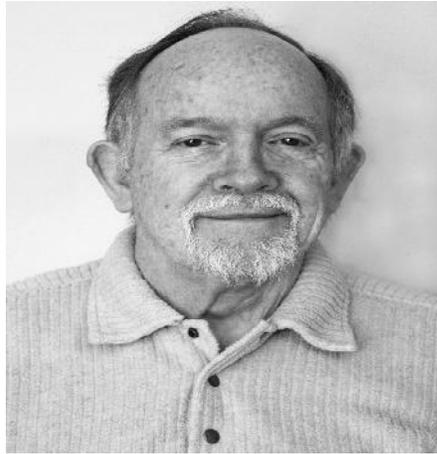


IN RECOGNITION

Phillip Peirce



This year marks the celebration of the 350th anniversary of the founding of Quaboag Plantation and the 337th year that Brookfield has existed as a Town. Throughout those years, Brookfield has depended on people like Phil Peirce to provide leadership and exemplary public service to his fellow citizens. We dedicate the 2010 Annual Report of the Town of Brookfield to him in gratitude for his many contributions over the last 30 years.

A review of Town reports reveals the breadth of service that Phil has provided on Town Committees and in Town offices. Soon after moving to Brookfield in 1978, Phil began serving on the Housing Authority (6 years) before moving to the Advisory Committee (9 years), Personnel Board (12 years), Board of Selectmen (4 years), Local Cable Access Committee, 325th Anniversary Committee, and currently on the Board of Assessors (13 years) as well as on many ad hoc committees. Never a seeker of the limelight, nevertheless it was not unusual for Phil to be elected Chairman by his peers in virtually all of the committees and boards on which he has served.

But the Annual Town Reports tell only a part of the story. Over the years, Phil has played a key role in non-profit educational, cultural and civic organizations in Brookfield. Soon after he moved to Brookfield, he joined the organizing committee for the Apple Country Fair, initiated in 1978. The Fair became the Town's signature public event and over the years has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to support other educational and community activities. Phil quickly became one of the leaders of the group. When the Fair's future fell into doubt in recent years, Phil pulled together a new generation of volunteers to breathe new life into the Fair.

Phil, along with a group of other dedicated volunteers, founded A.P.P.L.E. Seed, Inc. a not-for-profit organization "dedicated toward making Brookfield a better place to live and grow," with projects completed or still in progress such as the flowering cherry trees that were planted along Rte. 9 from West to East Brookfield, Operation Clean Sweep that promotes cleaning our roadways in celebration of Earth Day, and publishing and raising the funds for the *Brookfield Citizen*, the monthly newspaper that reports on local happenings, provides a framework to discuss local community issues, and serves as a force to pull the community together. Phil worked with others to raise the funds necessary to restore the Congregational Church and to build a new wing. Phil also served on the Board of the Blanchard Means Foundation and assisted that Foundation in forming a partnership with Rehabilitation Resources, Inc. to establish the Elm Hill Center, which provides services to people with disabilities.

For all these services, Phil was awarded the Lucy Stone Award in 2007 because, like Lucy Stone, Phil helped to make the world better. Quiet leader, exemplary citizen, church member, Phil embodies the concept of civic virtue. Phil, on behalf of the citizens of Brookfield, we thank you for making Brookfield a better place to live.

IN MEMORIAM



During 2010, several prominent citizens and veterans passed away leaving a big impact on their families, friends and the Town. Among those veterans who died during the year and who made significant contributions to life in Brookfield were: Joseph P. Asselin, Walther J. Barch, Peter A. Bull, Donald “Red” Caron, Francis E. “Pat” Derrick, Donald J. Dufault, George E. “Duddy” Fairbanks, Kenneth R. Frykenberg, Sr., Douglas “Josh” Perry, Leon A. Terry, Dominic A. Sidoto, and Raymond Stokowski.

Each and every resident of the Town is an important citizen, of course, but Brookfield suffers a major loss each year that we lose citizens like these. Their contributions, however, continue to bless us. Please help to keep their memories alive by doing your part for Brookfield.

The following are honored for their gift of military service to the Town and to their Country. We appreciate their sacrifices in our behalf:

Leon A. Terry	U.S. Army	WWII	Jan. 11
Raymond Stokowski	U.S. Army Air Corps	WWII	April 3
Joseph P. Asselin	Royal Canadian Army	WWII	April 20
Kenneth R. Frykenberg	U.S. Marines	Okinawa & Vietnam	June 17
Walther J. Barch	U.S. Marines	Vietnam	July 6
Peter A. Bull	U.S. Army	1955 – 59	Aug. 3
Francis E. “Pat” Derrick	U.S. Army	WWII	Oct. 7
George E. “Duddy” Fairbanks, Sr.	U.S. Army	WWII & Korea	Oct. 19
Dominic A. Sidoto	U.S. Army	Korea	Dec. 8
Donald “Red” Caron	U.S. Air Force	1953 – 57	Dec. 9
Douglas “Josh” Perry	U.S. Army	Korea	Dec. 16
Donald J. Dufault	U.S. Marines	Vietnam	Dec. 28

Remember, as this year passes our troops have either spent or extended another tour in Iraq or Afghanistan to topple the ideology of terrorism and maintain our constitutional freedoms. They fight not for what’s in front of them but to protect what’s behind them and most of all for each other. Let us all take time to thank the dedicated military personnel in our Town and around the United States of America who continue to serve our country and protect our freedoms.

“God Bless Our Troops”

**GOVERNMENTAL DISTRICT
AND REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE
TOWN OF BROOKFIELD**

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Scott Brown
and
John F. Kerry

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

2nd Congressional District
Richard E. Neal

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL 7th District

Jennie Caissie

STATE SENATOR

Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin Senatorial District
Stephen M. Brewer

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

5th Worcester District
Anne M. Gobi

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Joseph D. Early, Jr.



FACTS ABOUT BROOKFIELD:

SETTLED: 1660 as part of the Quaboag Plantation

INCORPORATED AS A TOWN:
Brookfield was incorporated as a Town in 1673.

LOCATION:
Brookfield is located in Central Massachusetts, bounded by North Brookfield on the north, East Brookfield on the east, Sturbridge on the south and West Brookfield, Warren and Brimfield on the west. Brookfield is 22 miles west of Worcester, 33 miles east of Springfield and 57 miles west of Boston.

POPULATION (per 2010 census): 3338

FORM OF GOVERNMENT:
Open Town Meeting with a three member Board of Selectmen and a full-time Administrative Assistant.

TAX RATE – FY 2011: \$14.51 per thousand

PROPERTY VALUATION:

Property Breakdown:

RESIDENTIAL	\$ 274,556,132
COMMERCIAL	\$ 10,694,461
INDUSTRIAL	\$ 2,210,577
PERSONAL PROPERTY	<u>\$ 6,733,465</u>
TOTAL VALUE OF THE TOWN	\$ 294,194,635
EXEMPT VALUE	\$ 37,924,340

SQUARE MILES: 16.57

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS:

Brookfield has approximately 40 miles of paved roads, one half mile of dirt road, and two miles of private roads.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS:

Brookfield maintains a Pre-K through grade six Elementary School and belongs to the Union 61 Tantasqua Regional School District, which includes a junior high school, a high school and a vocational school.

FIRE PROTECTION:

The Fire Department, which is headed by Chief Peter Martell, consists of one assistant chief, two captains, three lieutenants and twenty firefighters.

EMERGENCY SQUAD:

Brookfields Emergency Squad, which is headed by Chief Donna Lafleur, includes one captain, one lieutenant and eighteen EMS personnel. There are six paramedics; nine EMT basics and two EMT- intermediates. The service operates a 2008 Horton ambulance mounted on a GMC chassis.

POLICE:

During 2010, Brookfield had a 24-7 Police Department made up primarily by its eleven part-time officers and one auxiliary officer as all of its full-time police officers moved on to advance their careers. The department was operated during the year by two different acting chiefs and ended the year with the newly hired full-time chief, Michael K. Blanchard.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES:

Brookfield has one recreational field, Lewis Field, which is located on Main Street (Route 148). Lewis Field has a pavilion, softball, soccer and baseball fields, and a basketball court, as well as facilities for outings. We also have a Town beach on Quacumquasit Pond (also known as South Pond).

PUBLIC LIBRARY:

The Merrick Public Library, located at 2 Lincoln Street, on the Common, provides free public access to the Internet, as well as readers and reference advisory service. The Library is an affiliate member of CW/MARS, which allows our patrons to peruse the Central Massachusetts library catalog and place holds and pick-up location from the comfort of their home. The Romanesque Banister Memorial Hall was built in 1884 and the Trustees and staff continue to maintain the architectural integrity of this historic building while offering modern conveniences.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

POLICE:

Emergency 911
Non-Emergency 508-867-5570

FIRE:

Emergency 911
Non-Emergency 508-867-7306

AMBULANCE:

Emergency 911
Non-Emergency 508-867-6036

AREA HOSPITALS:

Mary Lane Hospital, Ware 413-967-6211
Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge 508-765-9771
Hubbard Regional Hospital, Webster 508-943-2600
UMass Medical Center, Worcester 508-334-1000
Worcester Medical Center, Worcester 508-363-5000

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER: 508-525-5776





ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS
- AS OF MAY, 2010

BOARD OF SELECTMEN (3)

Rudy Heller, Chairman May 2013
 Peter S. O'Connell, Clerk May 2012
 James W. Allen, Vice Chairman May 2011

BOARD OF ASSESSORS (3)

Brenda Caron McElroy May 2013
 Philip H. Peirce, Chairman May 2012
 Donna Wentzell May 2011

BOARD OF HEALTH (3)

Michael Seery May 2013
 Daniel Leahy, Chairman May 2012
 Keith Karrmann May 2011

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS (3)

Peter Masuzzo May 2013
 Arthur Jay May 2012
 Wayne Yaskoski, Chairman May 2011

CONSTABLES (2)

Joseph F. Murray May 2013
 Richard Lapierre May 2013

HOUSING AUTHORITY (4)

Linda Lincoln May 2014
 Joseph Gadbois, Chairman May 2012
 Holly Chisholm May 2011
Appointed November 2010 to fill vacancy:
 Bonita Porter May 2011
And one State Appointed member (Vacant)

MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY

TRUSTEES (6)

Sally Brown, Chairman May 2013
 Barbara Steadman May 2013
 Matthew Bansfield May 2012
 Linda Barron May 2012
 Barbara Clancy May 2011
 Wilfred Steadman May 2011

MODERATOR (1)

William Frangiamore May 2011

PLANNING BOARD (5)

Daniel Leahy, Chairman May 2015
 Kris Casucci May 2014
 Sharon Mahoney May 2013
 Cliff Fontaine May 2012
 Bruce Clarke May 2011

**REGIONAL SCHOOL
 COMMITTEE (2)**

James Cooke May 2012
 William J. Gillmeister May 2013

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3)

Donald Faugno (TRSD Rep.) May 2013
 Barbara Wilson May 2012
 Sheila Frangiamore May 2011

TOWN CLERK (1)

Michael Seery May 2013

TRUSTEE FOR SHADE TREES

Ronald D. Couture May 2013

WATER COMMISSIONERS (3)

Robert R. Barnes May 2013
 Roger Charpentier, Jr., Chair May 2012
 Joseph F. Murray May 2011





APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS AND STAFF

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT & Chief Procurement Officer
Donna L. Neylon

ACCOUNTANT
Louise E. (Betty) Benoit June 2012

ADVISORY COMMITTEE (9)
Appointments expire at end of Annual Town Meeting:

Gerald Johnson, Chairman	June 2013
Timothy Roughan	June 2013
Cindy Mundell	June 2013
Ian Von Hold	June 2012
Paul Ayers	June 2012
Roger Lafleur	June 2012
Marc Charpentier (resigned)	June 2012
Mary Beth Harrity	June 2011
Robert Barnes	June 2011
John David Holdcraft	June 2011
Nick Thomo (resigned)	June 2011

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Linda Lincoln	June 2011
Sheila Frangiamore (resigned Jan.)	June 2010
Barbara Mundell (appointed Jan.)	May 2010

BANISTER COMMON & MALL COMMITTEE (9)
All terms expire June 2011

Matthew Bansfield
Kris Casucci
Jennifer Cipro
Barbara Clancy
Ron Couture
Diane Oliver-Jensen
Jeanne Lytle
Peter Masuzzo
Dick Spence
Kathleen Wild

BOARD OF HEALTH SECRETARY
Lucinda Thompson

BUILDING INSPECTOR
Jeff Taylor June 2012
John Couture, Alternate June 2012

BY-LAW COMMITTEE (6)
No appointments were made to this committee during 2010.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE (8)

School Rep:	Barbara Wilson
Planning Board Rep.:	Bruce Clarke
Advisory Committee:	Gerald Johnson
Selectmen's Rep:	Peter O'Connell
Treasurer:	James Dunbar
At-Large:	Heather Lemieux Harrison (Archie) Achilles Vacancy
Ex-Officio:	Town Accountant, Betty Benoit



CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT
Michael P. Seery

CEMETERY STAFF
Herbert L. Foley
Cody Mundell, Summer Help

CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Kris Casucci, Planning Board Delegate
James W. Allen, Alternate June 2011

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT ADVISORY
COMMITTEE (CDBG AC)**

James Allen	June 2011
Herbert Chaffee	June 2011
Bruce Clarke	June 2011
Arthur Jay	June 2011
Donna L. Neylon	June 2011
Lucinda Thompson	June 2011

CONSERVATION COMMISSION (7)

Kenneth Cleveland	June 2013
John O'Leary, Chairman	June 2012
William Neault	June 2012
Michael LaRocca	June 2011
Heath Warren Grimes	June 2011
Tim Simon	June 2011
Carrie Worthington (appointed Oct)	June 2011
George LeBlanc (resigned)	June 2010

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SECRETARY**

Diane Stawski (resigned)
Carrie Worthington

CONSTABLES

Arthur Tatro	June 2011
Christopher Welsh (resigned)	June 2010

COUNCIL ON AGING (6)

John Wild	June 2013
Barbara Clancy	June 2012
Jeanne Myers	June 2012
Frederica LaMonda	June 2012
Lucy Beeman	June 2011
Brenda Lague-Turner	June 2011

COUNSEL, TOWN

Kopelman and Paige, P.C. June 2011

CULTURAL COUNCIL (up to 22)

Kellie E. G. Landine	June 2013
Tina K. Lesord	June 2013
Janet Seery	June 2013
Jeanne Lytle (resigned)	June 2013
Jennifer Cipro	June 2013
John David Holdcraft	June 2013
Katherine Simpson	June 2012
William R. Simpson	June 2012
Barbara Wilson	June 2011
Madelyn Swanson	June 2011
William J. Simpson	June 2011

(12 vacancies)



CUSTODIAN, TOWN HALL

William F. Thompson
James Hanson, Alternate

**DOG & ANIMAL CONTROL
OFFICER**

Eileen Vitello	June 2013
Gabrielle Pecore, Assistant	June 2013

ELECTION WORKERS

Marlaine Burbank	June 2011
Sarah Custer	June 2011
Lindsay Holm	June 2011
Joseph Gillmeister	June 2011
Arthur Jay	June 2011
Kathryn Latour, Warden	June 2011
Annette Lazili	June 2011
Devin Makowski	June 2011
Barbara Mundell	June 2011
Heidi Mundell	June 2011
Carolyn Murray	June 2011
Jeanne Myers	June 2011
Geraldine Pisarczyk	June 2011
Karen Simpson	June 2011
Louise Woodard	June 2011



ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

(see Wiring Inspector)

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
AGENCY (BEMA)**

Keith Karmann, Director	June 2012
Peter Martell, Deputy Director	June 2012

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SQUAD
CHIEF**

Donna Lafleur, Chief, EMT/Paramedic June 2013

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SQUAD
OFFICERS**

Peter Martell, Captain, EMT/Paramedic June 2013

Matthew Graves, Lt. EMT/Paramedic June 2013



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SQUAD

All until June, 2011:

- John Glennon, Paramedic
- David Martell, Paramedic
- Richard Philips, Intermediate
- Matthew Roderick, Intermediate
- Terry Anderson, EMT
- Scott Baldracchi, EMT
- Linda Burns, EMT
- Nicole Comeau, EMT
- Robert Connor, Paramedic
- Amy Green, EMT
- Mike Steuer, EMT
- Dan Driscoll, EMT
- Rich Johnson, EMT
- Joshua Roy, EMT
- Donna Lafleur, Chief/Paramedic
- Peter Martell, Captain/Paramedic
- Matthew Graves, Lieutenant/Paramedic

**FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**

Discontinued.

FINANCIAL OFFICIALS

- Nancy Lee Finney, Clerk to Treasurer
- Sheila Frangiamore, Clerk to Treasurer (resigned)
- Holly Chisholm, Clerk to Treasurer
- Nancy Lee Finney, Clerk to Tax Collector

**FIRE CHIEF & FOREST FIRE
WARDEN**

Peter Martell June 2013

FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

- Chief Peter Martell
- Assistant Chief Herbert Chaffee
- Captain Keith Karrmann
- Captain David Martell
- Lieutenant Brad Bemis
- Lieutenant William MacLeod
- Lieutenant Richard Phillips

FIREFIGHTERS

- Scott Baldracchi
- Steve Budnik
- Linda Burns
- Justin Chaffee
- Philip Chaffee
- Paul Comptois
- Wallace Connor
- Daniel Driscoll
- Charles Edgette
- Matthew Graves
- Donna Lafleur
- Matthew Roderick
- Michael Steuer
- Jeffrey White
- Richard Johnson
- Joe Pecore
- Ray Ranellone
- Joshua Roy
- Vivian James
- Larry Pease

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Herbert Chaffee, II June 2012

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT STAFF

- Donald L. Herbert, full-time
- James Hanson, part-time
- Cindy Thompson, Secretary part-time

HISTORICAL COMMISSION (7)

- Margaret Puza June 2011
- William Puza June 2011
- Ron Couture, Chairman June 2011
- Ann Mathieu June 2011
- Lois O'Leary June 2012
- Matthew Custer June 2012
- A. Patricia White (resigned) June 2012
- 1 Vacancy*

HOMELAND SECURITY REPRESENTATIVE

Keith Karrmann June 2012

INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (all expire June 2011)
Barbara Clancy, Retiree’s Representative

LOCAL PUBLIC ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

James W. Allen June 2013
John Carty June 2013
Peter S. O’Connell June 2013
Rudy Heller June 2013

LOCAL PUBLIC ACCESS COMMITTEE (Cable TV) (7)

Sarah Heller June 2011
Lindsay Holm June 2011
Kathleen Hosterman June 2012
Gerald Johnson June 2012
Sharon Mahoney June 2013
Adam Rundell June 2013
James Sniffen June 2013
Linda Baron (resigned) June 2011
Ronald Dackson (resigned) June 2011

MASTER PLAN, OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN COMMITTEE (7)

William R. Simpson, Chair June 2013
Gwen Broz June 2011
Sarah Heller June 2011
Ron Starcher June 2011
Cheri Carty June 2012
Kris Casucci (Planning Board Rep) June 2012
Tim Simon (ConComm Rep) June 2012

MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY STAFF

Brenda Metterville, Director
Andrea Faugno, Inter-Library Loan
Faith O’Keefe, Library Assistant
Joan Sagendorph, Library Assistant
Katherine Simpson, Library Assistant
James Hanson, Custodian (resigned Oct.)
Arthur Putnam, Custodian

BOARD OF OVERSEERS (DISPATCH)

Keith Karrmann June 2013

PARKING CLERK / HEARING OFFICER

Michael P. Seery June 2011

PERSONNEL BOARD (6)

Holly Chisholm June 2011
William Neault, Chairman June 2013
Philip Peirce June 2012
Adam Rundell June 2012
Sheila Frangiamore (resigned) June 2010
Nancy Lee Finney (resigned) June 2012
2 Vacancies

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Christopher Welsh, Acting Chief (resigned June 2010)
Douglas Blood, Acting Chief Appointed June 2010 to Nov. 2010
Michael Blanchard, Chief Appointed Nov 2010 through June 2013

POLICE DEPARTMENT STAFF

Holly Chisholm, Administrative Assistant

POLICE PATROL OFFICERS

Terms end June 30, 2011:
Christopher Welsh, Sgt Full-time & Acting Chief (resigned Jun. 2010)
Adam Cameron, Full-time (resigned Aug. 2010)
Matthew Baird, Full-Time (resigned Oct. 2010)
Nicholas Abair, Part-time
Daniel Ausmus, Part-time
Robert Orne, Part-time
Jason M. Barrett, Part-time
William Coyle, Part-time
Joseph Murray, Part-time
Craig Swanson, Part-time
Kevin Tucker, Part-time
Christopher DeSantis, Part-time
Ryan Kelly, Part-time
Thomas Motyka, Part-time (resigned Dec.2010)
Jose Perez, Auxiliary



PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR

Robert Wall June 2011
Roger Charpentier, Alternate June 2011



QUABOAG 350th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE (up to 20 members)

Barbara Clancy June 2011
Tracy Comtois June 2011
Matthew Custer June 2011
Donald Faugno, Chair June 2011
Lois O'Leary June 2011
Carolyn Murray June 2011
Kate Simpson June 2011
William J. Simpson June 2011
Frank Visco June 2011
(11 vacancies)

QUABOAG VALLEY COMMUNITY DEV. CORP.

James Allen, Rep. June 2011

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Jake Hill June 2011
Kyle Hill June 2011
Sherry Gilman June 2012
Jeffrey Landine June 2012
Lesley Murray June 2012
Christopher Merow June 2013
Caroline Phillips June 2013
David Proulx June 2013

Resignations during 2010:

Jeffrey Edwards June 2010
John Quevillon June 2011
Lisa Caron June 2011
Kevin Hart June 2011
Kristen Peterson June 2011
Brenda McElroy June 2012
Robert Kenyon June 2012

RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF

John W. Washburn, Groundskeeper/Custodian

REGISTRARS, BOARD OF, WITH TOWN CLERK

Lois O'Leary June 2012
Shirley Sanborn June 2013
Nancy Lee Finney June 2011
Sheila Frangiamore, Asst. (resigned Jan. 2010)

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Discontinued

SEXUAL HARASSMENT OFFICERS (2)

Donna Lafleur June 2013
Matthew Custer June 2013

SOURCE WATER PROTECTION COMMITTEE (6)

James Allen June 2011
Roger Charpentier June 2011
Holly Chisholm June 2011
Bruce Clarke June 2011
Sheila Frangiamore June 2011
Trudy O'Connell June 2011

SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT & PEST CONTROL, AND TREE WARDEN

Herbert Chaffee, II June 2012

TAX COLLECTOR

Lois Moores June 2010
Note: Continued as "hold over" employee

TRENCH SAFETY OFFICER

Herbert Chaffee, II June 2012

TOWN TREASURER

James Dunbar June 2011

TOWN HALL BARRIER REMOVAL & STUDY COMMITTEE

All expire June 30, 2011:

Barbara Clancy
Donald Faugno, Chairman
John David Holdcraft
Peter O'Connell, Secretary
Clarence Snyder
John Wild

TOURISM COMMITTEE

No appointments made.

TRANSFER STATION STAFF

James Hanson
Arthur Morin
William Brisebois
Laszlo T. Sinko

ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gary Simeone

June 2013



**VETERANS SERVICES DIRECTOR,
VETERANS AGENT and
VETERANS BURIAL AGENT**

Bryan Griffing June 2013

WATER DEPARTMENT STAFF

Bruce Clarke, Superintendent
Donald Herbert, Secondary Operator
Holly Chisholm, Administrative Assistant

WIRING (Electrical), INSPECTOR

Scot Mansfield June 2011
Martin Nagle, Alternate June 2011

**WORCESTER REGIONAL
TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD**

Cheri Carty, Delegate (resigned) June 2010
Rudy Heller June 2011

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

5 with 3 Alternates

Michelle Guntor June 2011
Nicholas Thomo June 2011
Gerald I. Johnson, Jr. (Alternate) June 2012
Michael Seery, Chairman June 2012
Charles Wilson June 2012
David Olson June 2012

THANK YOU!!

Here's a special recognition and THANK YOU to each who helped compile this report. The list includes (but is not limited to) Ron Couture (front cover and story about the Civil War Monument re-dedication), Trudy O'Connell (back cover and dedication photo), Cindy Thompson, Bruce Clarke, Peter Martell and Donna Neylon for photos of events in Town and to Jennifer Grybowski and Rudy Heller for their invaluable proof reading!

I'd also like to thank all of the departments for doing such a great job in getting their reports in on time!!

Thank you to you all!



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

In 2010, the Town of Brookfield joined with Warren and the other Brookfields to celebrate the 350th anniversary of the settlement of Quaboag Plantation. This celebration headlined a very eventful year. A full report on the year's activities can be found in the report of the 350th Anniversary Committee.

Governance and Coordination with Town Departments and Committees:

In the May 2010 Town elections, voters re-elected Rudy Heller to the Board of Selectmen. After Mr. Allen declined the chairmanship, the Board elected Rudy Heller as chair, James Allen as vice-chair and Peter O'Connell as clerk. At the Fall Special Town Meeting, voters approved an article raising the Administrative Assistant position to Grade 8 in recognition of the additional responsibilities of that position.

Voters in the annual Town Election agreed to retain the Town Clerk as an elected position. By a one-vote margin, Special Town Meeting voters asked the legislature and governor to change the Tax Collector to an elected position through special legislation, which was signed into law in December 2010. Voters also approved the creation and appointment of an Agricultural Commission.

The Board appointed several new members of a Public Access and Website Committee, which has significantly improved the Town website, recruited new committee members and volunteers, expanded the coverage and objectivity of the public access broadcasts, and published several informative articles in the *Brookfield Citizen*.

While working together, the Board of Health, the Recreation Committee, the Lake Association and the Selectmen were able to open South Pond beach to swimming for the first time in several years.

Financial Condition of the Town

The major downturn in the national and state economy continued for the second year, presenting even more difficult budget challenges to the Town. The Selectmen proposed a new budget development partnership with the Advisory Committee that again reduced the operating budget and obtained voter approval for a balanced budget. Despite a \$92,000 increase in the Tantasqua assessment (Brookfields enrollment increased as a percentage of total Tantasqua enrollment), good management by department heads, a relatively mild 2009-2010 winter, continued energy savings, the availability of school choice funds to reduce school budgets,

reduction in the deficit at the Transfer Station, sustained levels of state aid, and tighter budgeting played key roles in reducing the budget while sustaining services.

