

**THE ANNUAL TOWN REPORT OF THE
TOWN OF GEORGETOWN**



Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020

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REPORT FROM THE GEORGETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

On behalf of the Georgetown School Committee, administration, staff and students, it is my pleasure to submit the 2019-2020 Annual Town Report for the Georgetown Public Schools. While the school year beginning in September 2019 began like most years, our lives changed dramatically on March 13, 2020. To say what happened next was unexpected and challenging is an understatement once COVID 19 came into our lives.

This has been a year like no other in my 42 years in education but I am proud to say that we have survived COVID 19 and continued to educate our students both virtually and in person using a hybrid model. Since October 1, 2021, the student body at both schools was divided into two cohorts and attended school in person either on Tuesdays and Thursdays or Wednesdays and Fridays. Every Monday was a full remote day for all staff and students. In April 2021, all students will be attending school full time five days a week until the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

On March 13, 2020, Governor Charles Baker shut down all schools in the state due to the pandemic and we were forced to transition our instruction from full in school to full remote for an unknown period of time. This was completely unprecedented and unexpected. In only a matter of two weeks, our schools had to rethink and redesign the way we educate our students. We had to (1) ensure that students and staff had access to technology, (2) select a common platform to post assignments and grades which was new to everyone, (3) conduct class meetings through zoom and (4) do whatever we could to help all students be successful while working at home. We were directed by the Commissioner of Education to post enrichment activities and offer opportunities to practice previously taught skills but we were not able to further the curriculum until the last few weeks of the school year. This three month period was challenging for parents, administrators, faculty and staff and students at all levels. While we hoped to get back to school sometime last spring, the students were not able to return to school in person for the remainder of the school year.

The district spent the summer planning a return to school in the fall of 2020 but as the end of the summer came and the COVID numbers rose in the community, we consulted the Board of Health and the School Committee approved beginning the school year in full remote until October 1, 2020. The Commissioner reduced the number of school days from 180 to 170 and required that the first ten days would be dedicated to training staff and getting ready to open school in a different model. When we transitioned to the hybrid model, families had the option to attend school in the buildings two days a week and remotely three days a week or to remain at home and learn remotely five days a week. We were forced to run our buses with one student per seat, change all procedures in the schools and put safety mitigation measures in place. We were unable to run our Perley Integrated Preschool or our Penn Brook Extended Day Program which was a hardship for our families and resulted in a revenue shortfall.

We are very grateful to the town for making federal and state funds available to the school to address the needs caused by COVID. As a result, we were able to add numerous safety measures to ensure that the schools met all state guidelines and regulations including air quality enhancements, additional hand sanitizing stations, furniture and equipment to allow for social distancing, designated personnel for sanitizing and required PPE. Funds were also

received from the state to equip our classrooms with live streaming capabilities to reach our students at home.

Our students continued to achieve academically and athletically this past year. Thirty (30) seniors earned John and Abigail Adams Scholarships. These scholarships are awarded by the state based upon high MCAS performance and they qualify students for free tuition at a Massachusetts college or university of their choice. Thirty eight (38) students were inducted into the National Honor Society. The average score on Advanced Placement exams in all seven subjects was 3.97 overall. One hundred percent (100%) of graduating seniors passed the MCAS reading and mathematics exams and met the graduation requirements from the state. Our SAT scores continued to exceed state and national benchmarks as shown in the chart below.

2020 SAT Summary Results (400 – 800)

Georgetown	Massachusetts	National
Evidence-Based Reading	Evidence-Based Reading	Evidence-Based Reading
& Writing – 579	& Writing – 560	& Writing – 528
Mathematics – 574	Mathematics – 559	Mathematics – 523

2020 GMHS Mean Test Scores (10 – 40)

Georgetown	Massachusetts	National
Reading – 29	Reading – 28	Reading – 27
Writing & Language – 29	Writing & Language – 28	Writing & Language – 26
Math – 29	Math – 28	Math – 26

As you can see, the evidence based-reading & writing performance on the SAT was 19 points above the statewide average and 51 points above the national average. Math performance was 15 points above the statewide average and 51 points above the national average.

Melia Vega received the Superintendent's Award and the School Committee awarded \$28,000 in Baker Adams Scholarships to thirteen students in recognition of their academic performance, school involvement and commitment to community service. Melia Vega was awarded the \$4,000 Citizen's Scholar Award for community service.

Ninety three percent (93%) of the graduating class went on to further their education. Our seniors were accepted to many prestigious colleges including Bentley University, Boston University, Bryant University, Clemson University, University of Connecticut, Dartmouth College, Fairfield University, Fordham University, Northeastern University, Providence College, Purdue University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Suffolk University, United States Coast Guard Academy, University of Massachusetts, Vassar College, Wellesley College, Williams College, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

The MCAS assessment for the 2019-2020 school year was waived due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to school closure in the Spring of 2020, The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education did not require students to participate in any standardized testing. Fortunately, all students of the 2020 class in Georgetown High School had already obtained the necessary MCAS scores and competency equivalents to graduate with the MCAS diplomas.

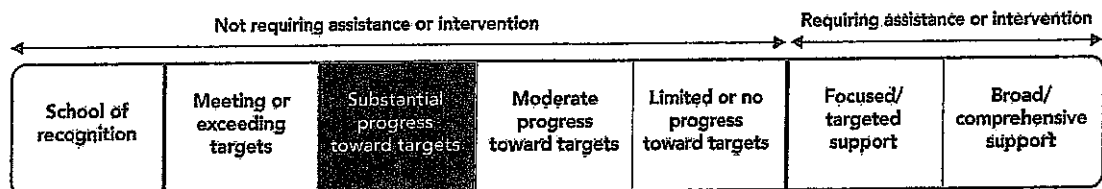
DESE did not issue school, district, or state accountability determinations for the 2019-2020 school year either because many of the metrics used are reliant on the most recent MCAS scores. Accountability classifications from 2019 were carried over and all districts were held harmless due to COVID-19. Georgetown School District is still categorized as "Not requiring assistance or intervention" and is making "substantial progress towards targets".

It has recently been determined that the MCAS for the 2020-2021 school will also be altered with fewer testing sessions per subject area and will not be used to determine school and district accountability ratings. Current high school juniors (who did not take the MCAS during last school year) will not be required to make up the MCAS assessment. Student grades in math, ELA, and science courses will be used to determine their eligibility for graduation instead.

The graphs below reflect Georgetown School District's achievement scores based on the 2019 MCAS assessment:

2020 Accountability Classification*

Massachusetts uses information related to progress toward improvement targets, accountability percentiles, graduation rates, and assessment participation rates to determine each district and school's overall classification. Most districts and schools are placed into two categories: those that require assistance or intervention from the state, and those that do not require assistance or intervention. Districts and schools that are new or very small are classified as having 'insufficient data'. Placing schools and districts into categories helps districts know which schools need more support, and helps the state know which districts need the most assistance. More information is available here: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/accountability/>.

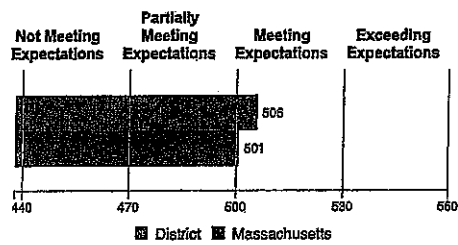


*The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education did not issue school, district, or state accountability determinations for the 2019-20 school year due to the cancellation of state assessments and school closures related to COVID-19. The above accountability information represents determinations from 2019.

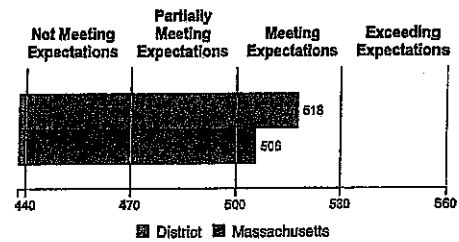
2019 Student Achievement

Next Generation MCAS (Average Scaled Score)

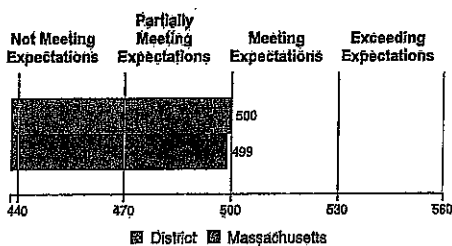
English Language Arts - Grades 3 - 8



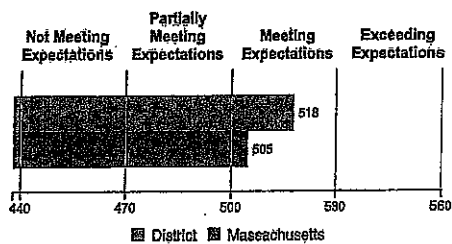
English Language Arts - Grade 10



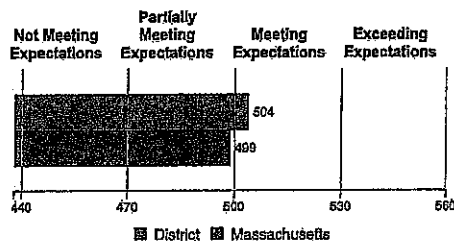
Mathematics - Grades 3 - 8



Mathematics - Grade 10



Science and Tech/Eng - Grades 5 & 6



The Georgetown Athletic Department continued to offer a full complement of sports in the fall and winter however, the spring was cancelled because of Covid-19. In the fall, Head Coach, Chris DiFranco brought the boys soccer team to the playoffs for the 1st time since 2013, led by senior captain, Kenny Laurent. Cheer was crowned as the Grand Champion at the CAL meet and moved onto Regionals where they also finished 1st. The team finished 2nd in the State which is the best in program history. For football news, QB Stephen MacDonald broke school & area records with over 5,000 total career passing yards. The team ended 4-7 after losing to Manchester-Essex in the D7 State Quarterfinals. Our Field Hockey team had a Cape Ann League Player of the Year in Jennifer Lerner and she was part of the "top-60" field hockey players in the state of Massachusetts. Our volleyball team which was in its 6th year continued to improve with a record of 7-13.

For the winter, Head Coach Josh Keilty & the boys basketball team clinched back-to-back state tournaments births and finished with an overall record of 12-11. The team made a deep tournament run losing to Austin Prep in the North Semi Finals. In wrestling, Tre Aulson managed to get 100 wins and the team was able to reach the Gold Standard with team

academic standards being hit. We welcomed 1st year girls basketball coach, Kevin Fair who looks to rebuild our girls basketball program.

Unfortunately, the spring season did not take place due to Covid-19, but coaches still found a way to interact with student-athletes. The coaches met with players via zoom & sent some videos of drills that can be worked on in the backyard. Along with the Georgetown coaching staff, coaches brought in some special guest instructors as well. As a whole, we saw some great team performances & personal achievements over the past year.

In March of 2019, the School Committee approved the Superintendent's Recommended Budget of \$15,834,278, (a 4.9% increase over 2019). In May of 2019, the Town approved a FY20 Budget in the amount of \$15,755,013, (an increase of 4.4% over FY19), and a reduction of \$79,265 from the School Committee's budget.

The FY20 Superintendent's Budget was a level services budget. Salaries were set according to negotiated contracts for teachers and support personnel. Reasonable class sizes were maintained in both schools. Academic programs and services were maintained consistent with FY19.

The special education tuition budget increased by 17.3%, or \$200,829 because of an increase of three students to out of district placements. In house special education programming continued to be offered to keep students in the district.

Through the work of the Director of Pupil Services and the Director of Finance & Operations, the school district continued to generate additional Medicaid revenue for the Town. The Town continued to receive between \$30 - \$50,000 annually. The district also continued to participate in the USAC School and Libraries Division E-Rate program which generates discounts to offset the cost of Internet and Category 2 Services. This is determined based on Free & Reduced Lunch participation.

The district continued to operate successful Perley and Penn Brook before and after school programs, and at Penn Brook a comprehensive enrichment program. A tuition-based preschool program continued to be offered at the Perley school. A 5% tuition increase was approved by the School Committee to try to keep pace with contractual obligations, but the revolving account continues to be taxed with the salaries of the preschool staff.

A significant amount of donations was received through local organizations, the PTA, individual donors and parents. These very generous donations enabled the district to continue offering valuable curriculum based programs and also continued to support families struggling with purchasing lunches.

The Buildings & Grounds Department, under the leadership of Mike Anderson, had a busy summer with routine projects completed by maintenance staff, including indoor painting, floor waxing, parking lot lining, and landscaping projects. The Middle High school library/media center was upgraded and a presentation area was created. Upgrades were made to the second floor of The Perley School including replacing rugs with tile flooring, and painting walls. This work was done to welcome the new Georgetown Youth Center. The center opened at The

Perley School inviting 7-9 graders to enjoy both indoor and outdoor activities. Together with the Georgetown Highway department a new basketball court and bocce courts were installed behind the Perley school. The Georgetown Light Department donated lighting for the courts and our school electrician completed all the electrical work. The district continued a partnership with the Georgetown Athletic Association with the maintenance of all school fields and the turf. The school applied for and received a Safer Schools Grant which allowed us to install a two-way radio repeater which allowed us to enhance our communication within the school district, and also with the Georgetown Police and Fire departments.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Jacobs, Superintendent of Schools

July 27, 2020

ANNUAL OPERATIONAL REPORT

TO: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

FROM: Dr. Jo-Ann Testaverde, Whittier Representative
Maureen Lynch, Superintendent

Whittier offers 23 vocational technical career areas designed to provide the necessary training and skills for further education or work force success.

Whittier's academic program is designed to offer students the fundamental skills through its core curriculum in English, Math, Science and Technology, Social Studies, World Languages, Physical Education/Health, and Elective subjects. Courses are aligned with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in order to achieve success on the MCAS.

Courses are offered in a sequential format and are integrated with the vocational-technical areas, wherever practicable and mutually beneficial. All academic courses offer advanced sections for students who desire to further their education. We offer honors courses in English, science, and math to lead toward advanced placement courses. Moreover, a Tech Prep program is offered to eleventh and twelfth grade students which parallels the College Prep program and provides students with the opportunity to earn college credit and/or advanced college placement.

Since all programs are open to both females and males, we encourage our students to explore and to specialize in non-stereotyped, non-traditional vocational-technical areas and to strive for the maximum realization of their goals and potential.

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School is entering its forty seventh year. To date we have graduated 12,198 students from the day school.

The enrollment for the Evening School from Georgetown: 23

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The October 1, 2019 Day School Enrollment:

	Boys	Girls
Grade 9	9	1
Grade 10	6	3
Grade 11	6	2
Grade 12	4	1

Total – 32

2020 Graduates – 4

The cost to Georgetown for the school year 2019-2020 was \$569,321.00.

Respectfully yours,

Dr. Jo-Ann Testaverde
Georgetown Representative

Maureen Lynch
Superintendent

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FISCAL YEAR 2022 APPOINTMENTS

TOWN OF GEORGETOWN ELECTED OFFICIALS, APPOINTED OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENT HEADS

ASSESSORS	ELECTED	EXPIRES
Michael Anderson	5/13/2017	5/2022
David A. Bogdan	5/14/2018	5/2022
Arthur MacDonald	5/8/2017	5/2022

Accountant See: TOWN ACCOUNTANT

ADA Coordinator	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Michael Farrell	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

Affordable Housing Task Force

Heather B. Feges	6/25/2018	6/30/2022
Vacant		6/30/2016
Vacant		6/30/2016
Vacant	10/5/2015	6/30/2018

Affordable Housing Trustees

Peter Kershaw	7/12/2021	6/30/2022
Charles Keilty	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
C. David Surface	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Shawn McGee	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

Animal Control Officer See: POLICE DEPARTMENT, Animal Control Officer

Animal Inspector See: BOARD OF HEALTH, Animal Inspector

BOARD OF HEALTH	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Board of Health Members		
Paul Thompson	6/25/2018	6/30/2022
Dana Shuttleworth	1/22/2018	6/30/2020
William Gianacoples	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

Animal Inspector (Nomination by Board of Health & Approval by State)

Kristina Leeman	3/2019	4/30/2020
Deborah Rogers	6/26/2019	4/30/2020

Health Director/Agent

William Holt (Appointment by Board of Health, Employ Commenced on 6/2021)	6/30/2022
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Health Inspector

Virginia Bacon (Appointment by Board of Health, Employ Commenced on 1/8/2001) 6/30/2019

Board of Health Nurse

Pamela Lara

Contracted through Board of Health

Board of Registrars See: "Registrar of Voters"

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Elected Officials	ELECTED	EXPIRES
Amy Smith	5/2021	5/2023
Douglas W. Dawes	5/14/2018	5/2022
Gary C. Fowler	5/8/2017	5/2022
Peter Kershaw	5/8/2020	5/2023
David J. Twiss	5/13/2019	5/2022

Town Administrator(hired7/2009)	Date Appointed	Expires
Michael Farrell	7/1/2019	6/30/2022

BUILDING INSPECTION	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Inspector of Buildings/Zoning Enforcement Officer		
Angelo Salamone	4/2021	6/31/2022
Alternate Inspectors of Buildings		
Glen Clohecy	2/24/2020	3/31/2022
Gas/Plumbing Inspector (Appointment by Building Inspector)		
William Gianacoples	2/24/2020	3/31/2022
Alternate Gas/Plumbing Inspector		
Stanley Kulacz	2/24/2020	3/31/2022
Wire Inspectors (Position Special Municipal Employee 2/27/2017)		
Carl Maglio	2/24/2020	3/31/2022

Cable TV Manager/Coordinator (hired July 2, 2007)

Janet Morrissey

Cable TV Content/Coordinator (hired July 2, 2007)

Cable TV Advisory Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Amy Smith, Selectman	7/12/2021	6/30/2022
Vacant		
Vacant		
Vacant		

**Camp Denison Committee See: CONSERVATION COMMISSION,
Sub-Committees, Camp Denison**

**Capital Improvement Planning Committee (7 Member Board, 3-Year
Appointments)**

(Art. 5, STM 9/30/96, replaced by Art. 6, STM 10/27/97)

Date Appointed	Term Expires
1-Finance & Advisory Board Member (Appointed by the Finance & Advisory Board)	

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Vacant (Fin Com)		6/30/2022
6 Citizens of the Town of Georgetown	Date Appointed	Term Expires
2-Board of Selectmen Appointments		
Cori Stevens	6/25/2018	6/30/2021
Donald Cudmore	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
1-Finance & Advisory Board Appointment		
Jeff Gillen	6/21/2018	6/30/2020
1-Moderator Appointment		6/30/2021
1-Planning Board Appointment		
Vacant		6/30/2021
1-School Committee Appointment		
Michael Hinchliffe		6/30/2022
Ex-Officio Members		
Michael Farrell, Town Administrator		For Duration of Employment
Dave Schofield, Light Department Manager		For Duration of Employment
Suzanne Sutherland, School Business Manager		For Duration of Employment

Cemeteries See: VETERAN'S, Cemeteries

Commission for Equal Access	Date Appointed	Term Expires
<i>Appointment Requirements under MGL Ch 40, Sec. 8J & Art. 43 of 5-24-93 ATM (7 Member Commission, 3-Year Staggered Appointments)</i>		
Vacant (disabled)		
Vacant(appointed town member)		
Vacant (disabled family member)		
Vacant (resident)		
Vacant(disabled family member)		
Vacant (disabled)		
Vacant (disabled)		

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Conservation Agent Steven Przyjemski Hired 4/11/2005

Conservation Commission Members	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Tom Howland	6/11/2018	6/30/2024
Carl Shreder	6/11/2018	6/30/2024
Rachel Bancroft	6/12/2017	6/30/2020
Laura Repplier	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Rebecca Chane	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Elizabeth Clark	2/11/2019	6/30/2020
Chris Candia	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

Community Preservation Committee (3 year appointment)

Harry LaCortiglia (Planning Board Appointment)	7/1/2016	6/30/2019
James DiMento (Park & Rec. Appointment)		6/30/2017
Peter W. Burns (Open Space Appointment)		6/30/2018

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Rachel Bancroft (ConCom Appointment)	7/1/2019	6/30/2022
David Schauer (Housing Authority)	2017	6/30/2020
Paul Nelson (Affordable Housing Trust Appointment)	7/1/2016	6/30/2019
James D. Davenport (Historical Commission)	5/16/2017	6/30/2020
Edward Dobie (FinCom)	7/1/2019	6/30/2021
Gary Fowler (Selectmen)	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

Conservation Sub-Committees (Appointments by Conservation Commission)

(ConCom increased from 5 to 7 members 11/12/2015)

Camp Denison Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
James Lacey	11/16/2017	6/30/2018
Ella Richardson	7/1/2019	6/30/2020
George Langlais	7/1/2019	6/30/2020
Christian Roop	11/16/2017	6/30/2018
Kim Therrien	11/16/2017	6/30/2018
John LoCicero	7/1/2019	6/30/2020
Harry Nelson	7/1/2019	6/30/2020

Camp Denison Committee Consultants

Robert Gorton	8/14/2014	6/30/2016
Kimberly Dowling	11/12/2015	6/30/2016

Hampshire Woods Stewardship Committee

Open Space Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Vacant		6/30/2017
Peter Burns	8/18/2016	6/30/2019
Vacant		6/30/2017
Andrea Thibault	10/15/2015	6/20/2017
Sam Mroz	10/15/2015	6/30/2019
John Lopez	3/10/2016	6/30/2019

Pentucket Pond Committee

Stewardship Program for the Conservation Land Off of Old Jacobs Rd.

