

TOWN OF GEORGETOWN ANNUAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021



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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 2020-2021 Annual Town Report for the Georgetown Public Schools. To say it has been a challenging year in our schools is an understatement but it has also been a difficult time in our country. We were significantly affected by Covid 19 . We began the first 5 weeks of school with students learning fully remote with teachers and students learning and working from home. The district then followed a hybrid schedule which brought half of the students into school either on Tuesday and Thursday or Wednesday and Friday wearing masks at all times within the schools and on buses. All students learned remotely on Mondays. On the days students were not in school, they were expected to learn remotely. Our teaching staff was responsible for educating students in two places which was very challenging.

We implemented strict Covid health and safety protocols and procedures in all of our buildings. Additional custodians were hired to fog classrooms in addition to the cleaning procedures and air purifiers and UV lights were purchased to enhance air quality in classrooms and offices. The state provided schools with Covid testing options which were managed by our school nurses. The state provided specific guidance on how schools should manage the virus which we followed faithfully. We were unable to run our before and after school programs at Penn Brook and the preschool program at Perley. Our sports teams were allowed to play but with significant restrictions. Throughout the year, we noticed an increase in social emotional anxiety and learning loss in many students as a result of remote learning. While attending school two days a week in person was helpful they spent most of their school week online learning.

Our students continued to achieve academically and athletically this past year. Twenty seven (27) 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 (30) students were inducted into the National Honor Society. The average score on Advanced Placement exams in all seven subjects was 3.96 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.

2021 SAT Summary Results (400 – 800)

Georgetown	Massachusetts	National
Evidence-Based Reading & Writing – 576	Evidence-Based Reading & Writing – 591	Evidence-Based Reading & Writing – 533
Mathematics – 576	Mathematics – 593	Mathematics – 528

2021 GMHS Mean Test Scores (10 – 40)

Georgetown	Massachusetts	National
Reading – 29	Reading – 30	Reading – 27
Writing & Language – 28	Writing & Language – 30	Writing & Language – 26
Math – 29	Math – 30	Math – 26

2020 Accountability Classification*

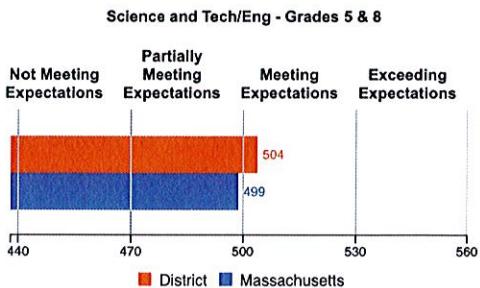
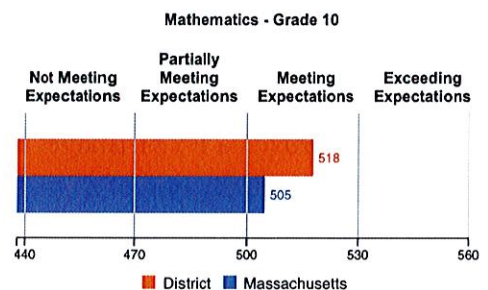
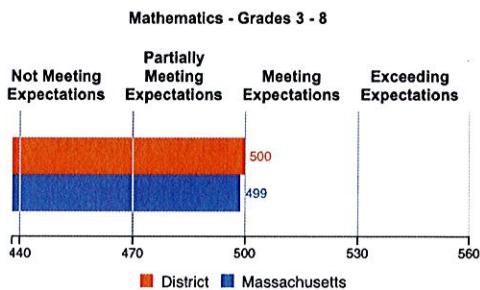
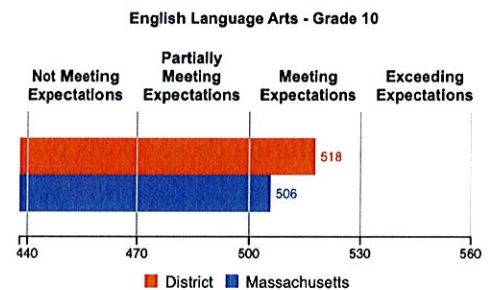
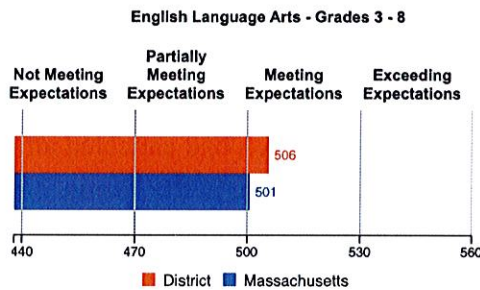
Massachusetts uses information related to progress toward improvement targets, accountability percentiles, graduation rates, and assessment participation rates to determine each district and school's overall classification. Most districts and schools are placed into two categories: those that require 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)



The school department received CARES grants which made it possible to upgrade the internet, purchase video conferencing equipment, employ extra custodians in order to keep the buildings sanitized, and purchase PPE for all staff and students. The Town also made their CARES money available to the school department for extra purchases needed in order to keep staff and students safe in the buildings.

The USDA, in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, reimbursed all breakfasts and lunches served to all students. Meals were offered to families both in school and on remote days during the hybrid model. Many families took advantage of the breakfasts and lunches that were prepared by the food service department and distributed on a daily basis.

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. Upgrades were made to the first floor of The Perley School including replacing rugs with rug tile flooring, and painting walls. This work was done to upgrade the Superintendent's and business office. The school maintenance staff made many building modifications to provide a COVID safe building as possible. 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 an upgraded video security system at the MHS with better images and also allows the school administration and the Georgetown Police remote access to view.

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

BOARD OF ASSESSOR	(3 year appt)	ELECTED	TERM EXPIRES
Michael Carl Anderson		5/9/2022	5/2025
David A. Bogdan		5/10/2021	5/2024
Arthur MacDonald		6/8/2020	5/2023

BOARD OF SELECTMEN	(3 year appt)	ELECTED	TERM EXPIRES
Daryle J. LaMonica		5/9/2022	5/2025
Amy Smith		5/10/2021	5/2024
Douglas W. Dawes		5/10/2021	5/2024
Gary C. Fowler		6/22/2020	5/2023
Peter Kershaw		5/8/2020	5/2023

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	(3 year appt)	ELECTED	TERM EXPIRES
Peter J. Durkee		5/9/2022	5/2025

LIBRARY TRUSTEES	(3 year appt)	ELECTED	TERM EXPIRES
Susan K. Clay		5/9/2022	5/2025
Susan L. Clohecy		5/9/2022	5/2025
Kevin F. Moran		5/10/2021	5/2025
Walter Chris Laut		5/10/2021	5/2025
Mary Saunders		5/1/2020	5/2023
Michelle Brock		6/22/2021	5/2023

LIGHT COMMISSIONER	(3 year appt)	ELECTED	TERM EXPIRES
John Smolinsky		6/22/2022	5/2025
Nicholas P. Lawler		5/9/2022	5/2024
Peter D. Dion		5/10/2021	5/2024

MODERATOR	(3 year appt)	ELECTED	TERM EXPIRES
C. David Surface		5/9/2022	5/2025

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2	Position	1st. Appointed Date	Last Date Appointed	Appointed By	Term (yrs.)	Term Expires
3	ADA Coordinator			BoS		
4	Michael Farrell		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
5						
6	Affordable Housing Task Force			BoS-5 member		
7	Vacant					
8	Peter Kershaw / Selectman		6/30/2021	BoS-5 member	3	6/30/2024
9	Vacant				3	
10	Vacant				3	
11						
12	Affordable Housing Trustees			BoS-5 member	2-BoS	
13	C. David Surface		6/30/2021		2	6/30/2023
14	Vacancy					
15	Charles Keilty		6/30/2021		2	6/30/2023
16	Peter Kershaw		6/30/2021		2	6/30/2023
17	Timothy Ruh				2	
18	Board of Health			BoS		
19	Paul Thompson		6/25/2018		3	6/30/2021
20	William Gianacoples		6/10/2019		3	6/30/2022
21	Dana Shuttleworth		6/30/2020		3	6/30/2023
22						
23	Building Inspection			BoS		
24	Inspector of Buildings					
25	Angelo Salamone		5/1/2021		1	6/30/2022
26	Alternate Inspector of Buildings					
27	Glen Clohecy		2/25/2019		1	6/30/2022
28	Gas/Plumbing Inspector					
29	William Gianacoples		2/25/2019		1	6/30/2022
30	Alternate Gas/Plumbing					
31	Stanley Kulacz		2/25/2019		1	6/30/2022
32	Wire Inspector					
33	Carl Maglio		2/25/2019		1	6/30/2022
34	Alternate Wire Inspector					
35			2/25/2019		1	6/30/2022
36						
37	CABLE ACCESS TV (CATV)			BoS		
38	Cable TV Manager/Coordinator					
39	Janet Morrissey		hired 7/2007			
40	vacancy					
41	vacancy					
42	vacancy				1	
43	Amy E. Smith / Selectman				1	
44	Vacant				1	
45	Vacant					

