teach students through take home assignments and remote means; grocery store clerks; drivers, engineers, and pilots moving food, people and supplies across the country; post office and delivery workers; auto mechanics; construction and telecommunications workers; business owners who continue to care for their employees and customers in these tough times; restaurants providing “take out” food; local, regional, State and Federal officials directing the response; our own Town Office staff and Road Crew members; receptionists answering the phone at doctors’ offices around the country; manufactures of medical supplies and, yes, toilet paper; psychologists and mental health workers helping people through their anxiety; scientists and researchers; the military (which is playing a significant role in responding to this crisis); and everyone else who is working through this situation, many at risk to themselves, to continue to provide essential services. We also thank the general public who have made sacrifices and put up with inconveniences while cooperating with public health advisories and modifying their activities to stem the spread of COVID-19.

Please continue to support your local businesses any way you safely can. If restaurants are closed to “sit downs” please still consider ordering “take out.” Buy items in moderation so others can too; don’t be the one who takes five cases of toilet paper while others can’t get a roll. If you have the means to, consider donating to charities, food banks, or other relief organizations for those who have fallen on hard times. Help out in any way you can. And, even in this climate of social distancing,

remember to be supportive of friends, family, and neighbors. We're all in this together. People are struggling emotionally right now and a phone call to let someone know, "I'm there for you," can mean the world.

This is not the first crisis we've faced; it won't be the last. But this too shall pass. Even as we are conscious of what is wrong in the world, let's be thankful for what is right and be optimistic about the future. May God bless the Town of Hawley, our beautiful Nation, and our fellow human beings, the world over.

Very Respectfully,
YOUR HAWLEY BOARD OF SELECTMEN & BOARD OF HEALTH: *Hussain A. Hamdan—Chairman; Robert MacLean; Robert Root*

*Special message from the
Board of Selectmen*

If you are interested in serving the Town in some capacity, please notify the Board of Selectmen. Anyone interested in learning more can inquire at the Town Office, or contact one of the committee members directly.

On behalf of the Town, we would like to extend our appreciation to all those who have served the Town over the years, and we welcome any newcomers.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Calendar Year 2019

The Hawley Finance Committee is fully staffed. It is composed of Lloyd Crawford, Jane Grant, Carla Clark, Tammy Schofield, and Lark Thwing (Chair).

The committee met four times in 2019. Minutes for Fin Com meetings can be found on the town website at

<http://www.townofhawley.com/finance-committee/#minutes>

- Feb 8, review mid-year budget to actuals, review numerous items relating to this upcoming budget,
- Mar 1, finalize FY 2020 budget recommendation, finalize FY 2020 Capital budget,
- May 17, meet to move money around in several accounts and other year end issues
- Oct 25, meeting to discuss and recommend ways to mitigate an unexpectedly high tax rate due to one time factors.

As town auditor, Carla reviewed the town financials and found them in order. As of December 31, 2019, the current balances in the stabilization accounts were:

General Stabilization	\$56,735
Highway Stabilization	\$60,819
Fire Department Stabilization	\$100,945
Vocational School Stabilization	\$105,988

The tax rate for FY20 has been approved at \$16.22. Free cash certified on 11/15/2019 was \$153,975. \$45,000 was used at the 11/18/2019 special town meeting to reduce the tax rate.

To learn more about the role of the Finance Committee, visit the town website and click on the Finance Committee link, or go to <http://www.townofhawley.com/?q=node/14>.

Lark Thwing
Finance Committee Chair

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK - 2019

VITAL STATISTICS

Births: 1

Deaths: 2

Marriages: 2

Current number of residents: 313

Current number of registered votes: 260

This year I would once again like to thank my hardworking Election Officers for their dedication during our Town, State and Federal elections. They not only work diligently during elections from early in the morn' to the counting of paper ballots by hand at the end of the night, but they make the long election days go by quickly due to the catching up we do on Hawley happenings in between voters.

Thanks to Melanie Poudrier (Deputy), Suzy Groden, Christine Hicks, Gloria Decker, Elvira Scott, Lorraine McCarthy, Juanita Clark, Lark Thwing, Beth Thwing, Anne Hamilton-Kean, Margaret Eggert, Mary Gelinas, Jane Grant, Paul Norcross, Trina Sternstein, Jerry Sternstein, CourtneyAnn Hoyt, Tammy Schofield, and Susan Olson. And thanks to all the Hawley bakers who provide for the election bake sales which not only raise funds for our non-profit historical society but keep the election workers happy.

Working at Town Hall is also a rewarding experience due to my co-workers Cass Nawrocki and Virginia Gabert. All the committees in Hawley run smoothly thanks to the work of the volunteers, and the Highway Department keeps our roads in good shape allowing us to travel during our hard Hawley winters. The Selectboard works tirelessly

making all important decisions and the Fire Department and EMTs are amazing and dedicated professionals. I'm just pointing out that for a small town of approximately 310 folks, we get things done...all the things large cities like Boston do...just on a smaller scale.

It's nice to be in a small town where I not only know the faces and names of almost all the residents, but I know their dogs' names as well! Here is hoping for a healthy 2020 for all Hawleyites.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Shrimpton
Hawley Town Clerk

**FRANKLIN REGIONAL
COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Services provided in 2019**

The Franklin Regional Council of Governments was created in 1997 with the dissolution of county government. The founders of the FRCOG envisioned a municipal voluntary membership organization that uses a membership fee model to provide regional and municipal services to the small governments of Franklin County and to the region as a whole.

The FRCOG provides two broad categories of service to Franklin County: municipal service delivery, and planning, prevention and preparedness. The programs and services we provide are developed in response to needs expressed by municipal officials or boards and/or to take advantage of a funding source that benefits Franklin County. Most programs, projects and services are optional; municipalities choose the services they need and want.

All municipal service delivery programs but two have voluntary municipal participation, where the town "buys into" work that is difficult to fill with part time expertise. Each program develops

a service fee that sensibly and equitably covers the cost of the program. Internally, the COG manages municipal service programs like a municipal enterprise fund, in that revenues and expenses for the program are tracked separately from our general fund.

FRCOG's planning, prevention and preparedness work is varied, and evolves as the needs of the region and its municipalities change and funding sources become available. All of the work in this category is grant funded. The FRCOG is the state-designated Regional Planning Agency for Franklin County. Planning, as a discipline, is the work of ensuring that the region's, and each town's, land use and infrastructure will meet future housing, environmental protection, economic development, and quality of life needs.