Stewardship Committee for the Conservation Land off of Bailey Lane

Stewardship Committee for the Conservation Land off Littles Hill

COA Director: (Hired by BoS 4/23/2007)

Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello

for duration of employment

COUNCIL ON AGING

Council on Aging Members

	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Diane Prescott	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Jean Perley	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

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Diane Klibansky	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Susan Clay	6/12/2017	6/30/2023
Caroline Sheehan	6/12/2017	6/30/2023
Jacquelyn Benas	6/12/2017	6/30/2023
Darcy Norton	6/12/2017	6/30/2023
Jeanne Robertson	4/8/2019	6/30/2022
Esther Palardy	6/25/2018	6/30/2022

Alternate Members	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Carol Westhauer	6/10/2019	6/30/2024
Martha Lucius	5/20/2019	6/30/2024

Cultural Council	Original Appt. Date	Appointed	Term Expires
	(Do not change original appt. date-6-year limits)		
Mary Paganelli	6/25/2018		6/30/2022
Michael S. Cameron	6/27/2016	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Emilee Ann Hopkins	6/25/2018	6/25/2018	6/30/2022
Jacquelyn Benas	4/11/2016	6/25/2018	6/30/2022
Patrick Maguire	7/15/2019		6/30/2022
Martha Lucius	7/15/2019		6/30/2022

Emergency Management Director	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Donald Cudmore, Police Chief /Director of Public Safety	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Assistant Director		
Acting Chief Chuck Savage	6/10/2021	6/30/2022
Dean Julien	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Lt. Scott Hatch	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Emergency Management Team		
Peter Durkee, Highway	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
William Holt, Health Agent 2021		6/30/2022
Emergency Response Coordinator (for Northern Essex Regional EPC)		
Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

Economic Development (5 members consisting of 3 local business & 2 residents)

Est. 10/1/2001 (increased to 7 members 6/12/2017 4 2-year & 3 1-year)

Wayne Snow	6/11/2018 (2-year)	6/30/2022
James Lacey	6/11/2018 (2-year)	6/30/2022
Joseph Bonavita	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Matt Bourassa	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
John K. Duggan	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
David Twiss	10/21/2019	6/30/2022
Vacant		
John Cashell, Town Planner	6/10/2019 (2-year-Non-voting member)	6/30/2022

Associate Members

Vacant

Energy Committee

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Ethics Commission Liaison

Michael Farrell	9/28/2009	for duration of employment
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Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA)

Director

Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
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Assistant Director

Acting Fire Chief Chuck Savage		6/30/2022
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Team Member

Scott Hatch	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
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Fence Viewers

Vacant

Date Appointed

Term Expires

Finance & Advisory Board (Appointments by Town Moderator)
(Reduced from 9 to 7 members-ATM 5/4/2015 Art.23 to take effect 7/1/2016)

Date Appointed

Term Expires

Sheila Ruth	6/30/2018	6/30/2022
Edward Dobie	8/20/2017	6/30/2020
Steven Epstein	8/20/2018	6/30/2020
Eric Burton	6/2019	6/30/2022
Alicia K. Raspa	8/21/2019	6/30/2022
Nicole Coscia		6/30/2022

FINANCE DIRECTOR

Acting Finance Director

Michael Farrell, Town Administrator	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief

Acting Chief Chuck Savage	7/1/2018	6/30/2022
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Hazardous Materials Coordinator

Acting Chief Chuck Savage

Date Appointed

6/10/2019

Term Expires

6/30/2022

Forest Warden

Vacant

Date Appointed

Term Expires

Government Study Committee

Georgetown Cares Coalition (formerly Substance Abuse Advisory Panel)

(Est. 2/13/2017 5 member board, 1 year terms)

Pam Lundquist	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Douglas Dawes	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Police Chief Cudmore	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Superintendent Carol Jacobs	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Beth Blazonis	9/23/2019	6/30/2022

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Harbormaster See: POLICE DEPARTMENT, Harbormaster

Hazardous Materials Coordinator See; FIRE DEPARTMENT, Hazardous Materials Coordinator

Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee Date Appointed		Term Expires
(Established November 4, 2013)		
William Holt, Health Agent	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Steven Przyjemski, ConCom Agent	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
John Cashell, Town Planner	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Peter Durkee, Highway Surveyor	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Michael Farrell, Town Administrator	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
David Schofield, Light Manager	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Bruce Trumbul, Water Manager	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Surveyor	ELECTED	EXPIRES
Peter J. Durkee, Superintendent	5/13/2019	05/2022
Tree Warden	Date Appointed (3-year term)	Term Expires
Peter Durkee	7/15/2019	6/30/2022

Historical Commission	Date Appointed (3-Year term)	Expires
Philip Trapani, Chairman	6/11/2018	6/30/2022
James D. Davenport	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Derek Richards	6/11/2018	6/30/2022
Gloria Swanbon	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Associate Member		
Vacant		
Vacant		

HOLIDAY EVENTS COMMITTEE	DATE APPOINTED (1-YEAR TERM)	EXPIRES
(committee to consist of 5 members for terms of 1 year created 4/22/2019)		
David Schofield, Light Department	9/23/2019	6/30/2020
Peter Durkee, Highway Department	9/23/2019	6/30/2020
Mary Janson, Citizen	10/21/2019	6/30/2020

HOUSING AUTHORITY (5-YEAR)	ELECTED	EXPIRES
David Schauer	5/14/2018	5/2023
Juliette Rec	5/14/2012	5/2017
Frank Harper	5/11/2015	5/2020
Philip Cardoza	5/9/2016	5/2021
Robin O'Malley, (State Appointment)	5/31/2018	4/30/2023

Insect Pest Control Superintendent	Date Appointed	Term Expires
William Holt	7/13/2021	6/30/2023

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**LIBRARY, GEORGETOWN PEABODY
LIBRARIAN**

Sarah Cognata (Hired 6/2015)

Elected Trustees	ELECTED	EXPIRES
Susan L. Clohecyc	5/13/2019	5/2022
Susan K. Clay	5/13/2019	5/2022
Kevin F. Moran	5/14/2018	5/2021
Walter Chris Laut	5/14/2018	5/2021
Mary Saunders	5/8/2017	5/2021
Michelle Brock	5/8/2017	5/2021

LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Department Head

David Schofield, Manager Hired March 4, 2013

Elected Officials (3-year term)

Light Commissioners	ELECTED	EXPIRES
Nicholas P. Lawler	5/13/2019	5/2022
Peter D. Dion	5/14/2018	5/2022
John Smolinsky	5/8/2017	5/2022

Liquor License Agents to the Board of Selectmen (adopted December 18, 2017)

(7 members and 3 alternates)	Date Appointed	Expires
Police Chief Donald Cudmore	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Lieutenant Scott Hatch	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Detective Sargent James Rodden	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Sargent Kevin DeFeo	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Sargent Derek Jones	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Detective Matthew Carapellucci	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

Master Plan Committee See: PLANNING BOARD, Sub-Committees, Master Plan Committee

Memorial Day Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
American Legion #211		

V.F.W. #7608

Merrimack Valley Planning Commission (Planning Board Member)

John Cashell, Town Planner	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
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Alternate

Vacant

Merrimack Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization-MPO Subregion 3

(Georgetown, Groveland, Boxford, Rowley)

John Cashell, Town Planner	7/15/2019	6/30/2022
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Mobile Food Vendor Committee

Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Vacant / Fire Chief	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

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Peter Durkee, Highway Surveyor	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
William Holt, Health Agent	6/10/2021	6/30/2022
Les Godin, Building Inspector	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

MODERATOR	ELECTED	EXPIES
Charles David Surface	5/13/2019	5/2022

North East Mosquito Control	Date Appointed	Term Expires
<i>(Designated Liaisons by Board of Selectmen on 5/26/99)</i>		

Water Management Activities
Vacant

“OPEB” Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund Trustees

Alexander Williams , Treasurer	DOH /2021	6/30/2022
Mary McMenemy, Town Accountant	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Douglas Dawes, Chair BoS	7/12/2021	6/30/2022
Sheila Ruth , FinCom	7/12/2021	6/30/2022
Michael Farrell	6/10/2019	6/30/2022

Open Space Committee See: CONSERVATION COMMITTEE, Sub-Committees, Open Space Committee

Park & Recreation Commission	Date Appointed	Term Expires
James DiMento, Chair	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
John Dunlevy	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
David Schauer	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Al Kitchin	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Gary Fowler	6/10/2019	6/30/2022
Anala Guertin	11/18/2019	6/30/2022
Vacant		

Personnel Director	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Michael Farrell, Town Administrator	7/2009	duration of employment

PLANNING

Town Planner (Hired by Planning Board on 2/13/2017)

John Cashell

Planning Board Committee Members	ELECTED	EXPIES
Bruce Fried	5/13/2019	5/2024
Joanne M. Laut	5/14/2018	5/2023
Robert E. Watts	5/8/2017	5/2022
Harry LaCortiglia	5/9/2016	5/2021
Matilda Evangelista	5/11/2015	5/2020

Planning Board Alternate Member	Expires
Vacant	

Planning Board Sub-Committees

Master Plan Committee **Date Appointed**

Term Expires

MVPC/Regional Brownfields Advisory Committee

Vacant

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief (Hired 7/1/2013)

Donald Cudmore (11/26/2018) 7/1/2019

6/30/2023

Lieutenant **Date Appointed**

Term Expires

Scott Hatch 6/10/2019

6/30/2023

Patrol Sergeant **Date Appointed**

Term Expires

Joanne Morrissey 6/10/2019

6/30/2023

Detective Sergeant

James Rodden 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Detective

Matthew Carapellucci 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Patrolman

Phillip Klibansky 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Derek Jones 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Henry Olshefsky 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

David Rosquete 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Heather Lefebvre 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Taylor A. Ford 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Laura Jimenez

John Page 7/10/20219

6/30/2023

Derek Jones 7/10/2023

6/30/2023

Reserve Officers **Date Appointed**

Term Expires

Mark Anderson 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Tyler Dechene 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Joanne Vallone 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Dean A. Julien 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Gregory Levesque 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Peter Neu 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Philip Sepe 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Jacob Fitzgerald 6/10/2019

6/30/2022

Michael Griffin 9/9/2019

6/30/2022

Jack Atherton 10/21/2019

6/30/2022

Tyler Skane 1/27/2020

6/30/2022

Animal Control Officer

Derek Jones 6/24/2019

6/30/2022

Assistant Animal Control Officer

Dean A. Julien 6/24/2019

6/30/2022

Reed Wilson 6/24/2019

6/30/2022

Constables **Date Appointed**

Term Expires

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Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/24/2019	6/30/2022
Arthur Murphy, Jr. (3 yr appt)	6/24/2019	6/30/2022

Harbormaster

Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/24/2019	6/30/2022
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Assistant Harbormaster

School Crossing Guards	Appointed	Term Expires
Mark Burkland	6/30/2021	6/30/2022
George Comiskey	6/24/2021	6/30/2022
Melinda Sybert	6/24/2021	6/30/2022

SATURN (Statewide Anti-Terrorism Unified Response Network)

Donald Cudmore, Police Chief	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Lt. Scott Hatch	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Fred A. Mitchell, Jr., Fire Chief	6/24/2019	6/30/2020

Sexual Harassment Grievance Officer

Michael Farrell, Town Administrator	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
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Registrar of Voters	Date Appointed	Term Expires
DEMOCRAT		
Paul Rondeau	2/25/2019	3/31/2022
REPUBLICAN		
Henry Wolf	3/26/2018	3/31/2022
Richard Boucher	1/13/2017	3/31/2020
James Mullen as Interim Town Clerk	No apt needed by the Board of Selectmen	Tenure

Recreational Field Study Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
(Established 2/12/2018-5 member board)		
David Surface	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Jeff Moore	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Scott McDonald	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Harry LaCortiglia	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Peter Burns	7/15/2019	6/30/2020

Recreational Path Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Ian DeWeese-Boyd	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Craig Mabus	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Christian Roop	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Bill Hastings	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Julie Coolidge	6/24/2019	6/30/2020

Rock Pond Bylaw Committee

Bruce Fried	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Dr. Clive Patience	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Beth Harper	6/24/2019	6/30/2020

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Ezequiel Gesualdi	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Christopher Crosby	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Matt Smith	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Paul Moskevitz	6/24/2019	6/30/2020

Alternates

Eric Harper	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Keiko Skinner	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Dr. Sal Testaverde	7/15/2019	6/30/2020

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Superintendent of Schools (Appointment by School Committee)

Carol Jacobs (July 1, 2007) *no apt needed by the Board of Selectmen

School Committee Elected Officials	ELECTED	EXPIRES
Cheryl Lachendro	5/13/2016	5/2022
Michael Hinchliffe	5/14/2018	5/2021
Pamela Lundquist	5/14/2018	5/2021
Suzanne E. MacDonald	5/8/2017	5/2020
Barbara M. Linares	5/8/2017	5/2020

Crossing Guards See: POLICE DEPARTMENT, School Crossing Guards

Scholarship Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Carol Jacobs	By Virtue of Employment	
Heidi Begin	6/24/2019	6/30/2022
Mike Anderson	6/24/2019	6/30/2022
Jeannine Dion	11/4/2019	6/30/2022

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School, District Committee Representative (School Committee Appointment)	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Dr. Jo-Ann Testaverde	2/16/2017	3/31/2020

School Building Committee	Date Appointed	Term Expires
(Special Municipal Employees voted 2/28/11-Disbanded 7/15/2019)		
Sealer of Weights & Measures	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Charles Carol	6/24/2019	6/30/2020

Selectman's Office: See: BOARD OF SELECTMEN and/or TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Sexual Harassment Grievance Officer See: POLICE DEPARTMENT, "Sexual Harassment"

Stormwater Management Committee (established 5/17/2004)

Deborah Rogers, Health Agent	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Steven Przyjemski, ConCom Agent	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
John Cashell, Town Planner	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Peter Durkee, Highway Surveyor	6/24/2019	6/30/2020
Michael Farrell, Town Administrator	6/24/2019	6/30/2020

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TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Mary McMenemy	6/25/2018	6/30/2022
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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR (hired by BoS 7/2009)

Michael Farrell	7/1/2019	Term Expires 6/30/2022
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TOWN CLERK

Kerri Ann McManus	ELECTED 5/13/2019	EXPIRES 5/2022
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Asst. Town Clerk

(Appointment by Town Clerk)

Kathleen Roche	Date Appointed 10/1/2019	Term Expires 10/2020
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TOWN COUNSEL

Kopelman & Paige	Date Appointed 7/15/2019	Term Expires 6/30/2022
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TRAFFIC REVIEW COMMITTEE (BoS increased to a 5-member Committee 6/27/2016)

	Date Appointed	Term Expires
Gary Fowler	6/24/2019	6/30/2022
Peter Durkee	6/24/2019	6/30/2022
Heather Lefebvre	6/24/2019	6/30/2022
Vacant		

TREASURY

Treasurer/Tax Collector

Alexander Williams	Date Appointed DOH 2021	(3-year term)	Term Expires 6/30/2024
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Assistant Treasurer/Assistant Collector

Jennifer Davis	DOH 2020		6/30/2024
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Tree Warden: See Highway Surveyor

VETERANS'

Veterans' District Representative

Douglas Dawes	Date Appointed 6/24/2019	Term Expires 6/30/2022
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Veteran's District Agent

Karen Tyler	hired 8/2015
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Veterans' Graves Officer

Vacant	Date Appointed	Term Expires
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Assistant Veterans Graves Officer

Vacant

WATER DEPARTMENT

Water Superintendent

Bruce Trumbul, Interim

Elected Water Commissioners

Stephen M. King Jr.	ELECTED 5/13/2019	EXPIRES 5/2022
Nicholas Lawler	5/14/2018	5/2021

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Jeffrey W. McClure

5/8/2017

5/2020

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee Representative
See; SCHOOL DEPARTMENT, Whittier Regional Technical High School
District Committee Representative

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Date Appointed

Term Expires

Jeffrey Moore

6/26/2017

6/30/2022

Dave Kapnis

6/25/2018

6/30/2023

Paul Shilhan

6/24/2019

6/30/2024

Shawn R. Deane

6/27/2016

6/30/2021

Gina Thibeault

6/8/2015

6/30/2020

Alternate Members of Zoning Board of Appeals

(3 Associate Members)

Date Appointed

Term Expires

Sharon Freeman

6/24/2019

6/30/2020

Vacant

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GEORGETOWN ASSESSORS

FISCAL YEAR 2020 REPORT ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

The Assessor's Office, for Fiscal Year 2020, has completed the state mandated Recertification on all taxable property by the Mass. Dept. of Revenue. Our next recertification will be conducted by the Department of Revenue for Fiscal Year 2025. In addition to the state mandate, the office identified a number of new parcels and new dwellings as well as performed extensive field work to maintain an up-to-date inventory of all real property. All field work and data entry were completed in-house saving the Town thousands of dollars for FY 2020. Additionally, the department has commenced a comprehensive conversion of historical hardcopy property data records to digital format.

The Department of Revenue certified the Fiscal Year 2020 tax rate at \$15.92. Tax Base Levy Growth was calculated at \$212,049. The new levy limit is \$18,324,411 and Debt Exclusions amount to \$2,462,315 for a Maximum Allowable Levy of \$21,786,726. Actual Levy Raised was \$21,778,050 resulting in an excess levy of \$8,676.44. Below are tables with the parcel counts and value distributed by classes.

Property Type	Parcel Count	Class1 Residential	Class2 Open Space	Class3 Commercial	Class4 Industrial	Class5 Pers Prop
101	2,493	1,118,405,260				
102	136	53,731,480				
MISC 103,109	7	3,791,000				
104	45	17,735,600				
105	11	4,434,800				
111-125	11	25,985,400				
130-32,106	187	11,022,100				
200-231	0		0			
300-393	54			40,967,030		
400-442	67				54,036,100	
450-452	0				0	
CH 61 LAND	0 2		0	3,400		
CH 61A LAND	0 8		0	36,100		
CH 61B LAND	2 0		0	457,600		
012-043	17	4,847,718	0	3,757,892	5,900,800	
501	231					2,328,876
502	72					9,449,269
503	0					0
504	3					6,151,617
505	1					4,211,800
506	0					0
508	4					704,095
550-552	0					0
TOTALS	3,371	1,239,951,358	0	45,224,022	59,936,900	22,855,657
Real and Personal Property Total Value						1,367,967,937
Exempt Parcel Count & Value					203	114,570,600

I. TAX RATE SUMMARY

Ia. Total amount to be raised (from IIe)	36,716,030.42
Ib. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIIe)	14,937,980.86
Ic. Tax Levy (Ia minus Ib)	21,778,049.56
Id. Distribution of Tax Rates and levies	

CLASS	(b) Levy percentage (from LA-5)	(c) Ic above times each percent in col (b)	(d) Valuation by class (from LA-5)	(e) Tax Rates (c) / (d) x 1000	(f) Levy by class (d) x (e) / 1000
Residential	90.6418	19,740,016.13	1,239,951,358.00	15.92	19,740,025.62
Net of Exempt					
Open Space	0.0000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Commercial	3.3059	719,960.54	45,224,022.00	15.92	719,966.43
Net of Exempt					
Industrial	4.9815	954,205.24	59,936,900.00	15.92	954,195.45
SUBTOTAL	98.9292		1,345,112,280.00		21,414,187.50
Personal	1.6708	363,867.65	22,855,657.00	15.92	363,862.06
TOTAL	100.0000		1,367,967,937.00		21,778,049.56

Motor Vehicle Revenue for 2020 = \$1,638,381

Respectfully submitted,

Office Staff: Assessment Director
Thomas J. Berube, MAA

Clerk
Janet Silva

BOARD OF ASSESSORS:

David A. Bogdan, Chrm	Exp. 2021
Arthur McDonald	Exp. 2023
Michael Anderson	Exp. 2022

Georgetown Community Preservation Committee Annual Report, FY 2020

Background and Authority: The Georgetown Community Preservation Committee (CPC) is a coalition of representatives from multiple municipal boards and commissions charged with making recommendations for the funding of projects for vote by residents at the annual town meeting. Revenues accrued during FY 2020 were available for expenditure in FY 2021. In 2020, Georgetown received approximately \$204,714 in state matching funds under the authority of the Community Preservation Act (CPA) as well as an additional \$503,323 in revenues locally.

Under the Act, the CPC solicits and reviews proposals for projects and makes recommendations to Town Meeting for appropriations from the Town's Community Preservation Funds. Residents of the town vote at town meeting on whether to fund the projects. To be eligible for CPA funds, the project must address a need under one of the following categories: Support of Community Housing; the creation and preservation of Open Space; the acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of land for recreational use; and Historical Preservation. The Act requires the CPC to reserve at least 10% of the available revenues for each category. In FY 2020 (for use in FY 2021), \$90,000 was reserved for each of the required categories, along with \$21,000 as an Administrative Reservation, as allowed under the Act.

Membership: The CPC is comprised of representatives from the Conservation Commission (Rachel Bancroft), Planning Board (Harry LaCortiglia), Park and Recreation Commission (James Dimento), Select Board (Gary Fowler), Finance and Advisory Committee (Ed Dobie), Open Space Committee (Peter Burns), Affordable Housing Trust (Paul Nelson), Housing Authority (David Schauer), and the Historical Commission (James Davenport). The current officers of the Committee are: Harry LaCortiglia, Chair; Peter Burns, Vice-Chair; and James Davenport, Treasurer.

Meetings: The CPC meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month in the Town Hall. The CPC held a public information meeting on April 14, 2020 to inform the town of the projects that it intended to send to the Select Board for inclusion on the town warrant. The meeting was broadcast on local cable television. Additionally, the CPC offered several opportunities for public comment during the project review period.

Project Suggestion Submission Period: The CPC solicited projects from September through November 2019. The projects in the table below were approved during the 2020 Town Meeting.

Project Selections/Recommendations for Town Meeting

Summary of FY 2020 Approved CPA Projects and Expenditures	
RESERVATIONS	
Historic Reservation ----->	\$90,000
Open Space Reservation ----->	\$90,000
Community Housing Reservation ----->	\$90,000
Administrative Reservation ----->	\$21,000

COMMUNITY HOUSING CATEGORY	
A.H. Trust Block Grant. A grant to the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust for affordable housing initiatives consistent with the Trust's Articles of Incorporation and Georgetown Affordable Housing Production Plan.	\$86,000
HISTORIC RESOURCES CATEGORY	
Peabody Library History Room Enclosures. to enhance the safety and preservation of the local history collection by replacing the current open shelving in the History Room with wall-length cases with securable glass doors.	\$25,700
Historic Perley Building ADA Doors. to provide ADA access to the bathrooms and emergency exits in the historic Perley building with the purchase and installation of two automatic low-energy door openers and four Rim Panic Exit Devices at the Georgetown Senior Community Center.	\$16,000
Camp Denison Fire Suppression. For the costs related to the installation of a fire suppression system for the kitchen at the Camp Denison lodge.	\$22,000
OPEN SPACE/RECREATIONAL LAND USE CATEGORY	
Perley Perley School Preservation. To authorize \$26,300 and from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated account the amount of \$32,625 for a total appropriation of \$58,925 for preservation activities to the Historic Perley Building, inclusive of but not limited to, exterior repairs and painting of the soffits, moldings, louvers, handrails, doors and provide funding for the associated materials and equipment rentals necessary to accomplish these preservation activities to the historic property.	\$58,925
Open Space Pond Preservation Testing and Treatment. To preserve Pentucket Pond, and Rock Pond and their associated hydrological connections by appropriating the funding for the management of cyanobacteria and other invasive species, inclusive of, but not limited to comprehensive testing of the water bodies by the Conservation Commission, Board of Health, and the Highway Surveyor in to preserve and protect the ponds from injury or harm caused by invasive species of harmful aquatic biota; and to restore, rehabilitate and preserve said ponds, and any hydrological conveyance associated with the ponds.	\$25,640
Universal Access Trails Feasibility Survey. o fund a study for the identification of the optimum location for, and design of, a Universal Access Trail to be created on existing Conservation and Active Recreational Town Lands, including the costs incidental and related to the engineering, legal, permitting, and development costs of the ultimate location; Elements of the Survey shall be inclusive of, but not be limited to, consultant preparation of an analysis of the potential physical, environmental, and property ownership constraints, as well as the	\$30,000

opportunities and advantages affecting different sites for the development of trails.	
<p>Arboreal Initiative. To create a funding source for the Conservation Commission and the Town's Tree Warden for an Arboreal Initiative that shall include, but not be limited to, the performance of tree assessments; the cropping, trimming, and or removal, as determined by necessity; and replacement of removed trees on any municipal lands owned by Georgetown in an effort to preserve the green space and aesthetic values of our public properties. The species and size of the replacement trees shall be determined by the location and appropriate growth and development potential of the replacement trees at any assessed and identified location.</p>	\$10,000

Georgetown Council on Aging FY20 Annual Report

In our third year at the Georgetown Senior Community Center, increased participation continued to be evident in existing, new or expanded programs provided by the Georgetown Council on Aging. Along with the continued increase in participation, additional participants connected to the Council on Aging illustrated the success of strong programming in the first half of Fiscal Year 2020. During the first seven months of FY20, the COA saw a steady increase of 20-30 percent or participation in programs at the Senior Center. This continued trend in increased participation demonstrated the success the COA has had in deepening connections within the community. Highlights of the year included the addition of dance and fitness classes to the COA wellness program, a highly successful Health Fair, well-attended health education programs including a Savvy Caregiver and My Life My Health series. The Veteran's Services Director partnered with the COA to provide monthly office hours and Lunch and Learn Series allowed the congregate lunch program to expand with the bonus of additional community education. Additional social and recreation programs including a Women's Breakfast series, and Armchair Travel series all saw good participation with new participants joining the programs. After much thought and to reflect the evolvement of the COA's mission, the name of the COA newsletter was changed from "A Few Gray Hairs" to "Living Well Together."

In Fiscal Year 2020, board members and their positions included: Sue Clay Chair; Vice Chair; Darcy Norton, Secretary Jill Benas; Esther Palardy; Diane Prescott, Jean Perley, Diane Klibansky, Jeanne Robertson, Martha Lucius and as well as Alternate Board Members Carol Westhaver and Marie Collins. Council on Aging staff members in FY20 included Director Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello, Outreach Worker Kirsten Klueber, Administrative Assistant Julie Pasquale, Van Driver David Hall, Meal Site Supervisor Carol Westhaver and Meal Site Assistant Esther Palardy.