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2	Position	1st. Appointed Date	Last Date Appointed	Appointed By	Term (yrs.)	Term Expires
89	Vacant					
90	Council on Aging			BOS		
91	COA Director					
92	Colleen Ranshw-Fiorello		hired 4/23/2007			
93	COA Members					
94	Jacquelyn Benas		6/8/2020		3	6/30/2023
95	Susan Clay		6/8/2020		3	6/30/2023
96	Martha Lucius		6/8/2020		3	6/30/2023
97	Darcy Norton		6/8/2020		3	6/30/2023
98	Jean Perley		6/10/2019		3	6/30/2022
99	Diane Prescott		6/10/2019		3	6/30/2022
100	Diane Klibansky		6/10/2019		3	6/30/2022
101	Esther Palardy		6/25/2018		3	6/30/2021
102	Jeanne Robertson		4/8/2019		3	6/30/2021
103	Alternates					
104	Carol Westhauer		6/8/2020		1	6/20/2021
105	Marie Collins		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
106	CULTURAL COUNCIL			BOS		
107	(do not change original appt. date-6 year limits)					
108	Michael S. Cameron, Chair	11/30/2015	6/10/2019		3	6/30/2022
109	Mary Paganelli	6/25/2018			3	6/30/2021
110	Emily Ann Hopkins	6/25/2018	6/22/2015		3	6/30/2021
111	Jacquelyn Benas	4/11/2016	6/25/2018		3	6/30/2021
112	Patrick Maguire		7/15/2019		3	6/30/2022
113						
114	Emergency Management Director & Director of Public Safety			BOS		
115	Donald Cudmore, Police Chief		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
116	Assistant Directors					
117	Fire Chief / Vacant					
118	Lt. Scott Hatch		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
119	Dean Julien		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
120	Emergency Management Team					
121	Peter Durkee, Highway Surveyor		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
122	William Holt, Health Agent		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
123	Michael Farrell, Town Administrator		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
124	Emergency Response Coordinator					
125	Donald Cudmore, Police Chief		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
126	Acting Fire Chief, Chuck Savage					6/30/2021
127	Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA)					
128	Director					
129	Donald Cudmore, Police Chief		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
130	Assistant Director					
131	Acting Fire Chief, Chuck Savage				1	6/30/2021

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2	Position	1st. Appointed Date	Last Date Appointed	Appointed By	Term (yrs.)	Term Expires
175	Michael Farrell, Town Administrator		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
176	Marlene Ladderbush, Water Manager		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
177						
178	Historical Commission			BOS		
179	Philip Trapani, Chair		6/11/2018		3	6/30/2021
180	James D. Davenport		6/10/2019		3	6/30/2022
181	Derek Richards		6/11/2018		3	6/30/2021
182	Bryan Benoit		6/8/2020		3	6/30/2023
183	Gloria Swanbon		6/10/2019		3	6/30/2022
184	Associate Members					
185	Vacant				1	
186	Vacant				1	
187	Vacant				1	
188	Vacant				1	
189						
190	Insect Pest Control Superintendent			BOS		
191	William Holt		5/1/2021		3	6/30/2023
192						
193	Liquor License Agents to the BoS			BOS		
194	Chief Donald Cudmore		6/8/2020			6/30/2021
195	Lieutenant Scott Hatch		6/8/2020			6/30/2021
196	Detective Sergeant James Rodden		6/8/2020			6/30/2021
197	Sergeant Joanne Morrissey		6/8/2020			6/30/2021
198	Detective Matthew Carapellucci		6/8/2020			6/30/2021
199	Memorial Day Committee			BOS		
200	American Legion #211					
201	V.F.W. #7608					
202						
203	Merrimack Valley Planning Commission Representative				1	
204	John Cashell, Town Planner		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
205	Alternate					
206	Vacant, Planning Board				1	6/30/2018
207						
208	Merrimack Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization-MPO Subregion 3 Representative for Georgetown					
209	John M. Cashell, Town Planner		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
210						
211	Mobile Food Vendor Committee					
212	Donald Cudmore, Police Chief		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
213	Peter Durkee, Highway		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
214	Angelo Salamone , Building Dept.		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
215	William Holt , Health		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
216	Vacant , Fire Chief		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
217						

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2	Position	1st. Appointed Date	Last Date Appointed	Appointed By	Term (yrs.)	Term Expires
261	Taylor A. Ford		6/8/2020		3	6/30/2023
262	Laura Jimenez		6/8/2020		3	6/30/2023
263	John Page		6/1/2021			6/30/2021
264	Derek Jones					6/30/2021
265	Vacant					
266	Vacant					
267	Reserve Officers					
268	Tyler Dechene		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
269	Joanne Vallone		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
270	Dean A. Julien		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
271	Peter Neu		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
272	Michael Griffin		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
273	Philip Sepe		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
274	Jacob Fitzgerald		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
275	Jack Atherton		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
276	Tyler Skane		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
277	Courtney Thomas		6/1/2021			6/30/2021
278	Animal Control Officer					
279	Derek Jones		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
280	Assistant Animal Control Officer					
281	Reed Wilson		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
282	Constables					
283	Donald Cudmore, Police Chief		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
284	Arthur Murphy, Jr.		6/24/2019		3	6/30/2022
285	Crossing Guards					
286	Mark Burkland		6/8/2020			6/30/2021
287	George Comiskey		6/8/2020			6/30/2021
288	Melinda Sybert		6/8/2020			6/30/2021
289	Harbormaster					
290	Donald Cudmore, Police Chief		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
291	Assistant Harbormaster					
292	Tyler Dechene				1	6/30/2021
293						
294	Rock Pond Bylaw Committee	(7 members, 3 Alt)		BOS		
295	Paul Moskevitz		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
296	Bruce Fried		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
297	Dr. Clive Patience		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
298	Matt Smith		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
299	Beth Harper		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
300	Ezequiel Gesualdi		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
301	Christopher Crosby		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
302	Alternate					
303	Eric Harper		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021

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2	Position	1st. Appointed Date	Last Date Appointed	Appointed By	Term (yrs.)	Term Expires
347	Carol Jacobs (7/2/2007)				By Virtue of Emplo	
348	Heidi Began		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021

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2	Position	1st. Appointed Date	Last Date Appointed	Appointed By	Term (yrs.)	Term Expires
392	VETERANS'			BOS		
393	Veterans' District Representative					
394	Douglas W. Dawes		6/8/2020		1	6/30/2021
395	Veterans' District Representative, Alternate					
396	Vacant-New					
397	Veteran's District Agent					
398	Karen Tyler		Hired 8/2015			By Virtue of Employ
399	Veterans' Graves Officer					
400	Vacant				1	
401	Assistant Veterans Graves Officer					
402	Vacant				1	
403						
404	ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS			BOS		
405	Paul Shilhan		6/24/2019		5	6/30/2024
406	Jeffrey Moore		6/26/2017		5	6/30/2022
407	Shawn Deane		6/27/2016		5	6/30/2021
408	Dave Kapnis		6/25/2018		5	6/30/2023
409	Gina Thibeault, Chair		6/8/2020		5	6/30/2025
410	Alternate Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals				1	
411						

GEORGETOWN ASSESSORS
FISCAL YEAR 2020 REPORT ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

The Assessor's Office, for Fiscal Year 2021, has completed the state mandated Interim Adjustment Review on all taxable property by the Mass. Dept. of Revenue. Our next full 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 again saving the Town thousands of dollars for FY 2021. Additionally, the department has completed a comprehensive conversion of historical hardcopy property data records to digital format and has incorporated them into the working database.

The Department of Revenue certified the Fiscal Year 2021 tax rate at \$15.89. Tax Base Levy Growth was calculated at \$192,070. The new levy limit is \$19,999,591 and Debt Exclusions amount to \$2,307,521 for a Maximum Allowable Levy of \$22,307,112. Actual Levy Raised was \$22,294,828.37 resulting in an excess levy of \$12,283.63. 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	1,148,833,660				
102	136	54,446,180				
MISC 103,109	6	3,227,300				
104	46	19,254,800				
105	11	4,455,200				
111-125	11	26,115,200				
130-32,106	183	10,503,000				
200-231	0		0			
300-393	51			34,463,530		
400-442	89				54,778,400	
450-452	0				0	
CH 61 LAND	1	1	0	3,400		
CH 61A LAND	7	8	0	80,600		
CH 61B LAND	3	0	0	457,600		
012-043	17	7,135,728	0	10,633,182	6,013,800	
501	224					2,182,057
502	75					10,071,860
503	0					0
504	3					5,523,472
505	1					4,132,600
506	0					0
508	4					761,330
550-552	0					0
TOTALS	3,370	1,273,971,068	0	45,638,312	60,792,200	22,671,319
Real and Personal Property Total Value						1,403,072,899
Exempt Parcel Count & Value					205	114,127,600

GEORGETOWN BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

*1 Library Street, Georgetown, Massachusetts 01833
tel. (978) 352-5730 fax. (978) 352-5725*



INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR 2021

STAFF:

Angelo Salamone	Building Commissioner / Zoning Enforcement Officer	35 hrs./week
Robyn Holt	Administrative Assistant	24 hrs./week
Carl Maglio	Wiring Inspector	20 hrs./week
Bill Gianacoplos	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 2022 the following permits were issued by the Inspections Department:

BUILDING PERMITS:

Single family residences	2
Commercial/Multi-Family	3
Additions/In-law	7
Renovations (misc.)	87
Demolitions	7
Wood/Solid fuel stoves	8
Porches/Decks	25
Roofs / Siding	69
Windows & Doors	46
Pools	9
Wireless communications	0
Solar	3
Accessory Structures	23
Insulation/Weatherization	42
Other	4

FY 2021 Building permits	337
FY 2021 Building fees	\$120,300.50



Georgetown Board of Health

1 Library Street Georgetown, MA 01833- Tel. 978-352-5720
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FY22 Annual Report

The Board of Health Members consists of Chairman Dana Shuttleworth, , Bill Gianacoples, and Paul Thompson. The Health department is staffed by Health Director William Holt, PLS, RS and Health Inspector Virginia Bacon.