Most of the FRCOG's emergency preparedness work is on the regional scale, which includes all of Franklin County, and, in a few cases, the four counties of western Massachusetts. The FRCOG is the fiduciary for Homeland Security funding allocated to western Massachusetts on behalf of the Western Region Homeland Security Advisory Council (WRHSAC). In this capacity, the FRCOG prioritizes and manages the expenditure of funds for emergency response equipment and other capital and for small and large-scale training events. The FRCOG also serves as the sponsoring organization of the Western Massachusetts Health and Medical Coordinating Coalition (HMCC). The HMCC coordinates public health and medical emergency preparedness in Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden, and Hampshire Counties. And the FRCOG coordinates the Mohawk Area Public Health Coalition (MAPHCO), a public health emergency preparedness coalition serving 24 Franklin County towns and two Hampshire County towns.

The final service in this category area is the Partnership for Youth (PFY). The mission of the Partnership for Youth is to prevent substance use and other risky behaviors, and increase healthy eating and active living to improve young people's ability to reach their full potential and thrive. PFY works closely with the Opioid Task Force to reduce addiction and death by overdose.

Beyond the services described above, the FRCOG represents Franklin County at state and federal levels through advocacy and by serving on boards and commissions, organizes training and workshops for municipal officials, and tries to respond to municipal needs when called upon.

FRANKLIN REGIONAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM Annual Report for CY Ending 12/ 31/18

The Franklin Regional Retirement System is a government agency that serves the 580 retirees, 53 beneficiaries, 1,023 active employees, and 604 inactive members of the towns and agencies in Franklin County. We are organized under Chapter 34b, and subject to the provisions of Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. We receive oversight on the state level from the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC). We contract with an independent auditor to do a full audit of our system each year. We also contract with an actuary to perform a complete actuarial valuation every two years. PERAC audits our operations and financial records every three years.

The retirement benefit we provide replaces participation in the Social Security system and is described as a “defined benefit”, which means that we pay monthly retirement benefits based on the age, salary, and number of years worked at the time a member of our system retires. To be a member, an employee in one of our government units must be working in a permanent position scheduled at 20 hours or more per week and earning \$5,000 or greater annually. Funding of these benefits begins with deductions from the member, and, combined with matching funds from the employing unit, are invested in a mix of stocks, bonds, and indexed funds. Investment earnings are a large part of the funding of retirement benefits, and the allocation of those funds are spread to a variety of sectors to take advantage of positive activity as it occurs in

each sector. Finally, In 1988 it was legislated that we begin saving to become “fully funded” over the ensuing 40 years. At the end of 2018, we are 73.2% funded at 30 years (75%) into the 40 year mandate.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Report for 2019

The year started out with a flurry of activity surrounding four proposed commercial solar installations in East Hawley. Each project sought permits from the Conservation Commission certifying that proposed work would not be in areas subject to the commission's jurisdiction. All projects were affected by the utilities subsequent need to conduct and interconnection study to analyze how these projects and others in surrounding towns could be connected to the grid. Ultimately, two of the projects withdrew permit applications, one is on a long term hold (Yates property) and one received an "Order of Resource Area Delineation" as requested. This property is owned by Brian Clark and surrounds his orchard.

The remainder of the Commission's work in 2019 involved permitting for the reconstruction of 8A near the Pudding Hollow intersection and the replacement of the culvert on 8A near where it intersects Sears Road. The first of these projects was completed in the fall of 2019, The other is on hold pending receipt of funding.

As always, the Commissions reminds people to contact us early in your planning process to see if/how wetlands regulations will affect you. Issuance of a building permit in Hawley does not exempt you, as a permit holder, from this process. Contact Lloyd Crawford 339-4265 for starters. An informal site visit and/or a phone call is a great way to get started.

Submitted,
Lloyd Crawford
Conservation Commission Chair.

PLANNING BOARD
Annual Report for 2019

2019 was another quiet year for the Planning Board. There was no activity at Berkshire East regarding their proposed cluster housing development and it is assumed dead, although there has been no official word on this from Berkshire East. Neither was there any activity on the 3 proposed large scale solar farms in East Hawley. Their status at this time is unknown.

The Planning Board thought it was a good use of time to close at least one of the perceived loopholes in the Hawley Protective Bylaws. Currently the town bylaws provide no control over any proposed development other than Special Activity Centers. A recommendation was made to the Selectboard to expand the bylaw section on Special Permits to cover development of projects beyond just Special Activity Centers, providing the town the protection of a special permit process as a minimum for any proposed commercial or industrial properties. The Selectboard subsequently formed a committee of townspeople to discuss the appropriateness of this idea. This committee met several times in 2019. By the end of 2019, the Planning Board had not received a report on this committee's work, thus no progress has been made on the subject.

As of 2020, my term on the Planning Board expired, and I am officially retired at this time. Thank you for allowing me to serve you.

Henry Eggert,
Retired Chair of the Planning Board

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

2019 REPORT

The current members of the Historical Commission are Pamela Shrimpton (Chair), Robert Root, John Sears, Suzy Groden, and Lark Thwing, Jr. All of the activities of the Historical Commission are conducted in cooperation with the Sons & Daughters of Hawley (SDH).

Doane Cemetery Restoration. The SDH volunteers, who were trained in gravestone restoration by Jonathan Appell in 2018 with the support of a grant from the State Historic Records Advisory Board (SHRAB), held several work days at the Doane Cemetery during the 2019 season. The group continued to clean stones and reset ones that were leaning over or actually fallen on the ground. The restoration crew includes Melanie Poudrier, Lark Twing, Jerry McCarthy, John Sears, Sarah Ohmann, and Suzy Groden. More work remains to be done, but the group made good progress. They plan to continue this work in 2020. It is possible that the crew will complete the work in Doane Cemetery and be able to move on to other cemeteries by 2021.

Archives Project. Pam Shrimpton, Suzy Groden, and John Sears continue to organize the documents in the SDH archive, place them in acid free folders and labeled boxes, and prepare them for cataloguing. With a new grant from the Charlemont-Hawley Cultural Council, SDH purchased additional archival materials for the storage of documents and artifacts. SDH has also received gifts of documents, photos, and books from Muriel Shippee of Buckland and Alice Parker to add to its archive.

Oral History Project. SDH received a grant of \$600 from the Charlemont-Hawley Cultural Council to rent video equipment and a crew to conduct oral history interviews on Hawley Day in August 9, 2020. Will Cosby is leading this project. Will, Suzy Groden, and John Sears are making plans to conduct additional oral history interviews over the course of 2020. Suzy plans to return in 2020 to the work of transcribing SDH's collection of oral history tapes recorded in 1987.