In March, all of the progress made in the expansion of programs, activities and services at the Georgetown Senior Community Center were significantly interrupted as the building closed as a result of the President's declaration of a National Emergency, the Governor's declaration of a Statewide Emergency, and the Town's order to move to a Public Health Emergency Level 3 protocol. At this time, the Georgetown Senior Community Center remains closed although the COA staff returned to the offices in July. Although the building remains closed to the public, the COA continues to be busy with person-centered care. The pandemic has highlighted the need for essential services and the benefit of the strong community ties between the COA and consumers in Georgetown. Since the Senior Center closed to the public in March, the COA staff worked remotely and made 1,272 wellbeing phone calls to 155 individuals through the end of the fiscal year. Case management has increased to include 283 units of service to 155 people. Until the COA staff returned to the offices in July, application assistance was completed outside homes and often on consumer front stairs. Currently, we are able to complete fuel assistance or food resource applications by appointment outside the Senior Center meeting at two benches and a table that have been staged under our front entrance. Our Tai Chi instructor was able to begin teaching Tai Chi on Zoom. Our Yoga and Strength Training Instructor taped exercise classes for broadcast on the Town's Cable TV station. Local Cable TV also broadcast some nutrition

programs and cooking segments provided by our dietician with Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley along with information services taped by myself as well as our Veterans Services' Director.

In partnership with Elder Services of Merrimack Valley (ESMV), we continued to deliver monthly 30 Elder Brown Bag food packages to elder households throughout the shut-down. ESMV also continued to deliver Meals on Wheels and acted quickly to add consumers per our referral to the program. During the shut-down the COA Van continued to provide people with grocery shopping and other essential errands (Post Office, banks, pharmacies) twice per week. Initially the service was limited to one person at a time with the driver cleaning the van before and after the ride. Currently, the service has been expanded to include two riders well distanced on the van. The COA's SHINE Counselor and Veterans' Services Director continues to schedule telephone appointments.

As a demonstration of true community spirit during difficult times, the COA received wonderful donations to the COA Food Pantry allowing the staff to make deliveries to individuals as needed. The COA also received both donated fabric and disposable face masks and continues to deliver those per request. The COA also continues to lend durable medical equipment, delivering to individual homes. The equipment is cleaned before it is delivered, then cleaned after it is returned and quarantined for three days before it is lent again.

After staff returned to the office in July, we were able to return to producing our monthly newsletter, which includes a variety of resources and information. During the shutdown, I created and posted an electronic version of the newsletter on the Town's website which included a variety of resources related to the pandemic. Following the staff's return to the office, the COA began a Grab and Go Lunch Program with Elder Services of Merrimack Valley which has allowed the COA to connect with an additional demographic in the community. Along with a nutritious lunch, the program has provided additional outreach and socialization opportunities as some lunches are delivered and others are picked up outside the Senior Center. Although it is a very different way of providing services than we have experienced in the past, I feel that we are addressing needs and providing people with a high level of support and care during an uncertain and difficult time.

As a result of the pandemic and the loss of 3.5 months of programs and activities at the Georgetown Senior Community Center, the number of duplicated individuals served by COA programs and services decreased from 11,695 in FY 19 to 10,180 in FY20. Until the shut-down occurred in March, the COA had seen a steady 10-30 percent increase in monthly programs and activities. The increase in the duplicated elder count previous to the shut-down illustrates the success of housing all COA programs and services in one facility. As people arrive to participate in one activity, they were able to see other programs underway and consider further involvement. With more access to staff and confidential meeting areas, participants are comfortable in seeking services and asking for information regarding the more complex services. Until the shut-down in March, the COA also saw unduplicated non-elders seeking services such as support and assistance with food resources, fuel assistance, and transportation as well as case management support for complex clients living with a variety of physical and psycho/social needs. The increase in services to both demographics provides evidence that COA is often the only social

service agency in the community and functions as a gateway to other services for both elders and non-elders.

As an example of community partnership and grass-roots effort, the Trustees of the Perley Free School again provided a fuel assistance program to local residents who experience difficulty with heating costs. In addition to the money that is used to fund scholarships for Georgetown graduates and alumnae, the Trustees oversee a small endowment to aid Georgetown residents facing financial hardships. Concerned for people who may have difficulty with heating costs, the Trustees continued the plan for a limited heating assistance program for a seventh year. Often filling the gap for people whose income might be slightly higher than the limits required by Community Action and other programs, the Trustees provided one individual with heating assistance during FY20.

The COA's continued partnership with a local elder law attorney Elaine Dalton has allowed the COA the opportunity to provide a monthly elder law consultation program. With questions regarding elder law, estate planning, health care proxies and advance directives, the program provides elders with resources and information about the next steps to take. In FY20, the program served 15 unduplicated individuals.

The support of Crosby's Marketplace, a local grocery store, as a sponsor for our monthly Men's Breakfast program further illustrates the strength of the COA's partnerships within the community. Along with a nutritious breakfast for the participants, speakers are planned for the monthly program. Topics range from health and wellness, Medicare, retirement, Veterans' issues, current events, town government, home and personal safety, and local history. Averaging 20 men per month, we served a total of 129 men during the seven breakfasts that were able to be offered in FY20. The group ranges in age from 58 years to 95 years and includes several World War II and Korean War veterans. Until the shut-down, the program had enjoyed good participation from men in the community, with new participants joining the group since we moved into the new Georgetown Senior Community Center three years ago. Not only does the breakfast program provide participants with the opportunity to share a nutritious meal with friends, but it also provides the COA with an opportunity to develop relationships with men in the community. Often uncomfortable with group participation, men represent an underserved population. As a result of the Men's Breakfast program, we have been able to identify and address specific needs for individual men but we have also seen participants establish friendships with each other that extend into other areas of their lives. The group misses the opportunity to meet on a monthly basis and we continue to include the participants in wellbeing calls.

Before the shut-down occurred in March, participation in the income tax preparation program available through the Association for the Advancement of Retired People (AARP) was also on the rise. During the six weeks that we were able to provide the program, three volunteer Tax Aides prepared state and federal tax returns for 77 unduplicated individuals. The preparers also served 7 unduplicated non-elders in FY20. Along with income tax preparation, the Tax Aides provide participants with information regarding the state's Circuit Breaker Tax Credit and helped resolve individual issues with the state Department of Revenue including requests for additional verification from elders which often occurs as a result of elders filing the Circuit Breaker Tax Credit. When an AARP income tax preparation site was able to open in a nearby town in June

and July, COA staff called consumers whose appointments had been cancelled, triaged the consumer needs and referred them to the income tax preparation site.

A continued partnership with the Georgetown School Department has allowed the COA to further expand programs and activities available to local elders within the community. This year, a Community Service Program at the Penn Brook Elementary School provided holiday cards for Meals and Wheels consumers as well as Senior Center participants at three different holidays. Pre-school students created centerpieces for holiday meals. Students at the Penn Brook Elementary School organized and gathered several deliveries of donated food for the COA Marketplace. As another intergenerational opportunity, 22 elders attended a high school concert program and holiday breakfast in December. In February, the Culinary Arts Department at Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School prepared and served a special Valentine's lunch for 59 elders at the Georgetown Senior Community Center. Along with the very fine cuisine, the special event provides students and elders an opportunity to share and socialize.

The Georgetown and Merrimac Councils on Aging continue to share an eight-passenger van as part of a regional transportation plan. Funded with a grant from the state Department of Transportation's Mobility Assistance Program, the van is leased from the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority (MVRTA) and provides a vital link to needed services for elders and disabled individuals in Georgetown and Merrimac. To support independence and the goal of aging in place, the COA van traveled 3,515 miles in FY20 providing 13 individuals with 96 weekly shopping trips. Before the shut-down in March, the COA van provided 23 elders with 52 social recreational outings to shopping areas, museums and other recreational areas.

Providing elders with transportation to medical appointments, four volunteer drivers serving through Northern Essex Elder Transportation (NEET), Inc. supplied 8 elders with 17 round-trip out-of-town medical appointments located in Salem, North Andover, Newburyport, Amesbury, Beverly, Lawrence, Ipswich, Wenham Peabody, Danvers, Haverhill, Rowley, Georgetown and Groveland before the program had to close in March. The four volunteer drivers with the NEET program donated approximately 66.5 hours driving a total of 745 miles to provide the 8 elders with transportation to their medical appointments during the first nine months of FY20. In addition to the challenge of aging volunteers, the safety concerns during the pandemic will have an impact on drivers and consumers connected with the NEET program. However, the transportation service continues to be meaningful to those served as well as to the volunteers who provide the service.

To further address elder transportation needs, the COA staff also provides elders with information and referrals to the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority's (MVRTA) Ring and Ride transportation service. Using wheelchair lift-equipped MVRTA vehicles, the Ring and Ride program provides Georgetown residents with free curb-to-curb transportation to anywhere in Amesbury, Boxford, Georgetown, Groveland, Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen, Newbury/Byfield, Newburyport, North Andover and West Newbury as well as to the Rowley Commuter Rail Station and Market Basket. Fortunately, the MVRTA program was able to continue service during the pandemic's shut-down period. The COA staff also provides clients with information and referrals to the MVRTA's Medi-Ride Medical Service (currently on-hold) as well as the Mass Health Transportation Program, if eligible.

Until the shut-down the COA's weekly exercise, recreation, and game programs along with the meal site, cultural events, health and community education were all seeing significant increases in participation again. Along with weekly yoga, strength training, Tai Chi, and individual use of fitness equipment, a dance class, hybrid fitness class and walking club all saw good success and increased participation. As a result of the new and expanded fitness opportunities, the overall statistics showed an increase in duplicated elders participating on a monthly basis until the March shut down. More individual elders spent more time participating in programs and activities on a weekly basis until that time. Participation in COA Recreation and Socialization programs was also on the increase with additional programs such as Lunch and Learn Series and Armchair Travel demonstrating that the Senior Center continues to address needs that were unmet previously before the Senior Center was finished and opened to the public.

A continued connection with Emmaus, Inc. of Haverhill allows the 4-member doll-making group to create hand-sewn dolls for children living in local emergency shelters. Most of the fabric and stuffing material needed for the program is donated by individuals within the community. This year, we delivered 91 dolls to the program's family shelter in Haverhill before both programs had to close to the public in March. In addition, the COA's knitting group knit 206 hats for both children and adults served by Emmaus. The relationship with Emmaus has brought real meaning and purpose to the doll-making and knitting groups and the relationship continues to be a benefit to the participants as well as to the recipients of the dolls.

Until the shut-down in March, a SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) Counselor met with people on a monthly basis to discuss health insurance questions and concerns. During the shut-down and continued pandemic, the SHINE Counselor continued to provide consumers with health insurance information and support by telephone. The SHINE Counselor and COA Director often work together to provide clients with a higher level of service, sometimes meeting together or separately to assist clients with health insurance, prescription drug insurance or to provide assistance in completing state or Federal program applications. The meetings often lead to additional outreach opportunities for the COA with the clients. During the past year, the SHINE counselor and COA Director met with 66 unduplicated elders providing assistance with Medicare, Medigap policies, prescription drug plans and other health insurance issues. The COA has continued to see an increase in the number of younger elders seeking supplementary health insurance information as they reach 65 years and plan health insurance for retirement. This trend provides evidence to support the theory that a steadily increasing elder population within the community will generate a greater demand for services within the community.

Although the program has been on hold since the emergency orders in March, the monthly blood pressure clinics and annual flu clinic led by the Town's Board of Health all saw steady and stable participation with 24 unduplicated elders served at the monthly blood pressure clinics, a slight increase from the 23 unduplicated elders served in FY19 that would have continued forward. Forty-two elders were served at the annual flu clinic, an increase from the 39 individuals served in FY 19. Five non-elders were also served at the monthly blood pressure clinic and 10 were served at the annual flu clinic. Continuing during the pandemic and shut-down, the COA's Durable Medical Lending Program loaned 61 pieces of medical equipment to 39 unduplicated

elders this year, an increase from the 31 unduplicated elders served during the last full year in FY18. Five pieces of durable medical equipment were loaned to three non-elders this past year.

Both the Georgetown Police and Fire Departments continue to provide important safety programs. The Georgetown Fire Department successfully applied for a grant program that allowed the purchase and installation of a number of Lock Boxes and Smoke Detectors throughout the community. In FY20, the Lock Box Program served 7 elders. A grant for the new fiscal year is in place and the program will continue. Before the Senior Center was closed in March, both the Georgetown Police and Fire Departments presented community education programs at the Senior Center providing participants with important safety and consumer protection information. The community education programs are often televised allowing the information to reach a greater portion of the community.

Although the COA office was closed for more than three months from mid-March to mid-July, staff continued to retrieve and return telephone calls remotely from their homes. During the past year, the COA received 2,271 telephone calls and requests for information, assistance and referrals from elders this year. Responding to requests for support and assistance with food resources, fuel assistance, transportation as well as support for complex clients living with a variety of physical and psycho/social needs, the COA served 242 unduplicated elders and 472 duplicated elders, a respective 46 and 33 percent increase from the 166 duplicated individuals and 355 duplicated elders served with case management and advocacy in FY19. The 33 percent increase in the duplicated elders served this year supports the position that the Senior Center will continue to see more older adults in need of support, especially as the pandemic continues. In providing case management services, the COA maintains a confidential client file with emergency contact information on each elder served as well as ongoing progress notes on specific elders who receive case management services. With the closure of the Senior Center, home visits have been critical in evaluating and assessing consumer wellness. As the staff returned to the office in July, outdoor appointments have been possible for application assistance and other supports. In addition to home visits and office appointments, ongoing client support is provided with daily reassurance calls to frail and homebound elders. In FY20, 1,183 reassurance/wellbeing calls were made to 367 elders, a dramatic 44 percent increase as a result of the pandemic. To offer additional outreach within the community, the COA Outreach Worker and I wrote 60 sympathy, get well, thank you and thinking of you notes to local elders and family members.

In the first 9 months of FY20, the COA's monthly newsletter was mailed or delivered to 6,374 households. When the pandemic and emergency orders led to the closing of the COA offices and Senior Center, I wrote and posted an electronic version of the newsletter that provided the public with important resources and services related to the pandemic. To better reflect the focus and mission of the Council on Aging and the Georgetown Senior Community Center, the name of the newsletter from "A Few Gray Hairs" to "Living Well Together." In addition to mailing or delivering the newsletter to public locations, the newsletter is updated each month on the Town's website. To further strengthen the COA's community outreach, I continue to write press releases for local newspapers and cable television and update the Town's website and Facebook page on a frequent basis. Along with posting information on the Cable TV community bulletin board, the Cable TV station has continued to broadcast previously recorded programs on the local Cable TV community access station, allowing information related to elder programs and services to

reach a greater audience within the Town during the continued pandemic. This year, four local newspapers published more than 40 press releases, feature stories, photographs and letters to the editor publicizing COA programs and activities.

Based on state and local demographic information, I anticipate that the Georgetown COA and Georgetown Senior Community Center will continue to see an increase in the demand for services to support elders living in the community as a result of the increase in elder population. According to the U.S. Census, the population of elders over the age of 60 years has increased to a total of 1,427, a 54 percent increase since 2000. However, the 2020 local residents' age list shows that 2,062 elders over the age of 60 live in Georgetown, which represents 24 percent of the town's population. The local demographic information supports the population projections presented by the UMass Donahue Institute of Economic and Public Policy Research Institute which estimates that the elder population in Georgetown will increase to 2,158 in 2020 and 2,922 in 2030. Each month prior to the pandemic, growth was noted in the Georgetown COA statistics. Following the shut-down in March, an analysis of FY20 statistics found that the growth in COA services and programs was primarily seen in case management, SHINE, health and wellness, as well as case management services that assist in maintaining elder independence. The analysis provides evidence to support the important role that the Council on Aging and Georgetown Senior Community Center play in maintaining the safety, wellness and independence of older adults living in the community. When more of the public spaces in the community are able to reopen and resume new levels of activity, the Georgetown COA anticipates future growth in programs and activities as well as the supportive services offered at the Georgetown Senior Community Center.

The Friends of the Council on Aging group continue to increase community support and raise awareness for the COA's mission of serving elders and their families in the community. Along with raising "friends" for the COA, the on-going clothing and textile collection bin located at the Perley School has raised funds for Council on Aging programs and services. The group has been active in supporting and helping to facilitate programs such as the Women's Breakfast, socialization activities and special teas when the Georgetown Senior Community Center is open. The COA donation account has also gratefully received several gifts from residents and participants which have been used to support COA programs and activities.

The COA thanks the Kiwanis, the Georgetown School Department, Georgetown Cultural Council, Crosby's Marketplace, the Trustees of the Perley Free School, Nunan Florist and Greenhouses, the Friends of the Georgetown Council on Aging, as well as the Town departments including the Georgetown Housing Authority, and the Georgetown Police and Fire Department for their continued support during the past fiscal year. With deep appreciation, the COA thanks the more than 60 volunteers who serve as board members, volunteer drivers, program assistants, newsletter production crew, office support and volunteers during special events when the Georgetown Senior Community Center is open. Providing the Georgetown COA with more than 3,000 hours of volunteer service this past fiscal year, an estimated value of \$63,000, their hours of service are a valuable asset as well as a significant savings to the town. Not only are they a valuable resource and support to the COA, but they make a real and tangible difference in the lives they touch. Their support is essential to the COA's mission of serving elders and others in the community.

Conservation Commission

The Georgetown Conservation Commission is responsible for administering the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act and the Georgetown Wetlands Protection Bylaw. These laws are intended to protect wetlands, ponds, lakes, brooks, streams, rivers, and any land subject to flooding and their resource areas. Resource areas include land within 200 feet of perennial rivers, streams and brooks, and within 100 feet of all wetland areas. In these "resource areas", the Commission is charged with controlling activities that could degrade water quality, increase flooding, impair wildlife habitat or have any other adverse impacts to the environment.

In working with the Department of Environmental Protection and the Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program with the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, the Commission strives to continually educate themselves and the community about the importance on preserving our valuable natural resources. As we work together as a community to protect, preserve and conserve, we will continue to establish a town that has a tremendous sense of pride.

The Georgetown Conservation Commission meets on Thursday nights in a Town Hall Meeting Room. Site reviews and additional meetings are held as needed. Exact dates and times of the public hearings and public meetings are posted outside the Assessor's office in Town Hall, as well as, on the town website. All required forms for filing with the Commission are available on the town website or at the Conservation office. The public is welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Each year, the Conservation Commission makes steady progress towards a proactive methodology to conservation. The Commission has developed several standard "Orders of Conditions" which helps applicants better understand the Commission requirements. The local "Orders of Conditions" give the Commission the opportunity to protect specific sites and their unique resources.

The Commission supports town subcommittees such as the "Open Space Committee", "Camp Denison Committee" and "Littles Hill Stewardship Committee", all of which are vigorously working to create conservation areas open for public use. The following are the Commission's current open space locations: Camp Denison, Hampshire Woods, Littles Hill, Bailey Lane, Lufkin's Brook, Spruce Pond, Pentucket Acres, Parker River Landing and Pentucket Pond.

The Camp Denison Committee is in the process of improving the use and appearance of Camp Denison off Nelson Street. There are a number of volunteers who have dedicated their time and effort to make Camp Denison a pleasurable location for the people of Georgetown to spend time. The Camp Denison crew is always working hard to maintain the property. Volunteers and donations have really made a big difference at Camp Denison. The "Work Shop in the Woods" summer day camp for kids have been a tremendous source of income for the camp, as well as the number of other camp rentals such as boat and property rentals.

The Commission continues to move forward on conservation land maintenance. The Department of Wildlife & Fisheries has given the Conservation Commission and the Board of Health a leading role in issuing permits to alleviate threats from beavers. With the beaver population on the rise, the local government can best determine what action is best for the town and how to best protect the public from property damage.

Through the Open Space Committee, the Georgetown Open Space Plan is nearly completed. The Open Space Plan is helping the Commission plan acquisitions and manage Georgetown's open space. The Open Space Committee is helping the Conservation Commission become proactive by acquiring ecologically sensitive and upland resource areas for the passive recreational enjoyment of all Georgetown citizens. Their efforts will help preserve Georgetown character, environmental and natural heritage for our future generations. The Open Space Committee has been very active and has helped open lines of communication with neighboring Communities.

The Commission will continue to be actively involved with educating the people of Georgetown on the Wetland Bylaw and Wetland Protection Act. Making every citizen aware of these valuable resources will help Georgetown become a prize community. Residents who would like to learn more can check out the town web site, come by the Conservation office, or call the office at: (978) 352-5712. We look forward to assisting the residents of Georgetown.

The Commission would like to thank all of the community volunteers who spend their personal time to make Georgetown a great place to live. We would also like to thank the other town boards and their staff for their continued support and help.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Shreder – Chairman
Laura Repplier – Commissioner
Rachel Bancroft – Commissioner
Rebecca Chane – Commissioner
Tom Howland -Commissioner
Chris Candia -Commissioner
Elisabeth Clark -Commissioner
Steve Przyjemski – Conservation Agent

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Georgetown Fire Department Fiscal Year 2020 Report

12211	Fire Salaries and Wages	\$424,416.00
12214	Fire Operating Expense	\$138,787.00

During fiscal year 2020 the Fire Department continued to see requests for services and emergency medical calls increase. Also, the fire department was able to add 4 career Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technicians to the roster. These are the first career Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technicians for the town. We will continue to look at adding a few career positions in the coming years as it is becoming more difficult to attract new members to the department because of the increase requirements and commitment. Also, the department has re-assigned and added a few new members to Engine 4 (Erie station). With this re-assignment and adding a few members, we are seeing Engine 4 being utilized more often. In fiscal year 2020 the Fire Department continued to move forward with the emergency ambulance service as well as focusing on our regular fire activities and Fire Prevention. We saw the graduation of two members from Emergency Medical Technician school and obtaining their EMT licenses. Two firefighters completed his Call Firefighter recruit training provided by the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy. Overall, it has been a most rewarding year for the Department, but the demands of the training and call volume does take its toll. Several members had to leave the Department because of the growing demand on their personal time. 45% of our calls for service occur on nights, weekends and holidays. Add training requirements on top of this and it's easy to understand the demands made on people.

Some highlights from fiscal year 2020:

- Operations Division-The department continues to see an uptick in emergency responses/calls for service. Also, we continue to see an increase in mutual aid among the bordering communities. The area fire chiefs continue to work together on automatic aid agreements to ensure there is enough first responders on scene of emergency incidents. Also, we continue to see more diverse responses with the need to request specialized regional responses.
- Fire Prevention & Public Education Division -- This Division continues to be pro-active in the community. Besides providing trained personnel to perform inspections on the schools, homes and businesses we're also very actively involved with our senior and people of all ages. Several community outreach programs were initiated during FY 2016 and were aimed at helping to make our seniors safer in their homes. These programs continue to be successful. Visits were frequently made to homes and apartments as well as conducting breakfast meetings and other social events.

- Training – Now that we have a transporting ambulance, we spend many hours reviewing and training on procedures associated with emergency medical services. As well, we make the same commitment to our fire training. Personnel dedicate anywhere between 3-4 nights per month and often a weekend to training. The business of a fire department requires personnel keep up with new methods and techniques to be more efficient and safer.
- Grants – In FY 2018 the Fire Department applied for a fire/life safety grant and received funding under the S.A.F.E grant program which totaled almost \$6,000. This grant allows us to purchase goods and pay the wages to personnel that go into the schools to educate our children and to help our senior population be fire safe. Also, the fire department was awarded a grant of \$20,000.00 for Personnel Protective Equipment to keep our first responders safe.

Upon completion of my fifth year as Fire Chief, I can say it has been a pleasure serving the community. I look forward to many more rewarding years as the Chief of the Georgetown Fire Department. I will continue working with the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, and Town Department Heads/Staff to provide excellent fire and emergency medical service to the citizens and visitors to the Town of Georgetown. Also, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and others for their support of our Fire Department. Finally, I would like to take this time to publicly thank our firefighters and their families as well. As a combination fire department (career and on -call force), we rely greatly upon these people for providing fire/emergency medical services at all hours of the day. Our firefighters/emergency medical technicians dedicate hundreds of hours for training and answering calls for help. As a firefighter you experience a lot of missed meals, missed ball games, and interrupted family functions, holidays and many sleepless nights. We do this out of the love for the job and the desire to help the citizens of our Town. If you're interested in learning more about the Fire Department, or would like to join call 978-352-5757, or stop the station any time. Be Safe!