Our mission is to protect the health and safety of our residents and those who visit our town. The Board of Health is required by state statutes and regulations to perform many important and crucial duties relative to the protection of public health and safety. The duties also consist of the control of disease, the promotion of safe and sanitary living conditions, and the protection of the environment.

The Board of Health continued to maintain its focus on public health and safety issues during the past year. This included, septic system plan reviews and septic installation inspections, along with, issuing well permits, food service inspections, nuisance/ housing investigations, tobacco compliance checks, public swimming pool, and camp inspections, along with nursing services and communicable diseases. Also, Stable Inspections are conducted annually by the Georgetown Animal Inspector. The Board of Health continued to identify septic systems requiring upgrades and educating the community on how to care for their onsite septic system.

In addition to its normal workload, the Board of Health staff spent much of its time this past year addressing the Covid 19 Pandemic, working many long days meeting with State and Federal Public Health officials and keeping the Towns Selectboard members and the Community at large, up to date with the latest information on the status of the pandemic. In addition, the Health department staff coordinated and participated in many of the local and regional vaccination clinics held in neighboring communities, which greatly assisted reducing the number of positive cases, and ultimately the rescinding of the majority of the Covid 19 restrictions.

The Board of Health is initiating a review of its current regulations pertaining to onsite sanitary disposal systems, Chapter 462 Sewage Disposal which has not be amended in more than nearly 20 years. We anticipate having a draft of amended regulations in the coming year and will hold hearings on the proposed changes.

In the coming year, the Board of Health hopes to continue to work closely with other Town Boards and Committees, to improve awareness of public health and environmental issues.

Respectfully Submitted,

William G. Holt, PLS, RS, SE, Health Director

Georgetown Council on Aging FY21 Annual Report

In our fourth year at the Georgetown Senior Community Center, 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 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic significantly affected the Georgetown Council on Aging's ability to provide programs and services in the community. Although the Georgetown Senior Community Center was closed to the public until the state and local emergency orders were lifted in June 2021, the Council on Aging was extremely busy with person-centered care. While the Senior Center was closed to the public, the Georgetown COA staff worked from home and in the office to make sure that our older adults were safe, connected and receiving services. Displaying the compassion and care that is a characteristic of this town, community members continue to step forward with offers of support and donations for the COA Marketplace. Unable to serve their traditional turkey dinner in November, the Kiwanis Club donated several hundred individual fruit pies that the COA delivered to older adults in town. As an alternative to the COA's annual Health Fair, community healthcare providers stepped forward to provide health information and give-aways for healthy Sunshine Bags that the COA also delivered to older adults in town. Nunan Florist and Greenhouses, Inc. provided vegetable and flower seeds for spring Sunshine Bags. From March 13, 2020 to June 17, 2021, the COA provided 2,736 Grab and Go lunches, delivered 599 Elder Brown Bags of groceries, referred and scheduled 553 COVID-19 vaccination appointments, delivered 587 Sunshine (outreach) Bags, made 2,078 telephone reassurance calls and 501 home visits, provided 216 van rides to grocery stores and essential shopping and 285 miscellaneous services including medical equipment delivered, remote SHINE appointments and income tax preparation services. The pandemic has highlighted the need for essential services and the benefit of the strong community ties between the COA and consumers in Georgetown.

In Fiscal Year 2021, 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 Martha Lucius and Marie Collins. Council on Aging staff members in FY21 included Director Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello, Outreach Worker Kirsten Klueber, Administrative Assistant Julie Pasquale, Van Driver David Hall, Meal Site Supervisor Michelle Muise and Meal Site Assistant Esther Palardy.

As COA staff returned to the offices in July 2020, a Grab and Go Lunch program with Elder Services of Merrimack Valley was quickly established and immediately began to resonate with consumers. While some consumers were able to drive to the Senior Center and pick up their lunch, COA staff delivered to other consumers at home. With use of plexiglass sneeze guards and other safety protocol in place, COA staff began to meet in October with individual consumers in the open reception area of the Senior Center. The in-person appointments allowed COA staff and consumers to more comfortably complete applications and discuss case management concerns. The COA Fitness Center also opened for individual use in October. Our Tai Chi instructor continued teaching Tai Chi on Zoom. Residents were able to view exercise

in the duplicated elder count provides evidence that the Georgetown Council on Aging has a strong connection to individuals in the community. During this past year, the COA saw a 53 percent increase in case management with 299 individuals served 765 times over the 259 individuals served 501 times in FY20. The COA continues to see 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 four individuals with heating assistance during FY21.

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. Until the shut-down in March 2020, the group averaged 20 men per month. As an important opportunity to share a nutritious meal with friends, the program also provides the COA with an opportunity to develop relationships with men in the community. Since the program was established in 2007, the COA has been able to identify and address specific needs for individual men. 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. Acknowledging and supporting the importance of the program to the men served, Crosby's Marketplace has committed to sponsoring the program in FY22.

Although the Georgetown Senior Community Center was closed to the public during the income tax preparation season, the Association for the Advancement of Retired People (AARP) provided an innovative program during FY21 that served 117 individuals. Scheduling appointments to drop off and then pick-up income tax documents outside the building, 3 volunteer Tax Aides prepared state and federal tax returns for 113 unduplicated older individuals and served 4 unduplicated non-elders in FY21. 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.

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

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 60 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 2020, plans are in place for the monthly blood pressure clinics provided by the Board of Health to resume in December 2021. As an alternative to the Board of Health's annual flu clinic, the Board of Health provided in-home flu vaccines for 11 individuals. The COA Van also provided transportation for other individuals who planned flu vaccines in the community. Continuing during the pandemic's shut-down and while the Senior Center was closed to the public, the COA's Durable Medical Lending Program loaned 71 pieces of medical equipment to 37 unduplicated elders this year, a 16 percent increase FY20. Seven 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 FY21, the Lock Box Program served three elders. A grant for the new fiscal year is in place and the program will continue. Now that in-person programs have been resumed, plans are in place for both the Georgetown Police and Fire Departments to present community education programs at the Senior Center. The community education programs will be televised allowing the information to reach a greater portion of the community.

Although the COA office was closed to the public until mid-June, the COA received 3,253 telephone calls and requests for information, assistance and referrals from elders this year, a 43 percent increase from the 2,271 requests for information received in FY20. 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 286 unduplicated elders and 724 duplicated elders, a 53 percent increase from the 242 duplicated individuals and 472 duplicated elders served with case management and advocacy in FY20. The 53 percent increase in the unduplicated elders served this past year supports the position that the Senior Center will continue to see more older adults in need of support, especially as the pandemic continues and post-pandemic. 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. While the Senior Center was closed to the public, home visits were and remain critical in evaluating and assessing consumer wellness. During that time, staff continued to meet one-on-one with clients either during outdoor appointments or in the office with safety protocol in place. In addition to home visits and office appointments, ongoing client support is

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 local Boy and Girl Scout troops, 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 42 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.

Chuck Savage
Acting Chief of Department



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Fire Facsimile: 978 352-5741

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Fire Department Headquarters
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Georgetown, Massachusetts 01833-2408

Georgetown Fire Department Fiscal Year 2021 Report

	Fire Salaries and Wages	\$497,387.00
	Fire Operating Expense	\$114,804.00
	Ambulance Salaries and Wages	\$242,148.00
	Ambulance Expenses	\$ 90,804.00

During fiscal year 2021, the Fire Department continued to deal with the pandemic and Covid related calls. We purchased updated personal protective equipment for all the Firefighters including N-95 style masks, gowns, safety glasses and face shields. We have to be with the patients in order to help them, no “zoom” calls when it comes to EMS. Requests for services and emergency medical calls increased with the FD responding to 1227 calls of which 586 were EMS calls. There were some major changes in the Fire Department which included Chief Mitchell leaving to go to a department in CT. and the increase in staffing hours to a 24/7 operation. We now have 2 Firefighters/EMT’s in the station overnight; this will reduce our overnight response times from 10+ minutes down to 2 minutes, a much needed improvement for our community. We now schedule 427 hours of in-house staffing over a week with 160 hours coming from our 4 full-time firefighters, and 267 hours from our part-time per-diem members. We added 3 new per-diem Firefighters/EMT’s to our ranks in FY21 and continue to look for additional qualified applicants. We also need to recognize that our model of operation will need to change in the future. As the requirements to be a Firefighter/EMT continue to increase, it is becoming difficult to find part-time per-diem applicants. With this in mind, we need to look to add to our full-time ranks and will present this to our Town officials.

