



Town of Freetown Annual Town Report

Fiscal Year 2018
July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018



DEDICATION

The Town of Freetown Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Town Report is dedicated to Deputy Fire Chief Clifford Cardin, who retired on June 30th, 2018, after 35 years of service to the Town of Freetown. Fire Chief Gary Silvia's wonderful words about Deputy Chief Cardin's time as a Freetown Fire Department are reprinted here.



On June 30th, 2018, after 35 years of service Deputy Chief Clifford Cardin retired from the Freetown Fire Department. Deputy Chief Cardin's retirement closes out a stellar career and a lesson in true community service. As one of the original "Six and Three Men", Deputy Cardin could rise and grind with the best of them. Although his enthusiasm may have been tempered by the harsh realities of "working on the line" for more than three and a half decades, Cliff never lost his love for the job. Deputy Cardin is one of the most decorated firefighters in the history of the department, but you wouldn't know it by talking to him. He was a man whose humble demeanor allowed him to serve in relative anonymity for thirty five (35) years while doing a remarkable job that few could match. Throughout his esteemed career, Deputy Chief Cardin proved to be a most sincere, and empathetic fire officer, who always represented the department with honor and distinction. Deputy Cardin had an uncanny ability to handle the most horrific events with patience, calm demeanor, and compassion. Future generations of firefighters are indebted to him, and he certainly leaves the department better than how he found it. Cliff will be missed by all of us at the fire department, but not so much for what he did as a firefighter or chief officer, but more importantly because of who he is as a person and a dear friend. We are grateful for all that he has done over the years to keep the citizens of Freetown safe. We wish him nothing but the best during his retirement and hope he gets to spend plenty of time with his friends and family!

Deputy Chief Clifford Cardin was given a Senate Citation by
Senator Michael J. Rodrigues before the Annual Town Meeting in June 2018.

*We thank Deputy Chief Cliff Cardin for his years of service and wish him nothing but the best
in his adventures that lie ahead!*

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IN MEMORIAM

J. Carol Angus

1931 – 2017

Election Worker
Recreation Committee
Regional School Committee
Freetown School Committee

Mary Jane Anderson Collins

1932 – 2018

Teacher,
Freetown Elementary School

Peter F. DeCosta

1940 – 2017

Math & Science Teacher,
Apponequet Regional High School

Ruth A. Gagne

1931 – 2017

Finance Committee
Recycling Committee
Council on Aging Volunteer

Lisa A. Lundy

1965 – 2018

Chemistry Teacher,
Apponequet Regional High School

Marcus H. Ashley, Jr.

1917 – 2018

Civil Defense
Boy Scout Leader
Boston Post Cane Recipient

Ruth V. Clark

1923 – 2018

Home Economics Teacher,
Apponequet Regional High School

Leroy A. DeMaranville, Jr.

1928 – 2018

Firefighter
Custodian, Apponequet Reg. H.S.

Rachael C. Jorgensen

1940 – 2018

Library Trustee
Teacher at F.E.S., G.R.A.M.S., &
Apponequet Regional High School

Florence Petkoff

1932 – 2018

Election Worker

Marilyn E. Tripp

1932 – 2018

Council on Aging

In different ways, they have touched the lives of many who call Freetown home.

FREETOWN “BULLETIN BOARD”

Population:	8,870 per 2010 Federal Census	
Registered Voters:	Precinct 1	2,184
	Precinct 2	2,213
	Precinct 3	2,192

Voting Information

The **Annual Town Election** is held on the First Monday in April, per the Town’s by-laws. Polls are open 12 noon to 8pm. For **State Elections**, polls open 7am to 8pm.

Precincts 1, 2 and 3 all vote at the Freetown Elementary School Gymnasium, 43 Bullock Road, East Freetown, MA. All voters, including handicapped voters, should utilize the Memorial Drive entrance.

When available, sample ballots are available at regular duly authorized posting locations, and also on the town’s website, freetownma.gov.

Meetings of Town Boards, Committees and Commissions

All meetings are open to the public and are held at the Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, MA, at the Multi-Purpose Senior Center (Council on Aging), 227 Chace Road, East Freetown, MA, at Freetown Elementary School, 43 Bullock Road, East Freetown, MA, or at James White Memorial Library, 5 Washburn Road, East Freetown, MA, unless otherwise noted.

Per the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, meeting notices containing specific dates, times and locations of meetings, in addition to a meeting agenda, are posted on the official glass-enclosed Town Hall bulletin board, in the main hallway on the first floor, at least 48 hours in advance of meetings (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays), and on the town’s website, freetownma.gov, except for those meetings called on an emergency basis.

Annual Town Meeting

Per the Town’s by-laws, the Annual Town Meeting is held on the first Monday in June, at 7:30pm. Traditionally, this meeting is held at either Freetown Elementary School, 43 Bullock Road, East Freetown, MA, or at Apponequet Regional High School, 100 Howland Road, Lakeville, MA. Warrants for the meeting are posted at regular duly authorized posting locations throughout town, and on the town’s website, at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting date.

TOWN OF FREETOWN ELECTED OFFICIALS

As of June 30, 2018 (with term expiry noted after each name)

Board of Assessors

Michael J. Motta, 2019
Sheila Scaduto, *Chairman*, 2020
Suzanne R. Ashley-Parker, 2021

Board of Health

Robert P. Jose, 2019
Charles B. Sullivan, 2020
Lisa A. Pacheco, *Chairman*, 2021

Board of Selectmen

Robert P. Jose, *Chairman*, 2019
Charles B. Sullivan, 2020
Lisa A. Pacheco, 2021

Cemetery Committee

Keven V. Desmarais, 2019
Michael T. McCue, *Chairman*, 2020
Adrianne Levesque, 2021

Finance Committee

Carol N. Woldorf, 2019
George Grunwald, *Chairman*, 2019
Kent Wilkins, 2019
Robert H. Alderson, 2020
Gary A. Martin, 2020
Craig S. Rosen, 2021
*The Finance Committee had one vacancy as of
June 30, 2018.*

Highway Surveyor

Charles J. Macomber, 2021

Housing Authority

Ellen Lima, 2019
Susan J. Jose, 2022
Brian W. Miller, 2023
*The Housing Authority had one vacancy as of
June 30, 2018.*

Library Trustees

Vincent M. Kyne, 2019
Beverly A. Sadeck, 2019
Christine Paiva, *Vice Chairman*, 2020
Paul G. Sadeck, 2020
Irene Ashley, *Secretary*, 2021
Lucille M. Rosa, *Chairman*, 2021

Moderator

Michael T. McCue, 2021

Personnel Board

Robert P. Jose, 2019
Charles B. Sullivan, *Chairman*, 2020
Lisa A. Pacheco, 2021

Planning Board

James Frates, 2019
Mark W. Rogers, *Vice Chairman*, 2020
Deborah Robbins, 2021
Keven V. Desmarais, *Chairman*, 2022
Robert P. Jose, 2023

Regional School District Committee

Laura Ramsden, 2019 (Lakeville)
William M. Sienkewicz, Jr., 2019 (Freetown)
Robert W. Clark, 2020 (Freetown)
Carolyn R. Gomes, 2020 (Lakeville)
Derek Domingo Gracia, 2020 (Freetown)
Sherrill F. Barron, 2021 (Lakeville)
Jean Fox, 2021 (Freetown)
Stephen M. Owen, 2021 (Lakeville)

Town Clerk

Jacqueline A. Brown, MMC/CMMC, Elected
Tenure

Tree Warden

Maurice Demoranville, 2021

Water & Sewer Commission

Paul G. Sadeck, 2019

Bradford E. Paiva, 2020

Robert S. Parker, 2021

TOWN OF FREETOWN APPOINTED OFFICIALS/EMPLOYEES

Annual appointments expiring June 30, 2018 (unless otherwise noted)

Board of Selectmen/Town Administration

David DeManche, Town Administrator & Chief Procurement Officer

Alexandra Golz, Administrative Assistant

Timm McIntosh, Senior Clerk

Board of Health

Derek Macedo, Board of Health Agent

Kevin Bernardo, Board of Health Agent Per Diem

Nadine Dimond, Senior Clerk

Lori Desmarais, RN BSN, Public Health Nurse

Transfer Station

Victoria King, Attendant

Robert Klevecka, Assistant Attendant

Boat Ramp Attendants

Michele Castonguay

James Maciel

Building Department / Inspectional Services

Scott Barbato, Building Commissioner & Zoning Enforcement Agent

Nadine Dimond, Senior Clerk

Mark Audette, Custodial/Maintenance

Joseph Biszko, Building Inspector & Zoning Enforcement Agent, Alternate

Allen Beaupre, Wiring Inspector, Assistant Part-Time

Christopher Cabral, Electrical Inspector

William Alphonse, Jr., Plumbing/Gas Fitting Inspector

Thomas Barlow, Plumbing/Gas Fitting Inspector Assistant, Part-Time/Substitute

Town Clerk's Office

Jacqueline A Brown - Census Liaison, Burial Agent, Master Public Records Officer

Cheryl Estrella, Assistant Town Clerk

Board of Registrars

Mary L. Bowen, March 2019

Sandra DiLillo, March 2021

Gilbert Medeiros, March 2020

Jacqueline A. Brown, Town Clerk

Election Workers

Republican:

Elizabeth D Ashley, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller

Kenneth Bock, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller

Lauren J. Collins, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller

Elaine N. Ferro- Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Judith Gurney, Election Worker/Warden – Prec. 3 (resigned 2/20/2018)
Jennifer Lewis, Election Worker/Clerk- Prec. 2
Michael T. McCue, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Roger Martin, Election Worker/Warden – Prec. 1
Lorraine Noel, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Christine Paiva, Election Worker, (Inspector/Teller until 4/2/2018, appt. Prec. 3 Clerk 4/2/2018)
Melony Parris, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Sandra Pettey, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Rhonda Porawski, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Judy A. Reese, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Terry Shaw, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller

Democrat:

Susan Freeman-Aronofsky, Election Worker, Prec. 1 Clerk
Manuel Arruda Jr, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Travis Bowie, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Michele Castonguay, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Nancy Graca, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Marjorie Laporte, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Myrna C. Lubin, Election Worker– Prec. 3 Clerk until 4/2/18; appt. Prec. 3 Warden
Paul D. Lubin, Election Worker/Warden – Prec. 2
Diane Martin, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Edward Orlowski, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Nancy Roberts, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Grace Rose, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Patricia Rushton, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Susan Simao-Veloza, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Elizabeth Youngblood, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller (resigned 2/2018)

Unenrolled:

Arnold C. Boucher, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Victoria A. Brownell, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Paula Charette, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Peter Charland, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Karen Carling-Chudolij, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Kenneth Collard, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Rochelle Cox, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Leo Desorcy Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Joy Grunwald, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Anita Howland, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Susan Jose, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Frank A. Lach, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Lois Pereira, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller

Linda H. Remedis, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Grace M. Medeiros, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Carol M. Weiner, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller (until 6/30/18)

Board of Assessors

Karen Mello, Assistant Assessor
Michael McCue, Senior Clerk

Town Accountant

Kimberley Fales, Town Accountant
Pamela Sousa, Senior Clerk

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes

Jessica Thomas, Treasurer/Tax Collector
Linette Langevin-Uzzell, Assistant Tax Collector
Isabel Ferreira, Assistant Treasurer

Planning Board

Christopher McKay, Planning Technician
Michael McCue, Senior Clerk (temporary)

Antonio DeMelo, Associate Member
Lauren Moreau, Planning Technician (Resigned)

Public Libraries

Dorothy Stanley-Ballard, Director
Althea Brady, Senior Librarian (Retired)
Brittany Normandin, Library Technician

Chelsea Hester, Library Technician
Casey Pittsley, Library Technician (Resigned)

Council on Aging

Victoria Brownell
Robin Kendrick

Ruth Ferland
Jeanette Tisdelle, *Chairman*
Bruce Wilbur
Barbara Place, Director

Charles Gray
Marion Rylands

Aleesha Freire, Senior Clerk
Rosemary Haley, Senior Clerk
Judy Reese, Van Driver

Sarah Gilbert, Senior Clerk (*resigned*)
Donna Silva, Van Driver
Vincent D'Oliveira, Alt. Van Driver

John Pye, Van Driver

Water & Sewer Commission

Keven Desmarais, Data Acquisition/Infrastructure Maintenance
Steven Chandler, Senior Clerk

Highway Department

Thomas Ashley, Heavy Equipment Operator
Kenneth Pleiss, Head Mechanic

Jeremy Bernardo, Truck Driver/Laborer
Eric Richard, Heavy Equipment Operator

Andrew Simmons, Heavy Equipment Operator

Edward Walsh, Laborer

Michael McCue, Senior Clerk

Veterans' Services

Robert Klevecka, Agent & Director

Animal Control

Lisa Podielsky, Animal Control Officer & Inspector of Animals, April 30 2018

Fire & Rescue

Gary Silvia, Fire Chief/Paramedic

Clifford Cardin, Deputy Fire Chief/Paramedic
Neal Lafleur, Lieutenant/Paramedic
Keith Mello, Firefighter/Paramedic
Nicholas Lecuyer, Firefighter/Paramedic
James Gonneville, Firefighter/Paramedic

Harrie Ashley, Lieutenant/Paramedic
Paul Ashley, Lieutenant/E.M.T.-A
Mark Brogan, Firefighter/Paramedic
Jeffrey Brum, Firefighter/Paramedic
Zackary Petitpas Firefighter/Paramedic

Cameron Alves, Call Firefighter/Paramedic
Tyler Bower, Call FFOP
Mallorie Brouns, Call Firefighter/EMT
Ethan Bullock, Call FFOP
Gregory Calbo, Call Firefighter/Paramedic
Cody Craveiro, Call Firefighter
Robert Ferreira, Call Firefighter/EMT
Samuel Finney, Call Firefighter/EMT
Nathan Gagnier, Call Firefighter
Joshua Hathaway, Call Firefighter/EMT
Vincent Karppinen, Call Firefighter
Brent L'Heureux, Call Lieutenant/EMT

Stephen Medeiros, Call Firefighter/Paramedic
Matthew Olien, Call Firefighter/EMT
Danielle Poole, Call Firefighter
Eric Reynolds Jr., Call Firefighter/EMT
Kevin Rezendes, Call Firefighter/EMT
Corey Roberts, Call Firefighter
Vernon Roberts, Call Captain
Andrew Robinson, Call Firefighter
Ryan Silvia, Call Firefighter/Paramedic
Kevin Smith, Call Firefighter
Kevin Whittey, Call Firefighter/EMT
Andrew Wilkinson, Call Firefighter

Christopher Masse, Call Firefighter

Deborah Allerdt, Senior Clerk (Retired)

Linda Remedis, Senior Clerk

Emergency Management Agency (EMA) – Public Safety

Gary Silvia, Director

Carlton Abbott, Jr.
Stephen Medeiros, Radio Dispatcher

David DeManche
Lisa Pacheco

Robert Jose
Bradford Paiva, Radio Dispatcher

Edward T. Sylvia, Deputy Director

Paul Sadeck, Radio Dispatcher

CERT Team Members

Deborah Allerd	Lori Desmarais	John Faidell
David Frates	Alexandra Golz	Kelsey Hopkins
Joseph Kelly	Lisa Podielsky	Joseph Quin
Joseph Shaw	Edward Sylvia	Kevin Whittey
	Maura Whittey	

Local Emergency Planning Committee

Carlton Abbott Jr.	Jacqueline A. Brown	David DeManche
		Robert Jose
Eric Morin	Lisa Pacheco	Charles Sullivan
	Gary Silvia	

Police Department

Carlton E. Abbott, Jr., Chief of Police

Steven E. Abbott, Lieutenant	Elton E. Ashley, III, Sergeant	Thomas E. Ashley, Jr., Patrolman
Michael J. Connell, Patrolman	Edward J. Dwyer, Sergeant	Mark Fornaciari, Patrolman
Kaylin A. Jose, Patrolman	Shane V. Kelley, Detective	Patrick R. Lee, Patrolman
Benjamin A. Levesque, Sergeant	Thomas D. Long, Patrolman	Swede M. Magnett, Sergeant
Christopher Medeiros, Patrolman	Ryan W. Pereira, Patrolman	John Pina III, Patrolman
Phillip J. Pine, Patrolman	Scott M. Rose, Sergeant	Jon M. Taylor, Patrolman
Luiz Alves, Reserve	Craig J. Cabral, Reserve	Joseph P. Cowing, Reserve
Seth M. Demello, Reserve	Nicholas J. Drinkwine, Reserve	Marc A. Gaspar, Reserve
Michael R. MacDonald, Reserve	Nathan P. Melo, Reserve	Kara E. Pigeon, Reserve

Communications/Signal Operator

	Debra Souza, Supervisor	
Stephanie L. Brum, Full-Time	Margaret A. Dwyer, Full-Time	Richard J. Levesque, Full-Time
Thomas E. Ashley, Jr., Part-Time	Joseph P. Cowing, Part-Time	Timothy M. Dwyer, Part-Time
John Pina, III, Part-Time	Lisa M. Podielsky, Part-Time	Taylor J. Podielsky, Part-Time
Joshua Simmons, Part-Time		Lydia E. St Laurent, Part-Time

Lock Up Attendant

	Carlton Abbott, Jr., Keeper of Lock-Up	
Stephanie Brum	Lisa Podielsky	Lydia St. Laurent

Constable (Civil Service & Criminal Process)

Carlton Abbott, Jr.	Steven Abbott	Elton Ashley, III
Robert C. Fouquette	Michael C. Lecuyer	Edward A. Mello
Walter J. Sawicki		Kenneth Upham, Sr. (Civil Service only)

Police Commissioners (Ex Officio)

Robert P. Jose, 2019	Lisa A. Pacheco, Chairman, 2021	Charles B. Sullivan, 2020
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Building Committee

Robert Alderson	Jacqueline A. Brown	Mary Rezendes Brown
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David DeManche	Antonio DeMelo	Mark Fornaciari
Robert Jose	Benjamin Levesque	Paul Lubin
Lisa Pacheco, <i>Chairman</i>	Paul Sadeck	Gary Silvia
Charles Sullivan	Jeanette Tisdelle	Kent Wilkins

*The Building Committee has one vacancy for a Precinct II resident-at-large,
and one vacancy for a representative from Town Hall.*

Police Sub-Committee

Carlton Abbott, Jr.	Mark Fornaciari	Benjamin Levesque
Robert Jose	Lisa Pacheco, <i>Chairman</i>	Mary Rezendes Brown
Paul Sadeck		Charles Sullivan

Cable Advisory Committee

Reverend Curtis Dias	Bruce Wilbur	Lisa Pacheco
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Public Cemeteries

Richard P. Brown, Assitant Superintendant of Assonet Burial Grounds
Robert Klevecka, Veterans' Graves Officer
Michael McCue, Superintendent of Public Cemeteries

Conservation Commission

Keven Desmarais, <i>Chairman</i>	Christopher Mather	Janine Robidoux
Charles Sullivan		Maria Turnullo
	Michael McCue, Senior Clerk	

Cultural Council

Elizabeth Ashley (November 14, 2019)	Kevin Bernardo (October 18, 2019)
Paula Byers (May 16, 2021)	Stephen Chandler (March 30, 2020)
Keven Desmarais (October 6, 2020)	Lori Demarais, <i>Chairman</i> (October 6, 2020)
Alexandra Golz (September 21, 2018)	John Remedis (September 5, 2020)

Economic Development Committee

Derek Gracia	Robert Jose	Lisa Pacheco
James Rezendes	Charles Sullivan	Bruce Wilbur

The Economic Development Committee had one vacancy as of June 30, 2018.