Renovation and Maintenance of Historic Buildings. The Historical Commission and SDH continue to maintain the East Hawley Meetinghouse and the Grove Building. SDH hired David Noonan in 2019 to repair the most seriously damaged and missing plaster in the East Hawley Meetinghouse. He also skim coated the walls in the vestibule and stairwells in the entranceway. The work improved the appearance of the building enormously. SDH has now applied for a grant from the 1772 Foundation to repaint the base of the steeple and the exterior walls of the meetinghouse, and to repoint and paint the basement windows. If the application is successful, this work will be completed in 2020.

Respectfully submitted by Pam Shrimpton and John Sears

HAWLEY COUNCIL ON AGING 2019 REPORT

We dearly miss our treasured colleague and friend “Sally”. We will never forget her!! Jenn Rich and Sandy Dupuis are welcome new members to the Hawley COA.

The annual grant from the Massachusetts Council on Aging again covered the cost of events, newsletters, annual dues to the Charlemont-Hawley Senior Center (located at the Federated Church in Charlemont) and supplies for other programs. The Town also generously contributed to our annual budget, which was greatly appreciated. Council on Aging events are generally free, and we encourage all seniors to attend, meet neighbors, and have fun.

The Hawley COA sponsored:

- Luncheon at Cold River Café.
- Picnic lunch at Charlemont Fairgrounds.
- Vouchers to Atherton Farm.
- Vouchers to Avery’s.

- Town funds enabled us to provide Emergency Kits and to purchase a grill for outings.
- The Hawley-Charlemont Councils on Aging and Boards of Health helped to sponsor the visiting nurse, Lisa White, who is available at the Charlemont-Hawley Senior Center on the second Tuesday of each month (9:30-11:30AM) for a walk-in wellness clinic. A flu clinic was also offered this year.
- Ongoing activities at the Charlemont-Hawley Senior Center are held each Wednesday at 9:30 AM. This is followed by a lunch at noon. In addition to ongoing socializing, many programs are also offered.

We encourage you to check the Charlemont Town website for Senior Center events or check the Post Office for a listing of monthly events.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Falwell, Chair
Elaine Thomson
Sandy Dupuis
Jenn Rich

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE 2020 Annual Report for CY 2019

The Hawley Communications Committee is composed of the following members:

Lark Thwing, Chairman	Pamela Shrimpton, Member
Hussain Hamdan, Member	Constance Emmett, Member
Rick Kean, Member, Webmaster	

Broadband Efforts

2019 has been a busy year for our four Town broadband effort. By the middle of March we had completed virtually all of the legal

paperwork that we had been working on for the prior 15 months and WiValley was able to start physically constructing the network.

A 90 foot fiberglass monopole was erected in Savoy at the end of March and our control building was set in place and by the end of April we had brought electricity to that and by middle of May we had brought fiber Broadband to that location. About a dozen customers close to the Savoy monopole were connected fairly quickly and all of them were very happy and receiving speeds of between 12/2 and 50/10 megabits per second (mbps).

In the meantime we had ordered poles and expected delivery in June or July only to discover that weather conditions in other parts of the country had created a shortage of long poles and we did not actually receive our poles until sometime around the first of September. As of this writing on February 13th 20/20, approximately 85% of the poles have been installed and about 15% have been made operational with both electricity and a signal from one of our base locations, currently Berkshire East and the Savoy monopole.

There have been numerous reasons for the delay in our schedule. Lack of poles was the first problem, having to change sub-contractors for pole installation was another problem, having to change electricians was a third problem. Coordination problems with utilities and permitting issues has been a big problem. Some equipment failures contributed to the delays.

The expected completion date for the network and the hookup of the bulk of the customers is now projected to be by the end of June 2020. Now that we have at least five poles that can generate signals to the home we expect to spend the balance of February connecting customers who are proximate to those five locations.

The pole on Legate Hill, which had substantial opposition including legal action, turned out to be an unusable location after all. Workarounds are being developed when needed in our own four towns to insure redundancy. Remember that the grant funding requirements are that 96% of all the homes in the four towns need to be able to receive a signal of 25/3 mbps or better.

Once we get all the erected poles operational we will be able to pinpoint the locations necessary for the remaining 20% or so of the poles.

To sign up for service, go to **www.otelco.com/fhms**. For news about the project and status updates go to

<http://www.townofhawley.com/wp-content/uploads/docs/Broadband/Four-Towns/four-towns-documents-page.html>

There were no other Communications Committee meetings other than to keep members of the committee updated on the Broadband program.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lark Thwing

CHARLEMONT-HAWLEY CULTURAL COUNCIL Report for 2019

THE CHARLEMONT-HAWLEY CULTURAL COUNCIL WELCOMES YOUR FEEDBACK! If you have questions, suggestions, or comments about any of our activities, please contact any member of the council. In Charlemont, that would be Andrea Santos, John Hoffman, Esther Purinton, Kate Stevens, and Julia White; in Hawley, Ryan Brownell, Lisa Johnson, and Tinky Weisblat. Hawley residents may talk to Charlemont members and Charlemont residents may talk to Hawley members!

Meanwhile, here is a brief report on what we have been up to. The year 2019 was productive for the Charlemont/Hawley Cultural Council. We distributed more than \$10,000 in state funds allocated to our towns for the grant cycle.

Highlights among funded programs during the year included Hawlemont School events, including support for the new and very successful weaving program there; a short play performed at the Charlemont Senior Center; the ongoing Sunday series at the Tyler Memorial Library; the 50th season of Mohawk Trail Concerts; and the Pudding Hollow Pudding Festival.

The Council met in early November to discuss what to do with the \$10,664 we had to allocate for 2020. We look forward to another slate of varied programs. These will include several school activities, the Charlemont Forum, events at the Art Garden, an oral-history project at Hawley Day, a spring SING with Alice Parker, and much more. A full list of programs our towns have funded, as well as our local guidelines and other information, may be found at <http://www.mass-culture.org/Charlemont-Hawley#>. Our emphasis is on programs that take place in our two-town area, and we are politically neutral as required by the state: that is, we do not take politics into consideration when making decisions about grants.

We love helping our towns support the arts in our communities. We encourage attendance to as many local cultural events as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Tinky Weisblat,
Chair Charlemont-Hawley Cultural Council
www.facebook.com/charlemonthawleyculturalcouncil.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Report for 2019

The Hawley Personnel Committee has evolved from an *ad hoc* body with the sole purpose of reviewing and updating Position Descriptions to a broader range of projects.

The Hawley Personnel Committee does not make personnel decisions, *per se*. Rather, it researches issues that come up and makes recommendations to the Selectboard.

Committee Activities During 2020-2021

In 2020-2021, the Committee is slated to focus on a revision of the Hawley Personnel and Procedures Manual, which has not been updated since 2008.

The Committee

The Hawley Personnel Committee currently consists of three members:

- Rick Kean, Chair
- John Sears; and,
- Lark Thwing.