Some highlights from fiscal year 2021:

- Chief’s office – With the departure of Chief Mitchell, Captain Chuck Savage was appointed to Acting Chief of the Department by the Board of Selectmen to manage operations while the Town searches for a new full time Fire Chief.
- 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.

Permit Type	Number of Permits	Total Fees
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Issued Date Summary Report

From 07/01/2020 to 06/30/2021
 Personnel (34), Districts (2), Sites (319)
 Jur: GEO

* Form 1 General Permit[AS]	17	900
Flammable Storage[FS]	3	150
Application For Permit To Hazardous Materials[HM]	3	150
Hot Work / Welding[HT]	1	50
Oil Burner Install+alter[OB]	5	250
Propane[PR]	16	650
Smoke Detectors And Carbon Monoxide Alarms (Fp-007c)[SC]	85	4200
Sprinkler Permit[SP]	1	50
Tank Installation / Tank Removal[TA]	9	550

- Training – Training in both Fire and EMS subjects takes place every month and is critical to our operation, improving skills and preventing injuries. With two transporting ambulances, 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 2021 the Fire Department received the following grants:
 - Safe grant \$4,692.00
 - HHS Cares \$7,676.00
 - MIIA \$814.00
 - FM Global \$1,000.00
 - FF Equip. \$11,629.00

Upon taking over as acting Chief of the Department, my goal is to continue to provide the finest service to our residents of Georgetown. This can only be done with the dedicated men and women of the Georgetown Fire Department. We are very fortunate to have such a highly trained and motivated group who work as a team and continue to put the public first. I am reminded of this every time our crews go into a home for a Covid case and yet they never complain or hesitate. We will be searching for our next full-time Chief and I look forward to making sure we have a seamless transition so that he/she can take our department to the next level. I would like to thank both our residents of Georgetown and our neighboring fire departments for their support. We could not function at this high level without their assistance

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,

 Chuck Savage, Acting Fire Chief

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Georgetown Peabody Library

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the physical library building remained closed to the public until June 15, 2021. The Library's curbside pickup service continued during this time of closure. The Library did allow patrons access to the building by appointment only for printing/computer use or readers' advisory/reference help starting in late September 2020. The Library's new closed, locked shelving in the Local History Room was installed in January 2021. This will significantly enhance the safety and preservation of our local history collection. When the library re-opened on June 15, 2021, full browsing of the collection was allowed though some areas of the building remained off-limits for the time being.

The Library was awarded a federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant for \$7,500 from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) in October 2020. With this grant; our Children's Librarian, Cathy Dewitt, created a circulating STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) collection and provided virtual STEM programs and take and make kits. The collection and programming were geared to elementary and middle school aged students and their families.

The Library was also awarded another grant for \$2,500 from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) through the IMLS Cares Act Grant in February 2021. Our Circulation Librarian, Ruth Shores, developed and provided remote activity kits to our teen and adult community through our curbside pickup service. Eighteen different take and make kits were offered starting in the spring into the next fiscal year's summer and fall. These take and make kits revolved around varied themes: developing new skills, self-care, and sustainability. They provided hands-on activities to help during the days of isolation while also bringing awareness to our varied online resources.

PERSONNEL:

Our personnel remained the same for FY21. Staff members continued to work in the library without the usual busy public interaction we were used to. The staff were very happy to welcome the public back into the building in June 2021.

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 41,232 adult materials, 22,625 children materials, and 3,161 young adult materials. We also have access to 9,920 downloadable audiobooks, 196 downloadable videos, and 38,613 e-books through our consortium subscription to the Overdrive Media Service. We circulated 28,302 in Adult materials, 2,348 in Young Adult materials and 23,642 in Children's materials. This brings us to a total of 54,292 circulated materials. This includes both physical materials and eBooks/Audio circulation.

BORROWING:

We have 6,150 registered borrowers. We borrowed 18,240 items from other towns for Georgetown residents and we sent out 21,917 items to other libraries. We had 11,016 downloads by our residents through Overdrive, a 25.7% increase from last year! Non-residents coming to Georgetown borrowed 5,025 items.

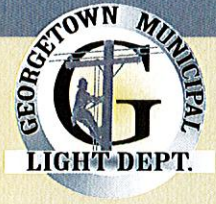


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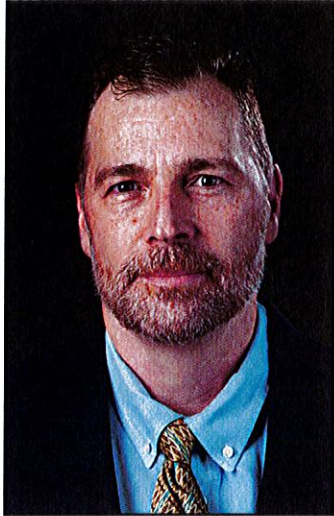
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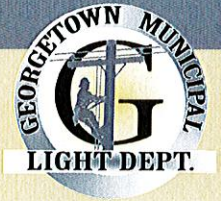


John Smolinsky

EMPLOYEES



GEORGETOWN MUNICIPAL
LIGHT DEPARTMENT



LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

CURRENT LIABILITIES

NOTES PAYABLE	-	
ACCOUNT PAYABLE	555,312.72	
PAYROLL PAYABLE	-	
SALES TAXES PAYABLE	-	
ACCRUED BOND INTEREST	-	
ACCRUED BENEFITS	261,747.00	
CONSUMER DEPOSITS	148,950.00	
REFUNDS DUE	-	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>966,009.72</u>

LONG TERM LIABILITIES

BONDS PAYABLE	-	
OTHER POST EMPLOY BEN TRUST	-	
TOTAL LONG TERM LIABILITIES		-

TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>966,009.72</u>
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SURPLUS

SURPLUS	9,223,101.71	
OTHER POEST EMPLOY BEN TRUST	2,209,583.21	
CONSERVATION CHARGE-EQUITY	9,110.98	
MISC CREDITS TO SURPLUS	-	
MISC DEBITS TO SURPLUS	(96,387.48)	
RESERVE FUND HELD AT MMWEC	0.10	
CONTRIBUTION IN AID OF CONST	1,648,165.81	
NET INCOME	499,912.06	
TOTAL SURPLUS		<u>13,493,486.39</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & SURPLUS		<u><u>14,459,496.11</u></u>

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Fiscal Year 2021
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	2020	2025
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 Assistant

2. STREET ACCEPTANCE FY21:

No streets were accepted as public streets in FY21.

3. MASS DOT COMPLETE STREETS PROGRAM:

In FY21 Georgetown continued being a certified Complete Streets Community for the fourth 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 FY21:

On 14 April 2021 the Planning Board held a public hearing on the following citizen petition zoning bylaw amendment, which was adopted at the 2021 Spring Town Meeting.

Amend §165-7 - Definitions and Word Usage by adding the following definitions:

Transfer Station

The word 'transfer station' as used in these regulations shall have the meaning as defined in 310 CMR 19.006.

Small Transfer Station

Means a Transfer Station used for handling, storage, transfer, or processing of solid waste in volumes no greater than fifty (50) tons per day.

Large Transfer Station

4.	92 Nelson St.	M 04 L 23	N/A	LLA	01-13-2021
5.	40 & 42 Charles St.	M 18 L 150 & 155	N/A	LLA	04-22-2021
6.	21 Warren St	M 19 L 30 & 47	5	ANR	06-09-2021
7.	13R & 15 Old Jacobs Rd.	M 7A L 2A & 3	N/A	LLA	09-16-2021
8.	4 Pingree Rd.	M 10 L 36, A, B & C	4	ANR	withdrawn

7. SITE PLAN AND SPECIAL PERMITS:

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

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Map & Lot</u>	<u>Plan Type</u>	<u>Approved</u>
1. Georgetown Fish & Game	19 Lake Ave.	M H L 7B-1A	Site Plan	09-20-20
2. G. Mello Disposal Corp.	20 Carleton Dr.	M 15 L 46	Site Plan	on-going

8. DEFINITIVE SUBDIVISION/SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

The Planning Board considered the following submitted Definitive Subdivision/Special Permit applications:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Map & Lot</u>	<u>#of Lots</u>	<u>Plan Type</u>	<u>Approved</u>
1. 196 W. Main St.	M 6B L 57	2	Private Court	09-21-20
2. 494 North St.	M 18 L 24	2	Private Court	11-10-20

9. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

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

<u>Subdivision #</u>	<u>Project Name</u>	<u># of Lots</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Status</u>
1. 167	Little's Hill	45	Little's Hill	Final CO pending
2. 230	Ogden OSRD	02	198 E. Main St.	Completed 12-09-2020
3. 231	Bailey Lane	05	Bailey Lane	Under Construct. FY21
4. 232	Parish Commons	10	66 Parish Rd.	ongoing

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 FY21 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 throughout FY21.
8. In FY18 the Town Planner, working with 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 FY21, due mainly to the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, implementation of this study remained pending.
9. During FY21, as with previous years, the Planning Office responded to public records requests and inquiries from residents, town departments, towns Boards and Commissions, attorneys, developers, and real estate agents.
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. The Town's Building Department practices the requisites of the Stretch Energy Code for all new residential dwellings, together with all new structures.
11. During FY21 the Town was awarded its initial Green Communities Grant in the amount of \$140,000.00, which was used to improve the energy efficiency of Town Hall, the Public Safety Building and the Penn Brook School. 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. At the end of FY21, the Planning Department began the process of applying for the 2d round of funding provided by the Green Community Program, with the goal and the Perley School.
12. The Planning Department, through the efforts of its Administrative Assistant, Andrea Thibault, designed and built virtual office capabilities for the Planning Office on the town webpage. Ms. Thibault also implemented the following constituent improvements into the Planning Department: (i) instituted new procedures for meetings, handling of documents, signatures and payments, and also migrated all billing to electronic format; (ii) designed and built a file sharing and file storage

Georgetown Police Department



FY 2021 was once again another very difficult year for the community and the Georgetown Police Department. The COVID-19 Pandemic struck in March of 2020 and still remains with us at the time this report is being written. These unprecedented times have challenged the United States and its citizens to levels never experienced before. The police department and community continue to come together during this unprecedented time and continue to fight the pandemic head on.