Auditors noted that the Town was owed more than \$750,000 in back taxes, which, with interest and fees added, totaled more than \$1,100,000, depriving the Town of budgeted revenues and resulting in higher-than-necessary taxes. The Selectmen approved a more aggressive delinquent tax collection policy and began implementation of that policy on two major fronts: (1) working through Town Counsel Kopelman and Paige, the Town obtained judgments for more than \$500,000 in back taxes, interest and fees by owners of Lakeside Campground and completed all legal work that should enable the Land Court to grant the Town title to Lakeside Campground in 2011 (see Town Counsel report below) and (2) worked with the Tax Collector and Treasurer to obtain payment of delinquent taxes and to secure the Town's ability to collect back taxes by placing properties in tax title. The Selectmen contracted with Municipal Management Associates to assist in tax collection, with costs passed on to the delinquent taxpayers. These efforts have been expensive both in legal costs and in higher taxes, underscoring the old adage that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

At the recommendation of the Selectmen and the Advisory Committee, Town Meeting voters agreed to use a combination of stabilization funds and a lump sum payment from the School Building Assistance Board to pay off the Elementary School Bond debt five years early, thereby saving the Town approximately \$100,000 in Stabilization funds down the line.

Capital Projects:

- A. Infrastructure of Town Streets, Roads, and Water Pipes:** The Highway and Water Departments deserve the Town's praise for their accomplishments this year. The Highway and Water Departments obtained federal stimulus monies and contracted with Pioppi Construction, to reconstruct and pave Common and Lincoln Streets, to replace water mains and install curbing. The Town also received a \$500,000 MassWorks Infrastructure grant to make repairs in 2011 on Town Farm Road and sections of Gay and Rice Corner Roads. Voters gave approval of \$45,000 for the purchase of a used dump truck for the Highway Department, avoiding the large capital cost of purchasing a new truck. Over the years, the Highway and Water Departments have saved the Town thousands of dollars in equipment costs because of the staff's willingness and ability to keep vehicles in service, and millions of dollars by obtaining grants to replace the water tower and repair Town roads and streets.
- B. Raising the 148 Bridge over the CSX Railroad Tracks:** The Selectmen and the Water, School, Fire, Police and Highway Departments worked successfully with the State and its contractors to ensure that public safety needs were met during the raising of the 148 bridge over the CSX tracks. This project will be completed in the spring of 2011.
- C. Environmental/Brownfield Clean-up:** The Environmental Protection Agency funded the clean-up of the site of the "white" mill (which had been destroyed by fire a number of years ago). This project will be completed in 2011. A Phase I assessment of the Finney gas station property on Route 9 was completed and funding secured from the Central Mass Regional Planning Agency to complete a Phase II assessment, with the objective of securing EPA funding to clean up the site and return it to the tax rolls.
- D. The Town Hall:** In March, Special Town Meeting voters turned down a proposal to restore the Town Hall to full accessibility and usefulness and in November, by a narrow margin just short of the 2/3 majority required. They also voted not to acquire land on Prouty Street that could have been used as a Town Hall septic system. Under order of the Building Inspector, to prevent injury from tiles falling from the Town Hall roof, Selectmen ordered the

construction of a roof over the main entrances to the building and secured expert advice about the causes of the falling tiles (poor installation), legal action (not recommended), and solutions (to be implemented in 2011).

- E. Capital Improvement Planning Committee:** The Selectmen appointed a Capital Planning Committee and charged it with reviewing all capital requests exceeding \$10,000 with an expected life of more than five years, as well as developing a 10 year capital plan. The Committee consists of Heather Lemieux (Chair), Peter O'Connell (Vice-Chair and Clerk), Treasurer, Jim Dunbar, Harrison (Archie) Achilles (at-large), Barbara Wilson (Elementary School Committee), Bruce Clarke (Planning Board) and Jerry Johnson (Advisory Committee).

The Police Department:

Upon the recommendation of a committee chaired by Peter Martell and including Librarian Brenda Metterville, Retired Sudbury Police Chief Peter Lembo, Elementary Principal Kathleen Hosterman, Kermit Eaton, James Cooke and high school student Kyle Kozlowski, the Board of Selectmen appointed Michael Blanchard to be the Town's new Police Chief. Subsequently, Chief Blanchard recommended the promotion of Nicholas Abair and the appointment of Sean Marino as full-time officers. Chief Blanchard has initiated the search to hire a sergeant, which will bring the Department back to full staffing. The Selectmen express their appreciation to Acting Chiefs Christopher Welsh and Doug Blood and to the many part-time officers who staffed the department during the transition.

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD

2010 REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

1. Town of Brookfield v. Babb, et al.: Worcester Superior Court, C.A. No. 05-1252-B and Land Court Tax Title Petitions

This action was filed in the Worcester Superior Court in July 2005 and was finally concluded favorably to the Town in 2010. The case was filed to compel the owners of the Lakeside Resort Condominium Campground to cease operation due to their failure to obtain a license from the Town's Board of Health and to compel payment of outstanding real estate property taxes owed to the Town. Shortly after the case was commenced, the Court granted the Town's motion for a preliminary injunction, preventing operation of the campground without a license. Because the injunction was violated, in 2007 we brought an action for contempt. Due to continuing violations, in 2008 we obtained a further injunction barring occupancy of the premises, which the Court made permanent in 2010.

In January 2010 we filed petitions in the Land Court seeking tax title foreclosures for the units in tax delinquency, which are a majority of the units in the condominium, and expect a decision in the Town's favor in 2011. In 2010 we negotiated or otherwise disposed of the claims regarding several defendants and the Court entered substantial monetary judgments, including the taxes owed and interest, in favor of the Town and against the remaining defendants. These judgments have been secured through liens on property owned by the defendants. The litigation is now resolved.

2. Town of Brookfield, by and through its Zoning Enforcement Officer v. Hammond
Worcester Housing Court, C.A. No. 09-CV-1186

This action was filed in December 2009 to enforce the Zoning By-Law prohibiting an auto salvage/repossession business at 174 Rice Corner Road. After court-supervised mediation, the defendant agreed to entry of judgment requiring him to apply for a special permit to

operate his business at the property. The defendant did so apply, but the special permit was denied and the defendant did not appeal the denial.

OTHER ACTIVITIES BY TOWN COUNSEL:

In addition to litigation, Town Counsel actively advised the Board of Selectmen and other Town officials and departments on many matters, including contracts, the acquisition of real property, labor and employment, and zoning enforcement. We also have advised the Town regarding Town Meetings, bylaws, and special legislation.

Regional Municipal Agreements:

The Town entered into three inter-municipal agreements in 2010. On the recommendation of the Board of Health, the Town adopted an inter-municipal agreement with North Brookfield and Sutton to provide health services and with North Brookfield to award a contract for hauling municipal waste. In partnership with Warren, New Braintree and the other three Brookfields, the Town signed an agreement for the joint purchase of cleaning and office supplies.

As your Board of Selectmen, we have found it necessary to meet almost every week to respond to matters affecting the Town. We have done our best to conduct our meetings and ourselves in a professional manner and to promote constructive civic dialogue. We have appreciated the dedication and service by Town employees and volunteers who have given hours of their time to serve the Town. We feel honored to serve as your Selectmen.

Rudy Heller, Chairman

James W. Allen, Vice Chair

Peter S. O’Connell, Clerk



REPORT OF THE DOG & ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

The Animal Control Department is lead by Animal Control Officer (ACO) Eileen Vitello and can be reached by cell phone 508-525-5776. I am assisted by Gabby Pecore who can be reached by 508-713-7180. If anyone within the Town of Brookfield should have an animal control concern you are encouraged to call our department direct. We can offer mediation on the subject of animal control issues between neighbors, guide you on advice or concerns about your own animals, strays, questions about wildlife or direct you to a low cost spay/neuter program if you should qualify. We also host an annual rabies clinic on a Saturday in the spring. Our department may not handle the animal issue that you are having but we can help direct you to someone who can.

2010 was a very community-cooperative year. The residents of the Town of Brookfield seemed to respond well to the need of getting involved within the neighborhood that they live in. The approach of this Animal Control Department is one of community education and awareness within the community you live in. Residents have worked well this year in a mediation manner to solve the animal control challenges our town faces. Many residents have gone above and beyond the call of duty to assist their neighbors in financial difficulties that many are facing. The tough economy has trickled down into many homes and has affected animal control issues this year.

Most calls that came into our Department this year, were of missing dogs & cats followed by found cats and dogs. If your animal should go missing, we ask that you call one of the above numbers to report the missing animal; we will make a report and notify you if your animal is found. We will also offer advice and other surrounding ACO contacts that you should inform of your missing animal. The community should think of the Animal Control Department of a resource to get their missing pet home safe and fast. We work as a connection between the missing party and the party who finds the animal.

We are looking forward to the next year and hope to see the continued community involvement that our Department has experience this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Vitello, Animal Control Officer

Gabrielle Pecore, Asst. Animal Control Officer



(photo of Bruce Clarke's truck, with Town Seal, that towed the Selectmen's float in 350th parade)

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

During the 2010 Animal & Farm inspections, I visited many well-maintained farms with animals well cared for. The animals within the Town of Brookfield consist of cows, horses, Alpacas, goats, sheep, donkeys, ponies, chickens, geese, rabbits, ducks, cats, dogs, and pigs. All farms were inspected and appeared to be disease-free; animals were in ventilated areas with a clean water source and area for exercise. All that were inspected appeared to be well feed and receive regular vet care according to the owners. The purpose of the farm inspection is to allocate the necessary equipment in the event of an emergency or, if a disease should be a concern, this Department would know where to respond and what farms might be impacted.

There were many suspected rabid wild animals this year that needed to be put down due to the potential community exposure. There was a high rate of unusual skunk behavior in 2010 and this Department encourages the residents of the Town of Brookfield to call the Animal inspector, Eileen Vitello at 508-525-5776, should they witness unusual behavior by wildlife and to stay clear of the area as well as to protect your domestic animals by having a licensed veterinarian vaccinate them against rabies and get the necessary booster according to the Law of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Residents are also encouraged to enclose an area if you should have a dog tethered out so that in the event that a rabid animal should try to approach your dog, there will be that added protection of a perimeter fence. If you should have a dog or cat that is outside for any period of time, the risk of rabies is very high and keeping your animal up-to-date is the best defense for protecting your family from this deadly disease. If you suspect that your animal has had contact with or has a wound of unknown origin, take your pet immediately to a vet and report this situation to the Animal Inspector.

The Town of Brookfield hosts an annual rabies clinic in which residents can bring their pets to be vaccinated for a minimal fee; look for the announcement in local newspapers and on our local access TV station.

Thank you,
Respectfully submitted, Eileen Vitello, Animal Inspector



(photo of Highway barn)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors grants abatements and exemptions for property tax and excise tax as required. Our office and staff are available for assistance to all residents on any of these or related matters. Please call (508) 867-2930 extension 16 for an appointment if assistance is needed.

The Division of Local Services of the Department of Revenue works closely with us to maintain and upgrade our Oracle-based CAMA system, and provides training classes to improve our technical abilities with the system.

The Board continues to operate as a three-member board, with the technical assistance of our consultant, Bishop and Associates. Our office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Property Breakdown:

RESIDENTIAL	\$ 274,556,132
COMMERCIAL	\$ 10,694,461
INDUSTRIAL	\$ 2,210,577
PERSONAL PROPERTY	<u>\$ 6,733,465</u>
TOTAL VALUE OF THE TOWN	\$ 294,194,635
EXEMPT VALUE	\$ 37,924,340

Respectfully submitted,
Philip Peirce, Chair

Donna Wentzell

Brenda McElroy



(Photo taken at Apple Country Fair, on the Town Common)

BANISTER COMMON & MALL COMMITTEE

2010 began with the submission of a grant proposal on behalf of the Town of Brookfield to the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Johanna Favrot Fund. The proposal was for a matching grant in the amount of \$1,450 for the purpose of contracting with Martha Lyon Landscape Architecture, LLC to develop a Preservation Master Plan for the Brookfield Banister Common & Mall area. That grant was awarded to the Town in April and the check was received in July.

During the spring, National Grid determined that several trees on the Common would need to be removed due to their deterioration that presented a hazard not only to the existing electrical wires, but to the community's citizenry as well. Later in the summer there were other trees on the Common that were determined to be diseased and needed to be removed. All of the removed trees have been near the northern end of the Common. The remaining stumps were ground out and that area was re-grassed.

Also in the spring, this committee worked with the Brookfield Highway Department as they finalized their plans for the work to be done on Common and Lincoln Streets during the summer. Our concern was that the work done would not encroach on the present Town Common boundaries, further diminishing its size.

Following discussions later in the summer with Martha Lyon, we determined that to get a full in-depth study done, we would need to use funds that were part of our 2010 budget and bring the Preservation Plan up to the level that would be most comprehensive and useful for our future planning. During the last four months of the year we have been meeting regularly with Martha Lyon as she has developed the Preservation Plan. This work will continue into 2011 as we begin to develop long range goals.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Wild, Chair & Resident-at-large
Kris Casucci, Resident-at-large
Jennifer Cipro, Cultural Council Rep.
Barbara Clancy, Library Board of Trustees
Ron Couture, Historical Comm. Rep.

Jeanne Lytle, Cultural Council Rep.
Peter Masuzzo, Resident Common/Mall area
Matthew Bansfield, Resident-at-Large
Diane Oliver-Jensen, Unitarian Universalist
Church Rep



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH 2010

In January, Daniel Leahy was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to fill the vacant seat due to the resignation of Kim Longe. In May, Dan was elected to the Board for a three year term. Dan offers a great deal of Title V engineering knowledge and the Board welcomes his service.

Transfer Station

The Board was able to once again reduce the transfer station budget. This year the budget was reduced by \$5,000 dollars. In June, the Board contracted with Cassella Waste Services to haul our trash, bulk and recycled goods. Cassella's bid was significantly lower than Waste Management. Because of this we anticipate being able to reduce our budget again this coming year.

The transfer station also brought in over \$18,000 dollars more in revenue this year. Transfer Station expenses were \$104,000 and transfer station income was \$96,000. It is this Board's objective to keep the sticker prices stable and not raise bag fees anytime in the near future.

We continue to encourage citizens to use the transfer station because there is no question that it is less costly than using curbside pickup. The yearly permit fee is \$85 dollars and bags are \$12.50 for a package of ten. The transfer station is open on Tuesdays from 3 to 6 P.M. and Saturdays 7 to 4 P.M. and is located on Quaboag Street. Transfer station bags can be purchased at Cumberland Farms or Tip Top Country Store for your convenience.

The Board would also like to thank its dedicated transfer station staff who work through all kinds of weather and sacrifice every Saturday to be on duty at the transfer station. We are grateful for their dedication.

Transfer Station Well Tests

The Board signed a 3 year contract with ECS who have provided service for the last year. The first year of the contract will provide the town with a savings of \$1,940. Currently we are obligated to have quarterly and bi-annual well tests and gas probes on the landfill cap. However, because there have not been any problems, the Board is looking into the possibility of working with the DEP to have these tests less often.

Sanitary Code Inspections

The Board and our inspector conducted a number of sanitary code inspections. All were resolved to the Board's satisfaction except two. We hope to have these cases resolved by this spring. One case has been brought to court with a judgment in the Board's favor.

Board of Health Permit Fees

The Board received \$3,500 in permit fees which include Food Establishments, Title V Installers, Septic Haulers, Funeral Home Directors, and Trash Haulers. The Board also collects pad fees on a monthly basis from our Mobile Home Parks and turns them over to the Tax Collector.

Flu Clinics and Community Health Program

The Board held one joint flu clinic with the Town of North Brookfield in October this year. It went very well; however, there was concern from some citizens that Brookfield did not have one in town and we will make sure that next year it will be held in Brookfield.

The Board also discontinued its contract with Harrington Hospital after many years of service. The Board recently contracted with Cheryl Rowinski of Sutton and already managed to save \$550 dollars from last year.

Title V Septic Systems

The Board responded to several complaints of failed septic systems this year. All have been resolved to the Board's satisfaction. Nanatomqua Park is at this time taking corrective action in regards to its septic systems. The Board recently voted to approve a Large System Upgrade and Local Upgrade Approval request at that park.

South Pond Beach

Many people volunteered to take water samples for the Board of Health at South Pond Beach during the summer months. This action saved a significant amount of money from our Board of Health Expense Account. We are grateful for the time and effort the Recreation Committee and Tim Simon of the Conservation Commission took to make this happen and once again open South Pond Beach for swimming and recreation.

Inspections/Complaints, etc.

Housing inspections-7	Housing Court-4
Retail food inspections-8	Foodservice Inspections-19
Nuisance complaints-20 (includes follow-up inspections)	

Respectfully Submitted,
Daniel Leahy, Chairman
Keith Karrmann, Member

Michael P. Seery, Vice Chairman
Lucinda Thompson, Clerk



(View of lobby of Town Hall and stairs to second floor)

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

Single Family Dwellings	2
Sheds	7
Additions	4
Roofing	13
Garages	3
Windows/Siding	9
Renovations/Remodeling	20
Stoves/Pellet/Wood	8
Pools/In-ground/Above-ground	4
Signs	4
Decks	3
Demolition	1
Barns	3
Storage Buildings	0
Temporary Mobile Home for fire purpose	0
Wind Turbine	0
Fence	0
Co-Locator/Cell Tower	1
TOTAL	82

Total permit income	\$12,822.00
Estimated value on permits	\$1,394,006.00

Respectfully Submitted
 Jeff Taylor, CBO, Inspector of Buildings



(Brookfield Cemetery Gate)

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The elected Cemetery Commissioners and the appointed Superintendent of the historic Brookfield Cemetery provide this annual town report with pride. The internments of loved ones, the general grounds keeping and maintenance, as well as the continued preservation efforts in the cemetery, were all done with care. During the past year, 16 people were interred to the Brookfield Cemetery. We extend our condolences to those family members and friends who have lost their loved ones.

The cemetery received \$4,350 in burial fees and \$4,400 in sale of lot fees. The Preservation Fund received \$240 from the sale of the Cat's Meow of the main gate. The balance of the Cemetery Preservation Fund is \$47,218. From this amount, \$23,321 remains encumbered for the granite archway restoration work and architectural fees which have been contracted. The non-expendable balance for the perpetual care fund is \$120,859.46 and the expendable balance is \$27,373.45.

Our seasonal caretaker Herb Foley and part time laborer Cody Mundell did a nice job as usual, and we are thankful for their hard work and dedication. The Commissioners would also like to thank Highway Superintendent Herb Chafee and Donald Herbert for their help with grave openings and other jobs that our smaller equipment could not handle.

In November 2009, the case against the two residents of West Brookfield who, in 1994, each purchased 32 gravesites in the Brookfield Cemetery, and who wanted to erect large monuments was heard by a land court judge. In early 2010, the judge rendered a judgment in their favor, and the town is not able to either void their deeds or stop the placement of the monuments. The judge's ruling focused on the fact that a recorded vote from a town meeting prior to 1994 could not be provided. This was even though the citizens had voted the acceptance of the rules and regulations regarding a residency requirement or monument size restrictions before the issuance of these deeds by the Selectman. We are disappointed in the decision.

Cemetery Preservation

In May, the Cemetery and Historic Commissions were fortunate to be awarded a matching grant in the amount of \$17,500 from the Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund of the Massachusetts Historic Commission. This grant is specifically for the restoration of the iron gates on the main granite archway. Special thanks go to Ron Couture for his many hours dedicated to the grant application writing, and to Martha Lyon for her expertise in making it through the process. At the annual town meeting, residents approved the amount of \$15,000 from the Stabilization Fund to be used towards the match portion of the grant. The bid was awarded to DeAngelis Iron Works of Easton, Massachusetts for the amount of \$32,700. The gates were removed in December to be restored at their foundry, and will be returned in the spring. We were also awarded a grant from the Jeppson Fund managed by the Greater Worcester Community Foundation in the amount of \$1,500 to be used towards landscaping around the archway. Restoration and repair of the granite archway continued as well, however is still not finished.

Large dead branches were removed from several trees along the Route 9 wall, as well as within the cemetery and two dead trees were removed. There are still several trees within the cemetery in need of maintenance pruning. Two new historic landscape trees were planted.

A 20 foot section of the interior side on the front stone wall that had previously collapsed, was repaired by Warren and Heath Grimes for a very nominal fee. As part of the Preservation Plan, the entire wall will need to be repaired in sections and re-pointed.

The Preservation Fund is active, and donations or memorial contributions in the memory of loved ones can be put towards the fund. Please consider making a donation in any amount. The new Cat's Meow of the historic main gate is available for purchase for \$20 at the Town Clerk's office, the library, and at Tip Top Country Store.

Rules and Regulations

Please note that specific rules and regulations set by the Commissioners and voted by the townspeople have been in place for several years. Lot purchase in the Brookfield Cemetery is limited to former and current Brookfield residents only who have resided in town a minimum of 5 years. Also, there is a type and size limit for memorial gravestones and markers that are allowed. The planting of shrubs around gravestones must be approved by the Commissioners or Superintendent. The planting of any tree other than a small type shrub around a gravestone is prohibited. The Cemetery Commissioners reserve the right to remove any overgrown shrubs around gravestones. Remember to remove any flowers not in season, including artificial plants, and to maintain decorations.

For grave lot prices, detailed Rules and Regulations and general information, please call our Cemetery Superintendent Michael P. Seery at 508-867-5500 or 508-867-2930 X 12. This information is also available online from the town's website: www.brookfieldma.us. Just click on Cemetery commission for a link within the site. As always, please respect this historic hallowed ground when visiting the cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Wayne Yaskoski, Chairman
Peter N. Masuzzo
Arthur H. Jay



(Photo of sign used for most recent CDBG project)

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This committee was created in August of 2004 as a requirement of an \$800,000 grant that the town received in 2005 for drainage and water improvements along Pleasant, Sherman, Howard and Lower River Streets. Since then we have applied for and received several grants:

- \$800,000 for a new standpipe (water tower) on Draper Street.
- About \$400,000 for infrastructure (drainage, water improvements, sidewalks, paving, etc.) to the upper part of River Street and Common Street.
- \$661,100 for infrastructure improvements to Lincoln Street, Lincoln Street Extension and Common Street from Central to Lincoln Street. We call this grant a CDBG-R grant as the "R" stands for "Recovery"; from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act. This grant was awarded in the fall of 2009 and the work was conducted in 2010.

Fiscal Year 2011 Application:

The due date for this application changed from February 2011 to December 2010 and included the following:

- Infrastructure design to the public part of Draper Street from the intersection with Route 9 to the intersection with High Street;
- Infrastructure design to part of Hayden Avenue;
- Infrastructure design to all of Hyde Street; and
- A complete rehabilitation to the Housing Authority's two-unit dwelling on Hayden Avenue

The committee voted unanimously to again hire grant writer, William (Bill) Scanlan to write and administer this grant. We should hear the results in the late summer.

Grant Scorekeeping:

Brookfield gets extra points for having other community development projects and multiple physical activities. Other eligible activities are housing rehabilitation, social services, commercial rehabilitation, ADA improvements, Senior Center, planning, etc.

In-kind services are an important part of these grants and these services include on-site "clerk of the works" by both our Water Superintendent and our Highway Superintendent, making sure that the Town gets what it is paying for and that all desired standards are met. Other services are supplying topsoil, grass seed, labor to remove granite curb, tree trimming, pavement marking, traffic officers, etc.

New Application:

As stated in previous Town reports, the Committee has agreed that the highest priority for the next application is for barrier removal, ADA (American with Disabilities Act) updates and other major improvements to the Town Hall. However, this will require funding for creation and completion of final plans that will have to be turned in at the time of the December 2011 application filing. This will go before the Town Meeting for your approval.

Other Important Applications:

This committee also works with Christopher Dunphy of Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) for annual CDBG applications with the Town of Ware as the lead town. These grants are for housing rehabilitation, septic repair/replacement and for adult literacy and basic education services. The total grant received is around \$800,000 and Brookfields share is usually around \$200,000. The housing rehab and septic repair/replacement part of this grant is on a first-come, first-served basis for a 15-year deferred payment and interest free loan. Applicants must be in a "very low" to "low income" bracket and must occupy the property where the work is to be done. Brochures with further information can be picked up at the Selectmen's office and applications can be acquired from PVPC, 60 Congress Street, Springfield, MA 01103, Tel: 413-781-6045; Fax: 413-732-2593 or by e-mail to Laurel Foley at lfoley@pvpc.org

Respectfully submitted,
James W. Allen, Chairman
Bruce Clarke
Donna Neylon

Herbert Chaffee, II
Arthur Jay
Lucinda Thompson



(Photo: CDBG-R project at work on Common Street – 2010)

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Brookfield Conservation Commission meets every 3rd Tuesday of each month. The Commission enforces the State Wetlands Protections Act and works closely with the MassDEP (Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection).

The Conservation Commission had a busy year. The Commission held meetings with representatives from CSX Transportation regarding two (2) bridges in town. They held Q & A sessions, had site visits, and attended Town Meetings which were informational and detailed.

The Conservation Commission received or issued the following:

- 4 – Notices of Intent
- 6 – Orders of Conditions
- 2 – Orders of Conditions Extensions
- 4 – Requests for Certificate of Compliance
- 4 – Certificates of Compliance
- Numerous Forest Cutting Plans – Notices of Intent
- Numerous site visits

The Conservation Commission has attended a multi-committee meeting to help expedite the application process.

Our treasurer, Heath Grimes, paid the MACC dues in the amount of \$105. The Wetlands #315 Account began the fiscal year with \$6,796 and the Conservation General Fund #01 Account began the fiscal year with \$629.45.

The ESS Group (Environmental Scientist Ecological & Environmental Permitting Services) prepared the study Long Term Plant Management for Quaboag & Quacumquasit Ponds.

We welcomed two new members (Mike LaRocca, Carrie Worthington) and hired a secretary (Carrie Worthington) to take minutes and help with filing. Our previous secretary, Diane Stawski, left to pursue other interests but we are grateful for her time and hard work while she was with us!

Respectfully submitted,
John T. O’Leary, Member/Chairman
Heath W. Grimes, Member/Treasurer
Carrie Worthington, Member/Secretary

Tim Simon, Member
Michael LaRocca, Member
Kenneth C. Cleveland, Member

REPORT OF THE CONSTABLES

All warrants were posted as directed, with returns made at no cost to the Town. In keeping with the Town Bylaws, all fees for elected constable services are surrendered to the municipality.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph Murray (Elected)
Arthur Tatro (Appointed)

Richard Lapierre (Elected)
Christopher Welsh (Appointed)



(Elsie the Cow – Born in Brookfield on Elm Hill Farm)

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging (COA) Board advocates for the health and social well-being of senior citizens living in Brookfield. We do this by increasing awareness of local programs and available services. A combination of State grants, municipal funding, private donations and volunteer hours make all of this possible.