The Committee is seeking new members to add to its ranks during 2020-2021.

The Hawley Personnel Committee meets on an as-needed basis. All meetings are posted on the Town Website and at the Town Office, and minutes are taken.

Respectfully submitted,



Rick Kean
for the Hawley Personnel Committee

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 2019 REPORT

The Hawley Fire Department was busy in 2019, with firefighters taking part in training, adding new equipment and responding to emergency calls.

In 2019, we had 51 calls, including a snowplow fire, 20 medical calls, 10 calls for alarms, 7 calls for wires or trees down, 3 auto accidents, 4 mountain bike accidents, and 3 calls to help other towns.

Our firefighters engaged in a lot of training from the Mass Fire Academy, completing sessions in Roadway Safety, Defensive Driving, Trench Rescue, Structural Hazards, Common Emergencies, & Meters. Some of our firefighters completed training in the use of SCBAs and others were certified as wildland firefighters.

One of our firefighters, Hussain Hamdan, completed the EMT course and now serves with Charlemont ambulance.

We were able to replace one set of our firefighters' turnout gear in 2019 and are replacing another with assistance from a MEMA grant. We are working with other local departments to develop the ability to wash our gear after serious calls to minimize exposure of firefighters to hazardous chemicals in soot.

Besides those activities, firefighters also helped Berkshire East during the replacement of blades on their windmill and helped protect the truck pulls at Cummington Fair in August. With the threat of hurricanes in September, firefighters spent time checking and adjusting equipment to make sure we were ready if one came north. Thankfully none did.

After a local resident's house was damaged by a falling tree, the Firefighters Association helped pay to get their electric service repaired and restored.

We are now investigating replacement of our 1981 pumper with a newer used pumper to provide initial response in East Hawley. Finding parts for the 1981 truck has become increasingly difficult. One of the challenges in finding a suitable replacement truck is the shortness of the truck bays at the East Hawley station.

In the coming year, the Franklin county emergency radio system will likely be replaced by a state system. While the state may provide us with some replacement radio equipment, we may still face additional costs as yet unknown.

Anyone who'd like to serve as a firefighter or EMT should come to the East Hawley station on Wednesday nights at 7:30, or call me at 339-5526. Being a volunteer firefighter or EMT gives you a chance to help your neighbors when emergencies arise. It also provides young people employable job skills – many of our alumni are employed today as EMTs, paramedics or firefighters in other towns, using skills they first learned in Hawley.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER - March 2020

Chief	Greg Cox
Assist. Chief	Bob Root
Captain	Chris Tirone

Lieutenant	Dan Hoyt		
Medical Training Coordinator	Mike Poirier		
EMTs	Mike Poirier	Yvette Segal	Hussain Hamdan
Firefighters	Doug Hoyt	Hussain Hamdan	
	Mike Poirier	Paul Hoyt	
	Shawn Billings	Courtney Hoyt	
	Brandon Root		
Junior Firefighters	Jeffrey Hoyt		

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT Report 2019

How would a coronavirus outbreak affect Hawley? That question, seemingly remote a year ago, is front and center right now.

Since the massive outbreak of the COVID 19 coronavirus struck the Chinese city of Wuhan in late December, infecting more than 80,000 people and killing more than 2,900, the unspoken question that every country faced was, “will it come here?”

Thanks to quick and decisive action by the Trump administration when the virus outbreak was first reported, forbidding non-US residents to come here from China and requiring any US residents who came back home to undergo observation and quarantine, the immediate spread of the COVID 19 virus to the US was effectively prevented. By the end of February, however, non-Chinese origin infections of COVID 19 in the US are surfacing, and it will be much harder going forward to prevent a significant outbreak of the disease.

We don’t know whether there will be an outbreak in Massachusetts, never mind in the US. The state department of public health has already

monitored, and in some cases quarantined, more than 600 people who returned from China after the outbreak began, including some in Pittsfield & Northampton. The town's health board is working the regional health board, Mass Department of Public Health, and the federal Centers for Disease Control to take whatever steps are required to help check for and prepare for any local cases.

The good news is that many companies are working on potential vaccines to protect people from COVID 19. The bad news is that an effective COVID 19 vaccine won't be available for months at best. If a vaccine is developed, Hawley and 4 other West County towns may set up an Emergency Dispensing Site to get the vaccine quickly to our residents – our towns annually have an Emergency Dispensing Drill and flu clinic to practice for such an event.

While the outbreak has resulted in the deaths of nearly 3,000 people worldwide thus far, the COVID 19 coronavirus is not necessarily a deadly killer --- many people in China have had the disease and only ended up with cold-like symptoms. The biggest danger of the coronavirus in any major outbreak is its potential to overwhelm the medical system and our EMS responders with seriously ill patients that tie up resources and make them unavailable for use for other non-COVID patients.

In the coming months we will all undoubtedly learn much more about the effects of the COVID 19 virus. As individuals, we can take steps to prevent it or any other infection such as colds or flu from spreading. Here are some simple steps:

- Wash your hands with soap & water all the time
- Cover your mouth if you cough
- If you are sick, stay home from work/school so you don't give what you've got to someone else.
- Drink plenty of fluids and get plenty of sleep

Gregory Cox
Emergency Management Director

2019 REPORT OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

To the Residents of the Solid Waste District:

The Solid Waste District was formed in 1989 to help Franklin County towns manage all aspects of their solid waste – recyclables, organics, hazardous waste, wastewater treatment sludge, and trash. We continue to provide assistance to twenty-one member towns through administrative support, professional consultation, trainings, and outreach to residents and businesses.

A review of recycling tonnage for 2019 shows a decrease in recycling tonnage compared to 2018. District residents recycled just over 2,700 tons of paper and containers. The recyclables were processed at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility and sold for reuse at domestic and international mills. Towns continued to be paid \$6 per ton of recyclables through calendar year 2019.

In 2019, the District sponsored spring and fall “Clean Sweep” collections for bulky items, electronics, tires, appliances, and anything too big to fit into a trash bag. Over 66 tons of material were recycled or disposed of from the two collections. A total of 664 households participated in these collection events. That is 6% more participation than in 2018.

We held our annual household hazardous waste collection in September 2019. This event allows residents to properly dispose of toxic cleaners, automotive products, pesticides, and other toxic products. A total of 380 households participated in this event. 44% of participants were using the collection for the first time.

We applied for and received grants from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection worth \$123,000 for District towns. Some grant funding is a result of a town’s successful waste management infrastructure. Other grants include equipment to make town transfer stations more efficient.

If you have questions about District programs, call us at 413-772-2438 (MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 TTY/TDD), visit us at 117 Main St., 2nd floor in Greenfield, or visit our website at www.franklincountywastedistrict.org.