Finance Committee

Lois Amaral, Senior Clerk

Health Insurance Advisory Committee

Carlton Abbott, Jr.
Mark Fornaciari

David DeManche
Neal Lafleur
Walter Sawicki, *Chairman*

Keven Desmarais
Lisa Pacheco

Historical Commission

Travis Bowie, 2020
Paul Deneault, 2020

Mary Rezendes Brown, *Chairman*, 2019
Miriam Gurney, Clerk, 2020

Nicole Bruno, 2020
Jacqueline Petrowski, 2019

Peter Erwin, Associate Member, 2019

James Rezendes, Associate Member, 2019

Library Planning Committee

Chrysti Dufort
Lucille Rosa, *Chairman*

Linda Fournier

Paul Lubin
Sara Valero

Measurer of Wood & Lumber

Paul Darling

Moth Superintendent

Maurice Demoranville

Parade & Fireworks

Robert Adams
Judith Gregory, *Chairman*
John Remedis
Carol Woldorf

Karen Facchiano
Robert Gregory
Linda Remedis

Jean Fox
Ellen Lima
Sharon Rosen
Terrence Woldorf

Priority Development

Keven Desmarais

Robert Jose
Gary Silvia

Mark Rogers

Regional School Finance Committee (Freetown Representatives)

Robert Jose (Board of Selectmen)

Kent Wilkins (Finance Committee)

Scholarship Committee

Michael T. McCue, *Chairman*, 2020
Judith M. Gregory, 2019

Robert L. Adams, 2018
Sharon J. Rosen, 2018
Richard Medeiros, Superintendent of Schools, 2018

Jean C. Fox, 2019
Sandra L. Souza, 2020

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Duties handled through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Division of Standards,
Weights and Measures Services

Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District

(Freetown Representatives)

Althea Brady (Regional Open Space Committee)

David DeManche (SRPEDD, Regional Economic Strategy Committee)

Christopher McKay (SRPEDD)

Gary Silvia (Pre-Disaster Mitigation Committee)

Soil Conservation Board

Keven Desmarais

Robert Jose

Lisa Pacheco

Charles Sullivan

Mark Rogers

Task Force By-Law

Carlton Abbott, Jr.

Robert Jose

Gary Silvia

Tax Increment Financing Board

(Appointments expire yearly on April 30th)

David DeManche

Keven Desmarais

George Grunwald

Robert Jose

Jessica Thomas

Sheila Scaduto

Taxation Relief Committee

Lisa Pacheco

Barbara Place

Jessica Thomas

Town Forest Committee

Steven Chandler

Benjamin Pierpont

Daniel Rezendes

Note: The Town Forest Committee is appointed by the Conservation Commission.

Town Counsel

KP Law, P.C.

Town Physician

Dr. Christopher Lebo
Physician

Dr. Lynn Maloney, Municipally Designated

Zoning Board of Appeals

James Frates, Chairman, 2018

Bradford Paiva, 2019

Nicolas Velozo, 2020

James Sarcia, Associate Member, 2018

Christopher Chapin, Associate Member, 2018

Michael McCue, Senior Clerk

Special Appointments by the Board of Selectmen

Carlton Abbott, Jr.	Municipal Hearing Officer for State Fire & Building Codes
Althea Brady	Assawomsett Pond Complex Management Team
David DeManche	Community Aggregation Delegate, Ethics Commission Liaison, Joint Transportation Planning Group (Freetown Representative), SEMASS Committee (Freetown Representative), Sign Certification Officer
Linda Fournier	Taunton River Stewardship Council (Freetown Representative)
Alexandra Golz	Parking Clerk
Mark Jose	Harbormaster/Shellfish Warden
Robert Jose	Bristol County Advisory Board (Board of Selectmen's Delegate), Regional School Negotiating Committee (Board of Selectmen's Representative), Southeastern Regional Transportation Authority (Freetown Representative)
Derek Macedo	Hazardous Waste Coordinator
Timm McIntosh	Webmaster
Lisa Pacheco	Commuter Rail Task Force Delegate, Sexual Harassment Officer
Barbara Place	Citizens for Citizens Representative
Gary Silvia	Municipal Coordinator "Right to Know"

STATE OFFICIALS

Representatives to the Commonwealth

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Karyn Polito, Lieutenant Governor

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Representatives in the Federal Government

Senator Elizabeth Warren

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15 New Sudbury Street
Boston, MA 02203
(617) 565-3170

309 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510
(202) 224-4543

Senator Edward Markey

222 Milliken Boulevard, Suite 312
Fall River, MA 02721
(508) 677-0523

975 JFK Federal Building
15 New Sudbury Street
Boston, MA 02222
(617) 565-8519

255 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510
(202) 224-2742

Representative Joseph P. Kennedy, III

U.S. Representative, 4th Congressional District

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Attleboro, MA 02703
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29 Crafts St, Suite 375
Newton MA 02458
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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert P. Jose, Chairman, 2019
Charles B. Sullivan, Personnel Board Chair, 2020
Lisa A. Pacheco, Board of Health Chair, 2021

BOARD OF SELECTMEN STAFF

David DeManche, Town Administrator
Alexandra Golz, Administrative Assistant
Timm McIntosh, Senior Clerk

*The Board of Selectmen's office is open Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm, and Friday, 8am-12pm.
Meetings are scheduled for the first and third Mondays of each month at 6pm,
at the Council on Aging.*

To the Citizens of Freetown:

The following is the Annual Report of the Freetown Board of Selectmen for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018:

The Freetown Board of Selectmen is pleased to report its activities for the fiscal year 2018, a busy year in the Town. Mr. David DeManche was hired as our new Town Administrator in 2017 and assisted our efforts in many areas in 2018. The Board of Selectmen rededicated its support for its local residents and their fight against their perceived grievances.

The Board of Selectmen called for three (3) Special Town Meetings and one (1) Annual Town Meeting to carry out the Town's business. All of these meetings were well attended, and the Board would like to thank all of the residents who participated in these meetings and made their voices heard. Also, the Board of Selectmen called for a town election to prohibit the sale of retail recreational marijuana. The Board actively advocated for this policy position, and a ban on retail sales of marijuana was upheld.

In 2018, the Board of Selectmen agreed to participate in a class action suit as proposed by our Town Counsel, KP Law, against opioid manufacturers and to battle the epidemic of opioid addiction.

As part of the Mass Modernization Act, the Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, became a Community Compact Member. The Town, as a partner with the Commonwealth, will promote affordable housing and land use management. The Planning Board has worked on several initiatives and bylaws to increase housing production. Additionally, the Planning Board developed an Open Space Plan. A special thanks to the Planning Board for taking action to move these projects forward.

The Board of Selectmen was the one of two communities to vote against the \$100 million renovation to the Bristol County Agricultural High School. While the Board understands the need for improvements to the school, it was felt by the Board that this was a large project and there were concerns about the debt that would result from the BCAHS project and the impact on our community.

The Board of Selectmen did sponsor a project for a water line extension on Chace Road. The estimated cost of this project was four million dollars and would have provided water to the residents along Chace Road, Freetown Elementary School, and the New Police Station. At a town meeting held on March 14th, 2018, continued to June 4th and then June 5th, 2018, the project was voted down by voters.

The Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, and Town Accountant Kim Fales, with the assistance of town department heads and the Finance Committee, presented a fiscally responsible and balanced budget to the 2018 town meeting. A special thanks to our Town Accountant and Town Administrator who played an instrumental role in developing the FY 19 budget.

Towards the end of the year, the Board of Selectmen began the process of collective bargaining with all the unions in town, including LIUNA Public Employees Local 1144 (representing Town Hall employees, Library employees, Highway Department employees and Signal Operators), the Freetown Police Association and Freetown Full-Time Firefighters Association.

Acting on behalf of the residents, the Board of Selectmen reviewed and approved 38 local licenses for Freetown businesses. Many activities such as the Fourth of July Parade and Celebration, the Strawberry Festival as well as several road races were also approved. In addition, the Board approved annual contracts for LakeCAM and MCCAM after a review of both services. Finally, the Board of Selectmen renewed the contract for Police Chief Abbott through June of 2020.

The Board of Selectmen were very pleased to welcome third graders Daniel Campos, Michael Demoranville, Sidney Levitre and Tayla Levesque from the Freetown Elementary School, who were chosen as the winners of the “Selectmen for the Day” essay contest at the end of the 2017/2018 school year. The Selectmen for the Day joined the Board at their meeting on June 18, 2018, to approve the Hawkers & Peddler’s Licenses for Freetown’s Annual Fourth of July Celebration.

Receipts were deposited to the Treasurer as follows:

Liquor Licenses:

All Alcoholic Common Victualer License:	2 @ \$1,000.00 ea.	\$2,000.00
All Alcoholic Package Store License:	3 @ \$1,000.00 ea.	\$3,000.00
Wine & Malt Beverage Package Store License:	2 @ \$600.00 ea.	\$1,200.00
All Alcoholic Club License:	1 @ \$500.00	\$500.00

Entertainment License:	4 @ \$100.00 ea.	\$400.00
One-Day (Sunday) Entertainment License:	1 @ \$5.00	\$5.00
Jukebox License:	1 @ \$20.00	\$20.00
Automatic Amusement Device License:	4 @ \$50.00 ea.	\$200.00

Motor Vehicle Licenses:

Class II Dealers’ License:	22 @ \$100.00 ea.	\$2,200.00
Class III Dealers’ License:	9 @ \$100.00 ea.	\$900.00
Motor Vehicle Graveyard License:	1 @ \$100.00	\$100.00

Annual Auctioneer’s License:	1 @ \$25.00	\$25.00
Hawkers & Peddlers License:	2 @ \$50.00 ea.	\$100.00

Road Opening Permit:	2 @ \$150.00	\$300.00
Parking Ticket Payment:		\$210.00
Advertisements for Annual Town Report:		\$100.00
Donations for Town Hall Events:		\$200.00
Sale of Fixed Assets (Proceeds from Town Surplus Auction, May 19, 2018)		\$10,855.00
Sale of Land (Purchased by the MA Department of Conservation & Recreation)		\$60,000.00
Net Meter Funds from NRG:		\$6,403.53

Cable Franchise Fees:	\$30,823.56
Cable License Fees:	\$1,412.50
SouthCoast Educational Collaborative (payment for school classroom use):	\$30,000.00

Total Submitted to Treasurer:	\$150,954.59
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The Board of Selectmen would like to thank the many volunteers and elected and appointed officials who help make the Town of Freetown a great community to live and work in. Finally, the Board would like to recognize our staff, Ali Golz and Timm McIntosh who day in and day assist the Board, and Town Administrator carry out the duties and responsibilities of our office.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert P. Jose, Chairman
Charles B. Sullivan
Lisa A. Pacheco

David DeManche, Town Administrator
Alexandra Golz, Administrative Assistant
Timm McIntosh, Senior Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

BOARD OF HEALTH

Robert P. Jose, 2019

Charles B. Sullivan, 2020

Lisa A. Pacheco, *Chairman*, 2021

BOARD OF HEALTH STAFF

Derek Macedo, Board of Health Agent

Kevin Bernardo, Board of Health Agent Per Diem

Nadine Dimond, Senior Clerk

Lori Desmarais, RN BSN, Public Health Nurse

The Board of Health office is open Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm, and Friday, 8am-12pm. Meetings are scheduled, as the Board of Selectmen, for the first and third Mondays of each month at 6pm, at the Council on Aging.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The following is the annual report of the Board of Health for the fiscal year, July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Serving on the Board of Health were the three members of the Board of Selectmen.