Even through the COVID-19 challenge continues, the police department will enhance all department policies and procedures to maintain accreditation status as required with the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission. The department has seen a significant reduction in both recruitment and filling of vacancies since the introduction of a massive police reform bill in the Commonwealth. As a result of police reform, we also lost a vibrant reserve police force which was critical in reducing overtime costs and provided a training source for future full-time officers. The Georgetown Police Department will continue to face all of these police reform changes 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, and professionalism to our department. They have worked tirelessly given the pandemic and reduction of personnel, but still maintain the highest level of integrity and commitment.

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. I am proud to be a resident of such a great community!

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald C. Cudmore

Donald C. Cudmore
Chief of Police

Traffic Enforcement:

Total Citations – 1024
Arrests (MV) – 11
Civil Infractions – 73
Criminal Complaints – 31
Municipal Ordinances – 4
Warnings (Verbal) – 399
Warnings (Written) – 501

FY 2021 Parks and Recreation Annual Report

Board Members:

Jim DiMento - chair

David Schauer

John Dunlevy

Al Kitchin

Anala Guertin

Michael Gentile

Chris Ruest

Operating Budget:

Salaries - \$31,480.76

Expenses - \$48,569.36

The Parks and Recreation Commission meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7pm. From December through February Parks and Rec meets only once a month on the second Wednesday evening.

The Parks and Recreation Commission maintained the Town's current parks and oversaw the completion of a new field at East Main St. Projects included:

- Maintenance of the beach, playground, fields, tennis courts, and bandstand at American Legion Park
- Maintenance of the West St. soccer fields
- Maintenance of the Littles Hill soccer fields
- Maintenance of other town green spaces as well as rail trail access points
- Completion of a new recreational field and dog park at East Main St.

Parks and Recreation also oversaw the Georgetown Youth Community Center.

We approved 27 permits for use of town park facilities and fields.

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 2021, the Treasurer/Collector's Office received \$23,632,083.89 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 \$22,038,995.21 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, Newburyport Bank, Eastern Bank, and Unibank.

The Treasurer/Collector's Office is also responsible for debt issuance and management. On June 30, 2021, the Town of Georgetown had outstanding debt in the amount of \$27,220,000. No new debt was issued during the fiscal year.

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

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

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The Town Accountant's Office consists of a full-time Town Accountant and one part-time Finance Clerk. The Town Accountant is responsible for maintaining all of the Town's financial records to ensure compliance with federal, state and local laws and regulations along with overseeing all departmental appropriations. That includes recording all Town expenditures and assuring that departments operate within their annual appropriations.

The Town Accountant also coordinates the annual independent audit of the Town's financial statements that were last completed for the year ended June 30, 2021. The financial results for the fiscal year 2021 were sound and there were no material weaknesses and a clean audit opinion was delivered. Financial Statements can be found on the Town's website, Town Accountant page.

Free Cash for fiscal year 2021 was certified by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services on January 3, 2022 in the amount of \$934,648.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary McMenemy, Town Accountant



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	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANSFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
01429510 PW TREE WARDEN - SALARIES	5,473	0	5,473	5,473.00	.00	.32	100.0%
01429570 PW TREE WARDEN - EXPENSES	32,000	0	32,000	32,000.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01511510 H&HS HEALTH DEPT - SALARIE	75,323	10,000	85,323	84,037.34	.00	1,285.66	98.5%
01511570 H&HS HEALTH DEPT - EXPENSE	63,756	-10,000	53,756	47,061.73	.00	6,694.37	87.5%
01541510 H&HS COUNCIL ON AGING - SA	132,199	0	132,199	115,760.29	.00	16,438.71	87.6%
01541570 H&HS COUNCIL ON AGING - EX	49,017	0	49,017	28,050.91	.00	20,966.09	57.2%
01543570 H&HS VETERANS SERVICES - E	88,000	0	88,000	76,885.39	.00	11,114.61	87.4%
01610510 C&R LIBRARY - SALARIES	237,035	0	237,035	232,713.08	.00	4,321.92	98.2%
01610570 C&R LIBRARY - EXPENSES	165,332	-700	164,632	156,024.27	.00	8,607.74	94.8%
01630510 C&R RECREATION - SALARIES	43,088	-11,607	31,481	31,480.76	.00	.00	100.0%
01630570 C&R RECREATION - EXPENSES	37,500	11,607	49,107	48,569.36	.00	537.88	98.9%
01691570 C&R HISTORICAL CMTE - EXP	1,000	0	1,000	325.42	.00	674.58	32.5%
01692570 C&R MEMORIAL DAY REMEMB -	1,500	0	1,500	1,286.09	.00	213.91	85.7%
01693570 GEORGETOWN CARES	25,000	0	25,000	25,000.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01710920 DBT SRVC - WATER POLL ABTM	10,200	0	10,200	10,200.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01710923 DBT SRVC - WATER POLL ABTM	10,878	0	10,878	10,878.45	.00	.00	100.0%
01710925 DBT SERVICE - LIBRARY ADD	141,450	0	141,450	141,450.00	.00	- .45	100.0%
01710928 DBT SERVICE - ENERGY SERVI	179,997	0	179,997	179,996.25	.00	.75	100.0%
01710929 DBT SERVICE - PENN BROOK	24,950	0	24,950	24,950.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01710930 DBT SERVICE - PENN BROOK	1,665,050	0	1,665,050	1,665,050.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01710931 DBT SRVC - TURF FLD & CONS	175,600	0	175,600	175,600.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01710932 DBT SERVICE - MIDDLE/HIGH	257,975	0	257,975	257,975.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01710933 MHS 7/15/2019 DEBT	39,575	0	39,575	39,575.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01710934 PENN BROOK DEBT 7/15/2019	111,150	0	111,150	111,150.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01710935 ELM STREET DEBT 7/15/19	167,825	0	167,825	167,825.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01710999 DBT SERVICE - SHORT TERM	2,400	0	2,400	2,225.00	.00	175.00	92.7%
01820570 INTERGOV STATE ASSMNTS & C	408,271	6,288	414,559	414,559.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01911510 OTHER COUNTY RETIREMENT -	1,982,235	0	1,982,235	1,982,235.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01912570 OTHER WORKMEN'S COMP INS -	176,479	0	176,479	176,479.00	.00	.00	100.0%
01913570 OTHER UNEMPLOYMENT INS - E	73,500	-842	72,658	42,661.26	.00	29,996.74	58.7%
01914570 OTHER MEDICAL INS - EXPENSES	2,788,033	33,782	2,821,815	2,821,814.84	.00	.16	100.0%
01915570 OTHER LIFE INS - EXPENSES	4,500	60	4,560	4,557.60	.00	2.40	99.9%
01916570 OTHER MEDICARE INS - EXPENSE	348,235	-24,388	323,847	283,062.99	.00	40,784.01	87.4%
01917570 OTHER DENTAL INS - EXPENSE	170,000	-4,500	165,500	165,173.65	.00	326.35	99.8%
01940570 OTHER UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSE	288,228	-12,463	275,765	275,765.36	.00	.00	100.0%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	16,309,230	223,044	16,532,274	16,120,161.23	.00	412,112.61	97.5%
GRAND TOTAL	16,309,230	223,044	16,532,274	16,120,161.23	.00	412,112.61	97.5%