Jan Ameen - *Executive Director*

VETERANS' SERVICES DISTRICT

Hawley Annual Report CY19

Our district has now been in operation for 4 ½ years. We are the largest district by community count and square miles covered in the state. Below are just some of the programs and services we help veterans' and their dependents with:

- M.G.L. Ch 115 benefit – Needs based program of financial and medical assistance to eligible veterans and their dependents
- Assistance to veterans and dependents to help file for VA health care, pensions, and service-connected disabilities
- Homeless prevention assistance to veterans and their families
- Employment help with job searches, resumes, and job interview skills
- Burial assistance to include government markers, flag holders, internment, and VA burial reimbursement
- Veterans records retrieval and storage
- Referral to other public and private agencies to include housing, fuel assistance, employment, training, education
- Attend area outreach events (fairs, festivals, health care expos)

We have continued to work hard helping veterans and dependents file for VA benefits due them. Hawley now has around \$9,088.99 in monthly Federal VA payments being paid to approximately 7 Hawley residents. This is tax-free income paid due to service-connected injuries, low-income or survivor status.

We forecast Hawley's M.G.L. Ch115 caseload to remain flat for the foreseeable future. This is the state's low income assistance program for veterans' and their dependents. Although reimbursed back to the towns at 75%, this takes over a year to get back from the state.

For the coming year we will continue to assist veterans, and will emphasize programs for the dependents of veterans, particularly the elderly population. Our long-term goals include up dated hardware and expanding satellite hours in the district.

Timothy Niejadlik, Director
Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans' Services District

COOPERATIVE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACTIVITIES IN HAWLEY – 2019

The Town is a comprehensive member of the CPHS, a health district based at the Franklin Regional Council of Governments. Other neighboring towns sharing the same public health staff include Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Gill, Heath, Rowe, Monroe, Leyden, and Shelburne. In 2019 the Regional Health Director Andrea Crete resigned. The District was fortunate to hire Randy Crochier as the Full Time Regional Health Agent and Lisa Danek-Burke as a Part-Time Health Agent. CPHS activities in Hawley during 2019 included:

- CPHS staff provided coverage for all Title-5 (septic) activities including 3 Soil Evaluation for septic systems, 5 septic system plan reviews (Including 2 having a Local Upgrade Approval), site visits and final inspections of installations, and witnessing 5 Title-5 Inspections prior to property transfer.
- The Public Health Nurse coordinated vaccine, supplies and staff support for flu clinics held at community sites throughout the CPHS district with the help of Medical Reserve Corps members, GCC nursing students and community volunteers, serving 1,083 area residents. A flu clinic held with the Council on Aging at Charlemont Federated Church served 74 area adults, and 159 adults and children were vaccinated at a Hawlemont School Open House and Flu Clinic/Emergency Dispensing Site Drills held at Heath School Building and Mohawk Trail Regional School.
- CPHS staff reviewed requests for Board of Health approval of Building Permits, and ensured compliance with public health requirements.
- The Regional Public Health Nurse provided nursing services to attendees of 10 monthly “Good Neighbors” food distributions at the Charlemont Federated Church where 34 area residents made 78 visits with the nurse for health screening services.
- Staff assisted with administration of the on-line permitting system and issued all annual and regular BOH permits.

- CPHS staff met with the Board of Health as needed and provided technical assistance to the Board with the implementation of their local regulations.
- The Public Health Nurse held 10 monthly “Second Tuesday” walk-in wellness clinics at the Charlemont Federated Church where 14 area residents made 38 visits with the nurse for health screening services and 3 residents received 16 home visits.
- The Public Health Nurse completed state-mandated infectious disease surveillance and reporting for 283 CPHS district cases, one of which was from Hawley.
- CPHS staff conducted two retail food inspections in Hawley.
- Through an FDA Food Safety Grant the district offered low-cost food safety trainings to Hawley residents and businesses.
- The Public Health Nurse offered Files of Life, medication lock boxes, pill sorters, mercury thermometer collection and exchange, and sharps disposal and container exchange to residents. One hundred thirty-six (129) sharps containers were exchanged for CPHS residents over the year.
- Four (4) Hawley residents received low-cost tick tests in 2019 through a local Board of Health subsidy, a savings to them of \$140. The Public Health Nurse provided tick prevention materials and helped residents access grant-funded tick testing through the on-line system at www.tickreport.com. 25% of ticks tested in Hawley in 2019 tested positive for the Lyme Disease Pathogen.
- CPHS staff issued two private well permits for new wells.

Hawley’s representatives to the CPHS Oversight Board in 2019 were Cass Nawrocki, Town Coordinator and Hussain Hamdan, Board of Health and Select Board member. For more information about the Board or the district, visit www.frcog.org.

**FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
FRANKLIN COUNTY
COOPERATIVE BUILDING INSPECTION PROGRAM
2019 ANNUAL REPORT**

Dear Residents of Hawley:

As you know, your town receives building, plumbing, gas, and wiring inspection and zoning enforcement services through the Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program (FCCIP), a forty-five year old shared service housed at the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG). We thank your town for your continued participation in the FCCIP, which allows small towns to have access to professional staff and state-of-the-art technology. In 2019 we issued 2,222 permits, including a significant number of insulation upgrade, solar array and wood/pellet stove permits. A total of 23 new dwelling units were constructed in our 15 member towns.

Our online permitting program went live on July 1, 2011 and has issued 20,758 building, electrical & plumbing/gas permits since then. The program allows you to apply, pay for, and track the progress of any permit online, saving you time and visits to our office in Greenfield. The program has 5,517 registered users.

In 2019, the FCCIP processed the following permits for Hawley:

Residential Building Permits	21
Commercial Building Permits	3
Electrical Permits	16
Plumbing Permits	2
Gas Permits	3
Certificates of Inspection	3
Solid Fuel	2

We would like to remind all residents of the importance of applying for permits for work done. Building, Electrical and Plumbing/Gas permits are required by law and are an essential step in ensuring the safety of our communities. Please feel free to call our office with any building or zoning questions at 774-3167, extension 113.

James D. Hawkins
Building Commissioner

David Roberts
Building Inspector

Andy French
Electrical Inspector

Tom McDonald
Plumb/Gas Inspector



RECOGNIZING THE CLASS OF 2020
CONGRATULATIONS TO HAWLEY'S GRADUATES

This year, we have a single graduate from Mohawk Trail Regional High School. (There were no seniors from Hawley at the tech schools this year).



CONGRATULATIONS TO MOHAWK SENIOR
TINA DERAWAY !