Respectfully submitted,

Fred A. Mitchell Jr
Fire Chief

Housing Authority Annual Report

The Georgetown Housing Authority consists of 126 elderly and handicapped units on Trestle Way and 10 family units on Jewett Street. The Board of Commissioners is made up of four elected Commissioners and one appointed.

Frank Harper	Chairman	elected, term expires 5/2020
Phil Cardoza	Member	elected, term expires 5/2021
David Schauer	Vice chairman	elected, term expires 5/2018
Juliette Rec	Treasurer	elected, term expires 5/2017 (holdover until May election)
State Appointee	vacant	

Our monthly meetings are held at 23 Trestle Way on the second Wednesday of each month at 3:15. There are no regular meetings scheduled in July, August and December.

The 2017 fiscal operating budget was set at \$753,414 for income and \$726,714 for expenses.

All units are occupied or being renovated for new residents.

We have an ongoing management agreement with the Topsfield Housing Authority, sharing administrative and maintenance staff between the two agencies.

We have two modernization projects for unit turnovers. One was a barrier free unit and the other was a family unit. They are being renovated with energy efficient lighting, sustainable surfaces and healthy construction materials.

GEORGETOWN BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

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INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR 2020

STAFF:

Les Godin	Building Commissioner / Zoning Enforcement Officer	35 hrs/week
Robyn Holt	Administrative Assistant	24 hrs/week
Mark Unger	Wiring Inspector	20 hrs/week
Bill Gianacoples	Plumbing & Gas Inspector	20 hrs/week

The Georgetown Inspections Department issues all building, electrical, plumbing, gas, HVAC, sign permits and performs inspections. In Fiscal Year 2020 the following permits were issued by the Inspections Department:

BUILDING PERMITS:

Single family residences	5
Commercial/Multi-Family	17
Additions/In-law	5
Renovations (misc)	68
Demolitions	6
Wood/Solid fuel stoves	9
Porches/Decks	20
Roofs / Siding	63
Windows & Doors	35
Pools	12
Wireless communications	2
Solar	1
Accessory Structures	9
<u>Insulation/Weatherization</u>	<u>24</u>

FY 2020 Building permits	282
FY 2020 Building fees	\$125,903.00

WIRING / ELECTRICAL PERMITS:

FY 2020 Electrical permits	191
FY 2020 Electrical fees	\$30,070.00

PLUMBING PERMITS:

FY 2020 Plumbing permits	140
FY 2020 Plumbing fees	\$9,024.00

GAS PERMITS:

FY 2020 Gas permits	154
FY 2020 Gas fees	\$6,993.00

HVAC PERMITS:

FY 2020 HVAC permits	14
FY 2020 HVAC fees	\$2,035.00

SIGN PERMITS:

FY 2020 Sign permits	6
FY 2020 Sign fees	\$418.00

TOTAL PERMITS	787
TOTAL FEES	\$174,443.00

Thank you to the other Town departments, boards, commissions, and employees for their assistance and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Robyn Holt
Administrative Assistant

Annual Report FY20 Georgetown Peabody Library

The Georgetown Peabody Library continues to be an active, vibrant community center and a place of relaxation for our residents. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the library closed its doors to the public starting on March 16, 2020. Staff members worked behind the scenes during the next few months; offering virtual story times and programs, assisting the public with any library related or tech questions through phone and email, and much more. As of June 8, 2020, the library implemented a curbside pickup service so patrons could pick up items from our collection and other libraries in our network outside of our building. The physical library building still remained closed to the public.

The library received CPC funding at the Annual Town Meeting in June 2020 to replace the current open shelving in the Local History Room into closed, locked shelving. This would significantly enhance the safety and preservation of our local history collection. This project is currently in progress with a local Georgetown contractor.

PERSONNEL:

Our Teen Librarian Emily Havey left to accept the position of Teen Librarian at the Tewksbury Public Library in September 2019. Haley Hart was hired as our new Teen Librarian in November 2019. Haley has been a welcomed addition to the staff as she continues to offer programs and resources to our teens. Gemma Doyle resigned as our part-time Library Technician in September 2019. Mary McHugh was hired as part-time Library Technician in November 2019. Mary has been a welcomed addition to the staff as she works at our ever-busy Circulation Desk and assists our Reference Librarian with projects from time to time.

CIRCULATION/HOLDINGS:

Our Circulation numbers are compiled both from what we own and what we borrow from other libraries. The Georgetown Peabody Library collection consists of 39,920 adult materials, 23,509 children materials, and 3,052 young adult materials. We also have access to 8,173 downloadable audiobooks, 200 downloadable videos, and 34,591 e-books through our consortium subscription to the Overdrive Media Service. We circulated 32,002 in Adult materials, 2,247 in Young Adult materials and 22,125 in Children's materials. This brings us to a total of 56,394 circulated materials. This includes both physical materials and eBooks/Audio circulation.

BORROWING:

We have 6,053 registered borrowers. We borrowed 10,920 items from other towns for Georgetown residents and we sent out 16,151 items to other libraries. We had 8,507 downloads by our residents through Overdrive, a 34.5% increase from last year! Non-residents coming to Georgetown borrowed 6,055 items.

HOURS:

From July 2019 until our COVID-19 closure in March 2020, people continued to visit our library often averaging 102 per day with a total of 24,168 visits at the library. The library was open 1,111 hours this year, 116 of those hours were Saturdays, and 306 of those hours were after 5pm.

PROGRAM ATTENDANCE:

We held 143 Children's programs with 2,075 attendees and 47 Teen programs with 257 attendees. We also held 36 Adult programs with 637 attendees. Some of these programs had

to be held virtually due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic that closed our doors in March 2020. We had 182 children sign up for the Children's summer reading program, 20 teens sign up for the Teen summer reading program, and 46 adults sign up for the Adult summer reading program in FY20. We were unable to host any in-person summer events and concerts due to COVID-19, but we are thankful for those in the community who signed up for our summer reading programs.

VOLUNTEERS:

Throughout the year we had 6 volunteers. We had both young adults doing High School Community Service and adults who enjoy contributing their time and effort to the library. They volunteered a total of 118 hours. We are very thankful to have these wonderful volunteers dedicate their time to helping the library continue to be a wonderful place to visit and enjoy.

MEETING ROOM USE:

Our Meeting Room was used for 313 meetings by various groups in town. These include our regular library story hour programs, adult programs, teen programs, the Friends of the Georgetown Peabody Library Book Sale, Cub, Girl, and Boy Scout groups, book club discussion groups, town organizations' meetings, association meetings, and genealogy meetings.

SUPPORT:

The Friends of the Georgetown Peabody Library could not hold their annual Book Sale in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Instead, they sent out an annual appeal letter through the Light Department's bill mailing requesting donations. Proceeds from the annual appeal helped the Friends fund the library's museum pass program and our virtual summer reading programs. The Georgetown Cultural Council provided grant money for Roger Tincknell which was to be held in the summer. Due to COVID-19, this concert has been postponed until next summer.

FY20 Library Budget from Municipal Appropriation:

Expenses	\$147,530
Salaries	\$229,176

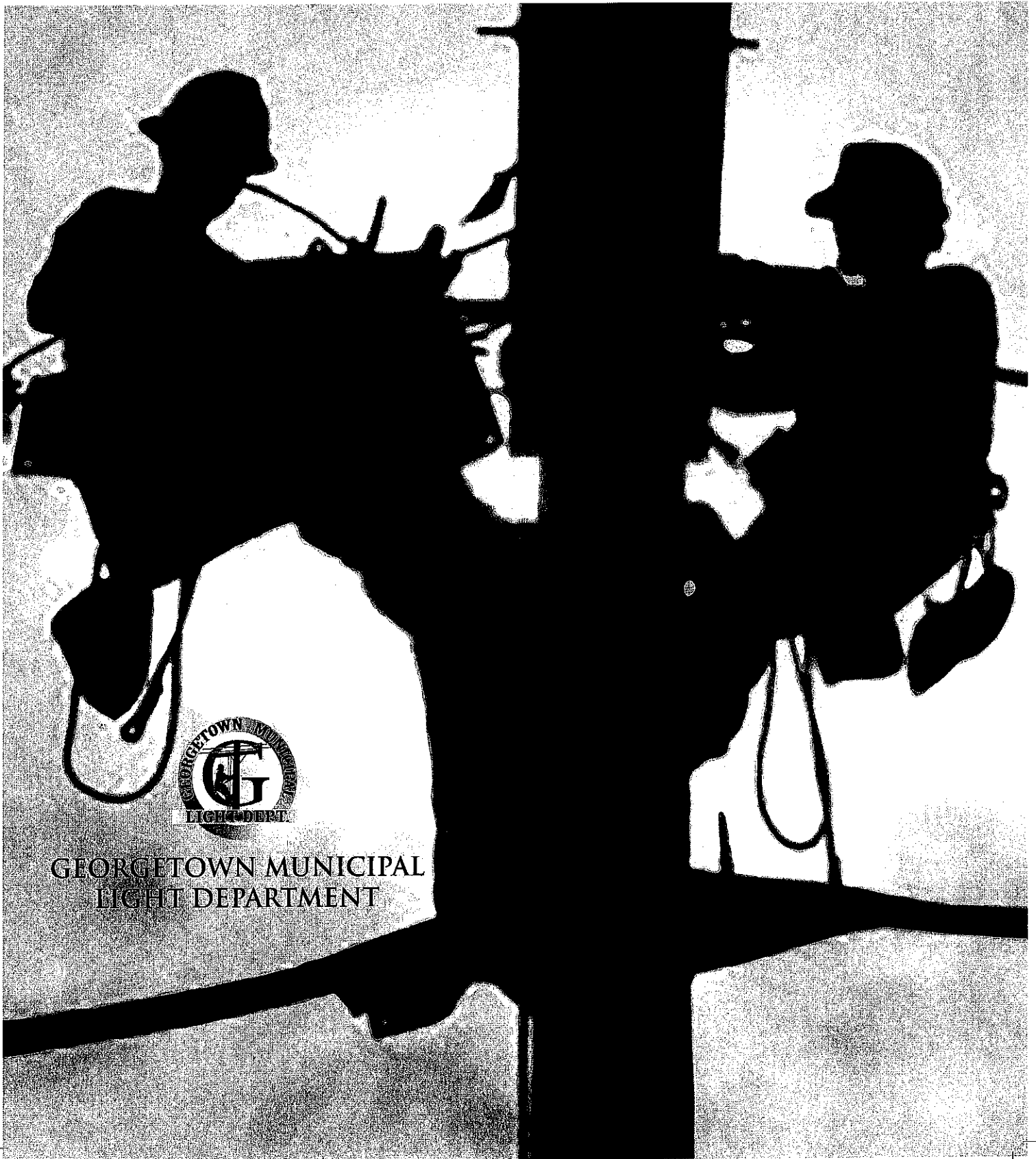
Balances of Library Trust Funds June 30, 2020

State Aid to Public Libraries Received FY20	\$11,320.37
State Aid to Public Libraries Expended FY20	\$5,617.03
State Aid to Public Libraries Balance	\$8,738.20
Michele Patten Fund	\$341.71
Memorial Gift Fund	\$2,827.33
Sawyer Fund Interest (Principal: \$5,000)	\$1,750.74
Peabody Fund	\$66,065.30

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Cognata
Library Director

2019 ANNUAL REPORT



GEORGETOWN MUNICIPAL
LIGHT DEPARTMENT



Georgetown Municipal Light Department

Dear Ratepayer,

I am pleased to present the 2019 annual report for the Georgetown Municipal Light Department, a municipal electric light department committed to service, reliability and competitive rates. Our staff of eight employees serve a customer base of approximately 3480 residential and business customers. During the year, Georgetown Light consistently demonstrated an ongoing commitment to providing safe, reliable electric service to all customers.

Georgetown Light launched Georgetown Goes Green in 2019, moving the utility further ahead in meeting the goal to reduce our carbon footprint. This green energy-friendly program expanded the appliance rebate incentive program to include smart wi-fi thermostats and hybrid water heaters, and introduced rebates on the purchase of qualifying ducted air source heat pumps and ductless mini-split heat pumps. Weatherization rebate incentives for qualifying energy improvements made after recommendations from an energy audit were also expanded.

The Georgetown Drives Electric outreach program was introduced to provide information about savings opportunities, electric vehicles (EVs) and at-home charging. In addition to providing information about EVs, federal and state rebates, and vehicle dealer incentives, the program offered incentives for EV charging and rebates for charging equipment.

Georgetown Light was one of 36 municipal light plants that participated in the Department of Energy Resources (DOER) rebate program for the installation of small-scale solar projects in communities served by a municipal light plant, a program that began in October 2019. The utility offered rebates of \$1.20 per watt, up to 50% of system costs, with residential installations capped at 10 kW. Georgetown Light committed \$10,000 to the program, which was matched by the DOER.

The 2019 preventative maintenance program in conjunction with Mayer Tree service was in full force throughout the year, removing or trimming trees that could impede or affect service to the system. These efforts and the ongoing regular tree trimming are crucial to maintaining the reliability of Georgetown Light's 60 miles of overhead and underground lines.

Georgetown Light continued its support of civic and community events throughout 2019. The department was instrumental in planning, coordinating and implementing the community's tree lighting ceremony in December, an event which I had the privilege of serving as chair. The annual Public Power Week open house was well attended, as was my annual visit to the Georgetown Senior Community Center to address safety issues and concerns. The department again sponsored electrical safety programs for students at the Penn Brook School, put up banners for local organizations, and participated in a vehicle day at Georgetown Peabody Library.

We welcomed one new employee during the year. Cara Lane joined the business office as the Business Coordinator. Georgetown Light Commissioner Nick Lawler was elected to the board of directors of the American Public Power Association, a national public power advocacy organization that represents more than 2,000 not-for-profit, community-owned utilities like Georgetown Light.

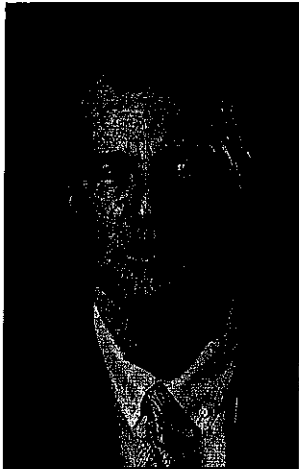
We are proud of all our employees and their accomplishments. General Foreman Mike Conwell joined his utility colleagues as a judge at the 2019 NEPPA Lineworkers Rodeo. Jesse Cote completed the hard work and requirements to become a Lead Lineworker, as did Mike Correale who became a 1st Class Lineworker.

Respectfully submitted,

David Schofield
General Manager

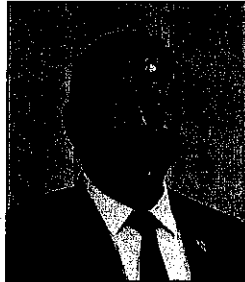


LEADERSHIP



David Schofield, General Manager

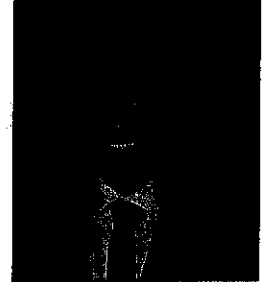
COMMISSIONERS



John Smolinsky, Chairman



Pete Dion



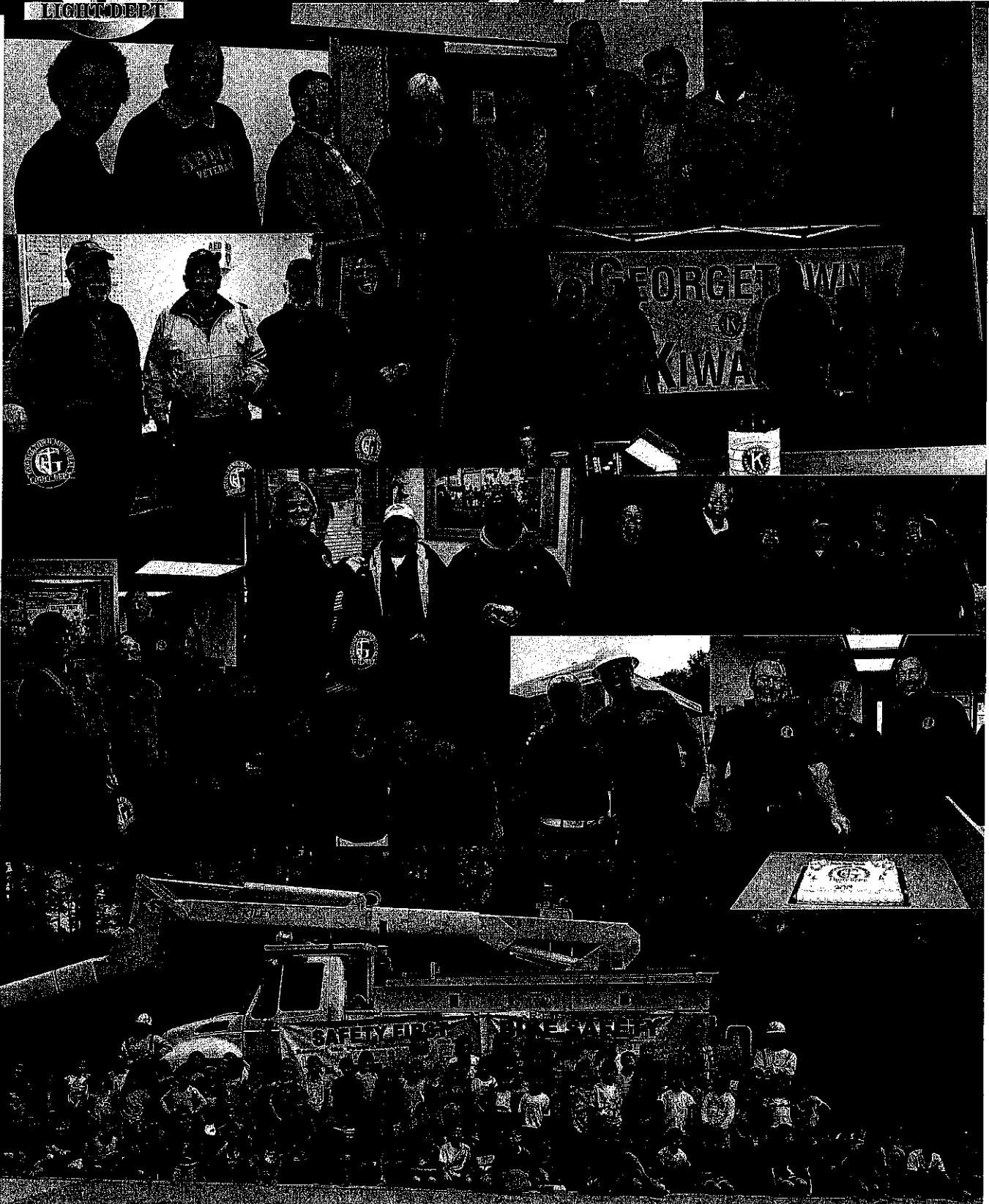
Nick Lawler

EMPLOYEES





2019 IN REVIEW





*Georgetown Municipal
Light Department*

**Georgetown Municipal Light Department
Balance Sheet
December 31, 2019
ASSETS**

UTILITY PLANT

DISTRIBUTION PLANT	13,366,235.08	
GENERAL PLANT	1,527,170.46	
CONSTRUCTION IN PROCESS	-	
TOTAL UTILITY PLANT	14,893,405.54	
ACCUM DEPR DISTRIBUTION PLANT	7,133,830.86	
ACCUM DEPR GENERAL PLANT	855,692.35	
TOTAL ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	7,989,523.21	
NET UTILITY PLANT IN SERVICE		<u>6,903,882.33</u>
TOTAL NET UTILITY PLANT		6,903,882.33

FUND ACCOUNTS

DEPRECIATION FUND	2,477,488.72	
INVESTMENTS HELD BY MMWEC	-	
BOND FUND	-	
INVESTMENT OPEB TRUST	1,729,782.03	
TOTAL FUNDS	4,207,270.75	

CURRENT AND ACCRUED ASSET

OPERATION CASH	254,388.07	
WORKING FUND	2,700.00	
ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE-RATES	947,944.10	
ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE-OTHER	-	
ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE-MUNICIPAL	-	
ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE-MMWEC	-	
RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECT ACCTS	(3,259.58)	
INVENTORY	29,771.28	
PREPAYMENTS	1,110,371.04	
TOTAL CURRENT AND ACCRUED ASSETS	2,341,914.91	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>6,549,185.66</u>
OTHER ASSETS	-	
OTHER DEFERRED DEBITS	-	
DEFERRED ISSUE COSTS REFUNDING	-	
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	-	
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>13,453,067.99</u>



*Georgetown Municipal
Light Department*

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

CURRENT LIABILITIES

NOTES PAYABLE	-	
ACCOUNT PAYABLE	473,762.86	
PAYROLL PAYABLE	-	
SALES TAXES PAYABLE	-	
ACCRUED BOND INTEREST	-	
ACCRUED BENEFITS	242,705.76	
CONSUMER DEPOSITS	131,400.00	
REFUNDS DUE		
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>847,868.62</u>

LONG TERM LIABILITIES

BONDS PAYABLE	-	
OTHER POST EMPLOY BEN TRUST	-	
TOTAL LONG TERM LIABILITIES		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>847,868.62</u>

SURPLUS

SURPLUS	8,702,155.59	
OTHER POST EMPLOY BEN TRUST	1,729,782.03	
CONSERVATION CHARGE-EQUITY	(3,645.76)	
MISC CREDITS TO SURPLUS	-	
MISC DEBTS TO SURPLUS	-	
RESERVE FUND HELD AT MMWEC	0.10	
CONTRIBUTION IN AID OF CONST	1,648,165.81	
NET INCOME	528,741.60	
TOTAL SURPLUS		<u>12,605,199.37</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & SURPLUS		<u><u>13,453,067.99</u></u>



Georgetown Municipal Light Department

Georgetown Municipal Light Department Income Statement For the Month Ending December 31, 2019

	Current Month 12/31/19	Year to Date 01/01-12/31/19
Revenues:		
Residential Sales	\$ 419,808.61	\$ 5,209,603.32
Commercial Sales	63,187.57	749,816.82
Commercial Sales Large	140,967.46	1,796,033.46
Street Lighting	-	18,932.35
Municipal Power Sales	35,304.13	444,338.19
Private Area Lights	1,385.45	16,142.43
Payment Discounts	(25,493.95)	(298,105.72)
Merchandise And Jobbing Income	400.00	247,505.64
Other Income-Rec	-	40,737.53
Other Income-Transmission	3,301.88	40,516.71
Other Income-Wind	13.49	201.71
Interest Income	-	-
Earnings on Investment	7,489.11	64,825.21
Depr Fund-Earn on Investments	39,649.14	233,724.64
Grant Revenue	-	-
Town LED	-	121,433.30
Total Revenues	\$ 686,012.89	8,685,705.59
Cost of Sales:		
Purchase Power	215,447.88	2,151,467.52
Other Power Cost	6,710.76	85,772.22
Transmission Expense	232,705.68	3,028,939.19
Total Cost of Sales	454,864.32	5,266,178.93
Gross Profit	231,148.57	3,419,526.66
Expenses:		
Depreciation	48,088.52	577,062.24
Interest On Bonds	249.98	2,999.98
Interest - Other	22.42	761.29
Operation Labor	42,577.84	499,973.78
Meter Expense	-	945.41
Miscellaneous Distribution Expense	2,661.21	89,416.70
Maintenance Super Engineer Expense	-	99.40
Maintenance Of Structures	4,704.49	81,448.24
Maintenance Station Equipment	-	260.72
Maintenance Of Overhead Lines	5,731.87	376,126.75
Maintenance Of Underground Lines	110.00	708.80
Maintenance of Street Lights	-	2,024.75
Meter Reading	726.88	28,023.18
Customer Record	19,017.70	193,840.84
Miscellaneous Sales	-	240.83
Administrative Salaries	13,655.25	158,552.25
Office Expense	2,872.09	80,180.43
Outside Services	8,852.24	81,826.37
Property Insurance	2,195.09	25,697.52
Employee Pension And Benefits	49,643.05	602,024.45
Miscellaneous General	789.40	9,582.85
Refunds Prior Year	-	51.70
Maintenance of General Plant	4,226.22	36,837.51
Transportation Expense	1,796.92	42,099.07
Total Expenses	207,921.17	2,890,785.06
Net Income	\$ 23,227.40	\$ 528,741.60

Fiscal Year 2020
Report of the
GEORGETOWN PLANNING BOARD

1. ORGANIZATION:

<u>Members</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Mr. Harry LaCortiglia	Chairman	2016	2021
Mr. Bruce Fried	Vice-Chairman	2019	2024
Mr. Robert Watts	Clerk	2017	2022
Mr. George Comiskey	Member	2020	2025
Ms. Joanne Laut	Member	2018	2023

<u>Staff</u>	<u>Position</u>
John M. Cashell	Town Planner
Andrea Thibault	Administrative Asst.