Appointed by the Board of Health to assist in fulfilling its responsibilities during this time was Derek Macedo, Health Agent, Lori Desmarais, RN BSN Public Health Nurse, Nadine Dimond, Senior Clerk

Following is a list of fees collected for the Board of Health:

	<u>Permits Issued</u>	<u>Permit Fees Collected</u>
New Septic Systems	12	\$2,400.00
Repaired Septic Systems	42	\$5,250.00
Septic System Review	49	\$2,450.00
Cert. Of Compliance	10	\$530.00
Title 5 Review	65	\$3,250.00
Installers Licenses	34	\$6,800.00
Pump & Transport Licenses	11	\$2,200.00
Well Permits	12	\$1,800.00
Percolation Test	52	\$22,125.00
Milk & Cream	20	\$190.00
Camp License	4	\$600.00
Temporary Food	34	\$430.00
Common Victualler	20	\$1,500.00
Food Establishment	17	\$2,550.00
Retail Food	13	\$1,300.00
Transient Vendor	1	\$20.00
Mobile Food	5	\$375.00
Bakery License	4	\$200.00

Piggery License	0	\$0.00
Trash Hauler	5	\$1,000.00
Tobacco	8	\$440.00
Tattoo Establishment	0	\$0.00
Tattoo Practitioner	0	\$0.00
Public Beach	1	\$75.00
Outdoor Wood Burning Stove Permit	0	\$0.00
Tanning Facility	1	\$75.00
Pool Permits for Camp	3	\$150.00
Total Permits/Fees Collected	423	\$55,710.00
Waived Permits/Fees	2	

Respectfully submitted for

Derek Macedo
Board of Health Agent

REPORT OF THE TRANSFER STATION

BOARD OF HEALTH STAFF

Derek Macedo, Board of Health Agent

Kevin Bernardo, Board of Health Agent Per Diem

Nadine Dimond, Senior Clerk

Victoria King, Transfer Station Attendant

Robert Klevecka, Assistant Transfer Station Attendant

The Transfer Station is located at 49 Howland Road, Assonet, and is open Thursday – Sunday, 8am-3:30pm.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The following is the annual report of the Board of Health for the fiscal year 2018, July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Following is a list of fees collected for the Transfer Station/Curbside Trash:

Bulky Items	\$30,914.00
Recycling	\$4,562.00
Resident Stickers	\$12,475.00
Tires	\$645.00
Propane Tanks	\$360.00
Batteries	\$20.00
Misc.	\$1,153.00
Total Fees Collected Transfer Station	\$50,129.00

Total Fees Collected by Town of Freetown for Trash Bag Sales \$299,250.00

Respectfully submitted for

Derek Macedo ,
Health Agent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Michael J. Motta, 2019
Sheila Scaduto, *Chairman*, 2020
Suzanne R. Ashley-Parker, 2021

BOARD OF ASSESSORS STAFF

Karen Mello, Assistant Assessor
Michael McCue, Senior Clerk

The Board of Assessors office is open Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm, and Friday, 8am-12pm. Meetings are posted in advance and take place at the Town Hall.

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The Fiscal 2018 Report of the Board of Assessors on property assessed January 1, 2017 is as follows:

Assessed Value of Land & Buildings	\$ 1,250,425,350.00
Assessed Value of Personal Property	\$ 68,330,760.00
TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE	\$ 1,318,756,110.00

Number of Dwelling Units Assessed	3,455
Number of Real Estate Parcels Assessed	3,969
Number of Personal Property Accounts Assessed	261

Tax Exemptions for FY2017	
Clause 41C (Elderly)	\$ 58,500.00
Clause 22, 22A, 22C, 22E (Veteran)	\$ 55,750.00
Clause 17D, 18, 37, 58/8, 59/5K	\$ 13,088.00

Tax Abatements for FY2017	\$ 9,782.68
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TOTAL ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTIONS	\$ 137,120.68
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Amounts to be Raised	
Local Expenditures	\$ 26,621,136.97

State & County Assessments	\$ 262,900.00
Overlay	\$ 797,179.02

Gross Amounts to be Raised	\$	26,621,136.97
Estimated Receipts & Local funds	\$	6,869,255.64
Net Amounts to be Raised	\$	19,751,881.33
Real Property Tax Levy	\$	18,288,235.45
Personal Property Tax Levy	\$	1,463,644.88
 TOTAL TAX LEVIED ON PROPERTY	 \$	 19,751,881.33

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Scaduto,
Chairman

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
Jessica Thomas, Treasurer/Tax Collector
Linette Langevin-Uzzell, Assistant Tax Collector

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The following is the Annual Report of the Treasurer's Office for Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

The Collector of Taxes collects taxes and excises due the town. The Tax Collector deposits all monies received, and a turn over of the monies is given to the Treasurer at least once a week. The Tax Collector also pursues delinquent accounts.

The following represents the unaudited year end tax balances of the Tax Collector as of June 30, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Thomas
Treasurer/Collector

Real Estate	Real Estate
Levy 2018	\$ 229,808.30
Levy 2017	\$ 1,208.04
Prior Years	\$ -
Totals	<u>\$ 231,016.34</u>
Personal Property	
Levy 2018	\$ 13,207.24
Levy 2017	\$ 7,873.79
Levy 2016	\$ 8,011.44
Levy 2015	\$ 7,378.58
Prior Years	\$ 35,999.19
Totals	<u>\$ 72,470.24</u>
Motor Vehicle	
Levy 2018	\$ 103,024.00
Levy 2017	\$ 22,873.93
Levy 2016	\$ 9,294.48
Prior Years	\$ 128.75
Totals	<u>\$ 135,321.16</u>
Boat	\$ 3,347.00
Totals	<u>\$ 3,347.00</u>

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR

Jessica Thomas, Treasurer
Isabel Ferreira, Assistant Treasurer

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The following is the Annual Report of the Treasurer's Office for the Fiscal Year
July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Thomas
Treasurer/Collector

Cash Summary

Balance as of June 30, 2017	\$11,643,482.28
Receipts	\$27,578,307.70
Expended	<u>-\$25,116,584.00</u>
Balance June 30, 2018	<u>\$14,105,205.98</u>

Interest

	<u>FY 15</u>	<u>FY 16</u>	<u>FY 17</u>	<u>FY 18</u>
Earned				
Net	<u>\$4,319.08</u>	<u>\$11,553.66</u>	<u>\$30,785.99</u>	<u>\$53,675.73</u>

Account Balances

Bristol County Savings	\$4,371,181.04
MMDT	\$343.47
Manfield MM	\$0.00
Rockland Trust - GF	\$1,718,269.74
Rockland Trust - Payroll	\$0.21
Rockland Trust- New Vendor	\$57.09
Rockland Trust - Old Vendor	\$0.01
Rockland Trust - Sundry Trust	\$1,435,705.03
Unibank - Town Clerk	\$1,889.67
Unibank - Fire Permits	\$242.74
Unibank - On line	\$16,406.44
Unibank - Money Market	\$670,633.70

Harbor One- Stabilization	\$2,280,615.07
Harbor One- Capital Stabilization	\$3,412,712.73
Cash and Checks in Office	\$450.00
TD Bank - Ambulance	\$123,030.28
Rockland Trust- Debit Card	\$1,000.00
Santander- Ambulance	\$72,668.76
	<u>\$14,105,205.98</u>

<u>Tax Title Collected</u>	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18
Principal	\$308,032.66	\$211,419.84	\$184,797.01	\$219,981.27
Interest	\$165,111.76	\$119,109.86	\$146,196.40	\$159,484.66
Total	<u>\$473,144.42</u>	<u>\$330,529.70</u>	<u>\$330,993.41</u>	<u>\$379,465.93</u>

REPORT OF THE TREASURER'S OFFICE

TRUST FUND

JUNE 30, 2014

SPECIAL FUNDS

Septic Grant Program	\$95,155.26
Planning Board Engineering	\$24,818.67
Law Enforcement	\$1,011.53
Library Plan & Design	\$18,950.61
Arts Lottery	\$5,919.22
Conser. Bd. Eng. Fees	\$12,254.90
Bicycle Safety	\$391.85
Sub Total - Special Funds	\$158,502.04

LIBRARY FUNDS NON-EXPENDABLE

J. White Therien	\$14,874.05
White Memorial	\$500.00
C. Clark Memorial	\$5,000.00
Morgan Memorial	\$1,195.00
Parker Memorial	\$515.00
Clarence Kendrick	\$400.00
Irene Plouffe	\$761.20
Annie Hunt	\$3,000.00
Warren Cudworth	\$1,000.00
Paine	\$100.00
Betsey Hathaway	\$1,000.00
George Hathaway	\$10,000.00
Douglas Dana	\$400.00
M. Marvin Fletcher	\$1,000.00
Gager	\$2,000.00
Isable Hathaway	\$500.00
J.L. Lawton Kirker	\$1,000.00
Sub Total - Library Funds	\$43,245.25