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	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
0003 SCHOOL GENERAL FUND							
S0105401 DW COMP SPRT UND BLDG TE	118,174	3,984	122,158	122,158.10	.00	.00	100.0%
S0105402 DW COMP SPRT UND BLDG TE	66,270	1,677	67,947	67,946.55	.00	.00	100.0%
S0105403 DW COMP SPRT REG TXT&MAT	58,584	8,473	67,057	67,056.83	.00	.00	100.0%
S0105404 DW COMP SPRT REG GEN SUP	2,500	4,171	6,671	6,670.82	.00	.00	100.0%
S0105405 DW COMP SPRT REG CLASS I	50,620	-50,620	0	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0105406 DW COMP SPRT UND NTWK &	29,110	-3,966	25,144	25,144.48	.00	.00	100.0%
S0105407 DW COMP SPRT REG CLASS I	26,376	55,446	81,822	81,822.06	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110101 DW SPED CURRIC DIRECTOR	358,035	12,735	370,770	370,770.45	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110102 DW SPED TEACH/SPECIALIST	31,000	-17,381	13,619	13,618.75	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110103 DW SPED MED/THERAPEUTIC	186,182	-28,756	157,426	157,425.68	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110105 DW SPED LEGAL SETTLEMENT	38,353	-27,033	11,320	11,319.60	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110107 DW SPED PD STIP/PROVIDER	2,223	-1,420	803	803.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110110 DW SPED OTHER INSTR SVCS	139,000	-33,231	105,769	105,768.86	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110112 SPED INSTR SUPPLIES/MAT	1,228	-175	1,053	1,053.26	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110113 SPED ADMIN SOFTWARE	7,000	-241	6,759	6,759.28	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110201 DW SPED OP TRANSPORT SVC	342,186	-118,827	223,359	223,358.70	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110205 DW SPED OP TUITION NON-P	631,309	20,242	651,551	651,550.68	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110206 DW SPED OP TUITION COLLA	341,185	20,927	362,112	362,112.13	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110207 SPED ONLINE DISTANCE LEARN	0	4,318	4,318	4,318.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0110401 DW ELL REG TEACH/SPCLST	42,552	0	42,552	42,551.86	.00	.00	100.0%
S0120501 PERLEY ACADEMY	0	155,620	155,620	155,619.76	.00	.00	100.0%
S0130201 DW SUBS REG SUB TEACHERS	54,000	-11,083	42,917	42,916.99	.00	.00	100.0%
S0130202 SUBSTITUTES, LONG-TERM	45,000	252,303	297,303	297,303.26	.00	.00	100.0%
S0130301 DW PDEV UND PDEV LEADERS	122,739	-10,892	111,847	111,846.68	.00	.00	100.0%
S0130302 DW PDEV REG PD STIP/PROV	15,830	-6,170	9,660	9,660.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0130303 DW PDEV REG PD STIP/PROV/	7,218	-3,284	3,934	3,933.75	.00	.00	100.0%
S0130304 GESA TUITION	11,000	-9,080	1,920	1,920.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0130305 PROF DEV EXPENSES	26,545	-4,441	22,104	22,103.53	.00	.00	100.0%
S0130307 TECH INTEG SPECIALIST	25,000	0	25,000	25,000.30	.00	.00	100.0%
S0143301 DW PT REG TRANS SVCS SAL	5,000	0	5,000	5,000.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0143302 DW PT REG TRANS SVCS EXP	312,300	-9,462	302,838	302,837.70	.00	.00	100.0%
S0143401 DW SCHL LUNCH SAL COVID	0	0	0	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0143402 DW SCHL LUNCH EXP COVID	0	25,561	25,561	25,561.10	.00	.00	100.0%
S0160101 DW FOPS UND CUSTODIAL SV	10,000	-4,530	5,470	5,469.75	.00	.00	100.0%
S0160102 DW FOPS UND CUSTODIAL SV	1,003	787	1,790	1,790.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0160104 DW FOPS UND UTILITY SVCS	13,450	-3,160	10,290	10,290.44	.00	.00	100.0%
S0160106 DW FOPS UND CUSTODIAL SV	2,000	-2,000	0	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0160107 DW ME UND MAINT OF BLDGS	367,619	3,517	371,136	371,135.64	.00	.00	100.0%
S0160108 DW ME UND MAINT OF GROUND	6,060	82,059	5,100	5,100.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0160109 DW ME UND MAINT OF BLDGS	116,517	82,059	198,576	198,576.42	.00	.00	100.0%

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	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANSFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
S0510102 HS SPED MED/THERAPEUTIC	42,508	600	43,108	43,107.92	.00	.00	100.0%
S0510103 HS SPED NC- PARA/INSTR A	69,708	-36,771	32,937	32,937.20	.00	.00	100.0%
S0530101 HS IS REG GENERAL SUPPLI	12,758	-7,813	4,945	4,945.01	.00	.00	100.0%
S0530401 HS BA UND OTH STDNT ACTV	0	3,501	3,501	3,501.21	.00	.00	100.0%
S0530402 HS BA UND SCHOOL LDRSHP	13,910	-4,586	9,324	9,323.54	.00	.00	100.0%
S0530403 HS BA UND OTH STDNT ACTV	7,000	-1,641	5,359	5,358.69	.00	.00	100.0%
S0543201 HS HS UND MEDICAL/HLTH S	1,372	-804	568	567.86	.00	.00	100.0%
S0550301 HS SA UND OTH STDNT ACTV	1,105	-682	423	423.30	.00	.00	100.0%
S0605403 M/H COMP SPRT REG GEN S	3,030	-2,955	75	74.77	.00	.00	100.0%
S0605405 MS/HS COMP SPRT UND INST	2,500	-684	1,816	1,816.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0606101 M/H LS UND LIBRARIAN/MED	43,708	0	43,708	43,707.99	.00	.00	100.0%
S0606201 M/H MS UND LIBRARIAN/MED	43,708	0	43,708	43,707.99	.00	.00	100.0%
S0606202 MS/HS MS REG OTH INSTR M	500	-500	0	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0606203 MS/HS MS REG INSTR EQUI	1,000	-1,000	0	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0606204 MS/HS MS REG INSTR EQUI	1,000	-1,000	0	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0607101 M/H GS REG GUID/ADJ CNSL	235,919	0	235,919	235,919.06	.00	.00	100.0%
S0607102 MS/HS GS REG PD STIP/PRO	300	-300	0	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0607103 M/H GS REG GUID/ADJ CNSL	1,500	-673	827	827.45	.00	.00	100.0%
S0610104 MS/HS SPED OTHER INSTR M	4,000	-3,330	670	669.67	.00	.00	100.0%
S0610105 M/H SPED TESTING & ASSES	523	1,215	1,738	1,738.16	.00	.00	100.0%
S0610501 M/H AC TUT REG OTH INSTR	51,773	-18,511	33,262	33,261.69	.00	.00	100.0%
S0610502 M/H AC TUT REG OTH INSTR	5,252	-5,252	0	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0630201 MS/HS SUBS REG SUB TEACH	20,205	-432	19,773	19,773.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0630401 M/H BA UND SCHL LDRSHP B	335,110	3,802	338,912	338,912.25	.00	.00	100.0%
S0643201 M/H HS UND MDCL/HLTH SVC	76,567	-2,906	73,661	73,660.64	.00	.00	100.0%
S0643401 MS/HS LRS UND SCHOOL SEC	7,947	-1,528	6,419	6,419.20	.00	.00	100.0%
S0650101 SGF- M/H INTER ATH UND ATH	67,994	-2,395	65,599	65,599.27	.00	.00	100.0%
S0650102 SGF- M/H INTER ATH UND ATH	66,603	-33,464	33,139	33,138.86	.00	.00	100.0%
S0650103 SGF- M/H INTER ATH UND ATH	873	-873	0	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0650301 M/H SA UND OTH STDNT ACT	60,000	-19,834	40,166	40,166.00	.00	.00	100.0%
S0660101 M/H FOPS UND CUSTODIAL S	209,060	18,149	227,209	227,209.24	.00	.00	100.0%
S0660102 M/H FOPS UND CUSTODIAL S	16,160	-5,912	10,248	10,248.33	.00	.00	100.0%
TOTAL SCHOOL GENERAL FUND	16,148,888	0	16,148,888	16,148,888.00	.00	.00	100.0%
GRAND TOTAL	16,148,888	0	16,148,888	16,148,888.00	.00	.00	100.0%

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ANNUAL 2021 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 2021 and vital statistics for the calendar year of 2021.

There was one election in the fiscal year of 2021 that I, Kerri A. McManus the Town Clerk supervised, which was the May 10, 2021 Annual Town Election. Out of 6,549 registered voters, 11.7% of the voter population cast their ballots.

The town of Georgetown Annual Town Meeting was postponed to June 21, 2021 due to the concerns for voter and election worker safety in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

During the calendar year, the Town of Georgetown recorded seventy-six births, fifty-four deaths and twenty-nine marriages.

Additionally, 1,243 dogs were licensed in the Town of Georgetown.

I shall continue to do my best to serve the townspeople of Georgetown. I wish the best of luck to my assistant, Kathleen Roche who retired in November of 2021 and welcome my new assistant Marie Felzani.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kerri A. McManus

Town Clerk

**SPECIAL AND ANNUAL
TOWN MEETING MINUTES
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
JUNE 21, 2021**

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 Town affairs to meet at the Georgetown Middle/High School, 11 Winter Street on the 21st day of June, 2021 (Monday) at 7 o'clock P.M. then and there to act on the articles of this warrant.

Town moderator, David Surface called the meeting to order at 7:05PM once a quorum was met. He called upon Douglas Dawes, the chairman of the Board of Selectmen to lead the Annual Town Meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance and to offer invocation.

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 of 144 Jewett St. makes a motion to appoint Sandra Gerraughty and Christopher Tentindo of 22 Wells Ave. seconds the motion. Motion carries.

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

VOTE: The town voted YES

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Vote

David Surface, thanks the police officers on duty, as well as the tellers Gladie Kneeland, Gloria Mogavero, Janice Murphy and Kate Semidei.

David Surface asks to entertain the motion to adjourn Annual Town meeting and convene the Special Town Meeting. Harry LaCortiglia of 144 Jewett St. makes the motion and Selectman David Twiss seconds the motion. The Special Town Meeting was convened and subsequently dissolved and the body then re-convened to the Annual Town Meeting. Motion carries.