2. STREET ACCEPTANCE FY20:

The following road was accepted as a public street at the October 28, 2019 Special Town Meeting, Article 9: Palmer Lane.

3. MASS DOT COMPLETE STREETS PROGRAM:

In FY20 Georgetown continued being a certified Complete Streets Community for the third consecutive year; this program, via a competitive grant process, provides Georgetown with the opportunity to apply for annual federal and state road improvement funding.

4. ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENTS FY20:

At the March 25, 2020 Planning Board meeting, the following proposed zoning amendment was tabled, pending further study.

\$165-71 Inclusionary Housing Balance Bylaw of the Georgetown Zoning Ordinances proposed changes.

5. SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS AMENDMENTS FY20:

The following Subdivision Regulation amendment was adopted by the Planning Board at its February 26, 2020 meeting:

Ch. 365-37 - Subdivision of two or fewer lots; and Ch. 365-38 - Subdivision of 5 or fewer lots of the Subdivision Regulations. Voted unanimously to approve the proposed changes at the 2-26-20 Planning Board meeting. Public Hearing held 2-26-20.

6. APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED (ANR) PLANS:

The Planning Board reviewed the following ANR plans:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u># of Lots</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Approved</u>
8 & 10 Pine Grove Ave.	Kevin Cuniff	2	2-ANR lots	12-11-19
6 & 8 Pillsbury Ave.	Bonnie Silva	2	2-ANR Lots	08-14-19
29 Long Hill & 2 Red Pine Way	David Davison	2	Lot Line Adjustment	02-26-20
4 & 6 Rock Pond Ave.	Barbara Hunt	2	Lot Line Adjustment	05-27-20

7. SITE PLAN AND SPECIAL PERMITS:

The Planning Board considered the following submitted Site Plan and Special Permit applications:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Approved</u>
65 Central St	CVS Plaza LLC	Amended Site Plan	09-26-19
68 Tenney St	TINC LLC	Sp. Pmt. & Site Plan	08-15-19
4 Carleton Drive	Cambridgeport LLC	Amended Site Plan	06-12-19
51 West Main St	John Colantoni	Site Plan	02-12-20
Carleton Drive	G. Mello Disposal	Site Plan	Ongoing
East Main St. Recreation Park	Georgetown	Amended Special Permit	08-14-20

8. DEFINITIVE SUBDIVISION/SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

The Planning Board considered the following submitted Site Plan and Special Permit applications:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Approved</u>
554 North Street	John Dunlevy	3-lot Court	06-16-20
196 W. Main St.	James Ogden	2-Lot Court	09-21-20
103A Lakeridge Dr.	David Swenson	1-lot Court	withdrawn w/out prejudice 10-09-19
494 North St.	James Ogden	2-lot Court	11-10-20

9. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

The Planning Board maintained oversight on the following active Subdivision & OSRD developments:

Subdivision #	Project Name	# of Lots	Location	Status
167	Littles Hill	45	Littles Hill	Final C.O. Pending
230	Palmer Lane	4	Palmer Ln.	Bond Closure 2-12-20
231	Bailey Lane	5	Bailey Lane	Under Construction
220	L. Ogden	3-lot OSRD	198 E. Main	Final Approval 10-23-19

10. OVERSIGHT PROJECTS:

The Planning Board maintained oversight on the following active Site and Special Permit developments:

Site Plan/SP #	Project Name	Use	Location	Status
216	Georgetown Plaza	Retail	64-74 E. Main St.	Completion Pending
221	Georgetown Water Tower	Public Utility	11 Longhill Rd.	As-Built Plans Approved 1-8-2020

11. OTHER BUSINESS CONDUCTED BY THE PLANNING BOARD AND STAFF FY20:

1. This report would, perhaps, not be considered complete without making mention of the Covid-19 Pandemic, and the effects it had on the entire world's population. In brief, beginning in mid-February of 2020, much of the world's attention turned to said Pandemic, and what started off as a mandatory 2-week shutdown of the U.S., soon turned into a prolonged, nearly nationwide shutdown, lasting through the time of this writing, March 2021. Many millions of people throughout the world became infected with the virus, and to-date over two million people worldwide died from the effects of contracting the virus. Many millions more throughout the world contracted the virus and either had mild, cold-like symptoms or became very ill.

2. During FY20 the Planning Board began the process of reviewing plans to construct Pingree Road, per Massachusetts Land Court remand action, in the case of Tolman v. Town of Georgetown, Pingree Road is an ancient, largely undeveloped right-of-way that intersects with E. Main St., and continues into the Georgetown-Rowley State Forest. Status: review remained ongoing at the end of FY20.
3. During FY20, the Highway, Administration and Planning staff began work to complete the 2020 Massachusetts Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit: the MS4 Permit is a 5-year permit, issued jointly by the US EPA and MassDEP. Over 200 Massachusetts towns discharge stormwater under U.S. EPA's NPDES MS4 Permit. Please note, although Georgetown does not have a municipal sewer system, many aspects of the MS4 permit requirements apply to the town and must be complied with. During FY20 said municipal staff worked on the MS4 permit reporting requirements, but with the effects of Covid-19 on town staff scheduling, much of the permitting requirements remained incomplete at the end of the fiscal year, with completion of said requirements anticipated to occur in FY21, with the contracted assistance of the MVPCC.
4. The Planning Board's Build-out Analysis Sub-Committee, consisting of former Vice-chair and Planning Board member, Tillie Evangelista, continuing Chairman of the Planning Board, Harry LaCortiglia, and Planning Board member, George Comiskey, worked with Merrimack Valley Planning Commission staff to update the Town's Buildout Analysis. Status: completed in FY20.
5. In FY18 the Town of Georgetown became a state certified Complete Streets Program (CSP) community; the CSP accommodates a wide range of road users by creating a municipal road network that meets the needs of individuals utilizing a variety of transportation modes. The CSP will be applied as a guide in decision-making in related infrastructure planning and construction. The Town of Georgetown recognizes the health, safety, economic viability, and numerous other benefits that can be achieved through application of Complete Streets principles. By incorporating Complete Streets as a guide, the Town of Georgetown will advance its efforts to provide safety and accessibility for all the users of our roadways, trails and transit systems, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, motorists, commercial vehicles, and emergency vehicles and for people of all ages and of all abilities.
6. In FY18 the Planning Board favorably recommended adoption of Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust's (GAHT) updated Affordable Housing Production Plan (AHPP). For additional information on the AHPP, including FY19 and FY20 update information, please refer to GAHT's webpage on the Town's website.
7. In FY18, the Economic Development Committee and the Board of Selectmen secured Mass Development funding for a "Highest and Best Use Market Analysis" for the Town-owned 26-acre parcel off National Ave. Said analysis was completed in the fall of FY19, and potential development of said parcel, which was divided into 2 parcels (i.e., the North Parcel, consisting of approx. 16 acres and the South Parcel, consisting of approx. 10 acres) remained an ongoing priority for the Town during FY20.

8. In FY18 the Economic Development Committee and the Board of Selectmen, secured a state awarded \$50,000.00 Economic Development grant. The funding included in this grant, as approved by the Board of Selectmen, was used to conduct a wastewater treatment feasibility study for the downtown area of Georgetown. Status: In the fall of FY19 this study was completed and presented to the Board of Selectmen. During the spring of FY19, the Town Planner, working in conjunction with the Economic Development Committee and the study engineer, determined that the only feasible location for the wastewater treatment facility, together with the associated leach field was on land associated with the Middle/High School. To this effect, in June 2019, the School Committee voted unanimously to allow for exploratory study of said facility and leach field, with the latter being proposed as a multi-use recreation field on the surface of the leach field. At the conclusion of FY20, with the effects of Covid-19 interrupting the progress of the aforementioned efforts, completion of this study remained pending.
9. During FY20, and under the effects of Covid-19 and the state's associated emergency act, the Planning Office worked primarily in electronic and virtual modes, including conducting virtual Planning Board meetings and public hearings, and relative to responding to public records requests and inquiries from residents, town departments, towns Boards and Commissions, attorneys, developers, and real estate agents. Planning Staff built a virtual Planning Office on the Town's website, since Town Hall was closed to the public. This provides the public with electronic access to all current project documents, as well as virtual access to the Town Planner by appointment. Additionally, the Planning Staff undertook an office automation project that replaced the previously hand delivered hard copy Planning Board bi-monthly packets of documents and plans, to an electronic e-packet file delivery and storage system on Google drive.
10. Stretch Energy Code (SEC): At the 2019 ATM the Town adopted the SEC, relative to compliance with the below-cited Green Communities Grant Application. The SEC basically requires energy efficiency testing for all new residential construction, including substantial additions to existing dwelling structures. During FY20 this Energy Code has been fully implemented into the building permit and inspection processes.
11. Green Communities Grant Application, through the Massachusetts Department of Energy: during the spring of 2019, the Planning Dept., working in conjunction state, regional and local officials, began work on the aforementioned application, which at the end of FY19 completion remained pending, but was completed during FY20. The Green Community Program, sponsored by the state, provides for member communities to apply for multi-year competitive grants, relative to making municipal buildings and municipal vehicle fleets more energy efficient, with the goal for communities to reduce energy costs by 20% over the succeeding 5 years. During FY20, the town's contracted vendor, Energy Conservation, Inc. (ECI), finalized the Building Envelope Inspection Report of all municipal-owned buildings, including schools, with implementation of weatherization projects first slated for Town Hall and the Public Safety Building in the winter of 2020/21, utilizing an initial \$140,000.00 Green Community's Program grant.

12. Town Planner, John Cashell (appointed 13 FEB 17), in addition to conducting his Planning Board duties and responsibilities, was appointed to and participated in the following town and regional planning committees/commission:

- Commissioner for the Merrimack Valley Planning Commission (MVPC);
- Representative for Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Georgetown, Boxford, Newbury and Groveland;
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee;
- Georgetown Economic Development Committee (EDC);
- Recreation Path Committee;
- Hazardous Mitigation Planning Committee;
- Storm Water Management Committee;
- Capital Improvement Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

John M. Cashell

John M. Cashell
Town Planner

Georgetown Police Department



FY 2020 will possibly be reported as one of the most difficult years the community and the Georgetown Police Department will ever experience. The COVID-19 Pandemic struck in March of 2020 and still remains with us at the time this report was written. These unprecedented times have challenged the United States and its citizens to levels never experienced before. The police department and community have come together during these times and have fought the pandemic head on. All departments, Police, Fire, Board of Health, Schools, and all others have banded together to survive these times.

Even through the COVID-19 challenge, the police department continued to enhance all department policies and procedures to maintain accreditation status with the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission, and again was awarded Re-Accreditation in October of 2020. The department has maintained this award since 2007 and again commits to maintain the program moving forward. This is certainly a true testament to the dedication of our officers and dispatchers to provide a modern, 21st Century Policing Model as outlined by the President's Task Force on American Policing. This is particularly important given the massive police reforms that have swept the United States. The Georgetown Police Department will face all police reform changes head on to ensure we serve the community and residents to the highest of standards.

As always, I want to thank the dedicated men and women of the police department for their continued cooperation, commitment and professionalism to our department. The department will see many changes throughout the upcoming police reform legislation, which includes the significant reduction in the use of reserve police officers, which are relied on to reduce costs. We must be ready to support our community through these times regardless of the changes.

Finally, on behalf of the entire department, we always remain thankful to our residents for their unwavering support, both financially and for the endless acts of appreciation shown to us throughout the year. Please know as your police department, we will continue to serve, protect and keep our community safe and always attempt to provide the best and proactive police services available.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald C. Cudmore

Donald C. Cudmore
Chief of Police

POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS FOR FY 2020

*** Calls for Service reported to N.I.B.R.S. pursuant to policy:**

Aggravated Assault -- 2
Arson -- 0
All Other Larceny -- 12
All Other Offenses -- 45
Burglary / Breaking and Entering -- 8
Counterfeiting -- 0
Credit Card / Automatic Teller -- 6
Destruction / Damage / Vandalism -- 26
Disorderly Conduct -- 3
Driving Under the Influence -- 18
Drug / Narcotic Violations -- 8
False Pretenses / Swindle / Confidence Game -- 21
Forcible Fondling -- 0
Forcible Rape -- 0
Impersonation -- 32
Incest -- 0
Intimidation -- 2
Motor Vehicle Theft -- 1
Pornography / Obscene Material -- 3
Shoplifting -- 4
Simple Assault -- 15
Stolen Property Offenses -- 2
Theft from Building -- 12
Theft from Motor Vehicle -- 11
Traffic, Town By-Law Offenses -- 137
Trespass of Real Property -- 1

All Calls for Service I.M.C. Entries -- 19,377:

Accidental/Abandoned 911 Calls -- 149
Animal Complaints -- 298
Arrests/Summonses -- 111
Assist other PDs -- 249
Disturbances -- 170
General Services -- 72
Investigations -- 76
MV Crashes -- 151
Soliciting -- 13

Traffic Enforcement:

Total Citations – 1269

Arrests (MV) – 15

Civil Infractions – 95

Criminal Complaints – 57

Municipal Ordinances – 20

Warnings (Verbal) – 614

Warnings (Written) – 468

Recreational Path Committee 2020 Fiscal Year End Report

November 1, 2020

Status

Progress continues to be made on the Georgetown 4.5-mile recreational path. The trail is a part of the 30-mile Border to Boston trail that runs from Danvers north through Wenham, Topsfield, Boxford, Georgetown, Newbury, Newburyport, and Salisbury. The Border to Boston trail is part of the East Coast Greenway that runs from Calais Maine to Key West Florida. The Danvers, Wenham, Topsfield, Newburyport, and Salisbury sections are in use and portions of the Georgetown and Boxford trails are available for use.

Each year more walkers and cyclists learn about the trail and continue to make good use it despite the unimproved condition, bridges that need repair and some sections that are impassable.

Mowing and trimming is being done by volunteers in Conservation Commission authorized areas, though additional support in this area would improve the condition of the trail.

Mass DOT is managing the trail design projects, project # 607541 from Georgetown Road, Boxford to West Main St. and project # 607542 from West Main St. to Church St. in Newbury. In 2015, we finalized construction funding for both projects, and they are scheduled to be constructed in 2022 and 2024, respectively.

Accomplishments

The following are key activities and accomplishments.

- The 25% Design Plans were submitted to MDOT for both projects.
- Legal work on the ROW has been proceeding.
- A new project manager has taken over and reinvigorated the project.

Committee

The FY 2020 members of the committee are Chris Roop (chair), Julie Coolidge (clerk), Bill Hastings, Ian Deweese-Boyd and Craig Mabus.

Next Steps

- 25% Design Public Hearing by MDOT.
- Determine plan and feasibility for interim repair and opening of bridges.
- Develop "Friends of the Trail" organization and additional community engagement.
- Environmental permitting and completion of design
- Obtaining 99-year lease from National Grid following 75% design

Town of Georgetown
Expected to Actual Revenues
For the Fiscal Year Ended

As of June 30, 2020

Account Name	Projected Revenues	Received To Date	Balance	Percent Received
Real Estate & Personal Property Taxes	21,594,150	21,593,199	100,951	100%
Motor Vehicles & Other Excise Taxes	1,575,000	1,638,381	(63,381)	104%
Penalties & Interest on Taxes	125,000	77,456	47,544	62%
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	48,000	49,194	(1,194)	102%
Local Meals Tax	80,000	79,733	267	100%
Fees	74,720	70,033	4,687	94%
Rentals	40,000	39,999	1	100%
Other Dept Revenues	10,280	15,961	(5,681)	155%
Licenses & Permits	182,000	213,711	(31,711)	117%
Fines & Forfeits	65,000	34,064	30,936	52%
QECB Tax Credit	38,000	34,823	3,177	92%
Investment Income	25,000	35,274	(10,274)	141%
Elect. Dept. - Benefits & Debt Service	530,000	576,286	(46,286)	109%
Miscellaneous Receipts		40,369	(40,369)	#DIV/0!
Bond Premium Per DE-1	80,125	80,125	0	100%
Non Recurring Miscellaneous Receipts			0	
Misc Medicaid Reimbursement	50,000	31,308	18,692	63%
Host Agreement Revenue	220,000	296,048	(76,048)	135%
State Aid	6,726,147	6,463,572	262,575	96%
Totals	31,563,422	31,369,537	193,885	99%
Other General Fund Revenue:				
Free Cash				
Tax Titles Redeemed		90,138	(90,138)	#DIV/0!
Transfer From Septic Betterment - Debt Service	21,060	21,060	0	100%
Transfers From Water	271,147	271,147	0	100%
Transfers From Detail Accounts		12,237	(12,237)	
Transfers From CPC for Debt Service Payment	187,100	187,100	0	100%
Total General Fund	32,042,729	31,951,219	91,510	100%
Other Revenue:				
Water Lien Revenue/Tax Title				
Water User Charges 61004000-421000		26,172	(26,172)	
Water Interest/Penalties 61004000-422210	1,780,000	1,782,200	(2,200)	100%
Water Nonutility Usage Charges 61004000-424000	5,000	3,747	1,253	75%
Water Other Utility Revenue 61004000-422200	20,000	35,770	(15,770)	179%
Water Investment Income 61004000-482000	15,000	18,380	(3,380)	123%
	10,000	9,816	184	98%
Total Water Department Revenue	1,830,000	1,876,085	(46,085)	103%
Other Revenue:				
Ambulance User Charges 63004200-432015		401,369	(38,274)	111%
Ambulance Interest 63004820-482000	363,095	1,307	(1,307)	#DIV/0!
Total Ambulance Enterprise Revenue	363,095	402,676	(39,581)	111%
Total Revenue (General & Enterprise)	34,235,824	34,229,980	45,424	99.98%

		TOWN OF GEORGETOWN							
		GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS							
Acct #	Account Name	Proposed Budget	Total Appropriation	STM	Revised Budget	Amount Expended	Unexpended	Percent Expended	
01113510	Town Meeting Salaries	1,800	1,800		1,800	1,426	374.00	79.22%	
01113570	Town Meeting Expenses	50	50		50	0	50.00	0.00%	
01122510	Selectmen Staff Salary	43,152	43,152		43,152	43,152	-0.11	100.00%	
01122510	Town Administrator Salary	135,000	135,000		135,000	121,158	13,842.07	89.75%	
01122510	Town Administrator Def Comp	5,000	5,000		5,000	3,500	1,500.00	70.00%	
01122570	Selectmen Office - Services	754,285	754,285	1,000	755,285	742,552	12,733.14	98.31%	
01131510	Fin/Adv Salaries & Wages	1,045	1,045		1,045	0	1,045.00	0.00%	
01131570	Fin/Adv Comm Expenses		0		0	0	0.00		
01131570	Reserve Fund	105,000	105,000		105,000	0	105,000.00	0.00%	
01132510	Salary Reserve Fund - Adjustments		0		0	0	0.00		
01135510	Accountants Salary	75,634	75,634		75,634	75,634	0.00	100.00%	
01135510	Accountant Staff Wages	17,198	17,198		17,198	15,338	1,860.10	89.18%	
01135570	Accountants Expenses	3,540	3,540		3,540	1,823	1,717.48	51.48%	
01141510	Assessors Salaries	900	900		900	900	0.00	100.00%	
01141510	Assessors Asst Salary	85,832	85,832		85,832	85,832	0.01	100.00%	
01141510	Assessors Staff Wages	52,075	52,075		52,408	52,408	-0.01	100.00%	
01141570	Assessors Expenses	24,709	24,709		24,376	11,668	12,708.23	47.87%	
01145510	Tax Collector/Treasurer	74,634	74,634		75,634	75,634	0.00	100.00%	
01145510	Asst Treasurer	56,630	56,630		64,630	62,289	2,341.08	96.38%	
01145510	Finance Clerk	17,198	17,198		17,198	15,338	1,860.10	89.18%	
01145570	Tres-Col Expenses	24,347	24,347		49,347	49,026	321.19	99.35%	
01151570	Town Counsel Expense	80,000	80,000		80,000	74,901	5,098.97	93.63%	
01158570	Tax Title Foreclosure	10,000	10,000		9,000	3,539	5,461.36	25.83%	
01161510	Town Clerk Salary	38,826	38,826		39,634	38,826	807.89	97.96%	
01161510	Town Clerk Staff Wages	21,030	21,030		21,030	21,131	-101.26	100.48%	
1161510	Town Clerk - Salaries & Wages - Temporary	0	0		2,193	2,193	0.00	100.00%	
01161570	Town Clerk Expenses	7,175	7,175		7,467	7,467	-0.36	100.00%	
01162510	Elections Salaries	10,000	10,000		10,000	8,903	1,096.96	89.03%	
01162570	Elections Expenses	14,250	14,250		14,250	13,079	1,171.42	91.78%	
01163510	Registrars Salaries	1,800	1,800		1,007	888	119.00	88.18%	
01163570	Registrars Expense	2,700	2,700		200	0	200.00	0.00%	
01171510	Conservation Comm Salaries	72,133	72,133		72,133	72,133	-0.43	100.00%	
01171510	Conservation Comm Staff Salaries	15,010	15,010		15,010	14,838	171.80	98.86%	
01171570	Conservation Comm Expenses	2,473	2,473		4,413	4,413	0.00	100.00%	
01175510	Planning Board Salaries	79,201	79,201		79,201	79,201	0.01	100.00%	
01175510	Staff Salaries & Wages	31,953	31,953		31,953	31,934	19.37	99.94%	
01175570	Planning Board Expenses	17,377	17,377		15,437	10,354	5,083.04	67.07%	
01176510	Z B Appeals Clerk Wages	27,182	27,182		27,182	27,182	0.11	100.00%	
01176570	ZB Appeals Expenses	220	220		220	219	0.87	99.60%	
01210510	Police Salaries	1,375,826	1,375,826		1,371,316	1,371,316	0.21	100.00%	
01210570	Police Operating Expenses	134,905	134,905		139,467	139,418	48.59	99.97%	
01210582	Police Capital Cruiser	40,000	40,000		43,505	43,505	0.00	100.00%	
01214510	Crossing Guard Salaries	19,380	19,380		19,380	18,753	627.25	96.76%	
01212510	Comm Center Wages	258,910	258,910		263,553	263,553	0.21	100.00%	
01220510	Fire Salaries & Wages	424,416	424,416		468,876	468,876	-0.09	100.00%	
01220570	Fire Operating Expenses	138,787	138,787	90,833	94,327	90,633	3,694.22	96.08%	
01295510	Inspectors Service Wages	146,106	146,106	146,106	146,106	145,482	623.62	99.57%	