Due to the extraordinary circumstances that occurred in the midst of this school year because due to the Coronavirus outbreak, the ability of our high school seniors to have a conventional graduation, awards ceremony, and other recognition they are due has been called into question. Therefore the Town would like to take this opportunity to honor students like Tina and recognize their achievement. Students this year have faced challenges and been forced to make sacrifices which have not been encountered by any of their contemporaries in recent memory. However, these challenges have not diminished their accomplishments or undermined their resilience and success. We are proud of Tina and the entire Mohawk Class of 2020.

CONGRATULATIONS TO HAWLEMONT 6TH GRADER
MELISSA BARNHARDT !



In the same spirit, we would like to also recognize Hawley's only 6th Grade graduate from Hawlemont Regional Elementary, Melissa Barnhardt.

HAWLEMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2019 Annual Report of the Principal

Hawlemont Elementary School's vision is a community of learners where everyone will flourish. To flourish, we will work together to foster positive emotions, active engagement, strong relationships, meaning in our work, and acknowledge accomplishments. Our mission statement is:

Hawlemont Elementary School provides students with high quality authentic learning experiences in partnership with families and community. Current enrollment is 145 students, which includes preschool through Grade 6. For the June 2020 graduation we have 7 students that will be graduating from Hawlemont Elementary School.

As I continue into my second year as the principal at Hawlemont, we are continuing our work on building core values which are based on GRIT (Goodwill, Responsibility, Integrity and Teamwork). This work has benefited both staff and students as we work together to support children as they grow.

The teaching assignments for the 2019-2020 school year are as follows: Preschool ½ day: Bridget Lilly Preschool Full Day: Olivia Baron, Kindergarten: Sue Mead, First Grade: Marieanne Dambrov, Second Grade: Margaret Miller, Third Grade: Sarah Ricko and Abby Clark, Fourth Grade: Kim Shippee-Hicks, Fifth Grade: Jennifer Sinistore, Sixth Grade: Stephen Bechtel, HAY Agriculture Coordinator: Amber Tulloch, Part time Agricultural Consultant: Jeanne Bruffee, Reading Specialist: Michelle Gajda, Special Education: Alyssa Collins & Valery Lively, Music Teacher: Rick Page, Art/PE: Kylee Bourassa, ELL: Barbara Page and Psychologist/School Counselor: Autumn Jillson. We have many wonderful paraprofessionals who provide additional support in classrooms including one 1:1 paraprofessional. Susan Annear is our secretary, Jeffery Rau is the custodian, the nurse is Sherry Hagar, and Rachel Gammell and Heather Lengieza are the cafeteria staff. Mary Boehmer is our librarian.

Hawlemont Elementary School is fortunate to offer many after school options including 4-H clubs, theater, dance, fitness and seasonal sports. This year there continues to be a 5-day extended day program that runs from 8:00 – 8:30 in the morning and 3:15 to 5:00 in the afternoon.

Hawlemont has been working to give students opportunities both inside and outside the classroom. Six grade and fifth grade students have gone to Nature's Classroom in Rhode Island. The fifth grade works hard in our building to promote recycling and they are working on a biome project. They have a community volunteer that comes in to help the class collect the recycling. In the spring fifth graders will also travel to Red Gate Farm. Fourth grade is studying states as well as learning about wind and wind turbines. The third grade classes just completed their annual play, this year the focus was around the history of Charlemont. Second grade is researching different animals and their environments. Our first graders have learned about season changes along with the position of the sun in the sky. Kindergarten and preschool classes continue to explore nature on a daily basis. One exciting project that Kindergarten does in the spring is they design their own barn yard to display at the All School Celebration on May 8th.

Hawlemont's Local Educational Council (LEC) is comprised of three parents/grandparents, a community member, two teachers, and myself. Together we approved a School Improvement Plan (SIP) that focuses on the following areas: Effective Instruction focusing on Educational Space, Student Empowerment and Meaningful Assessment, Professional Learning Communities and Ongoing Communication. During professional development times, teachers are able to focus on the set goals and help to improve our school.

The H.A.Y. (Hawlemont Agricultural & You) program continues to flourish with many new and exciting initiatives this year. The H.A.Y. program has continued its weaving program for students to learn to weave as well as teaching students many different outdoor education topics. The program has a new space. A room was cleaned out in the basement to make room for the ten+ looms that we have. This year we have our 5th and 6th graders working in the new weaving room during part of their H.A.Y. class and 4H weaving club also uses this. Over the summer H.A.Y. initiated a very successful summer camp where day campers from around the hilltowns participated in many different agricultural activities. The H.A.Y. program continues to be financially stable by selling goods we grow and prepare at our Thursday farmers market, holding fundraisers like our Apple Squeeze (Previously Apple Cider Days) and flower sale and through very generous donations from

local community members and charitable foundations supporting agricultural initiatives. The H.A.Y. program allows us to provide an authentic, innovative and dynamic science-based education to all Hawlemont Elementary students. We would also like to express tremendous amount of gratitude for your continued community support. The Annual H.A.Y conference is April 4, 2020 which anyone is welcome to sign up and join us. We also invite anyone to come to the All School Celebration on May 8, 2020.

I would like to thank the teachers, staff, parents, students, and community members for making this a great school where everyone shows goodwill, responsibility, integrity and teamwork. I look forward to next year and continued growth towards educational excellence at Hawlemont.

Respectfully submitted,
Lindsay Rodriguez
Principal

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL 2019 Annual Report of the Principal

In January 2019, the Mohawk Trail Regional School (MTRS) was awarded a \$150,000 Implementation Grant from Mass IDEAS, a Massachusetts non-profit organization committed to “innovating design in education for all students.” This grant allowed MTRS to consider initiatives and curricular programming to redesign the school experience for all students. Over the course of the past year, students, staff, and community members have engaged in a series of conversations and working groups in order to design a school that meets the needs of 21st century learners. In doing so, we have determined that:

Mohawk Trail Regional School is tailoring the most innovative work in the field of education to fit our rural district as we design the Trailblazer Model. We are building on the best of what we have while challenging the status quo to make education relevant and meaningful for our students. They will acquire 21st century skills while pursuing their

individual passions, as they blaze a trail to graduation. Students will lead their own learning, break down the boundaries of traditional classes, and learn by doing. Experiences at MTRS will move our students beyond textbook knowledge. They will use research to solve real problems, intern at local businesses, design independent projects, and take courses at local colleges. In return, our community will flourish from the increased partnership with our school. MTRS graduates will be curious, adaptable, independent, and motivated citizens who seek to do good work in the world.