CEMETERY FUNDS NON-EXPENDABLE

Assonet Cemetery	\$202,015.00
Chace Cemetery	\$76,700.00
Rounsvlele Cemetery	\$10,650.00
Morton Cemetery	\$7,065.00
White Cemetery	\$500.00
E. Freetown Cemetery	\$600.00
Evans Cemetery	\$36,270.00
Nichols Cemetery	\$345.00
Richmond Cemetery	\$612.00
Ruby W. Linn Trust	\$18,315.00
Tripp Cemetery	\$1,000.00
Sub Total Cemetery Funds	\$354,072.00

LIBRARY FUNDS EXPENDABLE

Irene Plouffe	\$298.87
J.L. Lawton Kirker	\$193.66
J. White Therrien	\$3,193.95
White Memorial	\$1,357.15
C. Clark Memorial	\$2,234.26
Douglas Dana	\$1,466.81
Annie Hunt	\$2,081.74
Warren Cudworth	\$4,963.42
Gager	\$831.40
A.A. Paine	\$1,199.14
Betsey Hathaway	\$3,979.74
George Hathaway	\$28,803.40
M. Marvin Fletcher	\$1,675.06
C. Isabel Hathaway	\$1,337.29
Morgan Memorial	\$1,032.30
Parker Memorial	\$446.12
Clarence Kendrick	\$138.61
Sub Total Library Funds	\$55,232.92

CEMETERY FUNDS EXPENDABLE

Assonet Cemetery	\$3,019.28
Chace Cemetery	\$741.91
Rounsevelle Cemetery	\$63.07
Morton Cemetery	\$36.98
White Cemetery	\$2.64
E. Freetown Cemetery	\$3.22
Evans Cemetery	\$3,788.49
Nichols Cemetery	\$3.77
Richmond Cemetery	\$4.22
Ruby W. Linn	\$6,405.57
Tripp Cemetery	\$9.56
Sub Total Cemetery Funds	\$14,078.71

MISCELLANEOUS

Clark Scholarship	\$10,112.12
Symp. & Hosp.	\$1,487.15
Conservation	\$98,560.49
Unfunded Pension	\$4.94
Fire-Call Disability	\$12,608.95
Parade & Fireworks	\$30,861.86
Federal Forfeiture	\$58,126.11
Police Reserve Disability	\$817.65
Education & Scholarship	\$300.64
Elderly & Disabled Donation	\$5,398.81
Trinity Ln. Ext. Perf. Bond	\$5,094.51
Aduke Way. Perf. Bond	\$17,089.77
Terry Lane- 97 High Street	\$0.00
OPEB	\$570,111.11
Peacock Estates	\$0.00
Sub Total Miscellaneous	\$810,574.11
Trust Fund Balance 6/30/18	<u>\$1,435,705.03</u>

REPORT OF TREASURER'S OFFICE

30-JUN-18

INDEBTEDNESS ANALYSIS

Date Loan

LONG TERM DEBT

INSIDE DEBT LIMIT

5/15/2013	Freetown Elem-New Bond		
	74% State Reimbursed		
	Outstanding June 30, 2017	\$	4,045,000.00
	Borrowed FY 2018	\$	-
	Paid Principal FY 2018	\$	545,000.00
	Outstanding June 30, 2018	\$	3,500,000.00
	Interest Paid FY 2018	\$	75,450.00

5/15/2013	Flooding, Bridges, Spring 2010		
	Outstanding June 30, 2017	\$	420,000.00
	Borrowed FY 2018	\$	-
	Paid Principal FY 2018	\$	70,000.00
	Outstanding June 30, 2018	\$	350,000.00
	Interest Paid FY 2018	\$	7,700.00

OUTSIDE THE DEBT LIMIT

4/3/2009	Water Pump Station		
	Outstanding June 30, 2017	\$	29,500.00
	Borrowed FY 2018	\$	-
	Paid Principal FY 2018	\$	14,750.00
	Outstanding June 30, 2018	\$	14,750.00
	Interest Paid FY 2018	\$	2,876.25

SHORT TERM DEBT

	Bridge Repairs & S.Main Filter Site Imp. BAN		
	Date of Votes		10/27/2015 & 6/15/2015
	Outstanding June 30, 2017	\$	300,000.00
	Interest Paid FY 2018	\$	3,000.00
	Paid Principal FY 2018	\$	300,000.00
	Outstanding June 30, 2018	\$	-

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

TOWN CLERK

Jacqueline A. Brown, MMC/CMMC, Elected Tenure
Cheryl Estrella, Assistant Town Clerk

BURIAL AGENT

Jacqueline A. Brown, Town Clerk

CENSUS LIAISON

Jacqueline A. Brown, Town Clerk

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Mary L. Bowen, March 2019
Sandra DiLillo, March 2021
Gilbert Medeiros, March 2020
Jacqueline A. Brown, Town Clerk

ELECTION WORKERS

Terms Expire: September 1, 2018

Republican:

Elizabeth D Ashley, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Kenneth Bock, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Lauren J. Collins, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Elaine N. Ferro- Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Judith Gurney, Election Worker/Warden – Prec. 3 (resigned 2/20/2018)
Jennifer Lewis, Election Worker/Clerk- Prec. 2
Michael T. McCue, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Roger Martin, Election Worker/Warden – Prec. 1
Lorraine Noel, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Christine Paiva, Election Worker, (Inspector/Teller until 4/2/2018, appt. Prec. 3 Clerk 4/2/2018)
Melony Parris, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Sandra Pettey, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Rhonda Porawski, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Judy A. Reese, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Terry Shaw, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller

Democrat:

Susan Freeman-Aronofsky, Election Worker, Prec. 1 Clerk
Manuel Arruda Jr, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Travis Bowie, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Michele Castonguay, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Nancy Graca, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Marjorie Laporte, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Myrna C. Lubin, Election Worker– Prec. 3 Clerk until 4/2/18; appt. Prec. 3 Warden
Paul D. Lubin, Election Worker/Warden – Prec. 2
Diane Martin, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Edward Orlowski, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Nancy Roberts, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller

Grace Rose, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Patricia Rushton, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Susan Simao-Veloza, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Elizabeth Youngblood, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller (resigned 2/2018)

Unenrolled:

Arnold C. Boucher, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Victoria A. Brownell, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Paula Charette, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Peter Charland, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Karen Carling-Chudolij, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Kenneth Collard, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Rochelle Cox, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Leo Desorcy Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Joy Grunwald, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Anita Howland, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Susan Jose, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Frank A. Lach, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Lois Pereira, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Linda H. Remedis, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Grace M. Medeiros, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller
Carol M. Weiner, Election Worker, Inspector/Teller (until 6/30/18)

The Town Clerk's office is open Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm, and Friday, 8am-12pm.

The Annual Town Meeting is held on the first Monday in June, typically at the Freetown Elementary School. The Annual Town Election is held on the first Monday in April, from 12pm-8pm, with all three Precincts voting in the Freetown Elementary School Gymnasium. For state elections, polls are open from 7am-8pm, at the same location.

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The following is a report of the Town Clerk's Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE:

- 1) Assistant Town Clerk - Effective July 1, 2018 the Senior Clerk, Cheryl Estrella was promoted to Assistant Town Clerk. Cheryl has been with the Town Clerk's Office since 12/09/2014 and has been an instrumental part of the office in serving the residents of Freetown.
- 2) Certification - In February 2018, the Town Clerk acquired her re-certification as a MA Certified Massachusetts Municipal Clerk (CMMC).
- 3) Debit/Credit Card Acceptance In-Office -Beginning January 2018 the Town Clerk's Office began accepting debit and credit cards in addition to cash and checks as a form of payment for dog licenses, vital records, business certificates and all other transactions in-house. The online debit/credit card or ACH acceptance previously started in 2017.

ELECTIONS:

- Special Town Election- There was a 7% turn out for the Special Town Election that was held on Saturday, March 24, 2018. The ballot contained one question which confirmed town meeting action (June 5, 2018) in prohibiting marijuana retail establishments (non-medical) from operating

in town and approved a General and Zoning By-law to enforce such action. The vote passed with 219 yes and 195 no.

- Local Annual Town Election- There was an 8.8% turn out for the annual town election that was held on April 2, 2018. There were 19 positions available on the ballot. There were no contested races on the ballot.

Following this report, are the results and additional information on the elections listed above.

REVENUES & TOWN MEETINGS: The following pages reflect the revenues collected in the Town Clerk's Office and information regarding the town meetings held during this fiscal year.

On behalf of the Freetown residents and myself, I would like to convey a special thanks to Cheryl Estrella, the Assistant Town Clerk, for her continued support and dedication the Town Clerk's Office and the residents of Freetown.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline A. Brown, MMC/CMMC
Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK RECORDINGS - JULY 2017 TO JUNE 2018

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Recorded	74
Deaths Recorded	78
Marriages Recorded	40

DOG LICENSES

Dog Licenses Issued	1,887	Kennel Licenses Issued	33
Kennel Licenses			\$2,775
Dog Licenses -Paid in person or by mail			\$15,914
Dog Licenses -Paid Online			\$3,250
Total Dog Revenue			\$21,999

OTHER REVENUE:

	<u>In Office</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>Total</u>
Street/Voting List	\$60	\$	\$60
ZBA Appeals Fee	270		270
Copy Fees	1,168		1,168
Marriage Intentions	1,112		1,112
Birth Certificates	1,288	98	1,386
Death Certificates	2,135	1,180	3,315
Marriage Certificates	999	55	1,043
Business Certificates	1691		1,691
Flammable Storage Certificates	410		410
Cemetery Plots	140		140
Dog Fines	2,610	160	2,770
Passport Photos	144		144
Bazaar/Raffle Permit	50		50
Non-Criminal Violations	4,350		4,350
Burial Permits	225	240	465
Non-resident Stickers	595		595
Resident Stickers	1,860		1,860
Conservation Stickers	390		390
Miscellaneous	189		189
Total Other Revenue	\$19,686	\$ 1,733	\$21,419
Total Revenue			\$43,418