Some of the ongoing programs are Tai Chi, Foot Clinics, Medica Transportation and Outreach Services. We work closely with elder services providers such as Tri-Valley, Inc., Worcester Community Action Council and Central Mass. Agency On Aging. We continue to share programs and classes with our neighbors and friends at the North and West Brookfield Senior Center.

One important goal of the COA is to increase awareness of available services. Through the Medica Program and for a small donation, a senior can schedule a ride to a medical appointment by calling the West Brookfield Senior Center. If a homebound senior needs information or assistance, they can call the North Brookfield Senior Center and schedule a home visit with the Outreach Worker. If you are looking for some mild exercise and relaxation, we have the popular Tai Chi class on Tuesday mornings in the Town Hall. Foot clinics are held right here in town and services are provided by a podiatrist. We also have “Senior Gatherings” throughout the year, which could include an informational speaker or a luncheon out, and always an opportunity to visit with one another.

A large focus of the COA in 2010 was trying to find a way to reach out to *all* seniors in Brookfield. We have explored options for a permanent “Senior Center” and worked with the Town officials on the possibility of sharing space in the Town Hall with other departments. The COA supports the need for expanded space and services for seniors. This will continue to be a priority as we move into 2011.

The COA meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 4:00 pm in the Town Hall. Meetings are open to the public and questions and ideas are always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Clancy, Chairman
Frederica (Rikki) LaMonda

Lucy Beeman
Jeanne Myers

Brenda Lague-Turner
John Wild

REPORT OF THE CULTURAL COUNCIL

The mission of the Brookfield Cultural Council is to promote excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and interpretive sciences in order to improve the quality of life for Brookfield residents and to contribute to the economic vitality of our community.

Funding for grants and events was obtained from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Town of Brookfield, booth rentals, event sponsors and the sale of apple pies, popcorn and Cat's Meows.

The members of the Brookfield Cultural Council maintained "streamlined" status with the Massachusetts Cultural Council. All members of the Brookfield Cultural Council have completed on-line basics training with the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Brookfield Cultural Council committee members thank friends and attendees at events that made 2010 a fantastic year for the Town of Brookfield.

To join in the Quaboag Plantation's 350TH anniversary celebration, the Brookfield Cultural Council provided support, tents and sound equipment for events including Brookfield Historic Day, and the Native American Pow-Wow. We recreated the "Elsie Goes to Hollywood" float for the 350TH Parade, featuring Zora of North Brookfield as Elsie and won first place for Most Historical Float for Brookfield.

For FY 2010, the Brookfield Cultural Council received 21 LCC grant requests totaling \$7,505. We approved 15 requests, totaling \$4,040.00. The Brookfield Cultural Council, with the Massachusetts Cultural Council, fully or partially funded the following:

- Elementary School: 4th Grade Art Museum Trip, Physical Science Variety Show, and Spread the Art.
- Merrick Public Library: King Phillip's War by Michael Tougias
- Guy Morin: Colonial Soldier in King Philip's War
- John Root: Butterflies of the Northeast
- Tantasqua: Guest Artists Allyssa Jones and Lindsey Blouin
- Tantasqua Show Choir
- Davis Bates, Storyteller
- John Porcino, Storyteller
- Boys of the Town, Musical Performance
- Hunter Foote, Musical performance
- Pied Potter Hamelin, Pottery demonstration.

In addition to the LCC grants, the Brookfield Cultural Council:

- Purchased and installed U. S. flags and organized Brookfields Memorial Day ceremonies
- Purchased 4 – EZ Up tents which were used for BCC and 350th events
- Helped clean, schedule, and decorate the Town Common gazebo
- Helped with sound and lighting for Brookfield events
- Held a sock hop in BES featuring the band "Shakin' All-Over."
- Partially funded the BES playground equipment
- Organized Friday Evening Concerts on the Common, with the return of "The Doctor's Variety Half-hour," a feature band, and baking contests. Headliners were Class Reunion, the Borelli Big Band and David Pike & the Good Ole' Boys
- Held the third Pumpkinfest on the Common
- Organized second town-wide Tag Sale and Chili Contest on the Common
- Organized thirteenth annual Brookfield Holiday House Decorating Contest

- Sponsored a BES trip to the Hanover Theater for a production of *A Christmas Carol*
- Welcomed Santa to Brookfield with the Tree Lighting on the Common.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Simpson

Cultural Council's Active Members, 2010:

Jennifer Cipro, Dave Holdcraft, Kelly Landine, Tina Lescord, Jeanne Lytle, Janet Seery, Kate Simpson, William J. Simpson, William R. Simpson, Madelyn Swanson and Barbara Wilson.

REPORT OF THE ELECTRICAL (WIRING) INSPECTOR

The following is a compilation of 49 Electrical Inspections performed during 2010.

<u>TYPE OF INSPECTION</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED</u>
New single family homes	1
Temporary Service	2
Multi-family home	0
Service upgrades up to a 200 amp	14
Additions	0
Remodel / Rewire	6
Garages	3
Furnace & boilers	1
Air Conditioning Systems	1
Miscellaneous Wiring (single circuits)	1
Generators	2
Commercial Lighting Retrofits	3
Commercial Projects	2
Barns	1
Security Systems	2
Lightning Protection Systems	1
Fire Alarm Systems	1
Hot Water Tanks	0
Above Ground Pools	1
In-Ground Pools	1
Septic systems	4
Intelligent Shower Unit	1
Cell Tower Addition	1
Total Permits	49

We can be contacted by leaving a message on our extension at the Town Hall (508-867-2930 x 20).

Respectfully submitted,

Scot Mansfield, Electrical/Wiring Inspector

Martin Nagle, Alternate

REPORT OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SQUAD

Our ambulance squad is available for emergency medical care 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We are certified at the paramedic level which means we can provide advanced level care to our patients if needed. The EMS squad consists of 17 members; 6 paramedics, 2 intermediates, and 9 basic level EMT's. We are overseen and certified by the Massachusetts State Department of Public Health.

Our staff consists of one full time paramedic/firefighter that does various EMS and fire department jobs while he is on duty Monday through Friday. The rest of our staff are considered "on call personnel" meaning, our EMTs carry a two way radio and are "toned out" for calls from our homes or work. Beyond this, members spend countless hours training and working for the upkeep and improvement of our service

All levels of EMTs are required to go through many hours of training and continuing education. We also assist at public functions, blood pressure clinics, and distribute public information, as the need arises.

We are always looking for more dedicated and caring townspeople to volunteer for our emergency squad.

The squad is funded through ambulance billing and donations. This money is used for equipment, training and wages. Any remaining funds stay in the accounts to make large equipment purchases and to buy a new ambulance when needed.

STATISTICS:

The ambulance responded to 402 calls during 2010. They are divided into the following categories:

Advanced Life Support	150
Medical Calls	226
Trauma	61
Fire Standby	20
Police Standby	9
Refusal, assistance or cancelled	74

Mutual Aid was given to North, East and West Brookfield, Brimfield, Sturbridge, Spencer, Leicester and Worcester.

Brookfield EMS is grateful to everyone who has supported us in our efforts to provide quality emergency medical care to our town. We extend a special thank-you to the Selectmen for their support and help. We also wish to thank the Police, Fire, and Highway departments, as well as the dispatchers at the State Police New Braintree Dispatch Center. The families, friends, and neighbors of our patients also help us in so many ways. "Neighbor Helping Neighbor" is truly the motto of our ambulance service.

The Emergency Squad has free "File of Life" packets available to store your medical and emergency information. This "file" is kept on your refrigerator and would be used in case you are unable to give the EMTs your information in an emergency. Just call 508-867-6036 for your copy.

PLEASE, NUMBER YOUR HOUSE SO IT IS VISIBLE FROM THE STREET. PRECIOUS MINUTES CAN BE LOST WITH MISSING OR INCORRECT NUMBERS!

Respectfully Submitted,
Donna Lafleur, Paramedic and Chief Brookfield Emergency Squad



REPORT OF THE BROOKFIELD EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (BEMA) - 2010

This year we had the flooding of the Quaboag River in the early spring. Other than that no other emergency's for the residents of Brookfield. BEMA has applied for a number of grants for equipment to help better serve the residents of Brookfield in the event of an emergency.

We have also worked on making sure that all first responders (Police, Fire, EMS, Selectmen, Board of Health, and the school administration) get the federally-mandated training (IS-100, 200, etc.), so that the Town of Brookfield will remain eligible for federal grants for public safety and homeland security.

BEMA looks forward to continue to be there for the residents of Brookfield in the event of any emergency or non-emergency that we will be needed to respond to.

By Keith Karmann, Director

Peter Martell, Deputy Director



REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT – 2010

2010 was a steady year of activity, incidents, training and projects. The breakdown gives you an overview of the many types of things we respond to as well as what we do in terms of training and maintenance work to prepare for such incidents.

The public safety boat was assigned to the Fire Department. Work went into outfitting and equipping it.

We welcomed Firefighters Andrew Cassavant and Rich Johnson.

Chief Martell was one of the first fire chiefs in Massachusetts to be credentialed by the State.

The current membership represents a total of over 295 years of service to the Town of Brookfield Fire Department.

Maintenance on the building included the ongoing brickwork project, exterior painting, painting the upstairs, and regular upkeep.

The Department stayed involved with the activities of Massachusetts Fire District 7. This District consists of Southern Worcester County fire departments, and is very active with training, mobilization, and communications projects.

The Department received the following grants:

- Brookfield Community Club – Equipment storage rack
- Massachusetts Department of Fire Services – Student Awareness of Fire Education (SAFE) – Fire prevention materials
- Governors Highway Safety Bureau – Bicycle helmets and safety literature
- Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, Forest Fire Bureau – Pump for Tanker 2

Calls:

- Structure Fires – 10
- Brush Fires – 8
- Motor vehicle Accidents – 21
- Utility Problems – 10
- Rescues – 3
- EMS Assists – 3
- Hazardous Materials Incidents – 3
- False alarms/Investigations – 20
- Mutual Aid given to other Towns – 10
- Mutual Aid utilized – 3
- Total personnel training hours – 982
- Total personnel hours for department upkeep – 596

Inspections/Permits:

- Oil Burning/Storage – 19
- Propane Storage – 20
- Smoke Detector/ Carbon monoxide – 22

Training/Education, Public Awareness, and Other Duties:

As noted above, many hours of departmental upkeep were done in-house, saving the Town thousands of dollars. Training was done both by in-house personnel as well as by other agencies off-site. Personnel performed other necessary duties such as severe weather preparation, severe weather stand-by, and clearing snow from hydrants. Many residents take it upon themselves to clear hydrants near their homes. This is much appreciated, and also a good idea. We encourage neighbors to work together in this potentially life saving endeavor.

The in-school fire prevention program was held during Fire Prevention Week. This marked our tenth annual such program. This program has been well received by the students and staff, and is based on a structured curriculum for each grade.

We participated in the Recreation Committees' Family Fun Day.

The department web-site "brookfieldfd.com" is updated regularly and is a great source of information about your fire department. We encourage you to check it out.

We ask that all residents ensure that their homes are well identified with the correct house number. This is imperative for all emergency services to locate you in your time of need. While we have found that most people have smoke detectors correctly in place in their homes, there are still many homes that need carbon monoxide detectors placed throughout their home. Our website has a link with information about carbon monoxide.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter Martell, Fire Chief



REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – 2010

The Highway Department's most exciting news for 2010 was notification that the town had been awarded a Small Towns Rural Assistance Program (STRAP) grant from the MassWorks Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$500,000. This grant will be used to reclaim and repave Rice Corner Road and a portion of Gay Road and to install drainage and repave Town Farm Road. Many people were involved in our successful grant presentation. We would like to thank all the town departments who provided information, Jonathan Bemis for creating our PowerPoint® presentation, Bill Scanlan for his advice, Representative Anne Gobi and Senator Steve Brewer and particularly the residents of these roads who wrote letters of support for the projects.

In September, the department purchased a used 2002 Mack truck for \$45,000. This money was appropriated by town meeting vote to the Highway Vehicle Acquisition Account. This truck will be used to replace the 1977 Mack as a key part of our fleet. Donald Herbert has spent many hours retrofitting the truck to best meet the needs of the town.

The Highway Department was very involved with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) on Lincoln Street, Lincoln Street Extension and Common Street. Drainage and water mains were installed, granite curbs were installed or reset, sidewalks and the roads were resurfaced. The labor and town equipment used on this project were provided as in-kind service enabling Brookfield to get more "bang for our buck."

During the year, in addition to the above projects, the usual maintenance on town roads and equipment has been accomplished along with:

- New street signs with 6" high retro reflective letters were installed on many streets as a step towards federal highway safety compliance.
- Devil's Elbow Road was resurfaced with Chapter 90 funds.
- The final payment on the 2008 loader was made also with Chapter 90 funds.
- Town line signs were installed at boundaries of the town on Allen Road, East Main Street, Gay Road, Lake Road, Long Hill Road, Quaboag Street, Rice Corner Road, Webber Road, and West Brookfield Road. The signs were paid for jointly by a Jeppson Fund Grant and the Highway Department Expense Account.

For a detailed explanation of the Highway Department expenditures please see the Town Accountant's report.

I would like to thank all the Highway Department staff and the Water Department for all the assistance provided through the year.

In closing, please remember that a phone call to the Highway Department Office (508-867-8357) will often give the quickest resolution to a situation. Our department is comprised of one full-time operator, a part-time laborer, a part-time secretary and a full-time superintendent. We appreciate your input in making us aware of potential public safety concerns. We may also be reached via e-mail at: highway@brookfieldma.us.

Respectfully submitted, Herbert A. Chaffee, II

Staff: Donald Herbert

James Hanson

Lucinda Thompson



REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

It has been a very busy year for the Historical Commission. The celebration of the 350th Quaboag Plantation kept all of us striving to shine light on our town's past and its extensive heritage in the early formation of our country. We enjoyed the hours of time put in to making a celebration to remember. We need to thank the Brookfield 350th Committee for their work in all of the events including the Pow Wow, Brookfield History Day and the many hours spent selling T-shirts, conducting walking tours and other items for fund raising, and the Cultural Council members who helped, along with the many other citizens and organizations in and outside of town. It certainly was a year packed with things to do.

We continue to work with the Cemetery Commission in the preservation of the Brookfield Cemetery. The cast iron gates have been removed and will be restored, cleaned and reset into the entrance in mid-2011. The granite cleaning and mortar restoration of the memorial arched gate will also continue. Please read more on this in the Cemetery Commissioner's report.

The Historical Commission continues to work on an extensive list of projects:

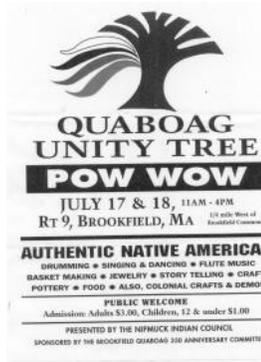
- The Quaboag – Old Brookfield Path – a walking trail connecting Foster Hill to Elm Hill via historic roadways;
- The inventory of historic items and papers;
- Conservation of documents;
- Transcription of GAR Civil War material;
- A day of remembrance and re-dedication of Civil War Monument;
- Community workshops on historic topics and
- Continuing preservation work as laid out in the Brookfield Reconnaissance Report of 2008 by the DCR.

A sincere “thank you” to Pauline Merrick for the many years of dedicated work on the cemetery inventory, stone cleaning workshops, document inventory, Quaboag Plantation signs and the day-to-day work as chairman for many years. And also to Patti White who helped us see the value of our river heritage and for her work on the Reconnaissance Report. Welcome to our new members who have given new energy to the commission and who will guide it into the next decade.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Couture, Chair
Lois O’Leary

Matthew Custer
Margaret (Peg) Puza

Anne Mathieu
William Puza



**REPORT OF THE MASTER PLAN, OPEN SPACE & RECREATION
COMMITTEE
a/k/a MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE**

The Open Space and Recreation Plan as well as the Master Plan for the Town of Brookfield are complete after almost two and a half years of work by town residents and professional assistance by consultants from the Central Mass Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) and William Scanlan. These plans are official documents stipulated by state law. The law states that the following elements shall be included in a Community Master Plan: a Goals and Policies Statement; chapters on Housing, Transportation, Economic Development, Natural Resources, Open Space, and Community Services; a Land Use Plan; and an Implementation Plan. The Open Space and Recreation Plan will be used in the Master Plan as well as being a stand-alone document. Both plans will help assure that development is orderly and predictable to allow the town to better protect its history and natural heritage. They will also guide efficient capital spending, help the town's bond rating, and increase our chances to receive state grant money.

At the May 2005 Town Meeting, voters created the Open Space and Recreation Plan Committee; the Master Plan Committee was created by a vote of the May 2006 Town Meeting. The Selectmen appointed members to Master Plan Committee and it began meeting in February 2008. At the May 2008 Town Meeting, the voters approved the merger of the two committees into the Open Space/Master Plan Committee to ensure cohesion between the two plans.

The new Open Space/Master Plan Committee created the slogan "Brookfield 2020, a Perfect Vision for the Future", a mission statement, "To create a long-term plan for the future of Brookfield based on the shared-vision of our citizens," and a vision statement, "The Master Plan Committee is dedicated to working together to hold public meetings, conduct citizen surveys and compile the necessary data to enable us to create a Master Plan for Brookfield that will balance the combined vision of its residents, the state of the environment and the growth of our community."

In 2009, the Committee successfully completed the Economic Development chapter, the Housing chapter and the Open Space and Recreation Plan. In 2010 the committee completed the Land Use and Zoning chapter, with the assistance of consultant William Scanlan. In 2010 the Committee also completed the Transportation chapter and the Public Services and Utilities chapter without the assistance of a consultant.

The committee will bring the entire master plan to the Planning board for final approval in March of 2011.

Respectfully submitted,
Gwen Broz
Sarah Heller, Secretary

Cheri Carty, Treasurer
William R. Simpson, Chair

Kris Casucci
Tim Simon Ron Starcher



REPORT OF THE MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY

TRUSTEES:

Sally Brown, Chair 2013
Barbara Clancy, Secretary 2011
Matt Bansfield 2012
Linda Barron 2012
Barbara Steadman 2013
Wilfred Steadman 2011

STAFF:

Brenda Metterville, Library Director
Andrea Faugno, Inter-Library Loan
Faith O'Keefe, Library Assistant
Katherine Simpson, Library Assistant
Joan Sagendorph, Library Assistant
James Hanson, Custodian (retired Oct.)
Arthur Putnam, Custodian

The Merrick Public Library is located at 2 Lincoln Street, on the Common. The Romanesque Banister Memorial Hall was built in 1884 and the Trustees and staff continue to maintain the architectural integrity of this historic building while offering modern conveniences. The library houses 31,574 volumes of books and movies and provides readers' and reference advisory services as well as free public access to the Internet. The Library is an affiliate member of CW/MARS, which allows our patrons to peruse the Central Massachusetts library catalog and request books from the comfort of their homes.

Brookfield is part of a national upswing in library usage that continues as a result of the economic downturn. Our 2500 square feet are in constant motion. Our many programs this year, from pre-school story hour and yoga to senior programs and CPR classes, add to the wealth of programs available in our small community.

The staff has completed about 60% of a project that includes shifting our collection of mysteries from the upper level Gallery to the main level and our collection of non-fiction to the gallery. Our next project will also take place in the gallery, the discard of the beloved but rarely used (never used, truly) early bound editions of the *National Geographic Magazine*. The juvenile and young adult collections, in the gallery, have seen a record increase in usage. We enjoy encouraging our young people to READ!

We are pleased with the acquisition of the map collection of local historian Robert Wilder. Adding descriptions to the 52 maps created with Bob's cartography skills was the Eagle Scout project of Tyler Latour. Tyler fundraised by having patrons sponsor maps to provide funding for the map cases. As a result of these efforts, our library now houses an impressive array of local history resource materials.

We wish to thank all of Brookfield for your support of our library, with a special thanks to our many volunteers who help in so many different ways.

The library hours are Tuesday and Thursday 1:00 to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday and Friday 11:00 to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 to 1:00 p.m. We are closed Sunday, Monday and holidays. Contact us by telephone (508-867-6339) or e-mail (brookfieldlibrary@gmail.com), or visit us at our websites: www.merrickpubliclibrary.org (thank you, Phil Mailoux!) and www.merrickpubliclibrary.blogspot.com. Free services for all include receiving and sending faxes (508-867-2981), photocopying and printing. Items available to borrow include GPS, telescope, digital camera, Wii, X-Box, reading aids, and magnifier.

Check out our expanding DVD collection of television series including *History Channel* titles, *The Waltons*, *Little House on the Prairie*, *Boston Legal*, *Burn Notice*, *Sopranos*, *Gilligan's Island*, *The Dog Whisperer*, *Dark Shadows* and many more. Best-selling fiction and non-fiction are always available, and if we do not own an item we can request it through inter-library loan.

The Friends of the Library continue to be a valuable source of financial support for programming and purchasing outside the scope of our budget. The Trustees and staff enthusiastically thank them for their efforts! Donations may be sent to: Friends of the Library, P.O. Box 528, Brookfield, MA 01506.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Metterville, Library Director



REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Memorial Day calls upon a united nation to appropriately mark the last resting place of our sons and daughters who saw service while following the flag in times of war.

The Memorial Day Parade was held on Monday, May 31, 2010, in memory of the following Veterans who served our country and who passed away recently:

IN MEMORIAM

Edward E. Crevier	U.S. Army, Vietnam War
Daniel E. Davies	U.S. Army, Korean War
Armand Fortin	U.S. Army, Korean War
Wayne R. Harvey	U.S. Army, Vietnam War
Leonard J. LeBlond	U.S. Army, World War II
George A. Lemay, Sr.	U.S. Army, World War II
Harris Edward Myers	U.S. Army, Korean War
John A. Tuttle	U.S. Army, World War II

Program from 2010:

TO VETERANS OF ALL WARS

“Time only enhances the lasting value and demonstrates anew the true significance of Memorial Day.”

**Town of Brookfield, Massachusetts
Memorial Day, Monday, May 31, 2010
Parade 10:00 a.m.**

ORDER OF EXERCISE

The column left at 10:00 a.m. from the Legion Square (Brookfield Elementary School) and proceeded to the Cemetery under the direction of the Brookfield Police Department, the Brookfield Selectmen, the Brookfield Cultural Council/Memorial Day Parade Committee and the Parade Marshall Robert Wilder.

**PROGRAM AT SOLDIER’S MONUMENT
BROOKFIELD CEMETERY**

10:30 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance	Selectmen
Prayer	Pastor Dean McIsaac
Gettysburg Address	Laurel Seery
Flanders Field	Jacob Sterndale
Salute to the Dead	
In Memory	Selectmen
Firing Detail	Brookfield Police
Taps	Jan’s Marching Band
National Anthem/Raising of the Flag	Jan’s Marching Band
Dismiss	Selectmen

**PROGRAM AT SOLDIERS’ MONUMENT
BROOKFIELD TOWN COMMON**

11:30 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance	Selectmen
Prayer	Pastor Eleanor Kramer
Gettysburg Address	Nicholas Lescord
Flanders Field	Jessica Booth
Salute to the Dead	
In Memory	Selectmen
Firing Detail	Brookfield Police
Taps	Jan’s Marching Band
National Anthem/Raising of Flag	Jan’s Marching Band
Dismiss	Selectmen

The parade disbanded at Town Hall and refreshments were served on the Town Common.

REPORT OF THE TOWN MODERATOR

The Moderator presided at the annual and special town meetings for the calendar year 2010. The meetings were conducted according to parliamentary procedure as provided for by local bylaw, state laws, and *Town Meeting Time, A Handbook of Parliamentary Law, 2nd Edition*, published by the Massachusetts Moderators Association.

Respectfully,
William Frangiamore, Moderator



REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD

As a point of information, the Personnel By-Law applies to all town departments, excluding school personnel and positions that are filled by popular elections.

We are continuing to sign new-hire wage authorizations and continuing to update and grad job descriptions.

This past year the Board has been working on the personnel by-laws and policy.

New to the Board this year is Adam Rundell. Lee Finney's term expired during 2010 and Sheila Frangiamore resigned.

The Board would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, department heads and employees for their cooperation during the past year and I would like to personally thank all of the members, past and present of this Board for their help and support this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
William Neault, Chairman
Holly Chisholm, Secretary/Member

Philip Peirce

Adam Rundell

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

In 2010 the Planning Board met 14 times and acted on a variety of land use issues. Decisions were made on a special permit application for exterior modifications to a business on Fiskdale Road in a Flood Plain District; on an auto repossession business on Rice Corner Road in a Rural/Residential District; granted a deadline extension on a previously approved Subdivision Plan on Molasses Hill Road; and reviewed several Approval Not Required applications for nonconforming lots. It also met with representatives of an unfinished subdivision project on Fiskdale Road regarding conditions for extending its permit.

The Board also met on several occasions with the Zoning Enforcement Officer to discuss enforcement issues pending with Elm Hill, a non-profit organization, and a resident running an automobile repossession business without a permit. It also answered requests for information from the Select Board regarding two pending business license applications.

The Board met jointly in April with members of the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Master Plan Committee about the possibility of working together to update the Brookfield Zoning Bylaws. The Board also attended a joint meeting with the Conservation Commission and a representative of the Massachusetts Dept. of Environmental Protection to review matters concerning Flood Plain Districts and state sanitary codes. It reviewed draft copies of those sections of the proposed Master Plan that pertained to the town's zoning by-laws and to offer suggestions to the Master Plan Committee for the final drafts. The Board expects to review the final document and to vote on endorsement in the spring of 2011.

The Board also responded to a number of inquiries from the public and other Town officials concerning zoning by-laws and land use. The Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission provided the Board with technical assistance on several issues. Town Counsel's advice was sought for some cases. The Zoning Enforcement Officer, Gary Simeone, consulted with us a number of times concerning permitting processes and enforcement issues. The Board's consulting engineer, John Scannell, reviewed plans and provided guidance on both construction and regulatory issues.

In April we bid farewell to longtime Planning Board Administrative Clerk Diane Stawski, who took a well-deserved retirement from that position. Her years of dedicated service, superb organizational skills and good humor have been appreciated not only by the members of the Planning Board but the citizens of Brookfield whom it served. She will be missed.

The *Zoning By-law, Subdivision Rules and Regulations, and Rules and Regulations of the Planning Board* are available on CD and in hard copy and can be purchased from the Town Clerk. Planning Board members have also endorsed a plan to make these documents available free of charge to the public as downloads on the official Town website, www.brookfieldma.us.