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01295570	Inspectors Service Expenses	5,807	5,807		5,807	4,294	1,513.47	73.94%
01312970	Whittier Reg'l Assess	558,000	558,000		569,321	569,321	0.00	100.00%
01840570	Essex N Shore Aggie Tuition	55,038	55,038		86,307	86,307	0.00	100.00%
01420510	Highway Surveyor Salary	95,283	95,283		95,283	95,283	-0.02	100.00%
01420510	Highway Wages	335,394	335,394		336,534	328,982	7,541.47	97.76%
01420510	Highway Road Maint (Police Details)	0	0		21,140	21,140	0.00	100.00%
01420570	Highway Operating Expenses	314,938	314,938		322,400	322,400	0.38	100.00%
01423510	Snow/Ice Control Salaries	14,000	14,000	11,936	25,936	25,936	-0.11	100.00%
01423570	Snow/Ice Control Expenses	90,000	90,000	88,379	178,379	178,379	-0.15	100.00%
01424570	Street Light Assessment	56,645	56,645		49,183	49,183	-0.38	100.00%
01429510	Tree Warden Salary	5,366	5,366		5,366	5,366	0.00	100.00%
01429570	Tree Warden Expenses	12,000	12,000		12,000	12,000	0.00	100.00%
01511510	Health Salary & Wages	75,965	75,965		72,997	72,997	-0.25	100.00%
01511570	Health Dept Expenses	42,714	42,714		45,682	44,324	1,357.92	97.03%
01541570	Council on Aging Wages	129,607	129,607		129,607	113,956	15,650.53	87.92%
01543570	Veterans Services Expenses	40,357	40,357		40,357	33,105	7,252.34	82.03%
01543570	Veterans Graves Expenses	44,000	44,000		44,000	34,330	9,669.87	78.02%
01543570	E Essex Vet Dist Assessment	38,687	38,687		4,000	2,000.00	2,000.00	50.00%
01610510	Library Salaries & Wages	229,176	229,176		38,687	38,687	0.45	100.00%
01610570	Library Expenses	147,530	147,530		228,553	226,828	1,725.08	99.25%
01630510	Recreation Wages	27,258	27,258		148,153	148,153	-0.31	100.00%
01630570	Park & Rec Expenses	40,780	40,780		15,258	14,644	613.66	95.98%
01630570	Park & Rec - Youth Center			30,000	52,780	48,858	3,922.29	92.57%
01691570	Historical Comm Expenses	1,000	1,000		30,000	0	30,000.00	0.00%
01693570	Georgetown Cares	20,000	20,000		1,000	250	750.00	25.00%
01692570	Memorial Day Remembrance Expense	1,300	1,300	2,226	22,226	17,071	5,155.00	76.81%
01710920	Water Pollution Abatement Bond	10,400	10,400		1,300	1,300	0.00	100.00%
01710923	Water Pollution Abatement Bond II	10,661	10,661		10,400	10,400	0.00	100.00%
01710925	Library Addition Principal	120,000	120,000		10,661	10,661	0.12	100.00%
01710925	Library Addition Interest	25,950	25,950		120,000	120,000	0.00	100.00%
01710927	Elect Sub Station Principal-Series B	80,000	80,000		25,950	25,950	0.00	100.00%
01710927	Elect Sub Station Interest	1,500	1,500		80,000	80,000	0.00	100.00%
01710928	Energy Services Principle	140,000	140,000		1,500	1,500	0.00	100.00%
01710928	Energy Services Interest	37,993	37,993		140,000	140,000	0.00	100.00%
01710929	Penn Brook School Principle	15,000	15,000		37,993	37,993	0.50	100.00%
01710929	Penn Brook School Interest	10,550	10,550		15,000	15,000	0.00	100.00%
01710930	Penn Brook School Principle	985,000	985,000		10,550	10,550	0.00	100.00%
01710930	Penn Brook School Interest	719,450	719,450		985,000	985,000	0.00	100.00%
01710931	Turf Field Principle	165,000	165,000		719,450	719,450	0.00	100.00%
01710931	Turf Field Interest	22,100	22,100		165,000	165,000	0.00	100.00%
01710932	Middle High School Principle	170,000	170,000		22,100	22,100	0.00	100.00%
01710932	Middle High School Interest	94,775	94,775		170,000	170,000	0.00	100.00%
01710933	MHS Interest - BAN	8,867	8,867		94,775	94,775	0.00	100.00%
01710934	Penn Brook Interest - BAN	27,869	27,869		8,867	8,867	0.01	100.00%
01710935	Elm Street Interest - BAN	32,492	32,492		27,869	27,869	0.25	100.00%
01710999	Debt - Short Term - Interest	201,079	201,079		32,492	32,492	0.00	100.00%
01710997	Principle on BAN	228,458	228,458		130,079	129,579	500.15	99.62%
1710999	Short Term Loans	97,995	97,995		228,458	228,458	0.00	100.00%
01820570	Intergov State Assessments & Charges	396,814	396,814		28,893	2,225	26,668.00	7.70%
01840570	Abatements	90,000	90,000		396,814	396,814	0.00	100.00%
01911510	County Retirement	1,772,013	1,772,013		90,000	0	90,000.00	0.00%
01912570	Workmen's Comp Insurance	168,000	168,000		1,772,013	1,772,013	0.00	100.00%
					161,312	161,312	0.00	100.00%

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01913570	Unemployment Insurance	73,500	73,500		73,500	61,425	12,075.05	83.57%
01914570	Medical Insurance	2,781,302	2,781,302		2,837,302	2,831,597	5,704.97	99.80%
01915570	Life Insurance	6,930	6,930		6,930	4,542	2,388.15	65.54%
01916570	Medicare Insurance	311,850	311,850		311,850	277,736	34,114.28	89.06%
01917570	Dental Insurance	178,500	178,500		165,500	164,807	693.06	99.58%
01940570	Other unclassified insurance - Prop/Liab Ins	265,125	265,125		265,125	262,416	2,708.68	98.98%
	Total General Fund Appropriation	16,081,706	16,081,705	133,541	16,217,526	15,776,047	441,479.50	97.28%
	Total General Fund	16,081,706	16,081,705	133,541	16,217,526	15,776,047	441,479.50	97.28%
	Total School Budget	15,755,013	15,755,013		15,755,013	15,755,013	0.00	100.00%
	Total School Fund	15,755,013	15,755,013	0	15,755,013	15,755,013	0.00	100.00%
	Water Department Expenses:							
61005100	Personel Services	527,500	527,500		527,500	502,789	24,710.99	95.32%
61005700	Operating Expenditures	797,945	797,945		797,945	625,227	172,718.27	78.35%
61005900	Water Treatment Plant Principal	128,720	128,720		128,720	132,601	-3,880.76	103.01%
61005900	Water Treatment Plant Interest	75,338	75,338		75,338	70,319	5,018.83	93.34%
61005900	Water Treatment Interest on BAN	84,959	84,959		84,959	71,500	13,459.00	84.16%
61005700	Operating Reserve Fund	100,000	100,000		100,000	0	100,000.00	0.00%
61005960	Transfer to Gen Fund Direct Costs	271,147	271,147		271,147	271,147	0.00	100.00%
61005802	Transfer to Water Capital Projects Fund 5600	244,391	244,391		244,391	246,383	-1,991.84	100.82%
	Total Water Department Expenses	2,230,000	2,230,000		2,230,000	1,919,966	310,034.49	86.10%
	Ambulance Enterprise :							
63005100	Personal Services	203,795	203,795		407,590	203,299	204,291.11	49.88%
63005700	Purchase of Services	159,300	159,300		318,600	155,223	163,376.91	48.72%
063-59938								
	Total Ambulance Enterprise	363,095	363,095		726,190	358,522	367,668.02	49.37%
	Total Water Fund & Ambulance	2,593,095	2,593,095	0	2,956,190	2,278,487	677,702.51	135.47%
	Grand Total	34,429,814	34,429,813	133,541	34,928,729	33,809,547	1,119,182.01	96.80%
	Grand Total	34,429,814	34,429,813	133,541	34,928,729	33,809,547	1,119,182.01	97%

**#11 Elec Dept Benefits & Debt
Total Electric**

Account	Description	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
#12 Misc Receipts														
0001-432017	Excess Tonnage													-00
	Misc revenue from MA							25,000.00						-00
	Tax Coll Estimated Receipts												271,047.82	-00
0001-484012	Drug Abuse - Healthy Pharms													296,047.82
0001-484002	Insurance Reimbursement													-00
0001-484003	Cancelled Pmts Prior Yr													-00
0001-484004	Returned Check Revenue													-00
0001-484006	Non-recurring Misc Rev	1,895.00	1,509.37	50.00	75.00	25.00	-00	25.00	796.41	578.67	25.00	1,133.00	25.00	225.00
0001-484007	Misc. Medicaid Receipts			1,763.78	2,410.56	1,761.10	126.66	62.00					23,462.24	35,498.79
0001-484013	School Lunch w/o Recovery						-00	-00						-00
0001-481000	Surplus Equipment			144.40	4,501.00		-00							144.40
	Total Misc Receipts	1,895.00	1,509.37	1,958.18	6,986.56	1,786.10	126.66	25,087.00	796.41	578.67	25.00	1,133.00	294,535.06	336,417.01
#14 Misc Medicaid Reim														
0001-484007	Medicaid Reimbursement				7,950.05			11,786.48			11,571.86			31,308.39
#15 State Aid														
0001-461001	Abatements to Veterans													-00
0001-461004	Abatements to Elderly	334.00	334.00	334.00	334.00	334.00	334.00	334.00	334.00	334.00	334.00	334.00	342.00	4,016.00
0001-468001	Police Career Incentives													-00
0001-468002	Veterans Benefits	5,904.00			6,600.00	5,598.00	-00				4,851.00	7,116.00		30,069.00
0001-463001	Unrestricted Gen Gov't	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	63,391.00	760,692.00
0001-468004	Highway Fund													-00
0001-468005	Lottery													-00
0001-468006	Retiree Subsidy													-00
0001-462001	School Aid Chapter 70	459,552.00	460,746.00	460,746.00	460,746.00	460,746.00	460,746.00	460,746.00	460,746.00	460,746.00	460,746.00	460,746.00	461,548.00	5,528,560.00
0001-462002	Additional Assistance													-00
0001-462003	School Transportation													-00
0001-416040	Local Meals Tax													-00
0001-461005	Disabled Veteran Exemption													-00
0001-468008	State Owned Land	11,154.00	11,734.00	11,734.00	11,734.00	11,734.00	11,734.00	11,734.00	11,734.00	11,734.00	11,734.00	11,734.00	11,741.00	140,233.00
1-4699	Other Revenue From MA													-00
	Total State Aid	540,335.00	536,205.00	536,205.00	542,805.00	541,803.00	536,205.00	536,205.00	536,205.00	536,205.00	541,056.00	543,321.00	537,022.00	6,463,572.00

Account	Description	FY2020	FY2019	FY2018	FY2017	FY2016	FY2015	FY2014	FY2013	FY2012	FY2011	FY2010
#5 Fees												
1-43200	Coll Demand Fee	20,900.12	27,306.62	24,110.00	25,984.96	27,580.04	26,975.00	28,820.00	30,315.00	30,880.41	29,144.59	14,520.00
1-43201	Appeals Board Filing Fees		-00		-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00		-00
1-43202	BOH Fee	36,858.00	39,366.58	35,143.84	38,841.85	37,589.65	40,198.68	44,823.67	30,688.40	39,831.00	28,609.00	29,190.72
1-43203	Conservation Filing Fees		-00		-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00		-00
1-43204	MLC's	8,425.00	5,600.00	5,300.00	6,025.00	7,275	6,700.00	4,925.00	9,875.00	11,150.00	9,275.00	7,900.00
1-43205	Planning Bd Fees	3,850.00	17,363.53	4,216.50	26,035.00	13,965.25	3,811.40	34,017.64	7,579.66	5,635.00	2,750.00	4,125.00
	Total Fees	70,033.12	89,636.73	68,770.34	96,886.81	86,409.94	77,685.08	112,586.31	78,408.06	87,496.41	69,778.59	55,735.72
#6 Rentals												
1-43602	Rental Income	39,998.97	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	43,333.29	36,666.63	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	43,333.29
	Total Rentals	39,998.97	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	43,333.29	36,666.63	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	39,999.96	43,333.29
#7 Other Dept Revenues												
1-43206	Town Clerk Fees	4,800.00	4,235.00	4,230.00	8,260.00	6350	7,735.00	4,410.00	4,090.00	2,085.00	2,632.00	2,225.00
1-43208	Animal Control Fees	480.00	2,140.00	2,355.00	880.00	2955	1,310.00	275.00	-00	80.00	150.00	-00
1-43209	SEL Filing Fees		-00		-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-43210	Treasurer's Fees		-00		100.00	0	-00	0.00	125.00	25.00	50.00	100.00
1-43700	Other Dept Revenue	98.00	340.00	370.00	295.00	300	380.00	705.00	721.75	539.00	338.00	330.00
1-43702	Police X- Duty	2,726.65	3,539.40	1,700.85	8,659.80	2731.55	3,780.60	2,133.95	2,089.60	2,040.70	1,749.00	6,563.20
	Fire X-Duty	712.88										
1-43703	Police Accident Report	780.00	740.00	860.00	919.00	1568	1,569.00	1,016.58	750.00	614.00	705.00	627.00
1-43706	COA Yoga Revenue	5,953.00	7,707.00	6,980.00	4,765.00	4966	3,628.00	4,296.05	4,357.00	4,594.00	3,974.00	3,699.85
1-43707	COA Van Revenue	410.00	462.00	603.00	566.00	619	664.00	768.00	708.00	677.00	1,030.48	
	Total Other Dept	15,960.53	19,163.40	17,098.85	24,444.80	19,489.55	19,066.60	13,604.58	12,841.35	10,654.70	10,628.48	13,545.05
#8 Licenses and Permits												
1-43704	Town Clerk Receipts	20,296.45	21,559.00	22,478.00	20,039.35	19386.15	18,318.15	17,081.30	15,389.30	14,275.50	15,246.65	13,446.75
1-44101	Alcoholic beverage lic	5,525.00	3,990.80	8,250.00	5,575.00	7400	7,325.00	5,575.00	5,550.00	8,200.00	7,584.50	6,200.00
1-4416	Selectmen Business Lic	2,275.00	3,350.00	2,128.00	1,662.00	1975	1,550.00	1,900.00	1,650.00	2,550.00	2,025.00	1,750.00
1-4471	Bldg Insp Permits	120,180.97	106,662.66	104,262.80	91,946.00	97702.1	49,434.80	47,391.50	69,899.40	66,430.70	54,678.55	69,060.00
1-4472	Fire Dept Permits	20,980.80	18,175.00	15,834.00	16,575.00	16570	14,365.00	14,532.00	15,555.00	14,882.70	13,180.00	18,318.00
1-4473	Gas/Plumb Permits	14,164.00	13,260.00	11,200.38	13,231.10	14415.8	12,890.90	12,411.70	15,426.10	12,686.00	10,137.00	12,987.00
1-4475	Police Dept Permits	3,212.50	3,725.00	3,937.50	4,100.00	3075	2,312.50	3,400.00	4,900.00	2,887.50	2,262.50	1,475.00
1-4476	Selectmen Permits	145.00	84.00	44.00	93.00	129	108.00	96.00	108.00	132.00	135.00	150.00
1-4477	Wire Ins Permits	26,931.00	22,676.00	21,759.00	21,182.00	24376	14,910.00	19,317.00	21,409.70	18,283.00	19,158.00	19,988.00
	Total Licenses & Permits	213,710.72	193,482.46	189,893.68	174,403.45	185,029.05	121,214.35	121,704.50	149,887.50	140,327.40	124,407.20	143,574.75
1-4550	QECB Tax Credit	34,823.37	36,936.12	38,606.90	39,896.88	40992.88	41,526.10	42,142.12	26,851.93			

Account	Description	FY2020	FY2019	FY2018	FY2017	FY2016	FY2015	FY2014	FY2013	FY2012	FY2011	FY2010
#9 Fines & Forfeits												
1-48701	Court Fines	4,972.78	6,013.90	9,310.00	9,895.00	10045	6,390.00	4,835.00	12,928.75	10,760.00	14,796.28	9,771.00
1-48702	Peabody Library Fines				-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00		-00
1-48703	Parking Clerk Fines	435.00	325.00	317.00	246.00	330	500.00	155.00	200.00	185.00	590.00	1,225.00
1-48704	Registry Moving Violations	28,410.98	46,890.84	57,439.96	54,848.50	59017.5	58,047.85	104,220.60	67,965.54	59,875.00	62,370.00	84,260.19
1-48705	Conservation Comm Fines	-00	40,000.00		-00	250	15,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	550.00		1,000.00
1-48706	Solicitation Fees	245.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100	100.00					
	Total Fines & Forfeits	34,063.76	93,329.74	67,166.96	65,089.50	69,742.50	80,037.85	109,210.60	83,094.29	71,370.00	77,756.28	96,256.19
#10 Investment Income												
1-4830	Interest Income	35,273.77	68,430.82	34,847.73	18,088.61	20,965.48	34,248.19	24,520.05	12,557.96	11,753.71	18,587.47	28,181.98
	Total Investment	35,273.77	68,430.82	34,847.73	18,088.61	20,965.48	34,248.19	24,520.05	12,557.96	11,753.71	18,587.47	28,181.98
#11 Elec Dept Benefits & Debt												
1-49521	Indirects	494,786.46	492,327	473,188.73	462,370.55	490860.46	408,351.06	389,575.51	338,714.41	329,041.12	316,936.85	270,857.80
1-49531	Bond Principal	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80000	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	175,000.00
1-49532	Bond Interest	1,500.00	2,980.00	4,430.00	10,300.00	7270	15,940.00	18,940.00	22,140.00	25,090.00	27,760.00	32,541.25
	Total Fees	576,286.46	575,306.55	557,618.73	552,670.55	578130.46	504,291.06	488,515.51	440,854.41	434,131.12	424,696.85	478,399.05
#12 Misc Receipts												
1-4498	Excess Tonnage	-00				0	-00	0.00	-00	-00		-00
1-4699	Misc revenue from MA	-00				0	-00	0.00	-00	-00		-00
1-4889	Tax Coll Estimated Receipt	-00				0	-00	0.00	-00	1,671.36	1,973.70	753.74
1-482000	Health Pharms	296,047.82	194,425.00									
1-4890	Misc Receipts	-00	-00			0	14,129.67	19,519.19	15,147.90	22,451.46	12,493.81	4,213.68
1-4894	Cancelled Pmts Prior Yr	-00	-00			0	-00	0.00	-00	-00		-00
1-4895	Returned Check Revenue	225.00	325.00	975.00	775.00	825	1,150.44	750.00	1,830.00	2,325.00	1,075.00	1,495.00
1-4902	Surplus Equipment	4,501.00	10,000.00		525.00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00		
	Total Misc Receipts	300,773.82	204,750.00	975.00	1,300.00	825	15,280.11	20,269.19	16,977.90	26,447.82	15,542.51	6,462.42

Account	Description	FY2020	FY2019	FY2018	FY2017	FY2016	FY2015	FY2014	FY2013	FY2012	FY2011	FY2010
#13 Non Recurring Income												
1-4897	Non Recurring Misc Income	35,643.19	70,093.92	29,077.83	13,523.82	26708.4	810.00	79,023.01	11,281.66	51,997.18	20,889.41	71,373.93
1-4899	Medicaid Reimbursement	31,308.39	91,047.05	27,640.27	60,609.96	62633.37	53,391.26	58,034.91	48,713.95	32,967.60	1,376.63	41,995.62
#14 Misc Medicaid Reim												
#15 State Aid												
1-4612	Abateements to Veterans	-00	55,132.00		18,358.00	7082	29,373.00	21,516.00	21,066.00	19,609.00	12,225.00	-00
1-4615	Abateements to Elderly	4,016.00	6,024.00	6,526.00	6,526.00	4518	4,016.00	4,519.00	4,518.00	4,518.00	5,522.00	5,522.00
1-4618	Police Career Incentives	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	5,299.37	9,929.00
1-4623	Veterans Benefits	30,069.00	26,030.00	27,196.00	66,091.53	20023	24,726.00	34,198.00	30,447.00	31,923.00	38,323.00	22,540.00
1-4630	Unrestricted Grnl Govt Aid	760,692.00	740,693.00	715,645.00	688,782.00	660385	637,437.00	620,237.00	605,914.00	605,914.00	637,947.00	631,160.00
1-4626	Highway Fund	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-4627	Lottery	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-4629	Retiree Subsidy	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-4642	School Aid Chapter 70	5,528,560.00	5,488,348.00	5,448,358.00	5,407,948.00	5332268	5,297,543.00	4,817,172.00	5,180,938.00	5,095,019.00	5,067,813.00	38,057.50
	FY09 ARRA Grant	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-4643	Additional Assistance	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-4647	School Transportation	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-4648	Const of School Proj	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-4649	Local Meals Tax	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	-00	-00
1-4660	Disabled Veteran Exemption	-00	-00	81,518.56	78,360.46	71114.27	51,725.03					
1-4680	State Owned Land	140,235.00	125,279.00	124,466.00	124,585.00	124694	124,694.00	174,586.00	171,200.00	171,145.00	165,236.00	245.00
1-4699	Other Revenue From MA	-00	-00	-00	-00	0	-00	0.00	-00	-00	313.37	195,082.00
	Total State Aid	6,463,572.00	6,441,624.00	6,403,709.56	6,312,290.53	6220084.27	6,169,514.03	5,672,228.00	6,014,103.00	5,928,189.00	5,933,003.74	5,498,928.76

Treasurer/Collector

The Treasurer/Collector is the custodian of all funds held by the Town of Georgetown, and is responsible for the management of all Town bank accounts, investments, and financial relationships. The Treasurer/Collector's Office is responsible for collecting and managing all receivables to the Town, processing internal payroll, and handling tax delinquencies.

During fiscal year 2020, the Treasurer/Collector's Office received \$23,231,392 in real estate, personal property, and motor vehicle excise taxes amounting to roughly a 99% collection rate. Real estate and personal property taxes are billed quarterly (mailed semiannually) and motor vehicle excise taxes are billed once per year.

The total cash balance for the Town of Georgetown on June 30, 2020 was \$17,776,530.23 which includes general Town funds as well as various restricted funds such as trusts and grants. The Town of Georgetown banks with various local and regional institutions such as Salem Five, Century Bank, Eastern Bank, and Unibank.

The Treasurer/Collector's Office is also responsible for debt issuance and management. On June 30, 2020, the Town of Georgetown had outstanding debt in the amount of \$29,371,078. During fiscal year 2020, \$5,980,000 was issued as new long-term debt for projects associated with school buildings, water, and the public way.

All activities of the Treasurer/Collector's Office are subject to review through the Annual Town Audit. The goal of the office is to provide outstanding service to the taxpayers of the Town of Georgetown and ensure proper safety, liquidity, and yield of all town funds.

Alex Williams – Treasurer/Collector

ANNUAL 2020 FY REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK DOCUMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

As the Town Clerk it is my pleasure to submit the annual report for this office for FY 2020 and vital statistics for the calendar year of 2020.

There were two elections in the fiscal year of 2020 that I, Kerri A. McManus the Town Clerk supervised. The March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary, and the May 11, 2020 Annual Town Election, which was postponed to June 22, 2020 due to the concerns for voter and election worker safety in response to the novel Coronavirus.

The Town of Georgetown conducted Early Voting prior to the March 3, 2020 Presidential Primary from February 24th to February 27th in the basement of Town Hall at 1 Library Street.

The Presidential Primary was held on March 3, 2020. At the time of this election there were 6,341 registered voters with 2,447 votes counted with a 39% voter turnout.

The town of Georgetown Annual Town Meeting was to be held on Monday, May 4, 2020 and was postponed to June 15, 2020 due to the concerns for voter and election worker safety in response to the novel Coronavirus. The following Monday, June 22, 2020 this office conducted the Annual Town Election. Out of 6,301 registered voters 917 votes were cast, which is 14.6% of the voter population. 260 out of the 917 ballots were absentee as COVID-19 legislation allowed voters to vote absentee for concerns due to contracting COVID-19.