TOWN OF FREETOWN OFFICIAL RESULTS SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION - MARCH 24, 2018					# of Votes Casts: 414
					Total # of Voters: 5855
					% Voted: 7%
	PREC 1	PREC 2	PREC 3	Grand Total	
Question One - Non-medical Marijuana By-laws					Question One - Non-medical Marijuana By-laws
Blank	0	0	0	0	Blank
Yes	77	86	56	219	Yes
No	88	58	49	195	No
Total	165	144	105	414	Total
Absentee Ballots Cast	9	0	6	15	
Provisional Ballot Cast	0	0	0	0	

OFFICIAL RESULTS ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION 4/2/2018	# of Votes Casts: 517
	Total # of Voters: 5861
	% Voted: 8.8%

Offices/Candidates	PREC 1	PREC 2	PRE C 3	Grand Totals	Offices/Candidates
SELECTMAN, BOARD OF HEALTH & PERSONNEL BOARD MEMBER					SELECTMAN, BOARD OF HEALTH & PERSONNEL BOARD MEMBER
Blank	31	42	47	120	Blank
Lisa Anne Pacheco	119	124	133	376	Lisa Anne Pacheco
Write-in	6	10	5	21	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
ASSESSOR					ASSESSOR
Blank	28	40	47	115	Blank
Suzanne R. Ashley-Parker	127	134	138	399	Suzanne R. Ashley-Parker
Write-in	1	2	0	3	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
CEMETERY COMMITTEE					CEMETERY COMMITTEE
Blank	32	39	49	120	Blank
Adrianne Levesque	122	136	135	393	Adrianne Levesque
Write-in	2	1	1	4	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
FINANCE COMMITTEE (vote for 2)					FINANCE COMMITTEE
Blank	182	224	236	642	Blank
Craig S. Rosen	120	123	133	376	Craig S. Rosen
*Write-in	10	5	1	16	Write-in
Write-in	0	0	0	0	Write-in
Total	312	352	370	1034	Total
FINANCE COMMITTEE - 1 yr unexpired					FINANCE COMMITTEE
Blank	40	51	57	148	Blank
Carol N. Woldorff	115	125	128	368	Carol N. Woldorff
Write-in	1	0	0	1	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total

Offices/Candidates	PREC 1	PREC 2	PRE C 3	Grand Totals	Offices/Candidates
HIGHWAY SURVEYOR					HIGHWAY SURVEYOR
Blank	10	7	5	22	Blank
Charles J. Macomber	112	144	87	343	Charles J. Macomber
Write-in	34	25	93	152	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
HOUSING AUTHORITY (5 yr)					HOUSING AUTHORITY
Blank	146	162	176	484	Blank
**Write-in	10	14	9	33	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
HOUSING AUTHORITY (3 yr unexpired)					HOUSING AUTHORITY
Blank	152	167	181	500	Blank
***Write-in	4	9	4	17	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
LIBRARY TRUSTEES (vote for 2)					LIBRARY TRUSTEES
Blank	76	114	112	302	Blank
Irene Ashley	121	124	136	381	Irene Ashley
Lucille M. Rosa	113	114	122	349	Lucille M. Rosa
Write-in	2	0	0	2	Write-in
Write-in	0	0	0	0	Write-in
Total	312	352	370	1034	Total
MODERATOR					MODERATOR
Blank	31	39	50	120	Blank
Michael McCue	122	137	135	394	Michael McCue
Write-in	3	0	0	3	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
PLANNING BOARD -5 yr term					PLANNING BOARD
Blank	36	45	52	133	Blank
Robert P. Jose	119	131	133	383	Robert P. Jose
Write-in	1	0	0	1	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total

Offices/Candidates	PREC 1	PREC 2	PRE C 3	Grand Totals	Offices/Candidates
TREE WARDEN					TREE WARDEN
Blank	30	32	39	101	Blank
Maurice Demoranville	123	141	141	405	Maurice Demoranville
Write-in	3	3	5	11	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
WATER & SEWER COMMISSIONER					WATER & SEWER COM.
Blank	42	46	46	134	Blank
Robert S. Parker	113	130	138	381	Robert S. Parker
Write-in	1	0	1	2	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE- FREETOWN					REG SCH DIST COM.
Blank	116	143	167	426	Blank
*Write-in	40	33	18	91	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE- LAKEVILLE (vote for 2)					REG SCH DIST COM.
Blank	128	140	149	417	Blank
Sherrill F. Barron	95	108	115	318	Sherrill F. Barron
Stephen M. Owen	87	103	106	296	Stephen M. Owen
Write-in	2	1	0	3	Write-in
Total	312	352	370	1034	Total
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE- LAKEVILLE 1 yr unexpired					REG SCH DIST COM.
Blank	56	60	66	182	Blank
Laura Ramsden	98	114	119	331	Laura Ramsden
Write-in	2	2	0	4	Write-in
Total	156	176	185	517	Total

Combined votes for the Regional School District Committee as per the Regional School District Clerk					
Position	Freetown Votes	Lakeville Votes		Total	
Reg Sch Dist Committee- Freetown (3 yrs)					
Write-in Jean Fox	58	5		63	Elected - accepted position
Write-in Brian Miller	12			12	
Michael McCue	2			2	
Write-in David Beard		3		3	
Other Write-ins	9	3		12	
Blank	436	150		586	
Reg Sch Dist Committee- Lakeville (3 yr- Vote for 2)					
Sherrill F. Barron	318	130		448	Elected - accepted position
Stephen M. Owen	296	116		412	Elected - accepted position
Other Write-ins	3	1		4	
Blank	417	75		492	
Reg Sch Dist Committee- Lakeville (1 yr unexpired)					
Laura Ramsden	331	130		461	Elected - accepted position
Other Write-ins	4	0		4	
Blank	182	31		213	
Write-ins (with most votes only)					
*Finance Committee (3 yrs-vote for 2) - a tied vote (3 with 2 votes); constitutes a vacancy; position open for appointment					
**Housing Authority (5 yr) - Brian Miller, 7 votes; accepted the elected position for 5 yr term					
***Housing Authority (3 yr)- Brian Miller , 3 votes; declined as he accepted the elected position for the 5 yr term instead					
	PREC	PREC	PREC	Grand	
	1	2	3	Total	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS CAST	8	0	5	13	

Town Meetings

❖ October 23, 2017 – Special Town Meeting

The Special Town Meeting was held at the Freetown Elementary School Auditorium with 68 registered voters in attendance to vote on 29 articles.

Highlights:

- Article 1* - Approved to raise/appropriate (\$14,000) to purchase and/or repair dumpsters for the Transfer Station.
- Article 3* - Approved (\$75,000) from Water & Sewer Retained Earnings to retire outstanding BAN to the water capitol project fund for improvements to the water filter site.
- Article 5* - Approved to appropriate (\$50,000) to create an Extra/Unforeseen Reserve Fund funded from the Water & Sewer Retained Earnings.
- Article 6* - Approved (\$225,000) from Free Cash to retire the outstanding BAN to the water capitol project fund for the rehabilitation of the So Main St & Locust St bridges.
- Article 9* - Approved to raise/appropriate (\$9,000) to pay costs of professionals to evaluate the town radio infrastructure and equipment & make recommendations for improvements.
- Article 10* - Approved to accept MGL Chap 90 Sec 17C allowing Board of Selectmen to establish a speed limit of 25mph in thickly settled or business districts.
- Article 11* - Approved to accept MGL Chap 90 Sec 18B allowing Board of Selectmen to establish “safety Zones” with a speed limit of 20 mph (not on state highway.
- Article 16 & 17* - Approve General and Zoning by-laws that would completely prohibit recreational marijuana (non-medical) retail establishments in Freetown.
- Article 18* - Set tax rate of 3% on the sale of recreational marijuana or marijuana products.

Total appropriations approved:	\$ 225,000.00 by Free Cash
	\$ 24,997.00 by Taxation
	\$ 161,884.96 by Enterprise Funds
	<u>\$ 9,000.00 by Other Available Funds</u>
	\$ 420,881.96

❖ March 14, 2018 – Special Town Meeting

The Special Town Meeting was held at the Freetown Elementary School Auditorium with 63 registered voters in attendance to vote on 5 articles.

Highlights:

- Article 2* - Approved to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey specified parcels of land to the MA Dept of Conservation and Recreation for consideration of (\$60,000).
- Article 4* - Voted to continue Article 4 to 7:30 p.m. on the first Monday in June at the Freetown Elementary School Auditorium(for construction and installation of a water line to service the Police Station, Elem. School and other municipal buildings).
- Article 5* - Voted to supplement the Capital Stabilization Fund (\$1,839,178) from Free Cash.

Total appropriations approved: \$ 1,839,178 Free Cash

❖ June 4, 2018 – continuation of Article 4 from the 3/14/18 Special Town Meeting , Special Town Meeting of 6/4/2018 and Annual Town Meeting of 6/4/2018

The continued 3/14/18 Special Town Meeting, Special Town Meeting of 6/4/2018 and Annual Town Meeting of 6/5/2018 were posted to be held at the Freetown Elementary School Auditorium. Due to the large turn-out of residents, the Fire Chief declared that the auditorium exceeded capacity and the Moderator declared the meetings continued to 7:30 p.m. on June 5, 2018, held at the Apponequet High School Gymnasium.

❖ June 5, 2018 – continuation of Article 4 from the 3/14/18 Special Town Meeting

Before the Special Town Meeting, the location of the meeting was changed by the Moderator from the Apponequet High School Gymnasium to the Auditorium due in part to the acoustics. Signs were posted near the Gymnasium directing residents down the hallway to the Auditorium. There were 410 voters in attendance to vote on Article 4 which was continued to June 4th and then again to June 5th.

Highlights:

Article 4- – Defeated- An amendment was made to Article 4 (continued from the 3/14/18 Special Town Meeting) to fund the construction and installation of a water line to service the Police Station, Elem. School and other municipal buildings by borrowing (\$5,000,000). This article was defeated by the majority.

❖ June 5, 2018 – Special Town Meeting

After the continuation of Article 4 from the 3/14/18 Special Town Meeting was completed, the posted Special Town Meeting of 6/4/2018 (also continued to 6/5/2018) was held at the Apponequet High School Auditorium to vote on 5 articles. There were 367 voters in attendance for this meeting.