We expect to continue our busy schedule in 2011, and will strive to provide good service to the citizens of Brookfield and respond respectfully, efficiently, and effectively to those who appear before the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Leahy, Chairman
Bruce Clarke

Clifford Fontaine, Treasurer
Kris Casucci

Sharon Mahoney, Secretary



REPORT OF THE PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR

Plumbing Permits	18
Gas Permits	22
Total Permits	40
Gas Inspections	19
Finish Inspections	26
Total Inspections	45

Respectfully submitted,
 Robert Wall, Inspector of Plumbing & Gas Roger Charpentier, Alternate Inspector

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Brookfield Police Department experienced numerous changes during 2010. The Department started the year with three full time officers, ten part time officers and one auxiliary officer. By the end of 2010, there was one full time officer, nine part time officers and one auxiliary officer. Even with the reduction in staff, the Department was able to provide the Town with 24/7 police coverage. This was accomplished due to the dedication of the part time officers who stepped up and filled the many vacant shifts left open by full time vacancies. These officers have full time jobs outside of their employment with the Police Department and sacrificed many hours of their personal time with family to ensure that the Town of Brookfield always had an officer on duty.

Acting Chief Christopher Welsh started the year leading the force. Officers Adam Cameron and Matthew Baird were the other two full time officers. Acting Chief Welsh left the Department in June to accept a position with the Palmer Police Department. Shortly after that, retired North Brookfield Sergeant Douglas Blood was hired as Acting Chief in July. Acting Chief Blood worked 20 hours per week until October 29.

The two full time patrolman positions became vacant after Officer Cameron left in August to join the Spencer Police Department and Officer Baird left in October to join the Clinton Police Department.

I was sworn in as Chief of Police on October 29 and my top priority has been bringing the Department back up to full staffing levels. Although I have only been serving as Chief of Police for two months, I have enjoyed getting to know the citizens of Brookfield and look forward to a promising 2011 for the Brookfield Police Department.

The following is a summary of the activity that the Department experienced during 2010:

- Narcotics cases – 14 (this does not include marijuana possession 1oz or under)
- Medical calls – 368
- Alarm calls – 175 (158 burglar, 17 fire)
- Sexual Assaults – 5
- Motor Vehicle Accidents – 40
- Assault and Battery – 52
- OUI – 5
- Larcenies – 36
- Custodial Arrests – 74
- Criminal Complaint summons – 120
- Motor Vehicle Citations – 819 (408 civil, 226 warnings, 30 arrests, 155 criminal)

Yours in Safety, Chief Michael K. Blanchard



REPORT OF THE PUBLIC ACCESS COMMITTEE

2010 was a watershed season for the three PEG channels—13 (Public), 11 (Educational), and 12 (Governmental)—that together make up Brookfield Public Access. In June the Board of Selectmen revamped the BPACC, renaming it to the “Brookfield Public Access and Communications Committee,” and appointing six new members charged with improving and upgrading the town’s cable access program for the Internet age. The committee immediately set to work with positive energy and enthusiasm, setting as its short-term objectives the continued taping and airing of as many town meetings and events as volunteers and time allows, while improving on its collective skills as videographers and editors and increasing awareness of the station in the community.

As a first step, the committee purchased a new solid-state AVCCAM video camera and accessories to add to the studio’s only other working DV (digital videotape) camera. This new camera uses a high-capacity memory card instead of tape to store video, making recording, downloading and converting video for airing faster and less expensive.

Committee members have also contacted area repair shops about bringing the two broken DV cameras found in the studio back into working condition, as well as investigating the feasibility of installing a fixed digital camera/large-capacity recorder array in the Town Hall Banquet Room. Such an array would allow Administrative Assistant Donna Neylon to tape select board meetings without the need for a dedicated camera operator by switching the camera on from her seat at the meeting.

The committee has enlisted the help of Charter Communications liaison Andrew Shanley to learn how the station’s master control equipment operates—and why it sometimes fails; and how to cope for the time being with the station’s older computers and consumer-grade hardware, while advising us on our long-range goal of a completely automated, all-digital production system.

In June the select board also turned over to us the responsibility for maintaining and upgrading the town’s official website—www.brookfieldma.us—with the goal of making it as comprehensive, easy to use and up-to-date as possible. The site is now hosted by a new vendor on servers with much more effective anti-spam control. (Town employees who used to receive dozens of nuisance emails per day before the changeover have reported that they’ve already seen an improvement.) Email addresses for conducting official town business are being assigned to every Brookfield employee and board or committee member in accordance with the Commonwealth’s Open Meeting Laws. And soon residents, business owners, developers, reporters, and local officials will not only be able to read but download free copies of town and zoning bylaws, meeting minutes, subdivision regulations, annual meeting warrants and other town documents simply by simply clicking on a link.

Requests from Brookfield organizations and nonprofits for taping of events and meetings can now be sent at least 30 days in advance directly to the station’s new email address at localaccess@brookfieldma.us. Event announcements for the Channel 12 bulletin board or the town’s website should be sent to bulletinboard@brookfieldma.us.

Meanwhile, committee members have begun the tedious but necessary task of cleaning and de-cluttering the station's dusty, neglected studio space at Brookfield Elementary School, labeling and properly storing cables and other small items, and making a comprehensive inventory of all physical inventory, software and archival recordings. The aim is to convert what is now mainly meeting and storage space into a functioning studio, one where volunteers can learn about the art of video production, and where residents of all ages will have the opportunity to produce and air programs of their own and in an accessible, clean, well-lit and well-equipped environment.

Collectively, committee members bring a deep bench of skills to all these tasks. Sarah Heller (who with her husband Rudy in 1990 was the original driving force behind Brookfield Cable Access) has from the start spent many hours patiently training committee members in the process of video shooting and production, and has served as the committee's "institutional memory" at meetings. As the committee begins renovation plans for its studio space, Kathleen Hosterman has been the liaison to school and public safety officials, and is advising how to get students involved in front of and behind the camera—from grammar school to joint projects with Tantasqua Regional High School's video arts program. James Sniffen, a former member of Spencer Public Access and a professional photographer, has brought a wealth of cheerful and unfailing enthusiasm, energy, expertise and experience to the station. In particular, his improvements to the Channel 13 Bulletin Board and his suggestions on how to improve how meetings and events are taped have helped elevate the video and audio quality of our broadcasts.

Adam Rundell's research and advice have informed our equipment and computer purchasing decisions. Gerard Johnson contributes his common-sense business perspective as point person for budgetary and financial matters. Lindsay Holm has stepped up as social media specialist, maintaining Brookfields new presence on Facebook with our "Town of Brookfield" page (www.facebook.com/pages/Town-of-Brookfield-MA/117353464979795) as well as managing Brookfields municipal Twitter account, and coordinating event announcements on both with the town's website. And Chair Sharon Mahoney has used her nonprofit administrative experience and writing skills to reconstruct the station's archives, increase awareness of the committee's work throughout Brookfield, and lay the groundwork for long-range planning—an essential step toward creating a stable organizational structure.

Last, but not least, through memberships in advocacy organizations like MassAccess and the Association for Community Media, and by reaching out to our sister stations in the Brookfields, the committee has set the stage for future collaboration and outreach regionally.

The committee is grateful to Administrative Assistant Donna Neylon, who has been instrumental in helping the committee keep up with town events and policies; to Town Accountant Betty Benoit, who has been our guide in negotiating the red tape that comes with any publicly-funded organization, and to Town Clerk Michael Seery, who has been an ongoing source of helpful feedback on improving the town's web site. But most of all the committee wishes to thank the Select Board, whose "vision of the possible" has kept us enthusiastic and energized.

The Brookfield Public Access and Communications Committee is proud of what it has accomplished in six short months—most of it behind the scenes—and excited about its plans for the coming year. Our mission, simply put, is to 1) rebuild the station and improve its services, 2) involve as many residents as possible in proposing, producing, starring in and airing programs that are informative, interesting and just plain fun to watch, and 3) make Brookfields cable access channels an important means of local communication and a lively and indispensable part of community life. Committee members welcome your constructive comments, your questions, and most of all your support!

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Mahoney, Chair
Adam Rundell

Sarah Heller Gerard Johnson
Kathleen Hosterman

Lindsay Holm
James Sniffen



*Quaboag Valley
Community Development Corporation
& Business Assistance Corporation*

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BUSINESS
LOANS

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PLANNING

COMPUTER
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DEVELOPMENT

BROOKFIELD

In 2010, the Quaboag Valley Community Development Corporation (CDC) and its affiliate agency, the Quaboag Valley Business Assistance Corporation (BAC) continued to focus on community economic development issues, particularly through assistance to small businesses. The board of directors of the BAC includes a representative appointed by the Selectmen from each of the fifteen participant towns. Brookfield is represented by Jim Allen.

The BAC makes small business loans using funds from a CDBG grant through the Town of Palmer for the benefit of fourteen towns in the region. The BAC also has a line of credit with seven area banks: Bank of America, Country Bank for Savings, FamilyFirst Bank, Monson Savings Bank, North Brookfield Savings Bank, Southbridge Savings Bank and Spencer Savings Bank. In 2010, nine loans were approved totaling \$327,400. These loans were in the following towns: Brookfield, Holland, Palmer, Spencer, Ware and Warren.

The CDC continued to provide direct assistance to small businesses throughout the year, interacting with 68 businesses within the region. Of these, 58 received at least one hour of individual business technical assistance with an average of 10.7 hours each. In some cases this was in-house business planning assistance. In other cases it was outside consulting with attorneys, accountants, computer specialists, bookkeepers and marketing consultants. All was underwritten by a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Business Development. In the Town of Brookfield, two businesses were assisted.

Computer training to businesses, employees and the general public continued through the CDC in 2010 in three locations: Palmer, Ware and Brimfield. Sixty-two individuals received training, including none from Brookfield.

The two organizations continued to be supported by local municipalities, libraries and banks as well as state and federal grants.

Residents are encouraged to contact the CDC with business financing, training or technical assistance needs by calling 413-967-3001 or visiting the website: www.qvcdc.com.

Respectively Submitted,
Susan Rutherford, Executive Director

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE



The Brookfield Recreation Committee provides an opportunity for each of the Town's children to participate in an enjoyable activity at various times of the year. Programs are organized and run through our committee and the many volunteers. We offer public recreation programs for all ages and sponsor special events and interests.

We are affiliated with or responsible for the following programs:

Little League Baseball
T-Ball
Tribal Basketball

Little League Softball
TRY Soccer

We post sign-up dates in the *BROOKFIELD CITIZEN* monthly news, the *White Tiger News* (Elementary School) and in the *New Leader* publication. Coaches, assistant coaches, and all volunteers are required to be CORI checked in order for them to be involved in any of our programs.

This past year, we rebuilt the dug-outs in the baseball and softball fields. We had a service to dedicate the softball field in honor of Stephanie Hurley. If you visit the field you will see a memorial plaque at the softball field. We hosted our 2nd Annual Family Fun Day in August. The Brookfield Fire Department held a mini-muster for children and handed out bicycle helmets to those who did not have one. All those who attended had a lot of fun. It will be held again this year – date to be determined.

The recreation committee along with many volunteers worked together to restore and clean-up the beach area at South Pond.

Brookfield Recreation Committee and Brookfield Fire Dept., Police Dept, and Highway Dept. all worked together to offer the children a night of trick or treating in a safe and supervised area. We paraded to the Town Common where prizes and pizza were enjoyed.

We are always looking for new faces as coaches, assistant coaches, referees, umpires, clock officials, hall monitors and snack-shack workers. These important positions are required in order to make our sports programs successful.

New members and new ideas are always welcome. If you have a special talent or interest, please contact any of our members or feel free to attend any of our meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Merow
Sherri Gilman
David Proux
Jake Hill

Lesley Murray
Jeffrey Landine
Caroline Phillips
Kyle Hill

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT



For the Year Ending December 2010

School Committee:		
Donald Faugno, Chairman		Term expires 2013
Sheila Frangiamore, Secretary		Term expires 2011
Barbara Wilson, Tantasqua Representative		Term expires 2012
Superintendent of Schools		
Daniel G. Durgin	320A Brookfield Road, Fiskdale	347-5977
Associate Superintendent:		
Erin Nosek	320A Brookfield Rd., Fiskdale	347-3077
Assistant Superintendent:		
Elizabeth Schaper	320A Brookfield Rd., Fiskdale	347-3077
Business Manager:		
Deborah Boyd	320A Brookfield Rd., Fiskdale	347-3077
Special Education/Pupil Services Director:		
Michael Masny	320A Brookfield Rd., Fiskdale	347-3560
Principal:		
Kathleen Hosterman	37 Central Street, Brookfield	867-8988
Secretary:		
Janice Zielinski	37 Central Street, Brookfield	867-8988
School Nurse and Supervisor of Attendance:		
Elaine Gittens, R.N., B.S.N.	37 Central Street, Brookfield	867-8988
School Physician:		
Jeanette Tokarz, M.D.		

School Enrollment on October 1, 2010

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Pre-K</u>								<u>Total</u>
Elem	<u>Pre-S</u> 32	<u>K</u> 37	<u>1</u> 31	<u>2</u> 35	<u>3</u> 25	<u>4</u> 34	<u>5</u> 36	<u>6</u> 42	<u>274</u>
<u>Grade</u> TJHS	<u>7</u> 35	<u>8</u> 38							73
TSHS	<u>9</u> 20	<u>10</u> 32	<u>11</u> 36	<u>12</u> 24	<u>PG</u>				112
Tech. Div.	20	21	18	12					<u>71</u>
Total Enrollment									<u>256</u>



Town of Brookfield
SALARIES – BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

NAME	POSITION	2009-2010 SALARY
K. Hosterman	Principal	90,032.22
A. Barringer	Teacher	50,232.00
M. Bek	Teacher	70,031.00
P. Boucher	Teacher	70,761.00
E. Brown	Teacher/Music	55,496.80
M. Casey	Teacher	55,616.00
N. Corbeil	Teacher	65,991.00
B. Couming	Special Ed.	65,781.00
E. Davol	Special Ed.	66,861.00
E. Dwyer	Teacher	64,138.00
K. Erikson	Teacher/Title I	69,731.00
M. Farinato	Remedial Reading	39,469.00
C. Forgit	Teacher	71,316.00
B. Gibson	Teacher	65,781.00
E. Gittens	School Nurse	52,924.50
T. Goyette	Teacher/Phys. Ed.	62,553.00
T. Grassetti	Library/Tech	38,020.00
L. Hyde	Teacher/Special. Ed./Tuition	65,781.00
A. Jorge	Speech	23,777.39
D. Kane	Special Ed.	65,781.00
J. Labuski	Teacher 70% Grant/Tuition	50,604.90
B. Mansfield	PreK. Special Ed.	65,781.00
K. Miele	Psych/Guid	44,255.00
J. Monahan	Teacher	63,988.00
D. Morin-Wermter	Teacher	56,214.00
S. Nagle	Teacher	65,781.00
C. Omasta	Spec. Ed.	44,851.00
K. O'Neill	Teacher	64,288.00
C. Parker	Teacher/Special Ed.	39,469.00
B. Plumb	Teacher 20% Instrument Music	13,156.20
A. Sanborn	Teacher	73,860.00
H. Tarr	Curriculum. Coordinator	69,371.00
D. Brothers	Integration Asst. (Tuition, Grant)	17.64
S. Gillen	Integration Asst.	17.64
K. Hayes	Integration Asst.	17.64
J. Lytle	Integration Asst.	17.64
J. O'Connell	Integration Asst. (Tuition)	17.64
M. Simmons	Integration Asst.	17.64
T. Simonelli	Integration Asst.	13.88
M. Young	Integration Asst.	17.64
K. Stewart	Instructional Asst. (Tuition, Grant)	14.45
R. Straight	Instructional Asst.	22.55
L. McGovern	Secretary	19.37
J. Zielinski	Secretary	19.90
R. Lineen	Head Custodian	18.50
R. Bouchard	Custodian	14.45
T. Brecht	Custodian	11.57

**Town of Brookfield
TEACHERS IN SERVICE – BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

2009-2010 POSITION	NAME/COLLEGE/DEGREE	TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN BROOKFIELD AS OF 6/30/2010
Principal	Kathleen Hosterman, M.Ed., Keene State College B.A., Norwich Univ.	5
Kindergarten	Mary Casey, M.Ed., Anna Maria, B.S., Salem State	8
Kindergarten	Jean Monahan, B.S., Bridgewater State	13
Grade 1	Elizabeth Dwyer, B.S., Fitchburg State	20
Grade 1	Angela Sanborn, M.Ed., Lesley College, B.S., Worcester State	31
Grade 2	MaryAnne Bek, M.Ed., Worcester State, B.S., Worcester State	27
Grade 2	Nancy Corbeil, B.S., Worcester State	21
Grade 3	Belinda Gibson, M.ED., Worcester State, B.A., Anna Maria	12
Grade 3	Karen O'Neill, B.A., Univ. Mass.	23
Grade 4	Diane Kane, M.Ed. Fitchburg State, B.A. Keene State	11
Grade 5	Ashley Barringer, B.S., Worcester State	4
Grade 5	Suzanne Nagle, B.S., Worcester State	20
Grade 6	Helen Tarr, M.Ed., Cambridge College; B.A., Notre Dame College	.5
Grade 6	Donna Morin-Wermtter, B.S., Worcester State	17
Special Needs	Bonnie Couming, B.A., Univ. West Florida	5
Special Needs	Elizabeth Davol, M.A., Assumption College, B.S., Wheelock College	33
Special Needs	Barbara Mansfield, B.S., Boston Univ.	16
Special Needs	Colleen Parker, M.A., Framingham State, B.S. Springfield College	3
Speech	Melanie Sullivan, M.S., Worcester State, B.S., Univ. RI	6
School Psych.	Heather Cripps, M.S.Ed., Northeastern Univ., B.A. Westfield State	2
Title I/Read	Karen Erikson, M.Ed., Worcester State, B.A., Bridgewater State	25
Tech. Remedial Reading	Mallory Farinato, M.S. Ed., Anna Maria College; B.S., Franklin Pierce College	2
Tech. Remedial Math	Claudia Forgit, M. Ed., Worcester State; B.S. Worcester State	23
Library/Media Technology	Karen Young, M.Ed., Bridgewater State Tech., B.S., Framingham State	5
Physical Ed.	Thomas Goyette, B.S., Bridgewater State	23

Music	Eva Brown, M.A., Univ. of N.H., B.M., Notre Dame College	8
Instr. Music	Bryan Plumb, M.Ed., UMass, B.A., UMass	5
Un61 Special Ed.	Lori Hyde, M.Ed., Harvard Univ., B.S., Univ. of Michigan	15
Un61 Preschool	Janice Labuski, B.S. Worcester State	14
School Nurse	Elaine Gittens, B.S., Northeastern Univ.	9

**Town of Brookfield
FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2009-2010**

School Appropriation July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010 \$ 2,819,330.00

Miscellaneous Receipts & Reimbursements

Expenditures:

School Committee	\$ 4,223.39
Superintendent's Office	89,170.98

Instruction:

Principal's Office	154,549.30
Teachers' Salaries	1,177,740.68
Teachers, Substitutes	9,932.10
Supplies & Materials	19,929.99
Aides Salaries	0.00
Professional Development	18,301.93
Special Education Salaries (Perceptually Handicapped & Speech)	502,361.34
Supplies & Materials – Sp.Ed.	5,552.55
Textbooks/Sp.Ed.	447.90
Textbooks	25,150.71
Technology Services	49,793.30
Library Services	20,059.40
Audio Visual	1,416.57
Guidance Services	42,901.50
Psychological Services	2,476.00

Other School Services:

Health Services	54,575.19
Pupil Transportation	117,180.00
Pupil Transportation (Special Education & Phys. Handicapped)	127,406.75
Field Trips	0.00

Operation and Maintenance of Plant:

Custodial Salaries	93,222.60
Supplies & Materials	11,701.54
Fuel	35,304.82
Utilities - School	47,806.90
Maintenance of Grounds	6,543.06
Maintenance of Buildings	7,207.20
Maintenance of Equipment – School	14,470.21
Extraordinary Projects	0.00

Acquisition of Fixed Assets:

Equipment – School	0.00
Equipment – Sp.Ed.	0.00
Replacement of Equipment – School	6,060.00

Programs with Other Districts & Schools:

Special Education	133,895.90
Vocational	<u>15,722.00</u>

Total Appropriation Expenditures July 2009 – June 30, 2010 \$2,784,527.07

Estimated Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	\$1,342,588.00
Chapter 71	0.00
Chapter 76	<u>0.00</u>

Total Appropriations Est. Reimbursements \$1,342,588.00

Total Expenditures \$2,784,527.07
Less Total Estimated Receipts 1,342,588.00

Cost to Taxpayer \$1,441,939.07

Town of Brookfield	<u>2010-2011 Budget</u>
Administration	\$ 94,098.00
Instruction	1,995,915.00
Other School Services	307,867.00
Operation & Maintenance	253,163.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	6,000.00
Program with Other Districts, Regional and Private Schools	117,287.00
Total Appropriations 2009-2010	\$2,774,330.00

Special Needs Programs Included in Budget:

2000	Instructional	\$ 511,023.00
3000	Other	130,000.00
7000	Equipment	0.00
9000	Programs with Other Districts	<u>117,287.00</u>
		\$ 758,310.00



**REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL
BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

The 2010-2011 school year has been exciting at Brookfield Elementary School. We continue to make positive improvements to our facility and property, and our academic goals are still progressing in an upward trajectory. We also have had the opportunity to hire new highly professional staff. Our professional development opportunities are focused on standards based learning and standards based assessment. This training is allowing us to move from a percentage based assessment system to a standards based system. Through this change we are able to better target and evaluate specific skills and benchmarks students need to achieve success at each grade level. We are also beginning to report out to parents with a new report card that is narrower in scope than our previous version.

We have also made social awareness a key component of our curriculum. Student and teachers are being training in methods and strategies that promote a positive social climate. We have adopted a new bullying policy, and have worked with the towns in the Tantasqua/Union 61 School District to develop a Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plan. The plan has been submitted to the state of Massachusetts for approval, and the curriculum we have selected is in direct support of that plan.

We are excited that the PTO continues to grow and attract new members due to its great passion to support our students. This group fulfilled their commitment to assist the school in finding funds to purchase a new playground for the school. More importantly, they were the primary volunteer workforce during the playground building that took place last August. During the school year the PTO funded various trips to Hanover Theatre in Worcester for all students in grades K-6. As an important goal of the Brookfield School Improvement Plan, we are striving to give students diverse cultural learning experiences. These theatrical performances were very meaningful to our children.

Brookfield Elementary School continues to be accessible to the community and we have been able to keep the facility clean and functioning well while keeping our doors open to those groups who need a safe and warm place to meet. Fortunately, we have been provided with a grant that, in collaboration with school choice funds, will allow us to replace all of the windows throughout the entire facility. The hope is that we will be able to increase further our building's efficiency, while reducing the cost for heating the building both day and night.

As I complete my sixth year as principal of the Brookfield Elementary School I have also taken on the challenge to increase my own knowledge and administrative skill level. Soon, I will have completed the first year of a doctoral program. I am excited that I am able to utilize much of what I am learning to support further academic success at Brookfield. Our goal is always to progress and improve, and we continue to appreciate the strong support we receive from such a committed community.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Hosterman, Brookfield Principal



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – 2010

Union 61 and Tantasqua Regional School Districts **Brimfield Brookfield Holland Sturbridge Wales**

The *K-12 Social Studies Curriculum Team* is poised to publish its completed curriculum this spring. The revised curriculum contains several new features that should be useful to teachers including unwrapped grade level standards for grades K-6 and writing requirements for each grade level. Writing is an integral part of learning in the social sciences and we anticipate formalizing the writing requirements for each grade level through a sequential approach to learning to write in the field.

The *K-12 Mathematics and English Language Arts Curriculum Teams* will begin a comprehensive review of the new Massachusetts Common Core standards once those documents become available in January. This process will involve examining the standards to determine their alignment with our current curriculum and to produce a document that will guide the next round of curriculum development in mathematics and English language arts.

Grade K-6 teachers worked collaboratively last year to develop common standards-based report cards. The standards based report cards provide every parent in the districts with specific information related to their child's performance on discrete learning standards. Each grade level now has a report card that very specifically names what skills and knowledge students in that grade should have by the end of the year. The report card gives parents an indicator of how well their child is doing on each particular skill or learning area.

This fall we were able to train all of the teachers in the elementary schools to use our iPass student information system for scoring the new report cards. Our first round of standards-based report cards was sent home to families in December. The initial feedback from these reports was quite positive. The district will be surveying families this spring to learn more about their experiences in getting feedback about their children's performance using this type of report.

Our *Beginning Teacher Mentoring Program* continues to evolve to meet the needs of our newest cohort of teachers. This year we expanded our offerings for beginning teachers to include several professional development sessions that were available on-line through our Blackboard Connect program. This on-line enhancement allows for a high level of interaction among colleagues even when we are not able to be present in the same room. Our first Blackboard PD session, on the topic of High Expectations Learning, occurred in December and yielded a powerful collegial conversation about teaching and learning and the ways that our expectations as teachers can color or cloud a students' experience in the classroom. Based on the quality and thoughtfulness of the responses to this topic by our newest teachers it is clear that expectations for all students are high in our districts and the teachers we have most recently hired are eager to continue to engage all students and help them make the most of their time in our schools.

Professional development for all employees continues to be a major point of emphasis for the district. The staff members are able to access professional development opportunities provided by the district on scheduled days and are also encouraged to enroll in courses and workshops offered by high quality organizations, colleges, and universities. Given the diversity of staff needs and content specialties, we are pleased to offer professional development through a number of various models. The district experienced another very successful District-Wide Professional Development Day on March 12th with more than 2000 hours of professional development provided to our 400+ professional staff members.

The creation of the Tantasqua Regional/Union 61 Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plans led the way for the district to provide Bullying Prevention training to all employees. Each administrator in the district has worked with their building staff, support personnel and bus drivers to make them aware of the new law, the plan components, and our required actions to support this important legislation. All six districts adopted a new policy *Bullying Prevention and Intervention* that includes language specific to Prevention and Intervention, Reporting, Investigation Procedures, Target Assistance, Training and Assessment and Publication and Notice.