This January, we were invited to apply for a Mass IDEAS Implementation Grant for up to \$375,000 to implement the MTRS Trailblazer Model. This model will engage all stakeholders in a transformational school experience including:

- Internships and work study opportunities, on campus and off
- Interdisciplinary courses such as STEM, Bioethics, Artglish, and American Democracy
- Social Emotional Learning supports including: Advisory model for all grades 7-12, site based therapeutic services, and college and career planning
- Portfolio of student work and student led conferences
- Year-long Senior Capstone project culminating with a site based internship
- Community outreach including a monthly Trailblazer Community Group comprised of staff, parents, and community members

Through the Mass IDEAS Planning Grant, we partnered with national education organizations: Next Generation Learning Challenges (NGLC) and EL Education. NGLC and EL Education have been working with MTRS teachers and administrators to transform classrooms to be more student-centered and to develop rigorous and diverse ways in which students can demonstrate their learning. In addition, EL Education will assist teachers in the development of interdisciplinary, hands-on activities that will engage students in rigorous community-based projects. NGLC will support our Instructional Leadership Team and Portfolio Working Group to develop a comprehensive portfolio model. Teachers will help to guide students through the compilation of an individualized portfolio that demonstrates who they are as a learner and goals they set for themselves. NGLC will also work with teachers to

develop assessments that connect to 21st century skills and the real world.

In addition to student-centered learning, co-teaching was implemented to support a diverse learning community as well as to support the social and emotional needs of students. Through co-teaching, classroom educators can plan lessons together, be more hands on and present with students, and provide stronger support for the diversity of their students. While most co-teaching occurs when a special education teacher is assigned to a general education classroom, we also have a few courses where general education teachers collaborate on a single course together. An example of this is our Bioethics course designed and co-taught by a biology and English teacher. Co-teaching has occurred in the following courses: Grade 7 STEM - Grade 7 & 8 Math - Grade 8 Social Studies - Integrated Arts 9 - World History - Geometry - Algebra I and II – Biology – Bioethics - English 10.

Our Athletics Department had a successful 2019 Fall Sports season. MTRS hosted a co-op football team with Turners Falls, bringing together two football programs which would have been eliminated without the partnership due to a lack of numbers. Coach Doug McCloud worked hard to build a community both on and off the football field, and we were proud of their accomplishments! Additionally, our boy's soccer team was awarded the 2019 Sporting Conduct Award for their outstanding sportsmanship this season and made the post-season playoffs this year. We congratulate Coach Nick Brown and our athletes for this award. Lastly, former MTRS Field Hockey Coach Lynn Anderson was named one of the "Massachusetts Women in Athletics Distinguished Service Award" winners. This award recognizes the contributions made by a select few women who have "devoted their time and energy to guide and nurture female athletes." We extend our deepest gratitude to Lynn for her many years of dedication to MTRS athletes!

At the mid-point of the 2019-2020 school year, student enrollment in grades 7-12 is 335. Current enrollment numbers for middle school include approximately 74 students in seventh grade and 68 students in eighth grade. Enrollment for ninth grade is 34 students; 10th grade with 49 students; 54 members of the junior class, and 51 MTRS seniors. We have five students enrolled in our post-graduate program.

Respectfully submitted,
Marisa Mendonsa
Principal

SPECIAL EDUCATION & PUPIL SERVICES REPORT

2019 Annual Report

The Mohawk Trail Regional and Hawlemont Regional Special Education Department serves students in the Sanderson, Colrain, Hawlemont, Buckland-Shelburne, and Mohawk Trail Regional Middle and High Schools. The primary function is to ensure that students with an IEP (Individual Education Plan) or a 504 are being serviced at a level required to make effective progress with supports outlined in their IEP or 504. According to state data, The Mohawk Trail and Hawlemont district have about 21.9% and 29.9% respectively of their student population receiving special education services. Those services are in several areas; speech and language, occupational therapy (OT), physical therapy (PT), counseling and academics. Every school has at least one special education teacher. The OT and PT spend about one day in each school. All of our schools now have a full-time Speech Language Pathologist vs sharing a SLP and an assistant. This model has increased consistency and support for our students, while being cost effective. With an increased need for counseling services for all students, each school has begun to increase this level of support. BSE and Sanderson have a full time school psychologist, Colrain and BSE share an Adjustment Counselor, Hawlemont has a full-time School Psychologist, the Middle and High School have a full time Adjustment Counselor and School Psychologist. The level of services in each building is based on population, need and level of services legally required by an IEP.

The district is legally obligated to support a SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Committee). The meetings have not been well attended. The focus has been on providing workshops to parents such as: transition to middle school, internet safety and rights and responsibilities in special education. The district will continue to support workshops and informational sessions to parents.

The district continues to support several separate programs:

- Students requiring the support of a BCBA (Board Certified Behavior Analyst). The program is located at BSE and currently serves six students. When the program began, students spent more than 50% of their time within the program. Currently those students are in their mainstream classes more than 80% of the time.

- Mohawk Supported Classroom, located in the Middle and High School. The program supports students with social emotional needs. Students receive educational support both in the program and within the general education setting.
- Mohawk Vocational Program services students with Intellectual Disabilities who require a higher level of support. The program also supports those students who are eligible to remain in school until age 22. The focus is on transition and vocational skills. MVP students participate in community job sites such as Berkshire East, Charlene Manor and Aubuchon. We are grateful to the local businesses for supporting our students.

Respectfully Submitted, Leann Loomis
Director of Pupil Personnel Services

MARY LYON FOUNDATION, INC.
2019 Annual Report
Innovative Support of Local Education

The Mary Lyon Foundation is a 501(c)(3) community-based, non-profit organization that provides innovative support for education in our nine West County towns. Named in honor of Buckland-born educator Mary Lyon (1797-1849), who founded Mount Holyoke College, the organization continues to provide programs and services that greatly enhance the quality of local education. We remain happily ensconced in our office at Mohawk Trail Regional School, appreciating the opportunity to work closely with students and staff.

It was a year of positive change and exhilarating growth. A Capacity Grant from the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts allowed us to develop a strong strategic plan which is currently being implemented. From optimizing programs to executive transition, the strategic plan is all encompassing and will guide us far into the future.

Among the many highlights of 2019 was the 14th annual Community Spelling Bee held at Mohawk Trail Regional School on Thursday, November 14. Thirty teams of three adults competed for the

highly coveted Grand Championship, ultimately won by the Boardvarks from the Academy at Charlemont. The team was co-sponsored by Smith Kelleher and Dillon Chevrolet. Their winning word was “xeric”. The Best Dressed Team trophies were presented to Piti Theatre which was sponsored by Premier Bath Systems, LLC.