During the calendar year, the Town of Georgetown recorded seventy-three births, seventy-four deaths and twelve marriages.

Additionally, 1,208 dogs were licensed in the Town of Georgetown.

I shall continue to do my best to serve the townspeople of Georgetown. I want to thank all of the department heads and staff that were very supportive during this challenging year. Special thanks to amazing poll workers and my assistant Kathleen Roche.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kerri A. McManus

Town Clerk

**Annual Town Meeting Minutes
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
June 15, 2020**

ESSEX, ss. To the Constables of the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Essex,
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town, qualified to vote in the elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Georgetown Middle/High School, 11 Winter Street on the 15th day of June, 2020 (Monday) at 7 o'clock P.M. then and there to act on the articles of this warrant, and further, to meet at the Penn Brook School Gymnasium, 68 Elm Street in said Town, on the 22nd day of June, 2020 (Monday), where the polls will be open from 10 o'clock A.M. until 6 o'clock P.M., to vote by ballot for the following officers: one Housing Authority Member for two years; two Selectmen, one Assessor, two School Committee Members, one Light Commissioner, one Water Commissioner, and two Peabody Library Trustees, for three years; and one Planning Board Member, and one Housing Authority Member for five years.

Town moderator, David Surface called the meeting to order at 7:04PM once a quorum was met. He called upon Joseph A. Bonavita, the chairman of the Board of Selectmen to lead the Annual Town Meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance. Next, Selectman, Douglas W. Dawes was called on to offer invocation. Police Chief Donald Cudmore states we are at capacity at 7:09PM.

David Surface, thanks the election workers Beverly Knapp, Gladie Kneeland, Janice Murphy, Marie Collins, Cris Candia, Kate Semidei and Sandra Gerraughty who will be the assistant town moderator for the night.

The moderator announces Ed Dobie, chairman of the Finance Committee, is retiring and he is thanked for his leadership and service to the town.

David Surface referenced Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 15 that it was his responsibility to preside and regulate the proceedings, decide all questions of order and that under Section 17 he had the authority to remove anyone due to disorderly behavior.

Town moderator asks to entertain a motion to appoint Sandra Gerraughty as assistant moderator. Harry LaCortiglia makes a motion to appoint Sandra Gerraughty and Joseph Bonavita seconds the motion. Motion carries.

The moderator proposes a 5-minute time limit. Harry LaCortiglia makes the motion. Selectman David Twiss seconds the motion.

VOTE: The town voted YES

2/3 Vote

David Surface asks to entertain the motion to adjourn Annual Town meeting and convene the Special Town Meeting. Steve Epstein of the Finance Committee makes the motion and Selectman David Twiss seconds the motion. Motion carries. The Special Town Meeting was convened and subsequently dissolved and the body then re-convened to the Annual Town Meeting.

The following non-residents attended the meeting:

John Cashell, Town Planner

Jonathan Eichman, Town Counsel

Carol Jacobs, Superintendent

Bryan McGonigle, Georgetown Reporter

Article 1: Town Officers and Committee Reports (ATM20-01)

To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Passed over by David Twiss

Article 2: General Operating Budget/Reserve Fund (ATM20-02)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest and including support of the schools, to fix salaries of the several elected offices of the Town, as provided by Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, and to provide for a reserve fund for the ensuing year, as set forth in the Finance and Advisory Board Proposed Budget and Town Meeting Warrant for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Steve Epstein made the motion and it was seconded by David Twiss that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of, \$31,806,695 by transfer from the Water Department Enterprise Fund the sum of \$271,147 transfer from Septic Betterment the sum of \$21,060 transfer from the Community Preservation Reserve for Debt Service the sum of \$175,600, transfer from bond premium account the sum of \$75,504 and transfer from free cash the sum of \$108,163 for a total appropriation of \$32,458,169 to defray charges and expenses of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, including support of the Town's public schools, Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School, and Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School to fix salaries of the several elected offices of the Town, and to provide for a reserve fund for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, in accordance with the line items and Finance Committee and Advisory Board's report to the June 15, 2020, Annual Town Meeting.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

UNANIMOUS VOTE

Article 3: Fund Transfer (ATM20-20)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds to fund Employee Health Insurance Line Item, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 3 is passed over by the Finance Committee.

Article 4: Water Department Operating Budget (ATM20-06)

To see if the Town will appropriate the receipts and available funds of the Water Department Enterprise Fund for the operation of the Water Department under the direction of the Water Commissioners for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Marlene Ladderbush makes the motion and is seconded by Wayne Snow that the Town appropriate \$2,035,700 from Water Department Enterprise Fund FY2021 revenues and \$282,574 from Water Department Enterprise Retained Earnings for the operational and capital expenses of the Water Department under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners in accordance with the Water Department budget as shown in the Finance & Advisory Board's Report to the June 15, 2020 Annual Town Meeting report for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, such that a total of \$271,147 is appropriated for the Water Department's share of the indirect operating cost as appropriated under Article 2, a total of \$1,847,127 is appropriated for the Water Department's direct operating expenses, and a total of \$200,000 is appropriated for the Water Department's FY2021 capital expenses.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 5: Fire Department Ambulance Operating Budget (ATM20-07)

To see if the Town will appropriate the receipts and available funds of the Fire Department Ambulance Enterprise Fund for the operation of the Town's ambulance service under the direction of the Selectmen and Fire Chief for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Fire Chief Fred Mitchel makes a motion and it is seconded by Joseph Bonavita that the Town appropriate \$363,095 (Three hundred sixty three thousand, and ninety five dollars) from the Fire Department Ambulance Enterprise Fund FY2021 revenues, for the total operational expenses of \$363,095 (Three hundred sixty three thousand, and ninety five dollars), under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and the Fire Chief, in accordance with the Fire Department ambulance budget as shown in the Finance & Advisory Board's Report to the June 15, 2020 Annual Town Meeting report for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 6: Local Access Programming (ATM20-08)

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for salaries and \$25,000 for expenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund for the purpose of providing PEG access services and oversight and renewal of the cable franchise agreement, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Wayne Snow makes a motion to vote Article 6, 7 and 8 as one vote. David Twiss seconds the motion. Robert Kelly asks to hold on 7. Wayne Snow moves that the Town vote to appropriate from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund the sum of \$75,000 for salaries and \$25,000 for expenses relating to provision of PEG access services and oversight and renewal of the cable franchise agreement for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020. David Twiss seconds the motion.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 7: Municipal Light Department Continuation of Operation (ATM20-09)

To see if the Town will appropriate receipts of the Municipal Light Department for the operation of said Department under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, as defined in Section 34, Chapter 164, General Laws, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 7 separate motion. Wayne Snow made a motion, seconded by Steve Epstein to approve Article 7 as printed in the warrant. A question is asked by Robert Kelly as to the amount of the appropriation.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 8: Chapter 90 Reimbursement, Transportation Bond (ATM20-10)

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$305,440 (Three hundred five thousand four hundred forty dollars) or any other sum to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the Transportation Bond issue, to be spent by the Highway Surveyor, with

approval of the Board of Selectmen, under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Motion: Finance and Advisory Board

Wayne Snow Moves to approve Article 8 as printed in the warrant. David Twiss seconds the motion.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 9: Amend General Bylaws, Chapter 121 (ATM20-17)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Town's General Bylaws, Revolving Funds, by adding the language shown in bold as follows, or take any other action in relation thereto.

§121-1 Establishment.

There are hereby established in the Town of Georgetown pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.44, §53E½, the following Revolving Funds:

FUND	REVENUE SOURCE	AUTHORITY TO SPEND FUNDS	USE OF FUND
Zoning Board of Appeals	Applicants' fees	Zoning Board of Appeals	Application review, including but not limited to review services, clerical, legal expenses, equipment and office supplies
Conservation Commission – Camp Denison	Program fees, facilities use charges and outside vendor charges	Conservation Commission	Maintaining support of the land and facilities, including, but not limited to utilities, seasonal staff, legal expenses, equipment and office supplies; supporting local educational programs and outreach programs; marketing and improvements

Fire Alarm	Annual fees charged for connection for municipal fire alarm system	Fire Department	Maintaining municipal fire alarm system
Inspections Department	Fees associated with electronic permit tracking software	Inspections Department	Funding permit tracking software fees, training, computer upgrades, data storage and electronic data conversion of existing paper files, and contract work associated with the electronic permitting system

§121-2 Expenditure Limitations.

Expenditures from each revolving fund set forth herein shall be subject to the limitation established annually by Town Meeting or any increase therein as may be authorized in accordance with G.L. c.44, §53E½.

And, further, to set the fiscal year spending limits for such revolving funds as follows:

Program or Purpose	Fiscal Year Spending Limit
Zoning Board of Appeals	\$20,000.00
Conservation Commission – Camp Denison	\$60,000.00
Fire Alarm	\$14,000.00
Inspections Department	\$16,000.00

, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Sheila Ruth makes a motion and is seconded by Harry LaCortiglia to approve Article 9 as printed in the warrant.

Finance Committee recommends 5-0.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 10: Accept General Laws Chapter 41, Section 110A (Town Clerk) (ATM20-11)

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c.41, §110A, which provides that any public office in Town may remain closed on any or all Saturdays as may be determined from time to time, and as a result, the provisions of G.L. c.4, §9 apply in the case of such closing of any such office on any Saturday to the same extent as if such Saturday were a legal holiday, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Sheila Ruth makes the motion and it was seconded by Joseph Bonavita to approve Article 10 as printed in the warrant.

Sheila Ruth says Finance Committee voted to pass.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 11: Accept General Laws Chapter 200A, Section 9A (Treasurer/Tax Collector) (ATM20-15)

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of General Laws Chapter 200A, Section 9A, which establishes an alternative procedure for disposing of abandoned funds held in the custody of the Town, allowing expedited treatment of uncashed checks, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Sheila Ruth makes the motion and Steve Epstein seconds the motion to approve Article 11 as printed in the warrant.

Finance Committee passes

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 12: Acquisition of Right of Way for Border to Boston Recreational Trail (Rail Trail Committee) (ATM20-12)

To see if the Town will vote to: (a) authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift and/or eminent domain, for recreational trail purposes, the fee, long-term leases, permanent recreational trail easements, and temporary and/or permanent construction, drainage, utility and related easements as may be necessary or appropriate to construct and use a recreational trail in, on and under a portion or portions of the parcel or parcels of land identified on plans entitled "Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division Plan and Profile of Border to Boston Trail in the Towns of Boxford & Georgetown Essex County," dated January 27, 2020, a copy of which plan is on file with the Town Clerk, as said plan may be amended and/or incorporated into an easement plan; (b) transfer the care, custody and control of a portion or portions of the Town-owned property or properties shown on the aforesaid plan from the board or officer having custody of the same for the purposes for which such properties are currently held to the Board of Selectmen for recreational trail purposes, and, if applicable, authorize the Board of Selectmen to submit petitions to the General Court to allow the foregoing under Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution or otherwise; (c) raise and appropriate, transfer from

available funds, and/or borrow a sum of money to fund the foregoing project and any costs incidental or related thereto, including, without limitation, the cost of any land/easement acquisitions; and, further, (d) authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the foregoing purposes, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Selectman David Twiss makes the motion to approve and is seconded by Harry LaCortiglia to approve Article 12 as printed in the warrant, except that no funds shall be appropriated hereunder for project costs.

VOTE: The town voted YES

2/3 VOTE

Article 13: Community Preservation (CPC) (ATM20-13)

Harry LaCortiglia make a motion to vote Article 13A-I as one vote. Paul Nelson, from Affordable Housing, a hold is recognized by the Moderator on B and E.

Selectman Gary Fowler seconds the motion with the hold on 13B and 13E to be voted separately.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

A: Community Preservation General Budget

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2021 Community Preservation budget and to appropriate, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, §6, from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2021; and further, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, §6, to reserve for future appropriation from Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues the following amounts as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee: a sum of money for open space, including land for recreational use; a sum of money for historic resources; and a sum of money for community housing; as well as sum of money to be placed in the 2021 Budgeted Reserve for general Community Preservation Act projects or purposes recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

Reservations:

\$90,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for open space, including land for recreational use; and

\$90,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for historic resources; and

\$90,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for community housing.

Appropriations:

\$21,000 (less than 5% of the estimated FY revenues) to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for the Fiscal Year; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Motion: CPC (Majority Vote)

Move that the Town appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund FY2021 estimated annual revenues the sum of \$21,000 to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for the Fiscal Year; and further to reserve for future appropriation from FY2021 estimated annual revenues the following amounts as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee: \$90,000 for open space including land for recreational use; \$90,000 for historic resources; and \$90,000 for community housing.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

B: Community Preservation Community Housing Category, "Affordable Housing Trust Grant"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, to appropriate the amount of \$86,000.00 (Eighty Six Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund Community Housing Reserve Account as a Grant to the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust for the purposes of Affordable Housing initiatives consistent with the Trust's Articles of Incorporation and the most recently accepted Town of Georgetown Affordable Housing Production Plan, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust setting the terms for such grant, including a requirement that the owners of any dwellings subsequently receiving any of these appropriated monies from the Trust grant to the Town an Affordable Housing Restriction in said dwellings, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept such restrictions; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Harry LaCortiglia makes the motion. Selectman, David Twiss seconds the motion that the town vote to approve Article 13(B) and appropriate \$86,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Housing Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant. A question is asked from the body. The Moderator responds. The vote is taken.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

C: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Peabody Library History Room Enclosures"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of \$25,700.00 (Twenty Five Thousand dollars) to enhance the safety and preservation of the local historical collection by replacing the current open shelving in the History Room with wall-length cases having glass doors which can be secured; closed shelving will serve the purpose of a) keeping stored materials free of dust and other contaminants; b) controlling access to the irreplaceable historic materials when the room is in use; and c) providing a more dust free environment to the patrons using the room; and further

to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Peabody Library Trustees, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Motion: CPC (Majority Vote)

Move that the Town vote to approve Article 13(C) and appropriate \$25,700.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

D: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Historic Perley Building ADA Doors"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account, the amount of \$16,000.00 (Sixteen Thousand Dollars) to provide ADA access to the bathrooms and emergency exits at the Georgetown Senior Community Center located in the historic Perley Building with the purchase and installation of two automatic low-energy door openers and four Rim Panic Exit Devices and to authorize the Board of Selectmen, to enter into to all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; and further, any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect, or take any other action in relation thereto.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Motion: CPC (Majority Vote)

Move that the Town vote to approve Article 13(D) and appropriate \$16,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

E: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Camp Denison Fire Suppression".

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of \$22,000.00 (Twenty-Two Thousand dollars) for the purpose of providing funding for the costs related to the installation of a fire suppression system for the kitchen at the Camp Denison lodge; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of three years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

*Harry LaCortiglia makes the motion that the Town vote to approve Article 13(E) and appropriate \$22,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.
Gary Fowler seconds the motion.*

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

F: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Perley School Preservation"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserves Account the amount of \$26,300.00 (Twenty Six Thousand Three Hundred dollars) and from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Account the amount of \$32,625.00 (Thirty Two Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Five dollars), for a total appropriation of \$58,925.00 (Fifty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Five dollars), for preservation work to the Historic Perley Building, which includes but is not limited to, exterior repairs and painting of the soffits, moldings, louvers, handrails, doors, and including all incidental and related costs, such as costs associated with equipment rentals necessary to accomplish work; all preservation activities will be accomplished in a manner consistent with the guidelines and requirements of United States Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (Department of Interior Regulations Standards for Rehabilitation codified in 36 CFR 67); and further, the Board of Selectmen, Georgetown School Committee, and the Georgetown Historical Commission, are authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this preservation initiative; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that

it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Motion: CPC (Majority Vote)

Move that the Town vote to approve Article 13(F) and appropriate \$26,300.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account and \$32,625.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Account, for a total appropriation of \$58,925.00, for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

G: Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category “Open Space Pond Preservation – testing and treatment”.

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account the amount of \$25,640.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Six Hundred Forty dollars) for the purpose of funding comprehensive testing and management of cyanobacteria and other invasive species by the Conservation Commission, Board of Health, and the Highway Surveyor in order to preserve and protect Pentucket Pond, and Rock Pond and their associated hydrological connections from injury or harm caused by invasive species of harmful aquatic biota; and further to restore, rehabilitate and preserve said ponds, and any hydrological conveyance associated with the ponds; to authorize the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, and Highway Surveyor to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for this preservation initiative; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Motion: CPC (Majority Vote)

Move that the Town vote to approve Article 13(G) and appropriate \$25,640.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

H: Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category, “Universal Access Trails Feasibility Survey”.

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account the amount of \$30,000.00 (Thirty Thousand Dollars) to fund a study for the identification of the

optimum location for, and the design and development of, a Universal Access Trail to be created on existing Conservation and Active Recreational Town Lands, including the costs incidental and related to the engineering, legal, permitting, and development of the ultimate location; the study shall include, but is not be limited to, preparation of an analysis of the potential physical, environmental, and property ownership constraints, as well as the opportunities and advantages affecting different sites for the development of trails, and will be developed in relation to the existing 2019 Open Space Linkage Analysis report (OSLA) and Trail grading, materials, and amenities, and designed to accommodate universal access, including access for wheelchairs and those who are visually impaired; said trail will be developed for the broader goal of establishing a community open space network and an economic development plan to attract visitors to the area by highlighting Georgetown's natural splendor as well as to enhance the quality of life for Georgetown residents and visitors; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen, Parks and Recreation Commission, and Conservation Commission, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this study; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Motion: CPC (Majority Vote)

Move that the Town vote to approve Article 13(G) and appropriate \$30,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

I: Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category, "Arboreal Initiative"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate the amount of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account to fund an Arboreal Initiative that shall include, but not be limited to, the performance of tree assessments; the cropping, trimming, and or removal of trees, as deemed necessary; and the replacement of removed trees on any municipal lands owned by Georgetown in an effort to preserve the green space and aesthetic values of our public properties; the species and size of the replacement trees to be determined by the location and appropriate growth and development potential of the replacement trees at any assessed and identified location; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, and the Tree Warden, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that

it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Move that the Town vote to approve Article 13(I) and appropriate \$10,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

A motion was made to dissolve the Annual Town Meeting.

VOTE: The town voted YES

UNANIMOUS VOTE

The Annual Town Meeting dissolved at 7:56 PM.

It should be noted, that this Town Meeting occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic. Voters were seated socially distanced, face masks were urged and offered, as well as other precautionary measures were put into place in collaboration with Chief Donald Cudmore, Lt. Scott Hatch, Michael Anderson, David Surface, advisement from Deborah Rogers of the Board of Health and myself. The prospect of having 217 voters turn up was astounding, as we initially predicted we may not get the quorum of 100 to run the meeting. Thank you to the people of Georgetown and the election workers who helped propel this meeting forward safely.

A True Copy Attest

Kerri A. McManus

Town Clerk

**TOWN WARRANT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
June 15, 2020**

ESSEX, ss. To the Constables of the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Essex, Greetings.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in the elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Georgetown Middle/High School, 11 Winter Street, on Monday, June 15, 2020 at 7 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1: Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2020 operating budget (STM20-01)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 2 of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the purpose of adjusting line items in the FY 2020 budget, and as necessary, to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of supplementing departmental expenses, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 1 was passed over by Selectman, David Twiss.

Article 2: Appropriation of Free Cash for the Snow and Ice deficit FY2020 (STM20-02)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be applied to the FY2020 snow and ice deficit, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Steve Epstein makes the motion and Selectman, Joseph Bonavita seconds the motion to move to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$100,315.26 (One hundred thousand three hundred fifteen dollars and twenty-six cents) to be applied to the FY2020 snow and ice deficit.

VOTE: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

The moderator, David Surface suggests to dissolve special town meeting. Selectman David Twiss makes the motion and Selectman Gary Fowler seconds the motion. Motion carries.

A True Copy Attest

Kerri A. McManus

Town Clerk

Town Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
June 15, 2020

ESSEX, ss. To the Constables of the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Essex,
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town, qualified to vote in the elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Georgetown Middle/High School, 11 Winter Street on the 15th day of June, 2020 (Monday) at 7 o'clock P.M. then and there to act on the articles of this warrant, and further, to meet at the Penn Brook School Gymnasium, 68 Elm Street in said Town, on the 22nd day of June, 2020 (Monday), where the polls will be open from 10 o'clock A.M. until 6 o'clock P.M., to vote by ballot for the following officers: one Housing Authority Member for two years; two Selectmen, one Assessor, two School Committee Members, one Light Commissioner, one Water Commissioner, and two Peabody Library Trustees, for three years; and one Planning Board Member, and one Housing Authority Member for five years.

Article 1: Town Officers and Committee Reports (ATM20-01)

To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2: General Operating Budget/Reserve Fund (ATM20-02)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest and including support of the schools, to fix salaries of the several elected offices of the Town, as provided by Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, and to provide for a reserve fund for the ensuing year, as set forth in the Finance and Advisory Board Proposed Budget and Town Meeting Warrant for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 3: Fund Transfer (ATM20-20)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds to fund Employee Health Insurance Line Item, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 4: Water Department Operating Budget (ATM20-06)

To see if the Town will appropriate the receipts and available funds of the Water Department Enterprise Fund for the operation of the Water Department under the direction of the Water Commissioners for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 5: Fire Department Ambulance Operating Budget (ATM20-07)

To see if the Town will appropriate the receipts and available funds of the Fire Department Ambulance Enterprise Fund for the operation of the Town's ambulance service under the direction of the Selectmen and Fire Chief for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 6: Local Access Programming (ATM20-08)

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for salaries and \$25,000 for expenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund for the purpose of providing PEG access services and oversight and renewal of the cable franchise agreement, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 7: Municipal Light Department Continuation of Operation (ATM20-09)

To see if the Town will appropriate receipts of the Municipal Light Department for the operation of said Department under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, as defined in Section 34, Chapter 164, General Laws, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 8: Chapter 90 Reimbursement, Transportation Bond (ATM20-10)

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$305,440 (Three hundred five thousand four hundred forty dollars) or any other sum to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the Transportation Bond issue, to be spent by the Highway Surveyor, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 9: Amend General Bylaws, Chapter 121 (ATM20-17)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Town's General Bylaws, Revolving Funds, by adding the language shown in bold as follows, or take any other action in relation thereto.

§121-1 Establishment.

There are hereby established in the Town of Georgetown pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.44, §53E½, the following Revolving Funds:

FUND	REVENUE SOURCE	AUTHORITY TO SPEND FUNDS	USE OF FUND
Zoning Board of Appeals	Applicants' fees	Zoning Board of Appeals	Application review, including but not limited to review services, clerical, legal expenses, equipment and office supplies

Conservation Commission – Camp Denison	Program fees, facilities use charges and outside vendor charges	Conservation Commission	Maintaining support of the land and facilities, including, but not limited to utilities, seasonal staff, legal expenses, equipment and office supplies; supporting local educational programs and outreach programs; marketing and improvements
Fire Alarm	Annual fees charged for connection for municipal fire alarm system	Fire Department	Maintaining municipal fire alarm system
Inspections Department	Fees associated with electronic permit tracking software	Inspections Department	Funding permit tracking software fees, training, computer upgrades, data storage and electronic data conversion of existing paper files, and contract work associated with the electronic permitting system

§121-2 Expenditure Limitations.

Expenditures from each revolving fund set forth herein shall be subject to the limitation established annually by Town Meeting or any increase therein as may be authorized in accordance with G.L. c.44, §53E½.

And, further, to set the fiscal year spending limits for such revolving funds as follows:

Program or Purpose	Fiscal Year Spending Limit
Zoning Board of Appeals	\$20,000.00
Conservation Commission – Camp Denison	\$60,000.00

Fire Alarm	\$14,000.00
Inspections Department	\$16,000.00

, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 10: Accept General Laws Chapter 41, Section 110A (Town Clerk) (ATM20-11)

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c.41, §110A, which provides that any public office in Town may remain closed on any or all Saturdays as may be determined from time to time,, and as a result, the provisions of G.L. c.4, §9 apply in the case of such closing of any such office on any Saturday to the same extent as if such Saturday were a legal holiday, or take any other action in relation thereto.