Our schools continue to provide well-rounded programs including study in Fine Arts, Technology, Physical Education, Health and Athletics. Tantasqua/Union 61 schools continue to serve as models to others in student intern programs and Community Service Learning (CSL). In spite of receiving less grant funds this past year there was an increase in the number of CSL projects as well as community partners for CSL activities. Our *Show Choirs*, *Choraleers* and *Jazz Vocal Ensemble* continue to perform for local, regional, state, national and now international audiences. Union 61 and Tantasqua students outperformed grade level peers on the Science MCAS once again. MCAS performance data in English Language Arts and Mathematics exceeds state averages. Our students show improvement as well on other measures of academic achievement. *Star Reading* and *Star Math* scores meet or exceed national norms at each grade level K-8. The percentage of students going on to 2 and 4 year colleges increased over last year and Tantasqua's mean scores on the SAT continue to exceed the average in both Massachusetts

and the nation. Our Advanced Placement classes have increased offerings and have seen an increase in scores.

Technology continues to be a vital component within our educational system. Over the past year, many upgrades and enhancements have taken place at each school and at the district level including adding interactive whiteboards that allow for increased integration of technology into curriculum.

We continue to develop in-district programs for children with severe needs allowing for a better program with their peers. These programs help us keep the state wide rising educational cost for special education down for our five communities.

Tantasqua Regional / School Union 61 Districts continue to follow an aggressive energy management plan allowing us to reduce energy costs. These energy savings have allowed us to increase instructional materials and lower the budget.

As always, the Administration of the Tantasqua Regional/School Union 61 Districts is deeply appreciative of the support of our school committees and community members.

Respectfully,
Daniel G. Durgin
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

	UNCOLLECTED 6/30/2009	COMMITMENTS (+)	EXEMPTIONS & ABATEMENTS (-)	COLLECTIONS (-)	REFUNDS (+)	UNCOLLECTED 6/30/2010
<u>REAL ESTATE</u>						
2010		4,083,974	25,487	3,955,913	10,923	113,507
2009	150,897		1,002	88,448	12,391	73,838
2008	80,967			19,516		61,451
2007	74,166			25,196		48,970
PRIOR YEARS	177,756			59,971	6,791	124,576
SUPPLEMENTAL	15,504	4,910		7,373		13,040
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>						
		87,385	79	87,591		(285)
2010	1,109			1,671	32	(530)
2009	708			115		593
2008	2,984		2,046	275		663
2007	11,457		1,585	1,829		8,043
PRIOR YEARS						
<u>M.V. EXCISE</u>						
2010		302,434	5,112	256,994	5,469	45,796
2009	28,374	40,241	5,126	49,305	1,595	15,779
2008	19,522	44	099	10,386	359	8,552
2007	10,849		618	2,566	493	8,158
PRIOR YEARS	35,289	148	705	1,524		33,208
<u>FARM ANIMALS</u>						
2010						
2009						
2008	116					116
PRIOR YEARS	111					111
Respectfully submitted, Lois Moores, Tax Collector						

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK - 2010

On behalf of the Townspeople, I would like to thank Linda Lincoln who served the Town for over 22 years as Town Clerk and who retired in May of 2010. I appreciate her guidance to me as a new town clerk.

The year started out with a special election held January 19, 2010 to replace Senator Edward Kennedy who had served the Commonwealth for over 40 years. Republican Scott Brown won the election. Of Brookfields 2,325 registered voters, 1,274 voted. There was also a ballot question regarding changing the town clerk position from elected to appointed. The measure passed by a vote of 681 to 584. However it was later determined that the vote taken was not legally binding and this vote was later overturned by a vote of 462 to 204 at the Annual Town Election in May. The Office of Town Clerk shall remain an elected position.

In May the annual town election was held. There were only two contested seats, the Board of Selectmen and Town Clerk. 771 voters participated, which equals 33% of the registered voters in town.

The annual town meeting was held in June and we held three special town meetings. The results of those meetings can be found in the back of this annual report. One change that was brought forth by initiative petition at a special town meeting in October was to make the appointed tax collector position an elected position. The article carried by one vote and was later approved by the state legislature and governor. The tax collector position will be an elected position starting in May 2011.

The changes that went into effect on July 1st to the Open Meeting Law are probably the biggest changes that took place in the Commonwealth during the past year because they affect every municipality. Most city and town clerks dreaded the impact that it would have, however it has had minimal effect here and we have dealt with it well. All notices are now posted on the lighted and covered handicapped ramp on the side of the town hall. It should be noted that all elected and appointed officials who serve on a board or committee are now required to sign an affidavit of receipt of open meeting law materials and turn it in to this office. Materials can be found on the official Commonwealth of Massachusetts website: www.mass.gov. The new law is found in G.L. C. 30A 18-25.

State Primary And State Election

On September 14th a primary election was held for state and congressional offices. Only 257 registered voters chose to vote. On November 2nd state and congressional elections were held and we had a turnout of 1,305 voters. I'd like to thank our election workers and police officers that worked the long hours as they have so consistently in the past. Their experience brought every election held this year to a close without incident.

Census

The annual census was taken as usual. Unfortunately a large number of people did not respond. When this happens, this office is obligated to send out postcards to non-respondents asking them if they are still citizens of the town. If the cards are not sent back to this office the citizens are then considered inactive voters and cannot participate in an election unless they sign an affidavit. It is my hope that more people respond to the census, which in turn will save this office time and money. Also, this year less street listing books were ordered. The reason for this is that the clerk's office gets this report in a "pdf" file and can now publish it on the town website. The town website is: www.brookfieldma.us

Dog Licenses

518 dogs were licensed this year and I do anticipate that this number will increase next year. I will be working with the dog officer to make sure that more dogs are licensed. According

to the town by-law, all dogs must be licensed by March 31st of every year or owners will face a \$25.00 dollar fine on top of the licensing fee.

By-Law Committee

Presently a new By-Law Committee is being formed. The initial objective is to review the current by-laws and make sure all are legitimate and also to review proposed by-laws. The committee will also have the ability to propose new by-laws whenever it is deemed necessary.

Clerk Conferences

I attended two clerk conferences this year. The conferences are a great resource for all city and town clerks. Each conference offers a variety of training and new information that is very helpful and is a good way to network with other clerks.

Hunting & Fishing Licenses

This office as always sold hunting and fishing licenses along with Archery-Primitive Firearm and Waterfowl stamps. It is possible that 2011 will be the last year this office participates in selling licenses. Proposed changes to the way the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife collect money will make it difficult for cities and towns to continue to participate. Time will tell.

Vital Statistics (Brookfield resident)

Deaths-22

Births-33

Marriages-14

Goals 2011

It appears a great deal of progress has been made recently on the town website. One of the things I look forward to in the coming year is working towards publishing town minutes and older vital reports on the town website. This would make research much easier for those interested in town history.

Office Hours

This office is now open an additional 6 hours per week at no additional cost to the town. Hours of operation are:

Monday and Tuesday - 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Wednesday - 9 A.M. to 8 P.M.

Thursday - 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael P. Seery, Town Clerk



DEATHS 2010

Name	Date of Death	Age at Death
Leon A. Terry	1/11/2010	100
Maynard S. VandenAkker	1/17/2010	72
Ruth A. Amoroso	1/19/2010	56
Marcella Jane Pronto	1/30/2010	77
Martha P. Dwelly	3/1/2020	76
Raymond Stokowski	4/3/2010	89
Joseph P. Asselin	4/20/2010	97
Rosalyn S. (Adams) Booth	5/7/2010	84
Maryann M. (Wilshire) Friedland	5/12/2010	88
Barbara J. Peabody	5/23/2010	67
Paul J. Cesolini	6/15/2020	76
Kenneth R. Frykenberg	6/17/2010	78
Helena D. (Carlson) Mundell-Martin	6/22/2010	94
Laura F. (Hazard) Martell	6/22/2010	84
Robert K. Best	6/29/2010	75
Walter J. Barch	7/6/2010	60
Phyllis W. (Woods) McCarthy	7/28/2010	81
Peter Arden Bull	8/13/2010	72
Carroll A. Evans	8/24/2010	46
Ezra A. Nash Jr.	8/29/10	73
Florence B. (Musk) McQuade	9/15/2010	79
Francis E. Derrick	10/7/2010	83
George E. Fairbanks, Sr.	10/19/2010	82
Lois Branconnier	11/20/2010	Infant
Norman E. Dwelly	11/23/2010	78
George A. Buteau	11/27/2010	83
Dominic A. Sidoti	12/7/2010	80
Donald Caron	12/9/2010	76
Ronald O. Caron	12/11/2010	70
Pauline E. (Comfort) Woodbury	12/11/2010	81
Janet (Walker) Snelling	12/14/2010	82
Neil A. Martin	12/15/2010	76
Douglas Perry	12/16/2010	71
Donald J. Dufault	12/28/2010	77



BUSINESS CERTIFICATES ISSUED - 2010

Date Issued	Business Name	To Whom Issued/Address
Feb. 17	EQUINE MANUAL THERAPY	Sharon Taylor, 23 Gay Road
Mar. 4	FINAL TOUCH HOME IMPROVEMENT	Anthony P. Casucci, 14 Martin Road
Mar.15	JON C. ECCLESTON LANDSCAPING	Jon Rose, 15 Kimball St.
Mar.31	SCORPION SERVICES	Jason P. Puckett, 35 Lake Rd.
Apr.26	COLONIAL RESTORATIONS	Thomas O. Green, 26 Main St.
May 10	SAGENDORPH PROPERTIES	Paul R. Sagendorph, 43 Fiskdale Rd.
May 12	MANZARRO CONSTRUCTION	James M. Manzarro, 14 North Brookfield Rd.
May 24	EMERSON LANDSCAPING	Jeri Emerson, 100 Town Farm Rd.
June 1	A&D TOWING & REPAIRS	Donald J. O'Clair, 11-13 Quaboag St.
Aug. 10	WHITES LANDING	James Correia, 11 Fiskdale Rd.
Aug. 16	ROYAL OAK STABLES	Roger Parker, 11 Letendre Rd.
Sept. 1	THE CUSTOM WEDDING SHOP	Eric Seeton, 40 West Main Street
Sept. 15	OVERLOOK FARM-	Mark Ledout, 15 Long Hill Road
Oct. 4	O'KEEFE TOWING & STORAGE	Robert O'Keefe, 53 Gay Road
Oct. 4	SMOKESTACK LIGHTNING-	William Simpson, 37 River Street
Oct. 4	VACATION CONSTRUCTION	Ralph E. Mundell, 6 Schoolhouse Cross Road
Oct. 4	QUABOAG EQUIPMENT	Charles Wilson, Rte. 148-Lake Road
Oct. 6	KARBOWSKI REMODELING	James Karbowski, 6 Lamb Street
Oct. 19	WOODARDS GARAGE	John Woodard, 33 Central Street
Nov. 3	SPORTS CLASSICS	Robert Jefferson, 1 Mel Lane
Nov. 9	NO JOB TO SMALL	Rene Martel, 81 Webber Road
Nov. 17	TOPS	Darlene Dean, 2 Common Street
Nov. 18	JAN MICHAELS CONSTRUCTION-	Mike Maneggio, Molasses Hill Road
Dec. 1	CAROL'S DOG GROOMING	Carole Himmer, 195 Fiskdale Road
Dec. 2	CABIN FEVER CRAFTS	Patricia Stockmal, 41 Town Farm RD
Dec. 16	SEETON COMPANY, LLC-DBA Personalized Wedding Candle & Celtic Candle	Eric Seeton, 40 West Main Street

MARRIAGES & INTENTIONS (filed in Brookfield) 2010

Date Filed	To Whom Issued	Intention No.	Registered No.
1/4/2010	Ronald Wayne Starcher to Laurie Ann Harvey	20	1
2/14/2010	Katherine Atwater Miller to John H. Cook	21	3
2/14/2010	Kristen Ruth Canavan to Gary Augustin Leblond	1	2
5/15/2010	Cheryl A. Madelle to Michael Craig Thibeault	2	4
5/15/2010	Angela Marie Rice to Ivan E. Snellbaker Jr.	3	5
6/11/2010	Steven A. Crozier to Lisa C. Holmes	4	6
7/31/2010	Nicholas Eugene Abair to Jennifer Anne Hurley	5	7
8/14/2010	Russell Alan Ranks to Jessica Broderick Nadeau	6	9
8/17/2020	Wardwell B. Cox Jr. to Johnna M. Gingras	7	8
8/27/10	Ryan Paul Nash to Michelle Ann Belanger	8	10
8/28/2010	Lori Jean Topor to Joseph Louis Leroux	9	11
10/23/2010	Keith Allen Gratton to Tracy Marie Racicot	10	12
12/13/2010	Misty Ann Juda to Keith Allen Johnson	11	13
12/19/2010	Annette Louise Jenks to C. Michael Felts	12	14



REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

During 2010, I continue to work with the entire election staff and registers with additional training sessions in an effort to keep aware of the yearly changes in Election Laws given to us from the Election division of the Secretary of the Commonwealth Office.

The Annual Town Census was taken during the months of January and February; the following were compiled:

Total Residents	3338		
Total Registered Voters	2325		
Democrats	501	Republicans	292
Green Party USA	2	Libertarian	8
Green Rainbow	6	Socialist	1
Constitution Party	1	Unenrolled	1515

Voter Registration days were held for every Election, Annual and Special Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael P. Seery, Clerk of the Board of Registrars
Nancy Lee Finney
Shirley Sanborn
Lois O’Leary, Chairman of the Board of Registrars

Election Results – Annual Town Election – May 3, 2010

MODERATOR 1YR VOTE FOR ONE	
William J. Frangiamore, 19 Howard St., Candidate for Re-Election	403 votes (winner)
Stephen Comtois – Write in Candidate	232
BOARD OF SELECTMAN 3YRS VOTE FOR ONE	
Rudulf Heller, 18 Common St., Candidate for Re-Election	422 votes (winner)
David E. Olson, 155 Rice Corner Road	337
ASSESSOR 3YRS VOTE FOR ONE	
Brenda C. McElroy, 34 Town Farm Road, Candidate for Re-Election	596 votes (winner)
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3YR VOTE FOR ONE	
Donald D. Faugno, 7 East Main St., Candidate for Re-Election	601 votes (winner)
TANTASQUA REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3YRS VOTE FOR ONE	
William J. Gillmeister, 8 Kimball Street, Candidate for Re-Election	519 votes (winner)
PLANNING BOARD 5YRS VOTE FOR ONE	
Daniel F. Leahy, 14 Maple St., Candidate for Re-Election	552 votes (winner)
TOWN CLERK 3YRS VOTE FOR ONE	
Sheila A. Frangiamore, 19 Howard St.	332
Michael P. Seery, 18 West Main St.	415 votes (winner)
WATER COMMISSIONER 3YRS VOTE FOR ONE	
Robert R. Barnes, 44 South Maple St., Candidate for Re-Election	567 votes (winner)

BOARD OF HEALTH 3YRS VOTE FOR ONE
Michael P. Seery, 18 West Maple St., Candidate for Re-Election 546 votes (winner)

BOARD OF HEALTH 2YRS VOTE FOR ONE
Daniel F. Leahy, 14 Maple St. 524 votes (winner)

TRUSTEE FOR MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY 3YRS VOTE FOR TWO
Sally M. Brown, 4 Mechanic St., Candidate for Re-Election 520 votes (winner)
Barbara Steadman, 5 Rice Corner Rd., Candidate for Re-Election 554 votes (winner)

HOUSING AUTHORITY 5YRS VOTE FOR ONE
No Candidate

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER 3YR VOTE FOR ONE
Peter N. Masuzzo, 15 River St., Candidate for Re-Election 577 votes (winner)

CONSTABLE FOR 3 YEARS VOTE FOR TWO
Kris Murray, 31 Pleasant St., Candidate for Re-Election 305
Joseph F. Murray, 31 Pleasant St., Candidate for Re-Election 333 votes (winner)
Nicholas Abair, 39 Fiskdale Rd., 271
Richard Lapierre, 4 Third St. 327 votes (winner)

TRUSTEE For SHADE TREE FUNDS 3YRS VOTE FOR TWO
Ronald D. Couture, 9 South Maple St., Candidate for Re-Election 573 votes (winner)
Write-ins scattered votes

Question 1

“Shall the Town of Brookfield vote to have its elected Town Clerk become an appointed Town Clerk of the Town?”
Yes: 204 No: 262 (winner)

Total vote count of 771 includes blanks and scattered votes: 33% of registered voters
Total registered voters: 2,334

A true copy attest: Michael P. Seery, Town Clerk



(View of Town Hall handicap ramp and where Town Clerk posts all public meetings, available to view 24/7)

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT
TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF SPECIAL REVENUE FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	Fund Balances June 30, 2009	Revenues	Expenditures	Other Financing Sources (Uses)	Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	Fund Balances June 30, 2010
Water	158,834.96	111,875.7	101,292.68	0	10,583.02	169,417.98
Highways		176,235.64	167,770.76	(8,464.79)	0.09	0.09
School Grants:						
Special Education	(641.51)	24,241.00	12,714.02	0	11,526.98	10,885.47
BYS Bus		200.00	200.00	0	0	0
Council on Aging		4,396.00	3,354.31	0	1,041.69	1,041.69
Cultural Council	8,305.67	4,285.34	7,549.83	0	(3,264.49)	5,041.18
Extend Polling Hours		542.00	542.00	0	0	0
Fire Safety Grants:						
EOPS	939.19	1,800.00	939.19	0	860.81	1,800.00
Safe	2,724.60	3,400.00	3,199.70	0	200.30	2,924.9
Library	7,047.19	3,392.15	6,049.97	0	(2,657.82)	4,389.37
Public Libraries	.73	0	0	0	0	0.73
Public Safety Grants:						
Police Vest Grant	3,030.00	3,030.00	0	0	3,030.00	6,060.00
Click It Ticket	(685.43)	5,200.74	4,736.83	0	463.91	(221.52)
Local Preparedness	(3,132.06)	0	0	0	0	(3,132.06)
Community Policing	6,033.51	0	6,013.83	0	(6,013.83)	19.68
MEMA – Cert	101.67	0	0	0	0	101.67
Cemetery DCR (Urban-Forestry)	10,000.00	0	0	0	0	10,000.00
CDBG #5640	85.12	0	0	0	0	85.12
CDBG 2007	(1,777.47)	1,331.85	8,019.17	8,464.79	1,777.47	0
CDBG-R		109,986.54	102,976.04	0	7,010.50	7,010.50
BOH CDC Preparedness Grant	75.96	0	0	0	0	75.96
PHER BOH Grant	0	9,166.40	5,626.71	0	3,539.69	3,539.69
QQLADEP Grant	(834.55)	23,455.04	19,104.12	0		3,516.37
Schools:						
School Lunch	7,824.32	79,666.60	75,984.11	0	3,682.49	11,506.81
Union 61 Tuition Revolving	108,522.47	170,751.60	207,943.36	0	(37,191.76)	71,330.71

School Choice Revolving	338,788.21	191,131.00	141,313.69	0	49,817.31	388,605.52
Title I	0	26,437.00	26,437.00		0	0
Other:			0			
Ambulance Fund	265,893.9	120,702.80	0)49,091.77)	79,611.03	345,504.12
Boat Patrol	408.00	0	0	0	0	408.00
C & D Revolving	1,053.00	0	1,993.97	0	0	1,053.00
Cable Access	31,483.02	5,524.50	3,192.52	0	3,530.53	35,013.55
Cable Equipment	25,907.17	0	315.00	0	(3,192.52)	22,714.65
Clean Lakes Fund	3,058.55	22.67	0	0	(292.33)	2,766.22
Clean Energy Choice	0	2,300.45	0	0	2,300.45	2,300.45
Dog Pound	2,244.18	448.00	0	0	448.00	2,692.18
G.W.C.F.	860.54	0	5,340.82	0	0	860.54
Jeppson	3,195.59	7,409.00	590.58	0	2,068.18	5,263.77
350th Quaboag	592.35	804.00	0	0	213.42	805.77
Flag Pole	146.00	0	0	0	0	146.00
Gifts and Donations						
Selectmen	410.94	0	0	0	0	410.94
Police	550.00	410.00	125.00	0	285.00	835.00
Police-Dare	279.65	0	0	0	0	279.65
Fire	(660.92)	762.29	82.50	0	679.79	18.87
Ambulance	42,629.07	2,823.50	6,500.00	0	(3,676.50)	38,952.57
Open Space Master Plan (OSRP/MP)	9,577.50	0	0	0	0	9,577.50
Cemetery Preservation	59,648.21	140.00	12,429.59	970.01	(11,319.58)	48,328.63
Library	319.32	1,060.00	849.00	0	211.00	530.32
Town Hall	650.00	9	0	0	0	650.00
Restore Vital Records	30.00	200.00	0	0	200.00	230.00
Recreation	0	45.00	0	0	45.00	45.00
Veterans	0	250.00	0	0	250.00	250.00
L. Gadaire Gift	28.40	28.40	0	0	0	28.40
Playground Donation	0	5,290.99	0	5,975.76	11,266.75	11,266.75
Insurance Reimbursement	1,478.40	10,982.74	10,792.55	0	190.19	1,668.59
Planning Board Revolving	4,121.03	0	1,294.03	0	(1,294.03)	2,827.00
Police Detail Revolving	(4,815.65)	50,538.74	51,306.74	0	(768.00)	(5,583.65)
Recreation Revolving	5,254.55	13,053.82	12,567.60	0	486.22	5,740.77
BOH Revolving	0	4,450.00	3,850.00	0	600.00	600.00
Rehab Program	65,995.83	371.05	26,580.85	0	(26,209.80)	39,786.03
Sale of Lots and Graves	750.34	700.00	0	0	700.00	1,450.34
Septic Loan Repayment	153,694.73	7,078.05	7,266.58	0	(188.53)	153,506.20
Wetlands Fund	6,728.25	1,998.00	866.41	0	1,131.59	7,859.84
	\$1,326,753.72	1,187,890.20	1,047,711.06	(34,146.00)	106,033.124	1,432,786.86

**TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	Fund Balances June 30, 2009	Revenues	Expenditures	Other Financing Sources (Uses)	Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	Fund Balances July 1, 2009
Town Hall Roof	\$ 10,430.26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,430.26
School Construction	\$ 5,088.15	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,088.15
	<u>\$ 15,518.41</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 15,518.41</u>

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN BOND INDEBTEDNESS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Description	Interest Rate	Date Issued	Final Maturity Date	Original Amount Issued	Balance June 30, 2009	Issued During Year	Paid During Year	Loan Re- structuring	Balance June 30, 2010
Inside Debt Limit:									
	4.8 -								
School Construction	7.5%	9/15/1994	9/15/2014	5,500,000	1,605,000		275,000		1,330,000
Town Hall Roof	4.70%	2/13/2007	2/1/2017	310,000	246,410		31,795		214,615
Highway Garage	4.70%	2/13/2007	2/1/2017	860,000	683,590		88,205		595,385
Fire Truck				215,000	193,500		21,500		172,000
Outside Debt Limit:									
Title V Loans	0.00%	5/28/2002	8/1/2020	129,866	86,267		7,267		79,000
					<u>\$</u>				
					<u>2,814,767</u>		<u>423,767</u>		<u>2,391,000</u>

**TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF TRUST FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FPR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	Fund Balances June 30, 2009	Additions	Revenues	Expenditures	Other Financing Sources (Uses)	Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	Fund Balances June 30, 2010
Library Funds	17,471.89		189.23			189.23	17,661.12
Cemetery Perpetual Care	140,535.01	4,900.00	1,400.20	38.75		6,261.45	146,796.46
Flower Fund	2,230.53		24.13	14.99		9.14	2,239.67
Firemen's Relief Fund	2,817.63		30.16			30.16	2,847.79
Dr. Milman Pease Fund	1,566.32		11.57			11.57	1,577.89
Law Enforcement Trust			35.00			35.00	35.00
Stabilization Fund	661,479.59		5,718.97		64,000.00	69,718.97	731,198.56
Pur Prop/Imp	23,790.46		133.39			133.39	23,923.85
Fleet	78,906.90		794.41		(77,308.00)	(76,513.59)	2,393.31
Stabilization Fund-Fire	6,081.06		34.09			34.09	6,115.15
Stabilization Fund-Highway	295.02		1.68			1.68	296.70
	935,173.41	4,900.00	8,372.83	53.74	(13,308.00)	(88.91)	935,084.50
Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments							
	\$935,173.41	\$4,900.00	\$8,372.83	\$53.74	\$(13,308.00)	\$(88.91)	\$935,084.50

**TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF AGENCY FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
 AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	Fund Balances June 30, 2009	Revenues	Expenditures	Other Financing Sources (Uses)	Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	Fund Balances June 30, 2010
School Student Activities	17,974.14	9,496.53	13,428.10	(5,975.76)	(9,907.33)	8,066.81
After School Program	7,097.94	21,770.07	15,488.24		6,281.83	13,379.77
Deputy Collector Fees	(377.00)	7,359.00	7,533.00		(174.00)	(551.00)
Driveway Permit	20,018.00					20,018.00
Fisheries & Wildlife		1,692.10	1,692.10			
Pistol Permits	5,537.40	2,350.00	2,425.00		(75.00)	5,462.50
Camp Bournedale	7,892.87	21,322.09	13,499.70		7,822.39	15,715.26
	<u>\$58,143.45</u>	<u>\$63,989.79</u>	<u>\$54,066.14</u>	<u>\$(5,975.76)</u>	<u>\$3,947.89</u>	<u>\$62,091.34</u>

**TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP
JUNE 30, 2010**

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Type	Account Group	Totals
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust and Agency	General Long Term Debt	(Memorandum Only)
Assets						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$3,788,413.08	\$58,237.59		901,386.90		4,748,037.57
Investments						
Accounts Receivable:						
Property Taxes	471,073.30					471,073.30
Deferred Property Taxes	4,167.94					4,167.94
Excise Taxes	111,618.98					111,618.98
Tax Liens	336,594.16					336,594.16
Departmental	4,883.50	142,916.18				147,799.68
User Charges						
Special Assessments						
Less: Allowance for Uncollectible						
Accounts	(103,351.87)					(103,351.87)
Due from Other Funds		1,397,291.61	15,518.41	95,890.94		1,508,700.96
Due from Other Governments	4,513.40					4,513.40
Other	776.84					776.84
Loans Authorized/Unissued						
Amount to be Provided for the Payment of						
Bonds					2,390,999.94	2,390,999.94
Total Assets	\$4,618,689.33	1,598,445.38	15,518.41	997,277.84	2,390,999.94	9,620,930.90

**TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP
JUNE 30, 2010 --- CONTINUED**

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Type	Account Group	Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust and Agency	General Long Term Debt	
Liabilities and Fund Equity						
Liabilities:						
Warrants Payable	327,513.52	22,742.34		101.00		350,356.87
Employee Withholdings	26,091.53					26,091.53
Due to Others	2,505.37					2,505.37
Due to Other Funds	1,508,701.29					1,508,701.29
Deferred Revenue:						
Property Taxes	708,443.53					708,443.53
Other	116,542.48	142,916.18				259,458.66
Ban Payable						
Loans Authorized/Unissued Payable						
Bonds Payable					2,390,999.94	2,390,999.94
Total Liabilities	2,689,797.72	165,658.52		101.00	2,390,999.94	5,246,557.18
Fund Equity:						
Reserved for Encumbrances	148,949.95	79,677.40				228,627.35
Reserved for School Build Authority Payment	1,275,303.99					1,275,303.00
Reserved for Wage/Medicare Deficit	(631.48)					(631.48)
Reserved for Deficits	50.00					50.00
Unreserved:						
Designated for Subsequent Years' Expenditures	87,425.00	60,000.00				147,425.00
Undesignated	417,795.14	1,293,109.46	15,518.41	997,176.84		2,723,599.85
Total Fund Equity	1,928,891.61	1,432,786.86	15,518.41	997,176.84		4,374,373.72
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	4,618,689.33	1,598,445.38	15,518.41	997,277.84	2,390,999.94	9,620,930.90

**Town of Brookfield
Undesignated Fund Balance
June 30, 2010**

Undesignated Fund Balance June 30, 2009	268,455.81
FY09 Audit Adjustment	0.00
	268,455.81
Add/(Deduct):	
Revenue	8,386,223.88
Expenditures	(7,114,973.57)
Other Financing Sources/Uses *	53,429.76
Overlay Surplus Release	(3,731.88)
Close Overlay Surplus	3,731.88
Reserve for Deficit FY09	(50.00)
Reserve for Deficit FY10	50.00
Reserve for Wage/Medicare Deficit FY09	(4,395.63)
Reserve for Wage/Medicare Deficit FY10	631.48
FY 09 Reserve for Encumbrances	260,595.35
FY 10 Reserve for Encumbrances	(148,949.95)
FY 09 Reserve for Sub Years Expenditures	79,506.01
FY 10 Reserve for Sub Years Expenditures	(87,425.00)
FY 09 Reserve for School Building Authority Payment	(1,275,303.00)
	149,339.33
Undesignated Fund Balance June 30, 2010	417,795.14
Detail: Other Financing Sources/Uses	
Transfer from Special Revenue	145,382.00
Transfer from Stabilization	77,308.00
Transfer from Trust Funds/Agency	0.00
Overlay Surplus Release	3,483.04
Transfer to Stabilization	(64,000.00)
Transfer to Special Revenue	(105,260.24)
Overlay Surplus Release	(3,483.04)
	53,429.76
Total:	53,429.76
Detail: Other Financing Sources/Uses	

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Taxes	4,185,941.56	4,210,377.44	24,435.88)
State Receipts	2,215,528.00	3,481,129.00	1,265,601.00)
Excise and Other Taxes	330,600.00	324,408.28	(6,191.72)
Licenses, Permits, Fees	228,000.00	247,851.43	19,851.43
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	46,000.00	99,662.00	53,662.00
Interest on Investments	40,000.00	22,795.73	(17,204.27)
Total Revenues	\$7,046,069.56	\$8,386,223.88	\$1,340,154.32
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General Government	571,667.70	520,110.81	1,556.89
Public Safety	554,424.53	528,194.72	26,229.81
Public Works	462,571.46	448,423.36	14,148.10
Health and Human Services	35,626.00	28,553.91	7,072.09
Culture and Recreation	123,348.74	119,600.14	3,748.60
Education	4,124,586.00	4,089,783.07	34,802.93
Employee Benefits and Insurance	588,006.10	585,276.73	2,729.37
State Assessments	98,415.00	84,497.00	13,918.00
Debt Service:			
Principal	573,472.00	573,472.00	0
Interest and Fiscal Charges	131,175.00	137,061.83	113.17
Total Expenditures	\$7,269,292.53	7,114,973.57	\$154,318.96
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$(223,222.97)	\$1,271,250.31	\$1,94,473.28
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Operating Transfers In	\$222,690.00	\$222,690.00	0
Operating Transfers Out	\$(169,260.24)	\$(169,260.24)	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$53,429.76	\$53,429.76	\$0.00
Budget Variance:			
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	\$(169,793.21)	\$1,324,680.07	\$1,494,473.28

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
 ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary	Totals
	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Fund Types Trusts	(Memorandum Only)
Revenues:					
Taxes	4,210,377.44				4,210,377.44
Federal Receipts					
State Receipts	3,481,129.00	176,235.64			3,657,364.64
Excise and Other Taxes	24,408.28	0			24,408.28
Licenses, Permits, Fees	247,951.43	514,511.37			762,462.80
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	99,662.00	0			99,662.00
Bond Proceeds					0
Investment Income:					
Interest and Dividends on Investments	22,795.73	3,141.00		8,337.83	4,274.56
Additions				4,900.00	20,500.00
Grants and Fees		494,002.19			519,010.31
Intergovernmental - "On Behalf Payments"					0
Total Revenues	8,386,223.88	1,187,890.20		13,272.83	9,587,386.91
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General Government	520,110.81	35,578.51			565,527.47
Public Safety	528,194.72	125,397.54			601,016.01
Public Works	448,423.36	583,744.91		53.74	747,021.74
Health and Human Services	28,553.91	8,204.75			41,384.93
Culture and Recreation	119,600.14	56,129.69			171,812.73
Education	4,089,783.07	602,957.93			4,554,375.25
Employee Benefits and Insurance	585,276.73				585,276.73
Water		105,697.87			101,292.68
State Assessments	84,497.00				84,497.00
Debt Service:					
Principal	573,472.00				573,472.00
Interest and Fiscal Charges	137,061.83				137,061.83
Continuing Appropriations					0
Total Expenditures	7,114,973.56	1,047,711.06		53.74	8,172,839.38
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	1,271,250.31	140,179.14	40,179.14	13,210.90	1,424,648.54
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating Transfers In	222,690.00	15,410.56	15,410.26	64,000.00	302,100.56
Operating Transfers Out	(169,260.24)	(49,556.56)	(49,556.56)	(77,308.00)	(296,124.80)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	53,429.76	(34,146.00)	(34,146.00)	(13,308.00)	5,975.76
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	1,324,680.07	106,033.14	106,033.14	(88.91)	1,430,624.30
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year**	604,211.54	1,316,753.72	1,326,753.72	935,173.41	2,881,657.08
Fund Balances, End of Year	1,928,891.61	1,432,897.86	1,432,786.86	935,084.50	4,312,281.38

**Includes FY08 Audit Adj.

Town of Brookfield -- Schedule of Departmental Appropriations and Expenditures								
Year Ended June 30, 2010								
	Beginning Encumbrance	Encumbrance Adj.	ATM Appropriation	Appropriation Adj.	Ending Encumbrance	Total Budget	Expenditures	Variance
Moderator :								
Moderator Salary			59.00			59.00		59.00
Total Moderator	0.00	0.00	59.00	0.00	0.00	59.00	0.00	59.00
Selectmen :								
Selectmen Salary			6,000.00	(108.00)		5,892.00	4,000.08	1,891.92
Administrative Asst. Salary			37,425.00	108.00		37,533.00	37,531.66	1.34
Selectmen Expense			4,300.00	(1.00)		4,299.00	3,109.24	1,189.76
Physical Exam. Expense			400.00			400.00	130.00	270.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes			500.00	68.05		588.06	568.06	0.00
Computer Maintenance			3,000.00			3,000.00	2,095.94	14.06
Town Website*	2,480.01		0.00		2,480.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
Computer Security*			0.00	800.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Consultant Expenses*	2,000.00		2,000.00		4,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Brownfield's-Mill Street*	27,623.72		0.00		20,123.72	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00
Total Selectmen	32.1-3/83	0.00	53,625.00	867.06	27,403.73	59,192.06	55,824.98	3,367.08
Reserve Fund :								
Reserve Fund			24,000.00	(4,726.06)		19,273.94		19,273.94
Total Reserve Fund	0.00	0.00	24,000.00	(4,726.06)	0.00	19,273.94	0.00	19,273.94
Town Accountant :								
Town Accountant -Wages			44,120.00			44,120.00	44,120.00	0.00
Audit			11,500.00		11,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Accountant-Budget Prep				1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Accountant : Expense			3,290.00	1,658.00		4,948.00	4,862.70	85.30
Professional Service Account*	35,000.00	(20,000.00)	0.00			15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
Total Accountant	35,000.00	(20,000.00)	58,910.00	3,158.00	11,500.00	65,568.00	65,482.70	85.30
Advisory Board :								
Advisory Board Expense			500.00			500.00	0.00	500.00
Advisory Board Expense			500.00			500.00	0.00	500.00
Warrant Book Print& Mail	75.00		2,000.00			2,075.00	759.00	1,316.00
Total Advisory Board	75.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,075.00	759.00	2,316.00

Assessors :								
Assessors-Salaries			44,246.00			44,246.00	44,246.00	0.00
Assessors Consult Serv Reval			6,500.00			6,500.00	6,500.00	0.00
Assessors Expense			4,390.00		137.71	4,252.29	3,928.85	323.44
Total Assessors	0.00	0.00	55,136.00	0.00	137.71	54,998.29	54,674.85	323.44
Treasurer :								
Treasurer Salary			27,433.00			27,433.00	27,433.00	0.00
Treasurer Clerk Wages			22,026.00	500.00		22,536.00	22,205.18	320.82
Treasurer Payroll Service			4,525.00			4,525.00	4,131.84	393.16
Treasurer Expense			3,600.00			3,600.00	2,698.09	901.91
Total Treasurer	0.00	0.00	57,584.00	500.00	0.00	58,084.00	56,468.11	1,615.89
Tax Collector :								
Tax Collector Wages			29,993.00			29,993.00	29,993.00	0.00
Tax Collector Clerk Wages			2,790.00	33.00		2,823.00	2,822.00	.74
Tax Collector Certification			1,000.00	(1,000.00)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Tax Collector Expense			7,250.00			7,250.00	7,146.20	103.80
Tax Collector Software			1,000.00			1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Total Tax Collector	0.00	0.00	42,033.00	(967.00)	0.00	41,066.00	39,961.50	1,615.89
Town Counsel & Legals :								
Town Counsel & Legals	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	15,000.00	619.69	64,380.31	64,380.31	0.00
Total Counsel & Legals	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	15,000.00	619.69	64,380.31	64,380.31	0.00
Treasurer Tax Title :								
Treasurer Tax Title	20,234.92		0.00		7,267.52	12,967.40	12,967.40	0.00
Total Tax Title	20,234.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,267.52	12,967.40	12,967.40	0.00
Town Clerk								
Town Clerk Salary			26,847.00			26,847.00	26,847.00	0.00
Ass't Town Clerk Wages			4,796.00			4,796.00	3,636.02	1,159.98
Town Clerk Certification			1,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Town Clerk Expense	1,100.00		4,650.00			4,310.00	4,156.95	153.05
Town Clerk Vault	2,601.00	(2,300.00)	0.00			301.00	78.56	222.44
Total Town Clerk	3,701.00	(2,300.00)	35,853.00	0.00	0.00	37,254.00	35,718.53	1,535.47

Election & Registration :								
Election & Registration-Wages			4,040.00	800.00		4,640.00	4,840.00	0.00
Election & Registration-Expense	382.50		5,000.00	700.00	2,285.69	3,796.81	3,323.66	473.15
Total Election & Registration	0.00	0.00	9,040.00	1,500.00	2,285.69	8,636.81	8,163.66	473.15
Conservation :								
Conservation Clerk Wages			758.00			758.00	530.55	227.45
Conservation Expense	16.50		500.00	0.00		516.50	114.50	402.00
Total Conservation	16.50	0.00	1,258.00	0.00	0.00	1,274.50	645.05	629.45
Central Mass. Regional Planning (CMRPC):								
Muni Org for Region (M.O.R.E.)						0.00	0.00	0.00
Central Mass. Regional Planning			735.00			735.05	735.05	(0.05)
Total Central Mass. Regi. Plann	0.00	0.00	1,648.00	0.00	0.00	735.05	735.05	(0.05)
Planning Board :								
Planning Board Clerk Salary				3,121.00		3,121.00	1,904.09	1,216.91
Planning Board Salary				2,652.00		2,652.00	2,576.00	76.00
Planning Board Expense				1,110.00		1,110.00	201.55	908.45
Total Planning Board	0.00	0.00		6,883.00	0.00	6,883.00	4,681.64	2,201.36
Board Of Appeals :								
Board Of Appeals Expense			1,000.00			1,000.00	631.28	368.72
Total Board Of Appeals	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	631.28	368.72
Master Plan								
Master Plan Expenses*	5,030.48		5,000.00		3,206.48	6,824.00	6,824.00	0.00
Total Master Plan	5,030.48	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	3,206.48	6,824.00	6,824.00	0.00
Capital Improvement :								
Capital Improvement Expense			0.00			0.00		0.00
Total Capital Improvement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Town Hall :								
Town Hall Custodian Wages			11,729.00			11,238.13	11,238.13	490.87
Town Hall Expense			8,015.00		99.72	7,855.27	7,855.27	60.01
Town Hall Improvements*	49,236.35	2,300.00	0.00		23,731.58	27,804.77	27,804.77	0.00
Town Hall Exterior Renovations*								0.00
	800.00	(800.00)	0.00			0.00	0.00	
Town Hall Wiring*	5,147.79	(5,147.00)	0.00			0.79	0.00	0.79
350th Quaboag Plantation*	114.16		0.00		54.16	60.00	60.00	0.00
Common/Mall Improvements*	117.39		0.00		177.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
100th Anniversary*						0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Town Hall		(3,647.00)	19,744.00	0.00	24,062.85	47,509.84	46,958.1	551.67
Town Report :								
Print Town Report			1,800.00			1,800.00	1,036.14	763.86
Total Town Report	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	1,036.14	763.86
Municipal Heating Fuel :								
Municipal Heating Fuel			32,348.00	(8,000.00)		24,348.00	22,964.13	1,383.87
Municipal Diesel Fuel			18,717.00			18,717.00	14,267.45	4,449.55
Municipal Gasoline			28,000.00			28,000.00	18,267.02	9,632.98
Total Municipal Heating Fuel	0.00	0.00	79,065.00	(8,000.00)	0.00	71,065.00	55,598.60	15,466.40
Telephone Expense :								
Telephone Expense			11,600.00	(600.00)	978.45	10,021.55	8,599.84	1,421.71
Total Telephone Expense	0.00	0.00	11,600.00	(600.00)	978.45	10,021.55	8,599.84	1,421.71
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	152,019.82	(25,947.00)	516,325.00	6,732.00	77,462.12	571,667.70	520,110.81	51,556.89

Police Department :								
Police Wages Full Time			114,229.00	16,000.00		130,229.00	130,095.35	133.65
Police Chief Salary			59,243.00	(48,000.00)		11,243.00	5,901.59	5,341.41
Police Part Time Wages			48,211.00	17,000.00		65,211.00	61,046.53	4,164.47
Police Clerk			9,074.00			9,074.00	9,070.75	3.25
Police Overtime Full-Time			15,150.00			15,150.00	10,965.47	4,184.53
Police Expense	328.43		31,554.00		739.58	31,142.85	23,613.66	7,529.19
Police Station Expense	198.34		23,300.00		141.41	23,356.93	21,114.23	2,242.70
Police Cruiser-Purchase*	1,259.00	(1,259.00)			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Police Vehicle-Purchase*				33,567.00		33,567.00	33,131.08	435.92
Police Feasibility Study-Station*						0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Police Department	1,785.77	(1,259.99)	300,761.00	18,567.00	880.99	318,973.78	294,938.66	24,035.12
Fire Department :								
Fire Dept. Wages			9,405.00	(2,251.62)		7,253.38	7,153.38	0.00
Fire Chief Salary			1,334.00			1,334.00	1,334.00	0.00
Fire Salary Brush/Spec Duty			4,545.00	(188.12)		4,356.88	4,356.88	0.00
Fire Dept. Expense	108.22		26,399.00		113.24	26,393.98	26,327.93	66.05
Fire Dept. Testing & Recertification	150.00		3,829.00			3,979.00	3,945.40	33.60
Fire Dept. Fixed Assets / Repair			7,000.00	3,000.00		10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Fire Station Bldg. Maint.*	5,000.00		5,000.00			10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
Fire Station Repairs			0.00	2,439.74	2,439.74	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Fire Department	5,258.22	0.00	57,512.00	3,000.00	2,552.98	63,217.24	63,117.59	99.65
Emergency Squad :								
Emergency Squad Salary	1,920.63	(1,920.63)				0.00	0.00	0.00
Emergency Squad On Call	24,556.63	(11,634.17)		(12,922.46)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Emergency Squad Vac/Sick	2,081.00	(1,025.00)		(1,056.00)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Emergency Squad FF/Paramed	0.00					0.00	0.00	0.00
Emergency Squad Wages	26,913.11	(26,913.11)	112,072.00	(14,565.38)		97,506.62	97,506.62	0.00
Emergency Squad Expense	20,775.90	(13,456.67)	31,710.00	(20,796.81)	573.84	17,658.58	17,658.58	0.00
Emergency Squad Ambulance	0.00					0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Emergency Squad	76,247.27	(54,949.58)	143,782.00	(49,340.65)	573.84	115,165.20	115,165.20	0.00
Building Inspector :								
Building Inspector Salary			13,774.00			13,774.00	13,774.00	0.00
Ass't Building Inspector Salary			299.00			299.00	299.00	0.00
Total Building Inspector	0.00	0.00	14,073.00	0.00	0.00	14,073.00	14,073.00	0.00

Gas / Plumbing Inspector :								
Gas / Plumbing Inspector Salary			3,407.00			3,407.00	3,407.00	0.00
Ass't Gas/Plumbing Insp. Salary			290.00			290.00	290.00	0.00
Gas/Plumbing Inspector Exp.			720.00			720.00	701.87	18.13
Total Gas / Plumbing Inspector	0.00	0.00	4,417.00	0.00	0.00	4,417.00	4,398.87	18.13
Wiring Inspector :								
Wiring Inspector Salary			3,386.00			3,386.00	3,386.00	0.00
Ass't Wiring Inspector Salary			299.00			299.00	299.00	0.00
Wiring Inspector Expense			400.00			400.00	0.00	400.00
Total Wiring Inspector	0.00	0.00	4,085.00	0.00	0.00	4,085.00	3,685.00	400.00
Zoning Enforcement :								
Zoning Enforcement Salary			8,608.00			8,608.00	8,608.00	0.00
Zoning Enforcement Expense			380.00			380.00	330.27	49.73
Total Zoning Enforcement	0.00	0.00	8,998.00	0.00	0.00	8,988.00	8,938.27	49.73
BEMA Brookfield Emerg. Mgmt. Agency								
BEMA Brookfield Emerg. Salaries			361.00			361.00	361.00	0.00
BEMA Brkfield Emerg. Mgmt.			3,873.00		1,197.69	2,675.31	2,654.25	21.06
Total Brookfield BEMA	0.00	0.00	4,234.00	0.00	1,197.69	3,036.31	3,015.25	21.06
Animal Control Officer :								
Animal Control Officer Salary			4,967.00			4,967.00	4,967.00	0.00
Asst Animal Control Officer Sal.			558.00			558.00	558.00	0.00
Animal Control Officer Expense			2,000.00			2,000.00	493.88	1,506.12
Total Animal Control Officer :	0.00	0.00	7,525.00	0.00	0.00	7,525.00	6,018.88	1,506.12
Parking Clerk / Officer :								
Parking Clerk / Officer Salary			244.00			244.00	244.00	0.00
Parking Ticket Expense			100.00			100.00	0.00	0.00
Total Parking Clerk / Officer	0.00	0.00	344.00	0.00	0.00	344.00	244.00	100.00
Tree Warden :								
Tree Warden Expense	4,800.00		7,400.00			12,200.00	12,200.00	0.00
Total Tree Warden	4,800.00	0.00	7,400.00	0.00	0.00	12,200.00	12,200.00	0.00

Shade Trees :								
Shade Tree Expense			2,400.00			2,400.00		0.00
Total Shade Trees	0.00	0.00	2,400.00	0.00	0.00	2,400.00		0.00
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	88,091.26	(56,208.58)	555,521.00	(27,773.65)	5,205.50	554,424.53	528,194.72	26,229.81
Highway Department :								
Highway Supt. Salary			46,470.00	(256.39)		46,213.61	45,789.84	423.77
Highway Operator Wages			38,655.00	120.00		38,775.00	38,774.16	0.84
Highway Wages OT/Other			2,239.00	2,456.39		4,695.39	4,641.69	53.70
Highway Wages P/T			18,665.00	3,700.00		22,365.00	21,880.92	484.08
Highway Expense	49.22		54,560.00		1,498.29	53,110.93	53,110.93	0.00
Police Detail						0.00	0.00	0.00
Plow Private Roads			1.00			1.00	0.00	1.00
Repair Private Road				1.00		1,600.00	1,600.00	1.00
Bridges / Railings / Signs			1,600.00		464.00	30,536.00	30,536.00	0.00
Roads Reconst. Const & Improv			31,000.00		9,048.15	4,451.85	4,451.85	0.00
Highway Driveway Const.*	13,500.00			45,000.00	45,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Highway Department	13,549.22	0.00	193,190.00	51,021.00	56,010.44	201,749.78	200,785.39	964.39
Snow & Ice :								
Snow & Ice :			50,000.00	30,656.36		80,656.36	80,656.56	0.00
Total Snow & Ice	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	30,656.36	0.00	80,656.36	80,656.56	0.00
Street Lighting :								
Street Lighting	11.65		14,000.00		23.94	13,987.71	11,179.65	2,808.06
Total Street Lighting	11.65	0.00	14,000.00	0.00	23.94	13,987.71	11,179.65	2,808.06
Sidewalks:								
Sidewalks			1,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Total Sidewalks	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Cemetery Department :								
Cemetery Dept. Wages			13,130.00			13,130.00	12,417.58	712.42
Cemetery Supt. Salary			4,343.00			4,343.00	4,343.00	0.00
Cemetery Dept. Expense	10.04		6,000.00		48.36	5,961.68	5,455.62	506.06
Cemetery Dept. Bucket Loader*						0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Cemetery Dept.	10.04	0.00	23,473.00	0.00	48.36	23,434.68	22,216.20	1,218.48

Cemetery Improvements :								
Cemetery Improvements			1,500.00			1,500.00	1,089.16	410.84
Total Cemetery Improvements	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,089.16	410.84
Transfer Station :								
Transfer Station Wages			19,420.00			19,420.00	18,002.46	1,417.54
Well Tests			11,700.00			11,700.00	10,950.00	750.00
Transfer Station Expense	23.93		109,350.00		250.00	109,122.93	102,544.14	65,78.79
Landfill Closure*	259.01				259.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Transfer Station	281.94	0.00	140,470.00	0.00	509.01	140,242.93	131,496.60	8,746.33
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	13,852.85	0.00	423,633.00	81,677.36	56,591.75	462,571.46	448,423.36	14,148.10
Board Of Health :								
Board Of Health Salary			3,585.00			3,585.00	3,585.00	0.00
Board Of Health/Clerk Wages			2,020.00			2,020.00	767.61	1,252.39
Board Of Health/Health Agent			2,000.00	(750.00)		1,250.00	879.65	370.35
Animal Inspector Salary			1,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
B-O-H Title V Adm. Salary			949.00			959.00	696.73	252.27
B-O-H Expense			2,000.00	750.00		2,750.00	2,468.76	281.24
Total Board Of Health	0.00	0.00	11,554.00	0.00	0.00	11,554.00	9,397.75	2,156.25
South Central Mass. Clinic:								
Community Health Program			950.00		11.00	939.00	876.00	63.00
Total South Central Mass. Clinic			950.00		11.00	939.00	876.00	63.00
Outreach :								
Outreach Worker Salary			1,500.00			1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Tri-Valley Crisis Inter. Expense			558.00			558.00	558.00	0.00
Medi - Car Consortium			2,000.00			2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Council On Aging Expense			442.00			442.00	0.00	442.00
Total Outreach	0.00	0.00	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	4,500.00	4,058.00	442.00

Veterans Director :								
Veterans Director Salary			677.00			677.00	677.00	0.00
Total Veterans Director	0.00	0.00	677.00	0.00	0.00	677.00	677.00	0.00
Veterans Agent :								
Veterans Agent Salary			2,716.00			2,716.00	2,716.00	0.00
Veterans Expense			240.00			240.00	0.00	240.00
Veterans Case Worker			15,000.00			15,000.00	10,829.16	4,170.84
Total Veterans Agent	0.00	0.00	17,956.000.00	0.00	0.00	17,956.00	13,545.16	4,410.84
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	0.00	0.00	35,637.00	0.00	11.00	35,626.00	28,553.91	7,072.09
Library :								
Library Director Wages			34,084.00			34,084.00	33,887.88	196.12
Library Custodian Wages			6,015.00			6,015.00	5,971.91	43.09
Library Asst.'s Salary			26,437.00			26,437.00	26,437.00	0.00
Library Sat/Holidays/Vacation			4,124.00			4,124.00	4,124.00	0.00
Library Expense	244.04		9,974.00			10,218.04	10,209.59	8.45
Library Books/video Periodicals			19,679.00			19,679.00	19,674.41	4.59
Library Bldg Repair & Maint.	5,000.00				4,148.51	851.49	851.49	0.00
Total Library	5,244.04	0.00	100,313.00	0.00	4,148.51	101,408.53	101,156.28	252.25
Recreation :								
Recreation Salary			2,840.00			2,840.00	2,578.77	261.23
Recreation Expense			5,500.00		20.95	5,479.05	4,535.94	943.11
Lewis Field Maint. Expense	17.38		2,200.00			2,217.38	1,552.06	665.32
South Pond Beach Expenses						0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Recreation	17.38	0.00	10,540.00	0.00	20.95	10,536.43	8,666.77	1,869.66
Historical Commission :								
Historical Commission			1,125.00			1,125.00	1,102.13	22.87
Total Historical Commission	0.00	0.00	1,125.00	0.00	0.00	1,125.00	1,102.13	22.87
Memorial Day :								
Memorial Day	543.00		3,200.00		114.22	3,628.78	3,227.00	401.78
Total Memorial Day	543.00	0.00	3,200.00	0.00	114.22	3,628.78	3,227.00	501.78