Article 1 & 2 - Accepted deed in lieu of foreclosure of land located at Beechwood Rd in Assonet at the Lakeville Town Line and transfer the care & custody to the Conservation Commission.

Article 4 - Re-accepted the OPEB Fund.

Article 5 - Withdrew article to transfer (\$650,000,000) to the Capital Stabilization.

❖ June 5, 2018 – Annual Town Meeting (continued from 6/4/2018)

The Annual Town Meeting was held at the Apponequet High School Auditorium with 367 registered voters in attendance to vote on 26 articles.

Highlights:

Article 1 - Approved to raise/appropriate (\$24,344,901.74) for the Omnibus Budget.

Article 8 - Approved to raise/appropriate (\$3,300) to purchase a town notification system.

Article 11 - Approved to fund (\$32,900) from the Water & Sewer Enterprise Retained Earnings to hire an engineering firm to do a feasibility study for a Sewer Ext. in Assonet.

Article 12 - Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the parcel of land located at 15 Bullock Rd (\$17,500) adjacent to Fire Station 2 through Capital Stabilization

Article 14, 15 16 & 17 - Voted to accept Marie's Wy, Mark's Ln, John Phillip Dr, Christopher Dr and Brewster Dr as public roadways.

Article 18 & 19 - Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a TELP financing agreement with Ford Motor Credit Co LLC and All American Investment Group.

Article 20 - Voted to adopt MGL Chap 40 Sec 8L to establish an Agricultural Commission.

Article 24 - Voted to transfer care, custody and control of the Freetown Transfer Station (49 Howland Rd) to the Board of Selectmen for the purposes of leasing & granting easements for installation of renewable energy facilities limited to solar and methane gas.

Total appropriations approved:

by Taxation	\$ 24,405,151.74
by Other Available Funds	1,500.00
by Enterprise Funds	830,961.52
by Capital Stabilization	<u>17,500.00</u>
	\$ 25,255,113.26

TOWN MEETING WARRANTS

For a highlight of results of the below Annual Town Meeting, please see the Town Clerk's report from Fiscal Year 2017. For a highlight of results of the below Special Town Meetings, please see the Town Clerk's report of this Annual Report.

Warrants presented below are as printed and duly posted by constables in the Town of Freetown. Any amendments, additions or edits made on Town meeting floor are NOT presented here.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - JUNE 5, 2017

7:30pm, Freetown Elementary School

BRISTOL, SS:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Freetown, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Freetown who are qualified to vote in the Elections and Town Affairs to meet in the Freetown Elementary School, Auditorium, 43 Bullock Road, East Freetown, Massachusetts, on Monday, the Fifth day of June, 2017, at 7:30 P.M., then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and/or transfer such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town charges for the Fiscal Year 2018, viz: General Government, Town Reports, Planning Board, Finance Committee, Board of Appeals, for Protection of Persons and Property, for Health and Sanitation, for Highways, for Libraries, for Veterans' Benefits, for Cemeteries, Town Parks, Interest and Principal on School Loans, Conservation Commission, Historical Commission, and Unclassified: Tax Titles, Reserve Fund, Bristol County Retirement, Incidentals, Soil Conservation, Council on Aging, Graves' Registration Officer, Cultural Council, Capital Equipment, Capital Building Improvement, and Insurance, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This Article serves as the introductory Article for presentation of the Omnibus Budget.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elected officers of the Town as provided by Chapter 41, Section 108 of the General Laws, as amended, for the Fiscal Year 2018, and/or take any action relative thereto.

FIGURES INDICATE ANNUAL SALARIES OR HOURLY PAYRATES.

	<u>Voted FY17</u>	<u>Selectmen Rec. FY2018</u>	<u>Finance Cmte Rec. FY2018</u>	<u>Dept. Rec. FY2018</u>
Moderator	\$413.00	\$420.00	\$420.00	\$420.00
Board of Selectmen (each)	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Town Clerk	52,420.00	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00
Board of Assessors (each)	4,192.00	4,192.00	4,192.00	4,192.00
Tree Warden	20.48	21.48	21.48	21.48
Highway Surveyor	64,600.57	67,830.00	67,830.00	67,830.00
Reg. Dist. Sch. Com (each)	1,106.00	1,106.00	1,106.00	1,106.00

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: Elected officials are not covered under Article 10 of the PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN or under union contract. This is the only avenue to adjust elected official salaries to keep pace with inflation and contractual increases to other employees.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Dollars (\$9,900.00) for the PK Valuation software license and Webhosting, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Freetown Board of Assessors

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This annual charge is for the software license needed to maintain the Assessment database and access field cards on the Town website.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of Thirty One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$31,500.00) to conduct all inspections and perform all analysis necessary to complete a re-certification of values for the Town of Freetown as required by Massachusetts General Law and the Department of Revenue, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Freetown Board of Assessors

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This incremental charge represents year 2 of the 3 year contract between PKValuations Group and the Board of Assessors of Freetown.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote in accordance with General Laws Chapter 115, Section 9, to raise and appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds, the sum of Nine Hundred Dollars (\$900.00) for the maintenance of veterans' graves, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Cemetery Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This is an annual article that funds the maintenance of certain veterans' graves in town as provided by M. G. L. Chapter 115, Section 9. The amount is higher than last year because

we have located additional graves requiring maintenance that were too late to include in the operating budget.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000) for projects and preparations related to Town compliance in meeting the EPA's Massachusetts Small MS4 Permit and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: Appropriation is being requested for planning in order to meet the new requirements and prepare for the new 5 year EPA permit expected.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds the sum of Two Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-four Dollars (\$2,854.00) to purchase a small shed for the Assonet Burying Ground, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Cemetery Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: The existing building suffers from a number of structural deficiencies – roof, floor, structural supports, walls, foundation, etc., are all in need of serious repair or replacement. The building is also much larger than what we actually need. For a fraction of the cost of repairs, we can have a new shed, smaller but large enough for what we need. The old shed would be left in place in case there is opportunity in the future to restore it.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds, the sum of Thirty-five Hundred Dollars (\$3500.00) to purchase a scan tool for use by the Highway Department mechanic, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Highway Surveyor

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This article would fund the purchase of a diagnostic tool for the Highway Department mechanic.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$21,500) for the purpose of purchasing 20 archival shelving units, along with boxes, labels and other supplies, and labor to redesign records storage to maximize storage and comply with current fire codes, purge records and properly preserve permanent records, including any incidental and related costs, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Town Accountant

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: A records study was completed in March 2017 by King Information Systems and this appropriation would be used to implement their recommendations. 20 archival shelving units would be purchased, along with needed boxes and related supplies. Additionally, all existing records in the basement would be reboxed and added to the existing archival data base, purged, or otherwise preserved as needed. The layout for storage would be redesigned to maximize space and comply with current fire codes.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to pay for the public purpose of supporting the Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Program of the New Bedford Women's Center, Inc. and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This article provides for funding shelter, crisis intervention, counseling, medical and legal advocacy and educational programs to the community in relation to the issue of rape, sexual assault, and domestic violence.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Forty-five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500.00) from the Sale of Cemetery Lots Account to be used by the Cemetery Commission for improvements to the Assonet Burying Ground (\$4,300.00) and East Freetown Cemetery (\$200.00). This will include surveying of existing prepared land, marking out of lots, clearing new areas, performing maintenance, and improving roads and access, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Cemetery Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This is an annual appropriation. According to state law, revenues from lot sales may only be spent for the benefit of the cemetery in which those lots were sold. At this time, the East Freetown Cemetery has only \$200.00 available to it.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.44, §53E½, as most recently amended, to (1) establish the following revolving funds and fiscal year spending limits as set forth below, and further (2) to amend the General By-laws by inserting a new by-law establishing various revolving funds, specifying the departmental receipts to be credited to each fund, the departmental purposes or programs for which each fund may be expended, and the entity authorized to expend each fund, such bylaw to provide as follows:

Article 29, Revolving Funds

29-1. There are hereby established in the Town pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.44, §53E½, the following Revolving Funds, from which the specified department head, board, committee, or officer may incur liabilities against and spend monies from without appropriation in accordance with the limitations set forth in this by-law.

29-2. Fringe benefits of full-time employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund.

29-3. No liability shall be incurred in excess of the available balance of the fund.

29-4. The total amount spent during a fiscal year shall not exceed the amount authorized by Annual Town Meeting or any increase therein as may later be authorized by the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee in accordance with G.L. c.44, §53E½.

29-5. Interest earned on monies credited to a revolving fund established by this by-law shall be credited to the General Fund.

29-6. Authorized Revolving Funds

REVOLVING FUND PROGRAM OR PURPOSE	DEPARTMENT RECEIPTS TO BE CREDITED TO FUND	REPRESENTATIVE OR BOARD ENTITY AUTHORIZED TO SPEND
<i>Board of Selectmen</i> - offset the cost of compiling & printing of Annual Town Report	Fees from the Sale of Advertising Space within Annual Town Reports	Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator
<i>Communications Department</i> - offset the cost of phone lines, postage & other related costs	Fees from Residential & Commercial Burglar & Fire Alarms Subscribers	Chief of Police or Fire Chief
<i>Police Department</i> - offset cost of purchasing & administering the written examination & other related costs	Fee collected from Police Exam test takers.	Chief of Police
<i>Recreation Committee</i> - offset Cost of Operation & Maintenance of the Boat Ramp	Fees from Long Pond Boat Ramp Users	Board of Health

29-7. Procedures and Reports. Except as provided in General Laws Chapter 44, §53E½ and this by-law, all applicable state and local laws and regulations that govern the receipt, custody, expenditure and payment of town funds shall apply to the use of revolving funds established and authorized by this by-law.