A majority vote is required to approve this article.

Article 11: Accept General Laws Chapter 200A, Section 9A (Treasurer/Tax Collector) (ATM20-15)

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of General Laws Chapter 200A, Section 9A, which establishes an alternative procedure for disposing of abandoned funds held in the custody of the Town, allowing expedited treatment of uncashed checks, or take any other action in relation thereto.

A majority vote is required to approve this article.

Article 12: Acquisition of Right of Way for Border to Boston Recreational Trail (Rail Trail Committee) (ATM20-12)

To see if the Town will vote to: (a) authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift and/or eminent domain, for recreational trail purposes, the fee, long-term leases, permanent recreational trail easements, and temporary and/or permanent construction, drainage, utility and related easements as may be necessary or appropriate to construct and use a recreational trail in, on and under a portion or portions of the parcel or parcels of land identified on plans entitled "Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division Plan and Profile of Border to Boston Trail in the Towns of Boxford & Georgetown Essex County," dated January 27, 2020, a copy of which plan is on file with the Town Clerk, as said plan may be amended and/or incorporated into an easement plan; (b) transfer the care, custody and control of a portion or portions of the Town-owned property or properties shown on the aforesaid plan from the board or officer having custody of the same for the purposes for which such properties are currently held to the Board of Selectmen for recreational trail purposes, and, if applicable, authorize the Board of Selectmen to submit petitions to the General Court to allow the foregoing under Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution or otherwise; (c) raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and/or borrow a sum of money to fund the foregoing project and any costs incidental or related thereto, including, without limitation, the cost of any land/easement acquisitions; and, further, (d) authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and

execute any and all instruments as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the foregoing purposes, or take any other action in relation thereto.

A 2/3rd vote is required to approve this article.

Article 13: Community Preservation (CPC) (ATM20-13)

A: Community Preservation General Budget

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2021 Community Preservation budget and to appropriate, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, §6, from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2021; and further, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, §6, to reserve for future appropriation from Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues the following amounts as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee: a sum of money for open space, including land for recreational use; a sum of money for historic resources; and a sum of money for community housing; as well as sum of money to be placed in the 2021 Budgeted Reserve for general Community Preservation Act projects or purposes recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

Reservations:

\$90,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for open space, including land for recreational use; and

\$90,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for historic resources; and

\$90,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for community housing.

Appropriations:

\$21,000 (less than 5% of the estimated FY revenues) to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for the Fiscal Year; or take any other action in relation thereto.

B: Community Preservation Community Housing Category, "Affordable Housing Trust Grant"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, to appropriate the amount of \$86,000.00 (Eighty Six Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund Community Housing Reserve Account as a Grant to the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust for the purposes of Affordable Housing initiatives consistent with the Trust's Articles of Incorporation and the most recently accepted Town of Georgetown Affordable Housing Production Plan, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust setting the terms for such grant, including a requirement that the owners of any dwellings subsequently receiving any of these appropriated monies from the Trust grant to the Town an Affordable Housing Restriction in said dwellings, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept such restrictions; or take any other action in relation thereto.

C: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Peabody Library History Room Enclosures"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of \$25,700.00 (Twenty Five Thousand dollars) to enhance the safety and preservation of the local historical collection by replacing the current open shelving in the History Room with wall-length cases having glass doors which can be secured; closed shelving will serve the purpose of a) keeping stored materials free of dust and other contaminants; b) controlling access to the irreplaceable historic materials when the room is in use; and c) providing a more dust free environment to the patrons using the room; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Peabody Library Trustees, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

D: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Historic Perley Building ADA Doors"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account, the amount of \$16,000.00 (Sixteen Thousand Dollars) to provide ADA access to the bathrooms and emergency exits at the Georgetown Senior Community Center located in the historic Perley Building with the purchase and installation of two automatic low-energy door openers and four Rim Panic Exit Devices and to authorize the Board of Selectmen, to enter into to all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; and further, any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect, or take any other action in relation thereto.

E: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Camp Denison Fire Suppression"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of \$22,000.00 (Twenty-Two Thousand dollars) for the purpose of providing funding for the costs related to the installation of a fire suppression system for the kitchen at the Camp Denison lodge; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of three years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

F: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category, "Perley School Preservation"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserves Account the amount of \$26,300.00 (Twenty Six Thousand Three Hundred dollars) and from the Community Preservation Fund Undesignated Account the amount of \$32,625.00 (Thirty Two Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Five dollars), for a total appropriation of \$58,925.00 (Fifty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Five dollars), for preservation work to the Historic Perley Building, which includes but is not limited to, exterior repairs and painting of the soffits, moldings, louvers, handrails, doors, and including all incidental and related costs, such as costs associated with equipment rentals necessary to accomplish work; all preservation activities will be accomplished in a manner consistent with the guidelines and requirements of United States Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (Department of Interior Regulations Standards for Rehabilitation codified in 36 CFR 67); and further, the Board of Selectmen, Georgetown School Committee, and the Georgetown Historical Commission, are authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this preservation initiative; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

G: Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category "Open Space Pond Preservation – testing and treatment".

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account the amount of \$25,640.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Six Hundred Forty dollars) for the purpose of funding comprehensive testing and management of cyanobacteria and other invasive species by the Conservation Commission, Board of Health, and the Highway Surveyor in order to preserve and protect Pentucket Pond, and Rock Pond and their associated hydrological connections from injury or harm caused by invasive species of harmful aquatic biota; and further to restore, rehabilitate and preserve said ponds, and any hydrological conveyance associated with the ponds; to authorize the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, and Highway Surveyor to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for this preservation initiative; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

H: Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category, "Universal Access Trails Feasibility Survey".

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account the amount of \$30,000.00 (Thirty Thousand Dollars) to fund a study for the identification of the optimum location for, and the design and development of, a Universal Access Trail to be created

on existing Conservation and Active Recreational Town Lands, including the costs incidental and related to the engineering, legal, permitting, and development of the ultimate location; the study shall include, but is not be limited to, preparation of an analysis of the potential physical, environmental, and property ownership constraints, as well as the opportunities and advantages affecting different sites for the development of trails, and will be developed in relation to the existing 2019 Open Space Linkage Analysis report (OSLA) and Trail grading, materials, and amenities, and designed to accommodate universal access, including access for wheelchairs and those who are visually impaired; said trail will be developed for the broader goal of establishing a community open space network and an economic development plan to attract visitors to the area by highlighting Georgetown's natural splendor as well as to enhance the quality of life for Georgetown residents and visitors; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen, Parks and Recreation Commission, and Conservation Commission, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this study; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

I: Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category, "Arboreal Initiative"

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate the amount of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) from the Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account to fund an Arboreal Initiative that shall include, but not be limited to, the performance of tree assessments; the cropping, trimming, and or removal of trees, as deemed necessary; and the replacement of removed trees on any municipal lands owned by Georgetown in an effort to preserve the green space and aesthetic values of our public properties; the species and size of the replacement trees to be determined by the location and appropriate growth and development potential of the replacement trees at any assessed and identified location; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, and the Tree Warden, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

**TOWN WARRANT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
June 15, 2020**

ESSEX, ss. To the Constables of the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Essex, Greetings.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in the elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Georgetown Middle/High School, 11 Winter Street, on Monday, June 15, 2020 at 7 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1: Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2020 operating budget (STM20-01)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 2 of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the purpose of adjusting line items in the FY 2020 budget, and as necessary, to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of supplementing departmental expenses, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Fund Name	Account	Increase	Decrease

Article 2: Appropriation of Free Cash for the Snow and Ice deficit FY2020 (STM20-02)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be applied to the FY2020 snow and ice deficit, or take any other action in relation thereto.

3-Mar-20

**TOWN OF GEORGETOWN
PRESIDENTIAL
PRIMARY**

PRIMARY RESULTS

**REGISTERED VOTERS
VOTES COUNTED
TURNOUT**

**6341
2447
39%**

PRESIDENT				
William F. Weld	20	22	8	50
Joe Walsh	2	2	0	4
Donald J. Trump	228	200	140	568
Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente	1	0	0	1
No Preference	2	3	3	8
WRITE INS	0	2	1	3
BLANKS	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	253	230	152	635
STATE COMMITTEE MAN				
Richard A. Baker	198	167	108	473
Jeffrey R. Yull	33	38	32	103
WRITE INS	0	1	1	2
BLANKS	22	22	13	57
TOTAL	253	228	154	635
STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN				
Amanda Kesterson	97	86	59	242
Laur M. Sapienza-Grabski	119	112	76	307
WRITE INS	1	2	0	3
BLANKS	36	33	18	83
TOTAL	253	233	153	635
TOWN COMMITTEE				
GROUP	111	101	70	282
Gary C. Fowler	166	139	92	397
J. Scott Daigle	129	120	79	328

Anne Dowling Tentindo	130	120	82	332
Christopher Tentindo	132	120	77	329
Kathleen M. Will	116	122	79	317
Leonard Mirra	162	152	109	423
Douglas W. Dawes	154	116	87	379
Minda T. Fowler	142	138	81	339
Kathleen L. Lee Ogden	126	116	81	325
Joseph A. Bonavita	131	129	86	346
David J. Twiss	130	129	87	346
Michael Carl Anderson	132	116	84	332
Richard L. Boucher	130	112	80	327
George C.H. Perkins Jr.	121	117	78	311
Lawrence Brennan	131	112	83	346
Louis Vincent Mammolette	132	116	83	331
WRITE INS	1	2	2	5
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BLANKS	4110	3776	2475	10361
TOTAL	2276	2100	1420	5796

PRESIDENT				
Deval Patrick	0	3	2	5
Amy Klobuchar	9	6	12	27
Eizabeth Warren	97	106	87	290
Michael Bennet	0	0	0	0
Michael R. Bloomberg	100	76	59	235
Tulsi Gabbard	8	3	7	18
Cory Booker	0	0	0	0
Julian Castro	0	0	0	0
Tom Steyer	5	8	3	16
Bernie Sanders	171	145	126	442
Joseph R. Biden	250	198	249	697
John K. Delaney	0	0	0	0

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BLANKS	12597	1071 6	11093	34406
TOTAL	16737	1448 2	14576	45795

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WRITE INS				
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WRITE INS				
BLANKS				
TOTAL				0

WATKINS				
PRESIDENT				
Arvin Vohra				0
Vermin Love Supreme		2		2
Jacob George Hornberger				0
Samuel Joseph Robb		1		1
Dan Taxation is Theft Behrman				0
Kimberley Margaret Ruff				0
Kenneth Reed Armstrong			1	1
Adam Kokesh				0
Jo Jorgensen				0
Max Abramson				0
No Preference				0
WRITE INS	1	2		3
BLANKS				0
TOTAL	3	5	1	9
STATE COMMITTEE MAN				
WRITE INS	0	1	0	1
BLANKS	3	4	1	5
TOTAL	0	0	0	0
STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN				
WRITE INS	0	0	0	0
BLANKS	3	5	1	9
TOTAL	0	0	0	0
TOWN COMMITTEE				
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BLANKS	30	50	10	90
TOTAL	0	0	0	0

OFFICIAL Results for Annual Town Election Monday, June 22, 2020				
GRAND TALLY	PCT 1	PCT 2	PCT 3	TOTAL
SELECTMAN				
JOSEPH A. BONAVIDA	162	142	140	444
GARY C. FOWLER	222	168	125	515
PETER J. KERSHAW	184	184	217	585
WRITE INS	4	6	8	
BLANKS	78	96	100	
TOTAL	570	501	492	
PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSIONER				
FRANK M. HARPER	252	223	211	686
WRITE INS	14	11	18	
BLANKS	59	64	66	
TOTAL	265	234	229	
PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSIONER				
WRITE IN--JULIETTE REC	47	51	41	139
OTHER WRITE INS	10	8	10	
BLANKS	239	265	244	
TOTAL	57	59	51	
PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSIONER				
JOHN SMOLINSKY	262	222	228	712
WRITE INS	0	3	3	
BLANKS	63	73	64	
TOTAL	261	225	231	
WATER COMMISSIONER				
JEFFREY W. MCCLURE	250	223	218	691
WRITE INS	1	4	3	
BLANKS	74	71	73	

TOTAL	250	227	221	
School Committee				
BARBARA M. LINARES	240	205	217	662
SUZANNE E. MACDONALD	240	223	233	696
WRITE INS	5	6	7	
BLANKS	165	162	133	
TOTAL	483	434	457	
Planning Board				
GEORGE W. COMISKEY	273	230	240	743
WRITE INS	1	4	3	
BLANKS	51	64	52	
TOTAL	273	235	243	
ASTORIA				
ARTHUR MACDONALD	262	229	223	714
WRITE INS	0	0	2	
BLANKS	63	69	70	
TOTAL	261	229	225	
Portland Harbor Marine				
MARY A. SAUNDERS	268	249	244	761
WRITE IN--MICHELLE BROCK	14	16	6	36
OTHER WRITE INS	13	4	14	
BLANKS	354	269	324	
TOTAL	294	326	265	

Out of 6,301 registered voters 917 votes were cast, which is 14.6% of the voter population.
260 out of the 917 ballots were Absentee

2020- Eastern Essex District Veteran Services

Eastern Essex District of Veterans Services is charged under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 115 with providing services to Veterans, dependents, and surviving spouses. Chapter 115 benefits are for low income Veterans, dependents, and surviving spouses. It can come in the form of Ordinary Benefits, Medical, and/or Fuel, depending on the claimant situation. The Town funds this program for their resident Veterans, dependents, and widows, and is subsequently reimbursed 75% by the Commonwealth. It is the responsibility of the Veteran, dependents, or surviving spouse to follow the process dictated by the Department of Veteran Services so that the Town receives the fully allowed reimbursement. Georgetown awarded \$35,886 in Chapter 115 Benefits. VA Benefits for Georgetown-102 Veterans receiving Service-Connected Disability; 5 receiving Veteran Death Pension; 5 Surviving Spouses receiving Dependent Indemnity Compensation; total number of Georgetown Veterans and surviving spouses receiving VA benefits is 112.

Achievements of 2020, we obtained and presented 4 Korean Ambassador for Peace Medals, 1 Vietnam Service Medal, and 2 Medal of Liberty. We prevented 10 people from becoming homeless and assisted in getting 2 Veterans into Rehab. Recorded a 30 Minute Presentation on Veteran Benefits. Served on the Merrimack Valley Veterans Collaborative Vision Committee and the Northshore Veterans Collaborative Committee. We coordinated with Mass Military Foundation and got 25 meals and delivered them to our Veterans. We signed up Veterans for meals at the Food Pantry and helped deliver the meals. We received and distributed 400 masks to local organizations and individual Veterans and families. At Thanksgiving, we partnered with Disabled and Limbless Veterans, Inc; we obtained and delivered 20 full turkey dinners. We were able to get some winter gear from Coats 4 Vets. The trainings and conferences continued all year via ZOOM. Despite the challenge of the Covid-19 Crisis, the Veteran Service Department was, and continues to be, 100% operational.

The Veteran Services' Department acts as liaison between the Veteran and the State and Federal Government. This department assists Veterans with all benefits related to their Military Service; Service-Connected Disabilities, Bonuses, Pension/Annuities, Aid and Attendance, Burial Benefits, Homelessness, Education, Home Loan, military records, and daily needs.

The District is comprised of 7 Towns: Georgetown, Ipswich, Rowley, Newbury, West Newbury, Essex, and Wenham. The Board of Directors consists of 1 Selectman/ Designee from each Town.

Board of Directors:

Georgetown Representative: Douglas Dawes, Selectman

Staff:

1 full-time District Director/VSO

1 full-time Assistant to the Director

Georgetown is responsible for 17.1% of the Operating Budget= \$40,979.94



**Georgetown Water Department
Town of Georgetown, Massachusetts**

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Georgetown, MA 01833
Tel: (978) 352-5750
Fax: (978) 352-5706**

Annual Report 2020

The Georgetown Water Department (GWD) strives to operate and maintain the municipal water system cost-effectively while providing a safe, abundant water supply to residents and businesses for their daily needs and fire protection. Rates are established and reviewed regularly to ensure that anticipated operating costs, emergency system repairs, and necessary capital improvements can be funded with a fiscally-responsible approach.

Personnel Changes

Marlene Ladderbush named Utility Director October 28, 2019.

Marlene came to Georgetown from the Tewksbury Water Treatment plant, where she had most recently worked as Chief Operating Engineer of a 24 hour a day/7 MGD treatment storage including three storage tanks, two pressure boosting stations, automated isolation valves and serving over 30,000 residents. Prior to her role as COE, Marlene worked as chemist with lab directorship and certification for all chemical and bacteriological processes, sampling and reporting for compliance under the Safe Drinking Water Act, as well as maintenance, calibration and repair of all instrumentation for process control. Marlene has a bachelor's degree in chemistry/ biology, holds a T4 in-full Drinking Water Treatment License and a 3D in-full Drinking Water Distribution license.

Robert Dash retired April 30, 2019.

Bob joined the department in 2001 as Maintenance Craftsman. During his time with GWD he held T2 in-full Drinking Water Treatment License and a 2D in-full Drinking Water Distribution license. Bob helped in several capacities, including filter operator for treatment, water distribution, water meter change outs, system flushing, sample collection as well as Back Flow Testing and Cross Connection Coordination. He also helped to oversee the several construction projects in town by way of Dig safe mark outs.

Jason Hamm hired as Drinking Water Operator February 9, 2020.

Jason previously worked at Weston & Sampson for nine years. While there Jason performed many roles such as Cross connection Lead technician Water operator and Flush crew foreman. Jason was hired with a T1(in-training) Drinking Water Operators license, D2 (in-training) Drinking Water Distribution license, Back Flow Tester license and Cross Connection Surveyor

licenses. He plans to continue his education and achieve his T2 in-full Drinking Water Treatment license in one year's time.

Improvements

The GWD hired Tighe and Bond in July 2019 to evaluate the possibility of constructing a biological iron pre-treatment system to reduce the iron loading to our 20-year-old water filtration plant. The present treatment plant is unable to operate to its full capacity due to elevated levels of naturally occurring iron in its raw (ground well) water. The current iron load is causing more additional backwashing to be completed which adds considerable cost and operations burden. A pilot study was conducted to determine the applicability of adding biological filtration as a pre-treatment method for reducing raw water iron concentrations prior to the existing greensand filtration process at the WTP.

The older of the twin concrete storage tanks at Baldpate Hill was removed during the summer of 2019 and new electrical trenching was completed to replace the outdated and failing old panel with updated backup power supply, weather proofing, command control of its mixer and added alarm programming.

A Water Audit was completed by Tata and Howard during 2019 based on findings in 2018 as part of our water withdrawal permit from the Parker River Water Shed. The Massachusetts Water Management Act provides water systems a permit for a specified amount of water yearly based on residential gallons per capita. This amount is strictly regulated and based on climate variations, precipitation and stream flow of its source water shed (Parker River). Triggers set by minimum stream flows causes enforced conservation of water by way of restricting non-essential outdoor watering.

GWD has launched a new, standalone website, <https://georgetownwater.org/> in order to better serve our residents. The website is updated regularly and has tabs for fees and forms, policies, news and the ability to contact staff through email. Up to date news posts like system flushing progression are posted as well as links to conservation tips and bill pay.

Weston and Sampson began engineering services in May 2020 for mitigation of the Duffy's Landing well site impoundment caused by beavers. The beaver's activity over the last ten years has caused a serious flow alteration of the Parker River between Marshall's well station and the west end of Rock Pond. This impoundment is detrimental to the underlying aquifer and these surface waters are a threat to the aquifer due to the increase in naturally occurring organic matter and changes in hydrology.

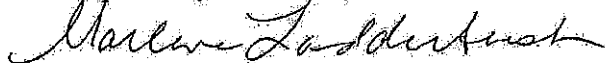
During fiscal 2020 an aggressive meter replacement program was started with approximately 15% of the town meters updated to "smart" meters. These new meters will aid in our meter reading process and cut down on estimated billing. They also come equipped with leak detection which can help conserve water and lower bills. They are also easier to read by residents and have a leak detection alarm display.

May 2020 the Long Hill tank had its one-year anniversary inspection. The tank is maintaining good levels, has improved pressures and retention times of water to the furthest point of the town.

June 2020 GWD staff, along with the cooperation of 20 residents and two schools, conducted the first of two mandated lead and copper sampling programs. Due to the new water source (Marshalls replacement well) MA DEP mandates biannual testing (one summer and one winter). Results were great with the 90-percentile reported below maximum level allowed. Thank you again to those involved in helping make the program a success.

And finally, over 247 million gallons of water was pumped from our three wells in FY20 feeding 2811 services with 231 million gallons of the highest quality treated drinking water through 66 miles of water main for delivery to our residents.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Marlene Ladderbush".

Marlene Ladderbush
Utility Director

**Zoning Board of Appeals
Mission Statement
FY20 Town Report**

The Zoning Board of Appeals adjudicates requests placed before them. The ZBA is a quasi-judicial body that operates under the authority of Chapter 40A of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the Georgetown Zoning Bylaws Chapter 165 for the purpose of promoting health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the Town of Georgetown.

By statute, The Zoning Board of Appeals must follow strict timelines for their decisions. Anyone aggrieved by a decision of the ZBA may appeal to the relevant judicial body.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.
The Zoning Board of Appeals

Zoning Board Members July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020
5 Regular Member Terms and 3 Associate Member terms

Board Members (5)
Jeff Moore, Chairman
Shawn Deane
Paul Shilhan
Dave Kapnis
Gina Thibeault

Associate Members (3)
Sharon Freeman
Vacant
Vacant

Administrative Assistant
Patty Pitari

FEE SCHEDULE
Effective December 1, 1991
Amended 10/17/95, 4/25/98, 9/1/09 (*wireless only*) & 4/5/16

A. Residential Use (single family, personal use)	\$ 250.00
B. Conversion of Single Family Dwelling to Multiple Family or Business Use	\$ 400.00
C. Apartment Complex/Multiple Lot Development	\$ 800.00
D. Industrial/Commercial Use	\$ 800.00
E. Comprehensive Permit (Plus \$200 per unit)	\$ 1,200.00
F. Water Resource (Water Resource Application)	\$ 650.00
G. Wireless Communication Facilities	\$ 1,200.00
H. Floodplain Application – Residential Zone	\$ 400.00
Commercial Zone	\$ 1,200.00
I. Aggrieved decision of the Building Inspector	Fees to reflect A-H of this schedule

See Next for Public Hearings

**TOWN OF GEORGETOWN
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Town Report FY20
July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020**

Name of Petitioner Name of Owner (If different) Location & File #	Purpose	Date of Hearing	Date of Decision	Disposition
#18-02 – Continued TO FY19 203 E. Main Street G. Mello Disposal Existing transfer station	Special Permit for alteration and expansion of the existing nonconforming use (being the transfer station) Special Permit for more than 1 building on a lot. Floodplain, Water Resource.	11/7/17, continued to 12/5/17, continued to 1/9/18, continued to 2/6/17 continued to 3/6/18, continued to 4/3/18 by request, continued to 5/1/18 by request	Continued	Continued pending Planning board New site on Carleton Drive (state of emergency) SEE FY 21 TOWN REPORT
#19-07 G. Mello Disposal Carleton Drive Site c/o Jason Mello, 95 Tenney St., Georgetown MA 01833; Owner: East West Mirra Realty, LLC, of 6 Norino Way, Georgetown, MA, Map 15, Lot 46 (empty lot) Map 15, Lot 46 Water Resource only	Water Resource Only Special Permit	Opened 4/2/19 but continued til Planning Continue water res. To 11/5/19 then continued to September (State of Emergency) See FY21 Town Report		Water Resource only if Planning Approves Site plan approval See FY21 Town Report
#20-01 13 Parish Road Stacy & Ken Carpenter Assessor's Map 20 Lot 20.	Special permit Accessory Apartment	7/9/19	7/9/19	Granted with Conditions