Cultural Council :								
Cultural Council Expense			6,650.00			6,650.00	5,447.96	1,202.04
Total Cultural Council	0.00	0.00	6,650.00	0.00	0.00	6,650.00	5,447.96	1,202.04
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATIONS	5,804.41	0.00	121,828.00	0.00	4,283.68	123,348.74	119,600.14	3,748.60
School Department :								
School Salary						0.00	1,974,978.13	(1,974,978.13)
School Committee Salary			1,500.00			1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Regional School Committee Salary			1,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Regional School Assessment			1,275,167.00	(12,274.00)		1,262,893.00	1,262,893.00	0.00
Regional School Transportation			39,863.00			39,863.00	39,863.00	0.00
School Expense			2,819,220.00			2,819,330.00	809,548.94	2,009,781.06
Total School Department :	0.00	0.00	4,139,860.00	(12,274.00)	0.00	4,124,586.00	4,089,783.07	34,802.93
TOTAL EDUCATION	0.00	0.00	4,139,860.00	(12,274.00)	0.00	4,124,586.00	4,089,783.07	34,792.83
Maturing Debt / Principal :								
Maturing Debt / Principal			275,000.00			275,000.00	275,000.00	0.00
Maturing Debt / Garage			88,205.00			88,205.00	88,205.00	0.00
Maturing Debt / Roof			31,795.00			31,795.00	31,795.00	0.00
Maturing Debt / Fire Truck			21,500.00			21,500.00	21,500.00	0.00
Regional School Const.			156,972.00			156,972.00	156,972.00	0.00
Total Maturing / Principal	0.00	0.00	573,472.00	0.00	0.00	573,472.00	573,472.00	0.00
Maturing Debt / Interest :								
Maturing Debt / Interest			87,775.00			87,775.00	87,775.00	0.00
Maturing Interest-Hwy Garage			32,200.00			32,200.00	32,128.70	71.30
Maturing Interest-Town Hall Roof			11,600.00			11,600.00	11,581.30	18.70
Maturing Interest -Fire Truck			5,600.00			5,600.00	5,576.83	23.17
Total Maturing Debt / Interest		0.00	137,175.00	0.00	0.00	137,175.00	137,061.83	113.17
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	0.00	0.00	710,647.00	0.00	0.00	710,647.00	710,533.83	113.17

County Tax Assessments :								
County Tax Assessments			0.00	1,691.00		1,691.00	1,691.00	0.00
Sped Assessment			0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
School Choice Assessment			0.00	84,550.00		84,550.00	71,372.00	13,178.00
Charter School Sending Tuition			0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
RMV Non - Rew Surcharge			0.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	4,260.00	740.00
Air Pollution Control District			0.00	740.00		740.00	740.00	0.00
R. T. A.			0.00	6,434.00		6,434.00	6,434.00	0.00
Total County Tax Assessment	0.00	0.00	0.00	98,415.00	0.00	98,415.00	84,497.00	13,918.00
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	98,415.00	0.00	98,415.00	84,497.00	13,918.00
County Retirement :								
County Retirement Assessment			116,043.00	(1,043.00)		115,000.00	112,890.79	2,109.21
Abington Retirement							0.00	0.00
Total County Retirement	0.00	0.00	116,043.00	(1,043.00)	0.00	115,000.00	112,890.79	2,109.21
Unemployment :								
Unemployment			10,000.00	5,000.00	5,395.90	9,604.10	9,604.00	0.00
Total Unemployment	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	5,395.90	9,604.10	9,694.00	0.00
Group Insurance :								
Group Insurance			305,000.00			305,000.00	305,631.48	(631.48)
Total Group Insurance	0.00	0.00	305,000.00	0.00	0.00	305,000.00	305,631.48	(631.48)
Medicare :								
Medicare Town Share			39,475.00	300.00		39,775.00	39,706.72	68.28
Total Medicare	0.00	0.00	39,475.00	300.00	0.00	39,775.00	39,706.72	68.28
General Insurance :								
General Insurance	827.00		120,000.00	(2,200.00)		118,627.00	117,443.64	1,183.36
Total General Insurance	827.00	0.00	120,000.00	(2,200.00)	0.00	118,627.00	117,443.64	1,183.36
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	827.00	0.00	590,518.00	2,057.00	5,395.90	588,006.10	585,276.73	2,729.37
Total Appropriations	260,595.35	(82,155.58)	4,090,969.00	148,833.71	148,949.95	7,269,292.53	7,114,973.57	154,318.96

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010

T.D. BankNorth	\$ 416.68	Depository Account
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 2,195,312.52	Money Market
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 221,139.18	Special Revenue Accounts
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 429,969.32	Stabilization Account
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 77,393.31	Fleet Stabilization
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 23,923.85	Property Improve Stabilization
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 6,115.15	Stabilization Account - Fire
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 296.70	Stabilization Account - Hwy
Hometown Bank	\$ 1,157,653.83	Money Market
Citizens Bank	\$ 3,655.00	Special Revenue
North Brookfield Savings Bank	\$ 139,648.88	Depository Account
North Brookfield Savings Bank	\$ 18,530.02	Special Revenue Accounts
North Brookfield Savings Bank	\$ 1,577.89	Trust Funds
North Brookfield Savings Bank	\$ 5,654.06	Payroll
Bartholomew & Company	\$ 293,678.89	Stabilization Accounts
Bartholomew & Company	\$ 152,939.72	Various Trust Funds
Cash on Hand June 30, 2010	\$ 4,727,905.00	

School Bond Issue

Debt Outstanding June 30, 2009	\$1,605,000.00
Payments	(275,000.00)
Debt Outstanding June 30, 2010	\$1,330,000.00

Payroll

Name	Position/Department	Wages
Abair, Nicholas E.	Police Department	\$31,653.11
Allen, James W.	Selectman	\$2,000.04
Anderson, Terry L.	EMT	\$6,631.80
Augustus, Karen M.	School	\$22,766.33
Ausmus Jr., Daniel J.	Police	\$17,049.82
Baird, Matthew	Police	\$49,546.51
Baldracchi, Scott P.	Firefighter	\$375.62
Barlow, Renee L.	School	\$292.50
Barnes, Robert R.	Water Commissioner	\$603.00
Barrett, Jason M.	Police	\$21,800.36
Barringer, Ashley B.	School	\$51,009.27
Batchelor, Timothy R.	Highway	\$1,585.04
Bek, Mary Anne	School	\$70,410.86
Bemis, Bradford W.	Highway	\$2,165.91
Bennett, Laura G.	School	\$25.52
Bennett, Paula M.	School	\$26,558.82
Benoit, Louise E.	Town Accountant	\$45,648.06
Blanchard, Michael K.	Police Chief	\$8,940.90
Blood, Douglas J	Acting Police Chief	\$8,961.00

Bouchard, Richard G.	School/Custodian	\$30,684.78
Boucher, Patricia	School	\$5,212.50
Brecht, Timothy	School Custodian	\$24,107.15
Brenner, Jodi L.	School	\$55.00
Brisebois, William F.	Transfer Station	\$4,655.07
Brothers, Dianna	School	\$14,319.72
Brown, Eva S.	School	\$57,492.80
Budnik, Steven J.	Firefighter/Highway	\$3,724.58
Burbank, Marlaine J.	School	\$532.79
Burns, Linda E.M.	Firefighter/Highway	\$1,343.48
Cameron, Adam J.	Police	\$40,185.71
Caplette, Margaret	School	\$5,066.20
Casavant, Andrew	Firefighter	\$188.22
Casey, Mary Beth	School	\$397.50
Casey, Mary E.	School	\$67,720.83
Casucci, Kristen	Planning Board	\$250.00
Chaffee II, Herbert A.	Highway/Firefighter	\$52,830.82
Chaffee, Justin L.	Firefighter	\$25.68
Chaffee, Philip A.	Highway	\$809.38
Charpentier Jr., Roger J.	Water Commissioner	\$893.00
Chickering, Stephen M.	Transfer Station	\$170.00
Chisholm, Holly J.	Police/Water	\$19,311.75
Clarke, Bruce	Water Superintendent	\$57,584.24
Comeau, Nicole	EMT	\$212.02
Comptois, Paul G.	Firefighter	\$738.66
Connor, Robert S.	EMT	\$163.94
Connor Jr., Wallace L.	Firefighter	\$709.36
Cooke, James	School Committee	\$375.00
Corbeil, Nancy L.	School	\$44,924.66
Couming, Bonnie	School	\$67,677.51
Couture, John M.	Alternate Bldg Inspector	\$299.00
Coyle, William A.	Police	\$3,034.46
Crevier, Charles F.	Water	\$551.89
Custer, Sarah C.	School	\$63.38
D'Amato, Richard A.	School	\$75.00
Daubney-Goyette, Jane	School	\$9,491.85
Davol, Elizabeth	School	\$67,701.27
Defazio, Allison M.	School	\$304.00
DeSantis, Christopher J.	Police	\$22,033.58
Driscoll, Daniel	EMT	\$8,580.18
Dunbar, James J.	Town Treasurer	\$27,460.19
DuVerger, Penny Ann	School	\$1,127.50
Dwyer, Elizabeth A.	School	\$64,986.43
Dyjak, John J.	School	\$20.00
Edgette III, Charles E.	Firefighter	\$802.54
Erikson, Karen	School	\$70,623.58
Evans, Jeffrey C.	School	\$17.12
Fancy, Rebecca L.	School	\$385.00
Farinato, Mallory	School	\$42,473.87
Faugno, Andrea	Library	\$13,496.98
Faugno, Donald	School Committee	\$500.00
Finney, Nancy Lee	Financial Clerk/Registrar	\$19,092.35
Fogwill, Susan J.	School	\$622.50
Foley, Herbert Lee	Cemetery	\$10,627.53
Fontaine, Clifford	Planning Board	\$250.00
Forgit, Claudia	School	\$74,489.72

Frangiamore, Sheila A.	Fin'l Clerk/Asst Town Clerk	\$6,181.91
Friedman, Linda L.	School	\$24,932.43
Garello, Amy M.	School	\$192.50
Garfield-Blake, Jessica M.	School	\$412.50
Gatto, Johanne D.	School	\$75.00
Gibson, Belinda A.	School	\$66,008.79
Gillen, Sherry L.	School	\$18,864.48
Gillmeister, Joseph	School	\$48.75
Gillmeister, William	School Committee	\$208.33
Gittens, Elaine M.	School	\$55,872.50
Goyette, Thomas	School	\$63,468.28
Grassetti, Tessa G.	School	\$24,859.30
Graves, Matthew A.	Firefighter	\$12,758.34
Green, Amy E.	EMT	\$25.00
Griffing, Bryan S.	Veterans' Agent	\$3,408.48
Guzik, Susan J.	School	\$87.32
Hague, Jacqueline M.	School	\$11,613.94
Hanson, James D.	Library/Transfer Station/Hwy	\$26,114.25
Hart, Matthew J.	School	\$130.00
Hayes, Kelly A.	School	\$19,898.22
Herbert, Donald L.	Highway/Water Departments	\$43,910.66
Holm, Lindsay	School	\$126.75
Hosterman, Aaron	School	\$1,216.00
Hosterman, Kathleen V.	School Principal	\$91,382.66
Hyde, Lori J.	School	\$43,760.64
Viviane, James	Firefighter	\$69.36
Jay, Arthur	Elections and Registration	\$312.00
Johnson, Richard S.	EMT	\$3,602.63
Jorge, Ashley	School	\$23,777.39
Kane, Diane L.	School	\$66,008.79
Kangas, David L.	Board of Health	\$1,535.76
Karrmann, Keith	Firefighter/BEMA/BOH	\$1,959.75
Kelly, Ryan O.	Police	\$15,734.53
King, Noah	Firefighter	\$42.80
Kularski, Kristen M.	School	\$13,292.66
Labuski, Janice E.	School	\$40,745.39
Lafleur, Donna	EMS Chief/Firefighter	\$12,087.94
Landry, Elaine A.	School	\$21.20
Landry, Kathleen A.	School	\$750.00
Lane, Eric E.	Police	\$88.88
Latour, Kathryn	Election Warden	\$623.05
Lazili, Annette	School	\$126.75
Leahy, Daniel	Planning Board	\$1,860.83
Lemieux, Jacqueline	School	\$396.48
Lescord, Tina K.	School	\$110.00
Lincoln, Linda M.	Town Clerk	\$12,342.35
Lineen, Richard	School Head Custodian	\$39,731.02
Lucas, Lydia M.	School	\$174.24
Lytle, Jeanne E.	School	\$19,968.22
Macleod, William E.	Firefighter	\$936.10
Mahoney, Sharon A.	Planning Board	\$250.00
Makowski, Devin	Elections & Registration	\$53.63
Mansfield, Barbara A.	School	\$66,060.72
Mansfield, Scot M.	Wiring Inspector	\$3,402.96
Martell, David G.	Firefighter/EMT	\$2,649.01
Martell, Peter E.	Fire Chief/EMS Captain	\$53,223.28

Martin, Deborah L.	School	\$27.50
Maus, Deborah	School	\$1,794.16
McElroy, Brenda	Assessor	\$14,763.35
McGovern, Lisa I.	School	\$27,539.57
Metterville, Brenda D.	Library	\$33,915.12
Miele, Kristine A.	School	\$45,953.98
Monahan, Jean E.	School	\$64,209.13
Moores, Lois A.	Tax Collector	\$30,022.98
Morin, Arthur L.	Transfer Station	\$2,074.80
Morin-Wermter, Donna M.	School	\$57,808.49
Motyka, Thomas D.	Police	\$3,068.26
Mundell, Barbara L.	Elections and Registration	\$1,989.80
Mundell, Cody A.	Cemetery	\$1,550.00
Murray, Carolyn	Elections and Registration	\$385.13
Murray, Joseph F.	Police/Water Commissioner	\$811.13
Murray, Lesley J.	School	\$39.20
Myers, Jeanne	Elections and Registration	\$511.88
Nagle, Martin	Ass't Wiring Inspector	\$299.00
Nagle, Suzanne	School	\$66,221.44
Neylon, Donna L.	Admin Asst. to Selectboard	\$37,935.04
Nichols, Diane	School	\$622.50
Nugent, James E.	School	\$55.00
O'Connell, Joanne	School	\$19,861.97
O'Connell, Peter S.	Selectman/School Committee	\$2,166.71
O'Keefe, Faith E.	Library	\$8,598.94
O'Leary, Lois	Elections and Registration	\$82.03
Oliver, Deborah A.	School	\$3,172.42
O'Neill, Karen	School	\$64,493.29
Omasta, Christie L.	School	\$28,835.46
Orne, Robert A.	Police	\$9,657.58
Parker, Adam L.	School	\$432.00
Parker Colleen Joy	School	\$41,487.43
Pease, Laurance	School	\$154.86
Pecore, Gabrielle M.	Asst. Animal Control	\$561.00
Pecore, Joseph	Firefighter	\$120.72
Peirce, Philip H.	Assessor	\$14,763.34
Perez, Jose A.	Police	\$5,745.00
Phillips, Richard S.	Firefighter/EMT	\$877.12
Pisarczyk, Geraldine M.	School	\$246.19
Plumb, Bryan W.	School	\$14,501.74
Provost, Melissa J.	School	\$137.50
Putnam, Arthur	Library Custodian	\$210.00
Ranellone, Raymond	Firefighter	\$153.98
Roderick, Matthew	Firefighter	\$8.56
Rouse, Sherrie L.	School	\$600.00
Roy, Joshua	EMT	\$3,745.00
Ruiz, Theresa	School	\$55.00
Sagendorph, Joan D.	Library	\$3,306.68
Salonich, Lisa R.	School	\$13,545.72
Sanborn, Angela A.	School	\$74,112.72
Sanborn, Shirley E.	Elections and Registration	\$115.80
Seery, Michael	Town Clerk/Cemty/BOH	\$26,089.93
Sewart, Kimberly A.	School	\$11,798.36
Simeone, Gary M.	Zoning Enforcement Officer	\$8,651.02
Simmons, Meredith K.	School	\$19,862.06
Simonelli, Nathan	School	\$832.00

Simonelli, Tracey A.	School	\$15,846.04
Simpson, Katherine	Library	\$5,378.09
Skaparas, April M.	School	\$5,433.68
Stawski, Diane	Planning Board	\$1,061.10
Steuer Jr., Michael	EMT	\$420.39
Straight, Rebecca Lee	School	\$25,768.16
Swanson, Craig M.	Police	\$13,193.98
Tarr, Helen E.	School	\$72,461.21
Taylor, Jeffrey P.	Building Inspector	\$13,843.00
Thompson, Lucinda S.	Highway	\$13,601.73
Thompson, William	Custodian	\$11,101.27
Tucker, Kevin R.	Police	\$7,940.58
Vitello, Eileen M.	Animal Control Officer	\$5,824.52
Wall, Robert F.	Plumbing/Gas Inspector	\$3,424.52
Warren, Kerry-Ann R.	School	\$55.02
Washburn Sr., John	Recreation	\$2,433.26
Wedge, Raymond R.	Police	\$808.52
Welsh, Christopher P.	Acting Police Chief	\$28,435.68
Wentzell, Donna M.	Assessor	\$14,763.35
White, Jeffrey R.	Firefighter	\$864.72
Williams, Edward H.	Highway	\$1,253.70
Wilson, Barbara R.	School Committee	\$500.00
Wilson, Heidi A.	School	\$1,612.59
Woodard, Louise	Elections & Registration	\$507.00
Worthington, Carrie L.	Conservation/Wetlands	\$712.50
Young, Margaret	School	\$19,895.72
Zielinski, Janice	School	\$32,032.93



REPORT OF THE VETERANS AGENT

The operating budget of \$240 is used for annual training required by the State of Massachusetts. All training expenses are reimbursed to the Town of Brookfield at 100%. It is also used for annual membership dues. A portion is also used to cover office supplies and postage requirements.

My case management budget started out at \$15,000 but was increased midway through the year to \$20,000 due to an increase in clients. This is used for paying out Chapter 115 benefits as well as burial expenses as needed. The use of this budget varies depending on the number of Veterans being taken care of. This money is reimbursed to the Town of Brookfield at 75% by the State.

Presently, I have three veterans receiving State benefits from the Town of Brookfield. The Town did not pay for any funerals in 2010.

A Veterans donation account has been established thanks to a generous donation from the Brookfield Bombers. This account will be used to assist Veterans as appropriate and your donations, addressed to the Town of Brookfield with the notation Veterans Account will help this account and your local veterans. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan S. Griffing, Director of Veterans Services, Veterans Services Agent and Burial Agent

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT COMMISSIONERS

The Water Commissioners held monthly meetings in the town hall at 6:30 p.m. as posted.

The Water Department treated and pumped 32.2 million gallons of water. This is a decrease of 5.5% thousand gallons of water pumped in the previous year, which is primarily due to the increase in commercial sales. One new water service was installed and one service was removed this year. The total number of services remains at 492.

Maintenance to the system included scheduled testing for iron, manganese, nitrate, and coliform. Cross-Connection surveys were completed along with all backflow tests. Daily maintenance includes pump monitoring, adjustments for pH control and leak detections. Yearly duties include system flushing, valve exercising and fire hydrant maintenance.

The Water Department participated in the December 2010 application of the Community Development Block Grant which included a re-application for a new water line on a portion of Draper Street and a new water line on Hyde Street.

The Town of Brookfield received an American Reinvestment and Recovery Act Grant for work to be don on Common and Lincoln Streets. This project enabled the Water Department to replace water mains that dated back to 1903. The mains were replaced with 1,680 feet of 8 inch ductile iron pipe. The service line continued for 690 feet. Twenty-seven curb stops and one fire hydrant were also installed. The cost estimate for this portion of the project is \$122,500.00. All project funds were paid for through the grant.

July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010

Water Users	\$91,890.79
Water Haulers	13,587.66
Demand and Interest	3,953.43
On Off Fee/Repair	892.88
Backflow/Sprinkler	916.00
New service	500.00
Revenue Collected	\$111,740.76

Respectfully Submitted
Bruce Clarke, *Superintendent*

Administrative Clerk,
Holly Chisholm

Secondary Operators,
Donald Herbert
Charles Crevier

Commissioners,
Roger Charpentier, Jr., *Chairman*

Joseph Murray

Robert R. Barnes

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 2010

Long time member and chairman Michael P. Seery resigned in June of 2010 after his election to the Office of Town Clerk. The board would like to thank Mr. Seery for his many years of service on the board. In September Mr. David Holm was appointed to the board. We welcome David as our newest member. The Board of Appeals acted on the following applications:

- **January 13, 2010:** Granted a special permit to Thomas J. Rettig, to use a portion of his property located at 38 West Main Street as a photography studio. The property is located in the Business A district. The vote was 5-0 in favor.
- **January 13, 2010:** Granted a special permit to Patricia Caron, to use an attached building located at 40 West Main Street as a retail carpentry store and the single family as a day care service. The property is located in the Business A district. The vote was 5-0 in favor.
- **June 7, 2010:** Granted a special permit to Robert George, to install a 9 x 18 swimming pool on his property located at 15 Lincoln Street. The property is located in the village district. The vote was 4-0 in favor.
- **July 8, 2010:** Granted a special permit to James Correia, to build a 26 x 16 foot sun room off left rear of existing building and a 22 x 16 foot deck to be built adjacent to right side of sun porch and a 20 x 40 foot pavilion to be built on the rear side of property with a handicapped ramp to enter on right side of deck, and to create a secondary use residence on the second floor of his property located at 11 Fiskdale Road. The property is located in the Flood Plain District. The vote was 4-0 in favor.
- **July 13, 2010:** Granted a special permit to Ken Gilman, to install a 24 foot above-ground swimming pool located 52 feet from left boundary, 50 feet from rear boundary and 41 feet from the right boundary on his property located at 39 Fiskdale Road. The property is located in the Rural Residential District. The vote was 4-0 in favor.
- **July 13, 2010:** Granted a special permit to Clement Porter, to build a two car garage 26 feet, 8 inches wide and 28 feet deep with a second floor to be used as a storage area at his property located at 16 Wells Road. The property is located in the Rural Residential District. The vote was 4-0 in favor.
- **August 12, 2010:** Granted a special permit to Cumberland Farms, to build a freezer/dry storage area with unit dimensions of 7'10" W x 27'5" L X 10'H and concrete pad dimensions of 9.5 W x 33.42'L at the rear of existing building. The property is located at 32 Central Street and Route 9. The property is located in the Business A district. The vote was 4-0 in favor.
- **August 12, 2010:** Granted a variance to James Correia to build a 16 x 20 foot rental/bait shop on the south rear of existing building aligned with the rear of building. The property is located at 11 Fiskdale Road, and is in the flood plain district. The vote was 4-0 in favor.
- **November 17, 2010:** Granted a special permit to Russell A. Corriveau, to build a supplemental apartment not to exceed 600 square feet. The property is located at 79 Molasses Hill Road and is in the Rural Residential District. The vote was 5-0 in favor.
- **December 22, 2010:** Granted a special permit to Melody E. Miller, to build a supplemental apartment not to exceed 600 square feet. The property is located at 131 Town Farm Road in the Rural Residential District. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicholas M. Thomo-Chairman
David E. Olson

Charles K. Wilson
David R. Holm

Michelle M. Guntor

REPORT OF THE ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Regular office hours were maintained to assist the Building Inspector to expedite permit required projects in assuring compliance to the Town's Zoning By-laws. During the 2010 year, this office has taken and responded to 156 calls and 219 email requests.

Eight (8) projects were denied by the Zoning Officer and subsequently documented and referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) for special permit or variance approval.

One (1) project was denied by the Zoning Officer and subsequently documented and referred to the Planning Board for special permit approval. One project from the previous year was still an open case for the better half of 2010.

Several letters were sent to individual property owners and businesses identifying specific zoning infractions and requesting that they comply with the zoning by-laws to avoid further action and possible fines. In most cases, these issues were resolved in a timely fashion and the property was corrected of the violation. In some cases, other departments were involved to help enforce the request to comply to avoid using Town Counsel and not incur additional expenses to the town. One of these continues to be an open issue at this time and still working with the concerned parties.

Four (4) property owners were fined for starting a project without a proper permit as is required in the town zoning by-laws.

In one instance it was necessary to work with Town Counsel for a violation that continues to be ignored and this case is still open at this time.

I continue to respond to complaints to resolve zoning infractions and violations in the town and will work with other departments and the residents to ensure that the rules and regulations set forth by the Town of Brookfield are being followed. Legal counsel will continue to be used only when absolutely necessary to help persuade residents to comply with the by-laws. Cooperation and compliance with the zoning by-laws, decisions of the Zoning Enforcement Officer, ZBA, Planning Board, Board of Health and respect for neighbors is appreciated and helps to reduce the cost to the Town of Brookfield when issues can be settled without the need for Town Counsel assistance.

Copies of the Town of Brookfield Zoning By-laws, Rules and Regulations are available from the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary M. Simeone
Zoning Enforcement Officer



**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
Thursday March 18, 2010**

WORCESTER, SS:

TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER

GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, TO MEET AT THE TO MEET AT THE **BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, CAFETERIA, 37 CENTRAL STREET, BROOKFIELD, MA ON THURSDAY, March 18, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.** TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$5,000,000 for the purpose of designing and constructing an elevator addition and related improvements to the Town Hall and for the associated design and renovation costs of the Town Hall to fully comply with all Americans With Disabilities Act, the Architectural Access Board, and the building code of Massachusetts, including all other costs incidental and related thereto, to make the Town Hall fully usable for Town offices and as a center of community activities, “the Town Hall Renovation Project”, contingent on the following:

(a) The Town submit an application for a Community Development Block grant in Fiscal Year 2011 and/or application for other grants for funding of not less than \$500,000 to be applied to the total Town Hall Renovation Project, and that

(b) To meet this appropriation, the Town Treasurer be authorized to borrow a sum of money from United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Development program, as provided for by M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 8, or any other enabling authority, such sum not to exceed \$4,500,000 for the purpose of financing all costs related to the construction of an elevator addition and all other costs incidental and related to the Town Hall Renovation Project, and that

(c) The appropriation under this vote shall not take effect unless the Town shall have voted at a regular or special election to exempt the amounts required to pay the borrowing from the provisions of Proposition 2½ so-called, as provided for by M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 21C(k), or take any other action relative thereto. (2/3rds vote required)

Action: The Town voted to defeat Article 1 by a standing vote of 76 yes and 80 no. (2/3 vote required)

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money to the Full-Time Officers Wages Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town vote unanimously to transfer the sum of \$16,000 from the Police Chief’s Salary Account to the Full-Time Officers Wages Account.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money to the Part-Time Officers Wages Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$17,000 from the Police Chief’s Salary Account to the Part-Time Officers Wages Account.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money to the Legal Services Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from the Police Chief's Salary Account to the Legal Services Account.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money to the Unemployment Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$5,000 from Free Cash to the Unemployment Account.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, at the Town Hall and Post Office in said Town, fourteen days at least before the time of the holding of said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this Third (3rd) day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

Respectfully Submitted,
SELECTMEN OF BROOKFIELD
Rudy Heller, Chairman
James W. Allen, Vice Chairman
Peter S. O'Connell, Clerk

A True Copy, Attest:
Joseph F. Murray Constable of Brookfield
Worcester, SS:
Brookfield, Massachusetts

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM because of over flow of people waiting to be checked in by the Board of Registrars. Selectman James Allen made a motion to start with Article 2, the motion was voted on and passed by a majority of voters. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM with 171 registered voters present.