The following non-residents attended the meeting:

John Cashell, Town Planner

Sandra Gerraughty, Asst. Town Moderator

Caroline Kipling, Resident-non-registered

Marlene Ladderbush, Utility Director

Thomas W. McEnemey, K.P. Law-Town Counsel

Bryan McGonigle, Georgetown Record

Mary McMenemey, Town Accountant

Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello, Council on Aging Director

Angelo Salomone, Building Inspector

Avre Vickers, Georgetown Youth Community Center

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Article 1: Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021 operating budget (STM21-01)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 2 of the 2020 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the purpose of adjusting line items in the FY 2021 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.

Selectman, David Twiss makes the motion that the Town vote to amend the vote taken under Article 2 of the 2020 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the purpose of adjusting the following line items in the FY2021 budget:

Fund Name	Account	Increase	Decrease
H&HS Health Dept Salaries	01511510-511000	\$15,000	
Overlay Surplus Account	0001-322000		\$15,000

Sheila Ruth seconds the motion. The motion carries.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 2: Appropriation of Free Cash for the Snow and Ice Deficit FY2021 (STM21-02)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash a sum of money to be applied to the FY2021 snow and ice deficit, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Amy Smith of the Board of Selectmen makes the motion that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$143,542.82 to fund the FY2021 snow and ice deficit. Alicia Raspa from the Finance Committee seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 3: Fund Transfer (STM21-03)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds in the amount of \$14,000.00 (fourteen Thousand Dollars for the purpose of conducting from free cash a wage salary study.

Selectman Peter Kershaw makes the motion that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$14,000.00 to fund a wage salary study. Alicia Raspa from Finance Committee seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 4: Fund Transfer (STM21-04)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash a sum of \$16,000.00, to fund the preparation of the Towns updated Stormwater Management Program suitable for submittal to theUS EPA and MassDEP.

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Doug Dawes makes the motion that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$16,000.00 to fund the preparation of the Town's updated Stormwater Management Program suitable for submission to the US EPA and MassDEP. Sheila Ruth Cahir of the Finance Committee seconds the motion.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 5: Fund Transfer (STM21-05)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds(reserves/stabilization, free cash, overlay) a sum of money to cover revenue deficits occurring in FY 2021.

Article 5 is passed over.

Article 6: Accrued Liabilities Fund (STM21-06)

To see if the Town will vote the transfer from the Overlay Surplus Account a sum of money to be added to the Reserve Fund for Accrued Liabilities, or take any other action relative thereto.

Gary Fowler of the Board of Selectmen makes the motion that the Town transfer the sum of \$55,000.00 from the Overlay Surplus Account to the Reserve Fund for Accrued Liabilities. Finance Committee Chair, Sheila Ruth seconds the motion. The motion carries.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Town Moderator, David Surface suggests closing the Special Town Meeting. Harry LaCortiglia of 144 Jewett St. makes the motion to adjourn Special Town Meeting and reconvene Annual Town Meeting. Selectman Davis Twiss seconds the motion. The motion carries.

VOTE: The town voted YES

UNANIMOUS VOTE

The Special Town Meeting dissolved and the Annual Town Meeting reconvened at 7:38 PM.

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Kerri A. McManus

Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Article 1: Town Officers and Committee Reports (ATM21-01)

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

Article 1 is passed over.

Article 2: General Operating Budget/Reserve Fund (ATM21-02)

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, 2021, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Sheila Ruth, Chair of the Finance Committee, makes the motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,973,630, transfer from the Water Department Enterprise Fund the sum of \$271,147, transfer from Septic Betterment the sum of \$21,060, transfer from Wetland accounts the sum of \$34,333, transfer from the Community Preservation Reserve for Debt Service the sum of \$164,300, transfer from bond premium account the sum of \$70,884 and transfer from the Tax Stabilization Fund the sum of \$195,479, for a total appropriation of \$32,730,833 , to defray charges and expenses of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, 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, 2021, in accordance with the line items and Finance Committee and Advisory Board's report to the June 21, 2021 Annual Town Meeting. Selectman David Twiss seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

2/3 VOTE

Article 3: Stabilization Fund (ATM21-03)

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

Article 3 is passed over.

Article 4: Capital Fund (ATM21-04)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money not to exceed \$100,000 to be added to the Capital Fund, a special purpose stabilization fund created by vote of the May 4, 2009 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, said funds to be further appropriated by Town Meeting for improvements and/or repairs to municipal buildings and infrastructure, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 4 is passed over.

Article 5: Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund (ATM21-05)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money not to exceed \$50,000 (fifty thousand dollars) to be added to the Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund, created by vote of the May 7, 2012 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.32B, §20, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 5 is passed over.

Article 6: Water Department Operating Budget (ATM21-06)

To see if the Town will appropriate the receipts and available funds, including retained earnings, 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, 2021, or take any other action in relation thereto.

David Twiss, of the Board of Selectmen makes a motion that the Town appropriate \$2,249,000 from Water Department Enterprise Fund FY2022 revenues 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 21, 2021 Annual Town Meeting for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, 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 \$1,907,853 is appropriated for the Water Department's direct operating expenses, and a total of \$70,000 is appropriated for the Water Department's FY2022 capital expenses. Sheila Ruth of Finance Committee seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 7: Fire Department Ambulance Operating Budget (ATM21-07)

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, 2021, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Fire Chief, Charles Savage makes the motion that the Town appropriate \$374,007, from the Fire Department Ambulance Enterprise Fund FY2022 revenues, for the total operational expenses of \$374,007, 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 21, 2021 Annual Town Meeting report for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021. Selectman, Gary Fowler seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 8: Local Access Programming (ATM21-08)

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, 2021 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.

Alicia Raspa of the Finance Committee makes the motion 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, 2021. The motion is seconded by Steven Epstein of the Finance Committee. The motion carries.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

{BEGIN CONSENT CALENDAR}

Article 9: Municipal Light Department Continuation of Operation (ATM21-09)

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, 2021, or take any other action in relation thereto.

David Surface, Town Moderator moves Articles 9 and 10 forward since both are a consent agenda. Selectman David Twiss makes the motion to approve Article 9 and Article 10 as printed in the warrant. Alicia Raspa of the Finance Committee seconds the motion. The motion carries.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 10: Chapter 90 Reimbursement, Transportation Bond (ATM21-10)

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$303,295 (Three hundred three thousand two hundred and ninety-five 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.

David Surface, Town Moderator moves Articles 9 and 10 forward since both are a consent agenda. Selectman David Twiss makes the motion to approve Article 9 and Article 10 as printed in the warrant. Alicia Raspa of the Finance Committee seconds the motion. The motion carries.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article 11: Community Preservation Committee (ATM21-13) (Submitted by CPC)

A, B, C, D, E, F, G.

Harry LaCortiglia of the Community Preservation Committee moves to approve Articles 11 sections A,B,C,D, E, F, G as printed in the warrant. James DiMento of 12 School St. seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

Article A: Community Preservation General Budget-

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee for the Fiscal Year 2022 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 2022; 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 2022 Budgeted Reserve for general Community Preservation Act projects or purposes recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

Reservations:

\$100,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for open space, including land for recreational use; and

\$100,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for historic resources; and

\$100,000 (>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)

I move to approve Article 11(A) as printed in the warrant.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

B: Community Preservation Community Housing Category, “Affordable Housing Trust Block Grant”-

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, to appropriate the amount of \$92,000.00 (Ninety-two 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 in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, 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.

Motion: CPC (majority vote)

I move that the Town vote to approve Article 11(B) and appropriate \$92,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Community Housing Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

C: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category “Brocklebank Museum and Shoe Shop Restoration”

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 \$44,000.00 (Forty-four Thousand Dollars) for the replacement and repair of the sill at the Brocklebank Museum, and for interior and exterior restorations, including but not limited to, the repair and/or replacement of the three (3) exterior doors, masonry repairs as needed to prevent water infiltration into the structure, and for the replacement/reinforcement of beams in the ell and attic portion of the Shoe Shop located at 108 East Main Street; to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Georgetown Historical Society setting the terms for such grant, 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.

Motion: CPC (majority vote)

I move that the Town vote to approve Article 11(C) and appropriate \$44,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

D: Community Preservation Historical Resources Category-Knotweed Eradication at Town Hall

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 \$4,000.00 (Four Thousand dollars) for the eradication of the exotic invasive Knotweed (Fallopia or Reynoutria Japonica) at the historic Town Hall; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments 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 related thereto.

Motion: CPC (majority vote)

I move that the Town vote to approve Article 11(D) and appropriate \$4,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

E: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category “Union Cemetery Fence Restoration” Revised

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 \$21,725 (Twenty – one Thousand seven hundred twenty-five dollars) for the restoration of the Union Cemetery Fence on East Main Street; 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 related thereto.

Motion: CPC (majority vote)

I move that the Town vote to approve Article 11(E) and appropriate \$21,725.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

F: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category “Camp Dennison Improvements to Lodge”

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 \$12,000.00 (Twelve Thousand dollars) for the purpose of providing funding for the costs related to the upgrade of the electrical service at the historic Camp Denison lodge on Nelson Street; 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 related thereto.