Another highlight of the year was a gala June event, the Lyonnaise, held at the Warfield House in Charlemont in celebration of excellence in local education. The George Needham Business Award was presented to Calvin and Joan Clark of Clark’s Corvair for support of local education; the Spirit of Adventure Award was presented to Phil Lussier of Ashfield, Jon Van Guilder ’76 received the Outstanding Mohawk Graduate Award, and the Pat Kerrins Career Award was presented to Angela Varilly, Branch Manager of the Greenfield Savings Bank in Shelburne Falls. Lynn Dole was recognized for her 22 years of outstanding service to the school district and Senator Stanley Rosenberg received a standing ovation. Senator Adam Hinds along with Representatives Natalie Blais and Paul Mark provided updates on legislation for rural schools. The long anticipated launch of the newly established Guardian Angel Fund, “for children and their families in difficult circumstances” was announced.

The Board of Trustees joins us in thanking the many generous individuals and businesses in our community for making 2019 a highly successful year. We are especially appreciative of support from the Myrtle Atkinson Foundation as well as Mayhew Steel, Titan Roofing, Greenfield Savings Bank, the United Way of Franklin County, Bristol Myers Squibb, Greenfield Cooperative Bank and the many generous individuals and businesses that support the work of the foundation.

Members of the Board of Trustees in 2019 were Sylvia Orcutt (Past Chair), Laurie Benoit (Chair), Peter Stevens (Vice Chair), Katherine McKay (Recording Secretary), Karen Fairbrother (Treasurer), Marion Taylor, John Cornman, Joni Sessions and Mohawk Trail Regional School student representatives Ella Seward and Lillian VanVleet. Business Manager is Phil Gilfeather-Girton and Sandy Gilbert is the Office Manager. Rita Jaros is our treasured office volunteer.

Sheila Damkoehler and Susan Samoriski, Ed.D.
Co-Executive Directors

FRED WELLS SCHOLARSHIPS

Annual Report for 2019

The trust fund under the Will of Fred W. Wells, former resident of Greenfield, directs that a portion of the income from the fund be used for awarding scholarships in agricultural, mechanical or professional fields. In 2019, the Trustees received 235 applications and approved 224 of those received, amounting to \$198,277. One applicant from Hawley was awarded a scholarship for the 2019-2020 academic year.

Submitted, Dot Lyman
Wells Trust Fund Trustee for Hawley

TYLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

FY 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

LIBRARY CERTIFICATION

Tyler Memorial Library has completed the FY 2020 Annual Report Information Survey (ARIS) and the FY 2020 State Aid to Public Libraries Financial Report for the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. Tyler Memorial Library has been re-certified by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. In FY 2020 Tyler Memorial Library will receive \$2022.00 in State Aid to Public Libraries in two disbursements made in January and March.

STATISTICS

Each year the library completes the ARIS report using statistics gathered during the previous year. For example, the FY 2020 ARIS report was completed using statistics kept throughout the completed FY 2019. The statistics provide a snapshot of library use. The chart below details some of the activities at the library. Patron participant visits are defined as using the library during open hours to obtain resources. All library programs take place when the library is closed. The number of program participants is an additional figure demonstrating use by area residents.

There is some overlap in the number of patron visits and the number of Wi-Fi sessions.

	Number of Patron Visits to Library	Number of Library Program Participants	Number of Wi-Fi Sessions
FY 2017	1,734	316	371
FY 2018	2,045	220	427
FY 2019	2,182	191	374

The chart below provides circulation statistics for each age range for all items circulated by the library including books, audiobooks, DVDs, and magazines.

	Adults	Circulation	Children	Totals
FY 2017	2,135	116	467	2,718
FY 2018	2,717	146	297	3,190
FY2019	3,748	127	314	4,189

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

Tyler Memorial Library strives to meet the needs of patrons for information, education, and entertainment. Each year the library purchases items for patrons of all ages. Tyler Memorial Library purchased a total of 541 new books. The library has many avid fans of science fiction, mysteries, prize winning novels, historical fiction, romance novels, best sellers, and more. The library tries to purchase books and magazines recommended by patrons. Please talk to the librarian about your requests. Tyler Memorial Library subscribes to 38 magazines featuring: science, technology, travel, health, cooking, home improvement, regional interest, arts, fashion, sports, and current events. All magazines can be borrowed. Lastly, Tyler Memorial Library is pleased to announce the receipt of a very generous donation in the amount of \$2000.00. The library is using the funds to begin a graphic novel collection for patrons of all ages.

PROGRAMMING

Through programming, Tyler Memorial Library provides a community hub for area residents to strengthen and build community connections. 119 adults participated in the fourth season of the Sunday Series from October 2019 to March 2019. Each event provided an opportunity for residents of Charlemont, Hawley, and surrounding towns to experience

hands-on workshops facilitated by local artists and artisans. Programs in the Sunday Series included workshops on eco-dyeing, making linked jewelry, rye bread baking, beginning ukulele, hand sewing, and pysanky. Also in 2019 Tyler Memorial Library partnered with Hawlemont Elementary School and brought Tyler Tech to children in grades 2-5 attending the summer camp program. Tyler Tech helps children learn, experiment, and create through STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) activities. Campers made batteries from lemons and potatoes, sun printed bookmarks adding LED lights by sewing with conductive thread, created pop-ups that lit up using batteries and copper foil, and experimented with movement by creating simple robots. Tyler Memorial Library also partnered with four area libraries to present Herman Melville: A 200th Birthday Celebration. The event, attended by 72 participants, included a talk by Buckland resident and literature professor Michael Hoberman and a screening of the documentary film *Call Us Ishmael*.

ADVOCACY

The library director continues to advocate for the library at the state level. In 2019, the library director became the Clerk for the Western Massachusetts Library Advocates (WMLA). The WMLA provides a forum for librarians, trustees, and friends to meet with state legislators, building support for library funding. The WMLA supports local Library Legislative Breakfasts, Library Legislative Day at the Massachusetts State House, and facilitates networking amongst libraries in western Massachusetts. The director is additionally participating on the Library Ecosystems Committee of the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC). In 2018 the MBLC presented an in-depth report about libraries across the Commonwealth called *Public Libraries in Massachusetts: An Evolving Ecosystem*. Using the report as a guide the committee is looking at future directions for libraries.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The library wishes to thank Tyler Memorial Library Trustee Chair Evie Locke, Trustees Esther Haskell and Andrea Santos, and Hawley Representative Lisa Johnson for their dedication to all of our ongoing projects. Meeting every four to six weeks the Trustees have provided guidance and assistance in all areas of library function.

GREEN COMMUNITIES FUNDED PROJECTS

Coordinated by Hawley residents, Will Cosby and Lloyd Crawford



Pedestal Solar Tracking System at the Fire Station with Will Cosby standing by.



Water Storage Wood Pellet System at the Highway Garage