A True Copy Attest: Linda M. Lincoln CMMC, Town Clerk



**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
June 18, 2010**

WORCESTER, SS:

TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER

GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, TO MEET AT THE **BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 37 CENTRAL STREET, BROOKFIELD, MA ON FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 2010 AT 6:30 P.M.** TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES:

All Votes Oral & Unanimous unless otherwise stated.

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to correct a vote taken at the 1985 Annual Town Meeting, Article 17 relative to Scenic Roads:

“Designated the following roads as Scenic Roads: **East Main Street** commencing at the junction of East Main Street and North Brookfield Road and continuing to the East Brookfield Town line; **Lake Road** from Route 148 to the four corners of South Pond and **Long Hill Road** from Route 148 to the West Brookfield line”

To read:

“Designated the following roads as Scenic Roads: **East Main Street** commencing at the junction of East Main Street and North Brookfield Road and continuing to the North Brookfield Town line; **Lake Road** from Route 148 to the four corners of South Pond and **Long Hill Road** from Route 148 to the West Brookfield line”

Or take any action relative thereto.

Action: It was voted to correct a vote taken at the 1985 Annual Town Meeting Article 17 relative to Scenic Roads to read:

“Designated the following roads as Scenic Roads: **East Main Street** commencing at the junction of East Main Street and North Brookfield Road and continuing to the North Brookfield Town line; **Lake Road** from Route 148 to the four corners of South Pond and **Long Hill Road** from Route 148 to the West Brookfield line”.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,300 from the Vault Account to the Town Hall Improvement Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: It was voted to transfer the sum of \$2,300 from the Vault Account to the Town Hall Improvement Account.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Fire Department Brush Fire/Special Duty Account to the Fire Station Repair Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: It was voted to transfer the sum of \$188.12 from the Fire Department Brush Fire/Special Duty Account to the Fire Station Repair Account.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote transfer a sum of money from the Fire Wages Account to the Fire Station Repairs Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: It was voted to transfer the sum of \$2,251.62 from the Fire Wages Account to the Fire Station Repairs Account.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Overlay Reserve Account to the overlay accounts for 2007 and 2008 to balance those accounts, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: It was voted to transfer the total sum of \$3,483.04 from the Overlay Reserve Account to the Overlay Accounts, \$2,046.24 for 2007 and \$1,436.80 for 2008 to balance those accounts.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash or other available funds to the Snow and Ice Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: It was voted to transfer the sum of \$30,656.36 from Free Cash to the Snow and Ice Account.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Board of Health – Health Agent Account to the Board of Health Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: It was voted to transfer the sum of \$750.00 from the Board of Health-Health Agent Account to the Board of Health Expense Account.

The Meeting Adjourned at 6:46 P.M. 45 voters attended the Special Town Meeting on Friday, June 18, 2010.

NO OTHER ARTICLES – 7 total.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, at the Town Hall and Post Office in said Town, fourteen days at least before the time of the holding of said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this 1st day of June, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

Respectfully Submitted,
SELECTMEN OF BROOKFIELD
S /Rudy Heller, Chairman
James W. Allen, Vice Chairman
Peter S. O'Connell, Clerk

A True Copy, Attest:

S/Joseph F. Murray

Constable of Brookfield

A TRUE COPY ATTEST: S/Michael P. Seery-Town Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**I pledge allegiance to the flag
of the United States of America
and to the Republic for which it stands,
one nation under God, indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all.**

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
JUNE 18TH, 2010**

WORCESTER, SS:

TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER

GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, TO MEET AT THE **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**, 37 CENTRAL STREET, BROOKFIELD, MA ON **FRIDAY THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF JUNE IN THE YEAR 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.** THEN AND THERE TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES:

All votes Oral & Unanimous unless otherwise stated.

Action: Following the reading of the warrant by the moderator, it was voted to allow Patricia Cantor, Town Counsel with Kopelman & Paige to address the meeting. Town counsel determined that the selectmen had the authority according to MGL Chapter 39 Section 9 to change the date of the annual town meeting.

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to accept the Annual Report of the Town Officials, as printed, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: Mr. William R. Simpson, chairman of the Master Plan Committee addressed the meeting to discuss the progress of the Master Plan Committee. Mr. Simpson mentioned that updates of the Master Plan are available at the Library and Town Hall.

Action: The town voted to accept the Annual Town Report.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: Mr. Gerald Johnson, chairman of the Advisory Committee addressed the meeting and provided an explanation of the proposed budget.

Action: The town voted to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

Articles shown in the boxes below are on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant every year and are often voted as a block.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, section 4 and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, section 17, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to foreclose on certain Tax Titles held by the Treasurer, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen or their agent to sell for the Town any land or building acquired by the Town by Tax Title foreclosure after first giving notice of said sale, by posting a notice at the Town Hall and the Post Office, 14 days at least before said sale stating what parcels are to be sold or offered for sale and the time and place of holding said sale, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell any old and obsolete equipment or personal property by sealed bids; at public auction after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, any old and obsolete equipment or personal property, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction or sale may reject any bid which they deem inadequate; or at an established market, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for any and to expend any State, Federal or other grants that may become available to the Town of Brookfield, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to appoint one of its members to hold the position of Health Agent, Title V Administrator, and Transfer Station Administrator and to provide compensation therefore, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund for the Brookfield Local Public Access under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E ½ or any successor committee and to authorize the license fee paid by Charter Cable and all monies raised through advertising and fundraising to be deposited in said revolving fund, provided that no monies shall be expended in excess of \$15,000.00 per year, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund for the Board of Health under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E ½ and to receive monies derived from engineering, inspection, and review fees charged in relation to witnessing of percolation test, septic plan review, site inspections, and resolution of variances, and to expend these monies to pay all costs associated with the Inspector's/Professional Engineer's review of said activities provided that no monies shall be expended in excess of \$20,000.00 per year, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted in favor of accepting articles, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10. The town voted to pass over article 9.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum to the Cemetery Preservation Fund Account to be used toward the matching portion of the cemetery iron gate restoration grant, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from Free Cash to the Cemetery Preservation Fund. The money will be used toward the matching portion of the cemetery iron gate restoration grant.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the General Fund to the Cemetery Preservation Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The town voted to transfer the sum of \$1,725.00 from Free Cash to the Cemetery Preservation Fund.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to General Laws Chapter 114, Sec. 23, to approve the 2009 Regulations issued by the Cemetery Commission and any amendments thereto that the Commission may deem appropriate from time to time, or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The town voted to approve the 2009 Regulations issued by the Cemetery Commission and any amendments thereto that the Commission may deem appropriate from time to time.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account which was established according to Chapter 40, section 5F to the Municipal Diesel Fuel Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The town voted to transfer the sum of \$1,600.00 from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account to the Municipal Diesel Fuel Account.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account which was established according to Chapter 40, section 5F to fund the Ambulance Expense Account for fiscal year 2010, or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The town voted to transfer the sum of \$31,710.00 from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account to fund the Ambulance Expense Account for fiscal year 2011.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account which was established according to Chapter 40, section 5F to fund the Emergency Squad Wages Account for fiscal year 2010, or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The Town voted to transfer the sum of \$109,538.00 from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account to fund the Emergency Squad Wages Account for fiscal year 2011.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the Town Hall Improvement Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The town voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$20,000.00 to the Town Hall Improvement Account.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be used by the Brookfield 350th Quaboag Plantation Anniversary Celebration Committee, or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be used by the Brookfield 350th Quaboag Plantation Anniversary Celebration Committee.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to perform fire station repairs, or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,560.26 to be used for fire station repairs.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to accept and to expend a sum of money from Chapter 90 funds, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to accept and expend the sum of \$131,022.00 from Chapter 90 funds.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow from available funds, a sum of money to the Highway Construction, Reconstruction and Improvement of Town Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to transfer the sum of \$31,000.00 from Free Cash to the Highway Construction, Reconstruction and Improvement of Town Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks Account.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Water Surplus Account to the Water-pump Station Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to transfer the sum of \$30,000.00 from the Water Surplus Account to the Water-Pump Station Account.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Water Surplus Account to the Water System Maintenance and Improvement Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to transfer the sum of \$30,000.00 from the Water Surplus Account to the Water System Maintenance and Improvement Account.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be used for the development and execution of a Historic Landscape Design and Preservation Plan for the Town Common and Mall, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,500.00 to be used for the development and execution of a Historic Landscape Design and Preservation Plan for the Town Common and Mall.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be used to match a grant received from Massachusetts Technology Collaborative Final Clean Energy Choice Community Matching Grant Agreement, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to transfer the sum of \$2,300.00 from Free Cash to be used to match a grant received from Massachusetts Technology Collaborative.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the Computer Acquisition Account be used for municipal computer purchases with related equipment and software, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to transfer the sum of \$8,400.00 from Free Cash for the Computer Acquisition Account to be used for municipal computer purchases with related equipment and software.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to adopt a new General By-law by adding Chapter XII, a new Section, Section 6, which shall provide: The Town of Brookfield hereby establishes a citizen's committee to be called the Agricultural Commission. The Agricultural Commission shall be appointed by the Selectmen, and shall consist of 5 members. The Selectmen shall also appoint 5 alternates, who shall vote, if designated by the Agricultural Commission Chairman, in the event a regular member (or members) is

absent or has a conflict of interest. Both regular members and alternates shall be appointed for 3-year terms. The Agricultural Commission shall facilitate and encourage the pursuit of agriculture in Brookfield, and promote agricultural-based economic opportunities in the Town. Its mission is to preserve, revitalize, and sustain the Brookfield agricultural industry and its lands and to encourage the pursuit of agriculture, promote agricultural-based opportunities and protect farmland, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted to adopt a new General By-law by adding Chapter XII, a new Section, Section 6, which shall provide: The Town of Brookfield hereby establishes a citizen's committee to be called the Agricultural Commission. The Agricultural Commission shall be appointed by the Selectmen, and shall consist of 5 members. The Selectmen shall also appoint 5 alternates, who shall vote, if designated by the Agricultural Commission Chairman, in the event a regular member (or members) is absent or has a conflict of interest. Both regular members and alternates shall be appointed for 3-year terms each, with initial terms, however, to be one member for one year, two members for two years, and two members for three years. The Agricultural Commission shall facilitate and encourage the pursuit of agriculture in Brookfield, and promote agricultural-based economic opportunities in the Town. Its mission is to preserve, revitalize, and sustain the Brookfield agricultural industry and its lands and to encourage the pursuit of agriculture, promote agricultural-based opportunities and protect farmland.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the rate of interest that accrues on property taxes deferred by eligible seniors under M.G.L. Chapter 59 Section 5, Clause 41A from 8% to 4%, with such reduced rate to apply to taxes assessed for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2010, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to reduce the rate of interest that accrues on property taxes deferred by eligible seniors under M.G.L. Chapter 59 Section 5, Clause 41A from 8% to 4%, with such reduced rate to apply to taxes assessed for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2010.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Stabilization Fund to Maturing Principal for Brookfield Elementary School Account and to the Maturing Interest for Brookfield Elementary School Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$59,418.00 from the Stabilization Fund to be used to pay off the Maturing Debt Principal and the Maturing Debt Interest for the Brookfield Elementary School. A 2/3rds vote was required.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Free Cash to the Stabilization Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The town voted to transfer the sum of \$9,000.00 from Free Cash to the Stabilization Account.

THIS WARRANT HAS A TOTAL OF 30 ARTICLES.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 P.M. 67 voters attended.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, at the Town Hall and Post Office in said Town, seven days at least before the time of the holding of said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this FIRST (1st) day of June, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

Respectfully Submitted,
SELECTMEN OF BROOKFIELD
S/Rudy Heller, Chairman
James W. Allen, Vice Chairman
Peter S. O'Connell, Clerk

A True Copy, Attest:
S/Joseph F. Murray
Constable of Brookfield
A TRUE COPY ATTEST: S/Michael P. Seery, Town Clerk

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
October 29, 2010**

WORCESTER, SS:
TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER
GREETINGS:
IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS, TO MEET AT THE **BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, CAFETERIA, 37 CENTRAL STREET, BROOKFIELD, MA ON FRIDAY, October 29, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.** TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES:

Action: Following the opening of the meeting and pledge of allegiance, the selectmen welcomed Mr. Michael Blanchard, newly appointed Chief of Police to the town. He then took the oath of office from the Town Clerk, Michael P. Seery.

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow the sum of \$629.00 to the Advisory Committee's Expense Account to pay a late invoice from Fiscal Year 2009, or take any action relative thereto. (9/10 vote)

Action: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$629.00 to the Advisory Committee's Expense Account to pay a late invoice from Fiscal Year 2009.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow the sum of \$77.00 to the Highway Department Expense Account to pay a late invoice from Fiscal Year 2010, or take any action relative thereto. (9/10 vote)

Action: The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$77.00 from the Worcester Regional Retirement Account to the Highway Department Expense Account to pay a late invoice from fiscal year 2010.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow the sum of \$159.80 to the Planning Board Expense Account to pay a late invoice from Fiscal Year 2010, or take any action relative thereto. (9/10 vote)

Action: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$159.80 to the Planning Board Expense Account to pay a late invoice from fiscal year 2010.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow the sum of \$2,750.99 to the Legal Services Account to pay a bill of the prior fiscal year for legal expenses, or take any action relative thereto. (9/10 vote)

Action: The Town voted to transfer the sum of \$2,750.99 from the Worcester Regional Retirement Account to the Legal Services Account to pay a late invoice from fiscal year 2010. A standing vote determined 119 in favor and 8 opposed. The vote exceeded the 9/10ths required.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$27,335.00, which was received as an insurance payment, to the Police Vehicle Acquisition Account, and to raise, appropriate, transfer or borrow, the sum of \$4,498 to the Police Vehicle Acquisition Account for the purchase of a police cruiser, for a total purchase price of \$31,833; or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$27,335.00 received as an insurance payment, to the Police Vehicle Acquisition Account, and to transfer the sum of \$4,498.00 from the Police Chief Salary Account to the Police Vehicle Acquisition Account to pay for the purchase of a police cruiser, for a total purchase price of \$31,833.00.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Police Department Full-Time Account to the Police Department Part-Time Account or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$15,000.00 from the Police Department Full-Time Account to the Police Department Part-Time Account.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be added to the salary of the Brookfield Police Chief, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to pass over Article 7.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, to acquire on behalf of the Town, by purchase, gift or eminent domain, from the Trustees of McKeon Family Revocable Living Trust, for general municipal purposes, certain premises, being 3 Prouty Street (045/006.C-0001-0036.0), 5 Prouty Street (045/006.C-0001-0037.0) and 7 Prouty Street (045/006.C-0001-0038.0), being a portion of the property described in a deed recorded with the Worcester South District Registry of Deeds in Book 45977, Page 262, and further to raise, appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$160,000.00 for the afore-described parcels and any expenses related thereto, or take any action relative thereto. (2/3 vote)

Action: The Town voted to defeat Article 8 by a standing majority of 91 in favor and 71 opposed. The vote was short of the 2/3rds required for borrowing. A motion was made and accepted to reconsider the article. The final vote after reconsideration was 102 in favor and 57 opposed. The vote was again short of the 2/3rds required for borrowing and Article 8 was defeated.

Initiative Petition:

ARTICLE 27: Do the voters for the Town of Brookfield want the Town of Brookfields Tax Collector to become an elected position not appointed by the Board of Selectman.

Action: The Town voted by a standing majority 74 in favor and 73 opposed to authorize and direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the legislature for a special act establishing that the Tax Collector of Brookfield be an elected position, rather than appointed, at intervals of three years commencing with the 2011 Annual Town Election and such act shall supersede any other provisions which may be in effect. A motion was made and defeated by voice majority vote to reconsider the article.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to reduce by a sum of money, the vote of Annual Town Meeting, June 18, 2010, Article 2, for maturing debt and interest for the Brookfield Elementary school; or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to reduce the amounts voted at the Annual Town Meeting, June 18, 2010, Article 2, maturing debt for the Brookfield Elementary School by \$220,303.00 and maturing interest Brookfield Elementary School by \$90,068.00.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to amend the amount voted at the Annual Town Meeting on June 18, 2010 for Brookfields share of the FY11 Tantasqua Regional transportation assessment, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to reduce by \$16,881.00 the amount voted at the Annual Town Meeting on June 18, 2010, Article 2, Brookfields share of the FY11 Tantasqua Regional Assessment.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will enact a temporary tax amnesty program during fiscal year 2011 in accordance with Chapter 188, Section 68 of the Acts of 2010, or take any other action relative thereto.

Section 1. Amnesty Period:

The Amnesty period will begin on **November 1, 2010** and end on May 13, 2011.

Section 2. Program Scope:

A taxpayer who meets all eligibility requirements set forth in Section 3 below shall receive a waiver of **50%** of accrued interest, collection costs, and penalties owed on real estate taxes assessed under M.G.L. Chapter 59 for the fiscal years **2002 through 2010** inclusive upon full payment of the outstanding property tax liability and all interest, collection costs, and penalties not waived by the end of the amnesty period.

Section 3. Eligibility Requirements:

- A. The tax amnesty will apply automatically to any delinquent taxpayer who is current on all FY11 taxes and who pays all outstanding liabilities including water department fees, real estate and personal property taxes, motor vehicle excise taxes, and boat excise taxes.
- B. Any taxpayer who is the subject of a criminal investigation or prosecution for failure to pay a property tax, motor vehicle excise tax, or boat excise when the amnesty program begins **may not participate in the tax amnesty program or be granted a waiver.**
- C. A taxpayer who had a delinquency, made a partial payment sufficient to pay the principal amount of the tax or excise before those payments were prohibited by G.L. Chapter 60, Section 3E, and now owes only accrued interest, collection costs and penalties does not have an unpaid liability and **may not receive a waiver of the balance due.**

Section 4. Definitions:

- A. The **taxpayer** is the person assessed the tax and is personally liable for its payment. The taxpayer may also be the administrator of an estate or the executor of a will of the assessed owner, the current owner of the parcel, a tenant obligated to pay more than half of the assessed taxes on the parcel or anyone else who has an interest in or possession of the property.
- B. The **liability** is the principal amount of the real estate tax that is overdue and unpaid. A real estate tax includes any municipal charge, fee, fine, penalty or other amount committed as part of the tax by the assessors for collection purposes.
- C. The **covered amount** is the maximum amount that may be waived under the program. It is the total of accrued interest, collection fees, charges and penalties that (1) are assessed by and due to the collector or treasurer under G.L. Chapter 60, Section 15 or

otherwise as part of the real estate or excise liability because of the taxpayer's failure to pay the liability (2) are unpaid, and (3) are required to be paid for that tax or excise to be considered paid in full, **EXCEPT**

- 1) Collection fees, charges and penalties due on a real estate tax where the taxpayer has been given notice that a warrant to collect the tax or excise has been issued.
 - 2) Accrued interest attributable to municipal charges, fees, fines, or other amounts committed as part of the tax by the assessors for collection purposes, where the committed amounts stem from violations of statutes, by-laws or ordinances other than those requiring timely payment.
- D. The **waived amount** is determined by applying the chosen waiver percentage to the covered amount.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to defeat Article 11.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the Treasurer/Tax Collector's Tax Title Account; or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted to pass over Article 12.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum not to exceed \$6,000 to be transferred to the Highway Department Expense Account and the Highway Department Overtime/Wages Account; or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$2,000.00 from the General Insurance Account to the Highway Department Expense Account and the sum of \$4,000.00 to the Highway Department Overtime/Wages Account.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to meet the Municipal Appropriation Requirement for the Merrick Public Library Book Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$1,616.00 from the General Insurance Account to the Merrick Public Library Book Account.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the Computer Maintenance Account; or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$2,000.00 from the General Insurance Account to the Computer Maintenance Account.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the Unemployment Account; or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted to pass over Article 16.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be added to the Veteran's Case Worker Account for Fiscal Year 2011; or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be added to the Veteran's Case Worker Account for fiscal year 2011.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be used for the repair of the Town Hall roof; or take any action relative thereto.

Action: The Town voted to pass over Article 18.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the Fiscal Year 2011 Legal Expense Account; or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The Town voted by a voice majority to raise and appropriate the amount of \$15,000.00 for the Fiscal Year 2011 Legal Expense Account.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to accept the job descriptions of Municipal Clerk I and II and include their titles, grades and points in the Personnel By-Law, Chapter XV, Section 2, Mandatory Classification; or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The Town voted by a voice majority to accept the job description of Municipal Clerk II and include title of Municipal Clerk II, grade 4 185 points in the Personnel By-Law, Chapter XV, Section 2, Mandatory Classification.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for municipal clerk wages; or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The Town voted by a standing majority of 66 in favor and 43 opposed to transfer the sum of \$2,000.00 from the General Insurance Account to the Municipal Clerk Wages Account.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-Law, Chapter XV, Section 2, Mandatory Classification, regarding Grade and Points for the position of Administrative Assistant; or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The Town voted by a standing majority of 65 in favor and 42 opposed to amend the Personnel By-Law, Chapter XV, Section 2, Mandatory Classification, changing the Grade from 8 with 285 points to Grade 10 with 355 points for the position of Administrative Assistant, as calculated by the Personnel Board.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the Administrative Assistant as provided for in the amendment to the Personnel By-Law, Chapter XV, Section 2, Mandatory Classification set forth in Article 12, above; or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The Town voted by a voice majority to transfer the sum of \$2,086.00 from the General Insurance Account to the Administrative Assistant wages account.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Stabilization Account; or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate and transfer the sum of \$11,000.00 To the Stabilization Account. (A 2/3rds vote is required).

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be used to reduce the tax levy; or take any action relative thereto.

Action:The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$80,000.00 from the Stabilization Account to reduce the tax rate. (A 2/3rds vote is required).

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Town By-Law, a new Chapter: Chapter XVII: Right to Farm By-Law

Section 1. Legislative Purpose and Intent

The purpose and intent of this By-Law is to state with emphasis the Right to Farm accorded to all citizens of the Commonwealth under Article 97 of the Constitution, and all state statutes and regulations thereunder including but not limited to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A, Section 3, Paragraph 1; Chapter 90, Section 9, Chapter 111, Section 125A and Chapter 128 Section 1A. We the citizens of Brookfield restate and republish

these rights pursuant to the Town's authority conferred by Article 89 of the Articles of Amendment of the Massachusetts Constitution, ("Home Rule Amendment").

This General By-Law encourages the pursuit of agriculture, promotes agriculture-based economic opportunities, and protects farmlands within the Town of Brookfield by allowing agricultural uses and related activities to function with minimal conflict with abutters and local agencies. This By-Law shall apply to all jurisdictional areas within the Town.

Section 2. Definitions

The word "farm" shall include any parcel or contiguous parcels of land, or water bodies used for the primary purpose of agriculture, or accessory thereto.

The words "farming" or "agriculture" or their derivatives shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- Farming in all its branches and the cultivation and tillage of the soil;
- Dairying; production, cultivation, growing and harvesting of any agricultural, aquacultural, floricultural, viti-cultural, or horticultural commodities;
- Growing and harvesting of forest products upon forest land, and any other forestry or lumbering operations;
- Raising of livestock including horses;
- Keeping of horses; and
- Keeping and raising of poultry, swine, cattle, sheep, goats, ratites (such as emus, ostriches and rheas) and camelids (such as llamas and camels), and other domesticated animals for food and other agricultural purposes, including bees and fur-bearing animals.

"Farming" shall encompass activities including, but not limited to, the following:

- Operation and transportation of slow-moving farm equipment over roads within the Town;
- Control of pests, including, but not limited to, insects, weeds, predators and disease organisms of plants and animals, preferably through non-chemical, non-toxic means;
- Application of manure, fertilizers and pesticides;
- Conducting agriculture-related educational and farm-based recreational activities, including agri-tourism, provided that the activities are related to the agricultural output or services of the farm;
- Processing, slaughtering and packaging of the agricultural output of the farm and the operation of a farmers' market or farm stand including signage thereto;
- Maintenance, repair, or storage or seasonal equipment, or apparatus owned or leased by the farm owner or manager used expressly for the purpose of propagation, processing, management, or sale of the agricultural products; and

On-farm relocation of earth and the clearing of ground for farming operations.

Section 3. Right to Farm Declaration

The Right to Farm is hereby recognized to exist within the Town of Brookfield. The above described agricultural activities may occur on holidays, weekdays, and weekends by night or day and shall include the attendant incidental noise, odors, dust and fumes associated with normally accepted agricultural practices. It is hereby determined that whatever impact may be caused to others through the normal practice of agriculture is more than offset by the benefits of farming to the neighborhood, community, and society in general.

The benefits and protections of this By-Law are intended to apply exclusively to those agricultural and farming operations and activities conducted in accordance with generally accepted agricultural practices. Moreover, nothing in this Right to Farm By-Law shall be

deemed as acquiring any interest in land or as imposing any land use regulation, which is properly the subject of state statute, regulation, or local zoning law.

Section 4. Precedence

In the event of conflict between this By-Law and federal or state law, federal or state law shall take precedence respectively.

Section 5. Resolution of Disputes

Any person who seeks to complain about the operation of a farm may, notwithstanding pursuing any other available remedy, file a grievance with the Zoning Enforcement Officer, or the Board of Health, depending upon the nature of the grievance. The filing of a grievance does not suspend the time within which to pursue any other available remedies that the aggrieved person may have. The Zoning Enforcement Officer or the Board of Health shall forward a copy of the grievance to the Agricultural Commission or its agent, which shall review and facilitate the resolution of the grievance, and report its recommendations to the referring Town authority within an agreed upon time frame.

Section 6. Severability Clause

If any part of this By-Law is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remainder of this By-Law. The Town of Brookfield hereby declares the provisions of this By-Law to be severable.

Action: The Town voted to pass over Article 26.

NO OTHER ARTICLES – 27 total.

There were 175 voters in attendance. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, at the Town Hall and Post Office in said Town, fourteen days at least before the time of the holding of said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this 15th day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

Respectfully Submitted,
SELECTMEN OF BROOKFIELD
S/Rudy Heller, Chairman
James W. Allen, Vice Chairman
Peter S. O’Connell, Clerk

A True Copy, Attest:
Joseph F. Murray
Constable of Brookfield
A TRUE COPY ATTEST:
S/MICHAEL P. SEERY, TOWN CLERK



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