FinCom voted in favor of this article 4-1.

Motion: CPC (majority vote)

I move that the Town vote to approve Article 11(F) and appropriate \$12,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

**Article G: Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category,
“Greenway Preservation”.**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category Reserve the amount of \$48,000.00 (Forty-Eight Thousand Dollars) for the preservation and rehabilitation of the Wetland Buffer Zone, and the stabilization of the existing walking path (360 Ft) at the East Main Street Recreational Facility, inclusive of permitting and design costs; 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 11(G) and appropriate \$48,000.00 from the Community Preservation Fund Open Space/Recreational Land Reserve Account for the purposes and subject to the conditions set forth in the warrant.

Finance Committee approves 5-0.

VOTED: The town voted YES

MAJORITY VOTE

{END CONSENT CALENDAR}

At 7:33PM Selectman, David Twiss recuses himself from discussion of Article 12.

Article 12: Citizens Petition; To amend definitions and uses within the Georgetown Zoning Bylaw. (ATM21-14)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by inserting into §165-7 – **Definitions and Word Usage** by adding the following definitions:

Transfer Station

The word “transfer station” as used in these regulations shall have the meaning as defined in 310 CMR 19.006.

Small Transfer Station

Means a Transfer Station used for handling, storage, transfer, or processing of solid waste in volumes no greater than fifty (50) tons per day.

Large Transfer Station

Means a Transfer Station used for handling, storage, transfer, or processing of solid waste in volumes greater than fifty (50) tons per day.

And further to amend the Zoning Bylaw §165 Attachment 2 entitled **Town Georgetown Use Regulations Schedule** by inserting the following uses into the **Use Table** with the category of **Industrial Uses**:

	RA	RB	CA	CB	CC	IA	IB	RC
Small Transfer Station	O	O	O	O	O	O	A	O
Large Transfer Station	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O

Not to be added to the amendments but for informational purposes:

O – an excluded or prohibited use.

A – a use authorized by special permit granted by the Board of Appeals as provided in § 165-9 and in Article XIII as authorized by law. (MGL C.40A, § 6)

Steven Sadler of 7 Hillside Dr. moves that the Town vote to amend the Town's Zoning Bylaw §165-7, Definitions and Word Usage, and §165 Attachment 2, Town of Georgetown Use Regulations Schedule, as printed in the warrant. Kathleen Birmingham, of 12 True Ln. seconds the motion.

Discussion ensues. Lawrence Blum of 5 Dodge Ave. informs citizens of a typo on the Use Table. A digit "0" is in place of the letter "O". Moderator Surface suggests a change the digit "0" to the letter "O" for small transfer station. Steven Sadler of 7 Hillside Dr. makes the motion to amend the previous motion to reflect that anywhere there is a number "0" it shall be changed to the letter "O". It is seconded by Lawrence Blum of 5 Dodge Ave. Motion carries.

Town Moderator, David Surface redirects the voters back to the vote for Article 12 amendment. No discussion. Town votes and motion carries.

VOTED: The town voted YES

2/3 VOTE

A motion was made to dissolve the Annual Town Meeting by Harry LaCortiglia of 144 Jewett St. and was seconded by Sheila Ruth of 5 Mill St.

VOTE: The town voted YES

UNANIMOUS VOTE

The Annual Town Meeting dissolved at 7:50 PM.

A True Copy Attest

Kerri A. McManus

Town Clerk

OFFICIAL RESULTS

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION MAY 10, 2021

6,549 registered voters

11.79% voter turnout

GRAND TALLY	PCT 1	PCT 2	PCT 3
SELECTMAN			
DOUGLAS W. DAWES	183	164	145
DARYLE J. LAMONICA	168	118	102
AMY E. SMITH	126	134	137
WRITE INS	1	1	1
BLANKS	92	83	89
	570	500	474
HOUSING AUTHORITY			
NINA SHERWOOD	3	3	0
WRITE INS	23	16	26
BLANKS	259	218	224
	285	237	250
LIGHT COMMISSIONER			
PETER D. DION	223	181	185
WRITE INS	1	1	1
BLANKS	61	68	51
	285	250	237
WATER COMMISSIONER			
NICHOLAS P. LAWLER	209	164	172
WRITE INS	0	2	0
BLANKS	76	84	65
	285	250	237
SCHOOL COMMITTEE			
MICHAEL HINCHLIFFE	176	168	147
LAUREN MALKUNS KING	136	137	135
BRET MOYER	144	119	98
WRITE INS	1	1	5
BLANKS	113	75	89
	570	500	474
PLANNING BOARD			

HARRY D. LACORTIGLIA	207	173	156
WRITE INS	2	4	3
BLANKS	76	73	78
	285	250	237
ASSESSOR			
DAVID BOGDAN	217	183	169
WRITE INS	0	0	0
BLANKS	68	67	68
	285	250	237
PEABODY LIBRARY TRUSTEES			
WALTER LAUT III	212	188	180
KEVIN FRANCIS MORAN	209	188	181
WRITE INS	1	0	0
BLANKS	148	124	113
	570	500	474



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Georgetown Water had a highly successful year in 2021:

We continued with our meter changeout program, with more than 95% changeover to radio meters, despite COVID-19 challenges.

We made continuous improvements to our Supervisory Control systems, with computer upgrades to our wireless portal and improvements to iPads for better connectivity. We added alarm controls and more data points for more operator information.

We completed a new Emergency Response Plan, and underwent training.

We completed demolition of the old steel tank, with improvements to the infrastructure and security measures. We upgraded the Baldpate tank, including perimeter fencing.

We completed leak detection for the entire system, with all repairs completed. We began isolating problem accounts where radio meters show usage consistent with the possibility of leaks. We began an irrigation outreach program to help residents take the initiative with maintenance and watch for leaks.

We improved our billing, giving residents the ability to better track their usage during the year and to compare seasonal usage. We updated our database, and added payment methods to Invoice Cloud. We increased paperless accounts.

The Department completed its Water Management Act permit renewal and is waiting for approval. A four-phase Water Restriction Policy was completed and implemented with educational materials uploaded to the website and distributed in our newsletter.

We have begun a partnership with the Highway Department to repair water mains more quickly. Our first repair was done on Library and Union Streets. A water main coupling failed, causing extensive pavement damage. The Water and Highway Departments collaborated to repair the damage, and regrade the area for better drainage. The Departments also have identified and identify future areas of concern.

We continued working with hydrologists to complete full profiles on all wells. We created a plan for the best method of mitigating wetlands encroaching on our wellhead. A notice of intent was planned and approved.

We provided news through our website about the Day Without Water and Water Week observances, raising awareness about the need for a secure water supply.

Stacie Melchin, a Georgetown resident, joined the Department as Water Clerk in September 2020. Stacie, a graduate of Bridgewater State University, brought significant experience as an administrative assistant to the Department. She has been instrumental in scheduling appointments, with special attention to COVID-19 protocols and screening. She has completed an upgrade to our tie card inventory and irrigation permit program. She was worked tirelessly to achieve high customer satisfaction.

As always, the safety and security of our water supply is our paramount concern. If you have questions about water quality, testing, and treatment, please contact us.

FY 2021- 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. I passed the Veteran Service Officer Recertification Test, which means that Georgetown is eligible to receive the full 75% reimbursement from the State for Ch115 Benefits. If I did not pass the test, then the town would only be eligible to receive 50% reimbursement. Georgetown awarded \$35,500 in Chapter 115 Benefits.

VA Benefits for Georgetown- 99 Veterans receiving Service-Connected Disability amount \$128,057/mo; 2 receiving Veteran Death Pension amount \$3096/mo; 5 Surviving Spouses receiving Dependent Indemnity Compensation amount \$6,787; total number of Georgetown Veterans and surviving spouses receiving VA benefits is 106 total amount \$137,941.

We obtained donated holiday meals and stockings. We had the pleasure of delivering them to Veterans and their families.

I passed the Veteran Service Officer Recertification Test, which means that Rowley is eligible to receive the full 75% reimbursement from the State for Ch115 Benefits. If I did not pass the test, then the town would only be eligible to receive 50% reimbursement. We obtained donated holiday meals and stockings; we had the pleasure of delivering them to Veterans and their families. We are working on an initiative to get the High Street Bridge in Ipswich, named the Global War on Terror Memorial Bridge. We hosted the first event of a three-part Speaker Series, the presenter was Ryan Pitts. Staff Sargent Pitts is a Medal of Honor recipient who served in the Global War on Terror. We will be holding two more Speaking events and then have a ceremony to commemorate the Bridge Dedication.

Currently participating in leadership positions on various committees: Merrimack Elder Services Veterans Collaborative Vision Committee, North Shore Veterans Collaborative Committee, Stakeholder Council for Center for Healthcare Organization and Implementation Research, Massachusetts Veteran Services Officer Association.

Conducted outreach within the district: Organized and presented a 2 in-person Benefits Seminar and had the Lowell Vet Center and VA Representative also present, recorded 1 Benefits Seminar online, had a table at the Vietnam Moving Wall in Plum Island for 3 days, and presented at the Merrimack Valley Veterans Collaborative.

**Zoning Board of Appeals
Mission Statement
FY21 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, 2020 to June 30, 2021
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