And, further, to establish the following fiscal year spending limit for such funds:

Authorized Revolving Funds	Fiscal Year Expenditure Limit
<i>Board of Selectmen</i>	\$ 200.00
<i>Communications Department</i>	\$ 630.00
<i>Police Department</i>	\$ 100.00
<i>Recreation Committee</i>	\$4,721.00

And/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: The Municipal Modernization Act amended the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E½. Revolving funds must now be established by bylaw. The Act eliminates the per board and total limitations on the size of these funds. This article serves to propose the new bylaw, reauthorize the revolving funds for this fiscal year, and establish the expenditure limit for each fund. Each fund is credited with only the departmental receipts received in connection with the programs supported by such revolving fund, and expenditures may be made from the revolving fund without further appropriation.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management and control of the parcels of Town-owned property described below from the board or officer currently having such care custody, maintenance, and control for the purpose for which said parcels are currently held to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of disposition by sale, lease, or otherwise; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on such terms and conditions, and for such consideration not less than One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00), as the Board deems in the best interest of the Town, fee or such lesser interests in all or a portion of the parcels of land in East Freetown located on Chace Road and off Proprietors Way containing 123 acres (more or less), shown on Assessors' Map 218 as lots 1 and 5, Assessors' Map 229 as Lot 8, and Assessors' Map 240, lots 4 and 5; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen execute any and all instruments, agreements, and/or other documents as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article; and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation: This article will authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey certain parcels of land to the state Department of Conservation and Recreation. The D.C.R. is working with the Town and private land owners to conserve several hundred acres between Chace Road and the Lakeville Town Line in the vicinity of Proprietors Way.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, section 53F ½ to establish a Water-Sewer Enterprise Fund; and further to rescind the vote taken under Articles 28 and 29 of the Special Town Meeting of November 20, 2006 establishing the separate Water Enterprise Fund and Sewer Enterprise Fund; and further to transfer all amounts remaining in said separate funds as of June 30, 2017 into the Water-Sewer Enterprise Fund; or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Water and Sewer Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: The Town originally voted to adopt the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, section 53F ½ at the Special Town Meeting of November 20, 2006 to establish a Water Enterprise Fund (Article 28) and a Sewer Enterprise Fund (Article 29). This vote created separate funds and at the time there was a separate Board of Water Commissioners and the Board of Selectmen also functioned as the Board of Sewer Commissioners. At the Annual Town Meeting of June 7, 2010, article 9, the town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation to authorize the Water Commissioners to act as Sewer Commissioners and that was enacted as Chapter 157 of the Acts of 2011. The departments function under one board, have the same two employees, use the same office space, and use the same billing system and all

the other resources to operate. The sewer system only has 2 customers and the metering for sewer service is simply 70% of the metering of water. This is a unique situation and there is virtually no differentiation of services, so it simply does not make sense to keep the funds separate. The Department of Revenue has been contacted regarding this issue and is supportive of the combination and noted other water and sewer enterprise funds are combining.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to approve the sum of \$768,808.28 to operate the Water-Sewer Enterprise Fund for FY 2018, with an appropriation for the following direct expenses:

Personnel:	\$ 82,645.28
Expenses:	<u>\$ 619,979.00</u>
Total:	\$ 702,624.28 in the Water-Sewer Enterprise fund

and the sum of \$ 66,184.00 for indirect costs appropriated in the general fund as part of the Omnibus Budget, with all amounts, \$768,808.28 funded with Water-Sewer Enterprise receipts or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Water and Sewer Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This is the operating budget for the Water-Sewer Enterprise fund presented in accordance with M.G.L. chapter 44, section 53F ½.

Total Water-Sewer Enterprise Budget (information purposes only)

<i>Direct Expenses:</i>		<i>Indirect Costs (in the general fund):</i>	
Salaries	\$ 82,645.28	Finance	\$ 20,700
Purchase of Services	578,629.00	Utilities	1,229
Purchase of Supplies	20,000.00	IT services	780
Other Charges	1,100.00	Insurance	22,859
Replacement equipment	2,000.00	Retirement	16,937
Debt Service	<u>18,250.00</u>	Gen'l Admin	3,859
Subtotal	\$ 702,624.28	<u>Less Int Credit</u>	<u>-180</u>
		Subtotal	\$ 66,184

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to approve the sum of \$561,490.56 to operate the Water Enterprise Fund for FY 2018, with an appropriation for the following direct expenses:

Personnel:	\$ 79,194.56
Expenses:	<u>\$ 424,429.00</u>
Total:	\$ 503,623.56 in the Water Enterprise fund

and the sum of \$ 57,867.00 for indirect costs appropriated in the general fund as part of the Omnibus Budget, with all amounts, \$561,490.56 funded with Water Enterprise receipts or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by Water and Sewer Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This is the operating budget for the Water Enterprise fund presented in accordance with M.G.L. chapter 44, section 53F ½.

Total Water Enterprise Budget (information purposes only)

Direct Expenses:

Salaries	\$ 79,194.56
Purchase of Services	385,629.00
Purchase of Supplies	18,450.00
Other Charges	1,100.00
Replacement equipment	1,000.00
<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>18,250.00</u>
Subtotal	\$ 503,623.56

Indirect Costs (in the general fund):

Finance	\$ 16,896
Utilities	956
IT service	558
Insurance	20,858
Retirement	15,905
Gen'l Admin	2,764
<u>Less Int Credit</u>	<u>-70</u>
Subtotal	\$ 57,867

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to approve the sum of \$207,317.72 to operate the Sewer Enterprise Fund for FY 2018, with an appropriation for the following direct expenses:

Personnel:	\$ 3,450.72
Expenses:	<u>\$ 195,550.00</u>
Total:	\$ 199,000.72 in the Sewer Enterprise fund

and the sum of \$ 8,317.00 for indirect costs appropriated in the general fund as part of the Omnibus Budget, with all amounts, \$207,317.72 funded with Sewer Enterprise receipts or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by Water and Sewer Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This is the operating budget for the Sewer Enterprise fund presented in accordance with M.G.L. chapter 44, section 53F 1/2.

Total Sewer Enterprise Budget (information purposes only)

Direct Expenses:

Salaries	\$ 3,450.72
Sewer charge- Fall River	190,000.00
Vehicle expenses	700.00
Professional & Tech	3,000.00
Replacement equipment	1,000.00
<u>Misc Supplies</u>	<u>850.00</u>
Subtotal	\$199,000.72

Indirect Costs (in the general fund):

Finance	\$ 3,804
Utilities	273
IT service	222
Insurance	2,001
Retirement	1,032
Gen'l Admin	1,095
<u>Less Int Credit</u>	<u>-110</u>
Subtotal	\$ 8,317

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Capital Stabilization the sum of Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$650,000) for the design, permitting and construction of the Department of Environmental Protection required upgrades to the South Main Street Water Treatment and Filtration System and appurtenant work for the reduction of disinfection by-products, including any incidental and related costs; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Freetown Water & Sewer Commission

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation:

- *The Department of Environmental Protection is requiring the Town of Freetown make upgrades to its water treatment and filtration site located at 253 South Main Street, Assonet, MA to ensure state regulations are adhered to in order to continue to provide safe drinking water to all current and future water customers located in Assonet.*
- *State officials directed the Freetown Water & Sewer Commission to evaluate options to achieve compliance with the Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule (DBPR). The town currently relies on a temporary pressurized filter system with associated chemical feed equipment to remove disinfection byproducts downstream of the Fall River interconnection.*
- *The FW&SC has been working with the DEP and Environmental Partners Group to develop a plan to address the necessary changes required by Massachusetts and Federal laws outlined by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and United States Environmental Protection Agency.*
- *If the mandated upgrades are not implemented, the Town of Freetown will incur daily fines until the upgrades are put into place and payment of these fines would be made using taxpayer dollars.*

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a tax exempt lease purchase (TELP) financing agreement with All American Investment Group to acquire equipment (specifically, two fully equipped police cruisers) that may be financed by the issuance of debt under this chapter or otherwise authorized by law, for a term up to the useful life of the property (specifically, three years) to be procured as determined by the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, section 21C, and furthermore the sum needed to satisfy the first year payment of this agreement will be separately identified, raised and appropriated in the capital budget section of the Omnibus Budget for FY18, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation: The Municipal Modernization Act amends MGL Chapter 44 by adding section 21C to establish a procedure governing the use of TELP financing agreements. This article complies with the new statute to allow departments through the Board of Selectmen to enter into financing agreements for capital assets. The departments that use TELP agreements are reported in the capital budget section of the Omnibus Budget, along with the appropriation needed to satisfy the agreement. Any TELP agreement under this section shall be considered a binding obligation to the Town as if it were a debt authorization under this chapter, provided an appropriation available for the purpose has been made in the first fiscal year in which the lease becomes effective.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to amend its vote taken under Article 19 of the Annual Town Meeting held June 6, 2011, which amended the vote taken under Article 3 of the Annual Town Meeting held March 30, 1874, by permitting the Cemetery Commission to appoint an Assistant Superintendent for the public cemeteries, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Cemetery Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: The Assistant Superintendent would be a volunteer position the same as the Superintendent is now, and would help with the care and management of the cemeteries.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 45, Section 21, to authorize the Conservation Commission to appoint a three-member, volunteer Town Forest Committee to aid the Conservation Commission in managing and caring for that portion of the public domain known as the Town forest for better use by the public, said Committee to be established in accordance with the provisions of the statute, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Conservation Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: The Conservation Commission's land holdings have increased roughly 48% from approximately 250 acres to approximately 370 acres in recent years, including several large parcels that would be ideal for passive recreational uses. However, because the Commission spends most of its time and staffing resources on state regulatory issues, additional help would be welcomed in developing things like hiking trails, bridle trails, and other means for the public to make better use of these lands.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to accept the fourth paragraph of Chapter 41, Section 111F, of the General Laws, inserted by Section 60 of Chapter 218 of the Acts of 2016 ("An Act to Modernize Municipal Government"), pursuant to which the Town shall establish a Special Injury Leave Indemnity Fund for the purpose of appropriating amounts for the payment of injury leave compensation or medical bills incurred under Chapter 41, Sections 111F or 100 of the General Laws, and to allow the deposit in said fund of any amounts received from insurance proceeds or restitution, for injuries to firefighters or police officers, the fund to begin operation on July 1, 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Chief of Police

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: Acceptance of this section, which amends Section 111F of Chapter 41 of Massachusetts General Laws allows the Town to establish, appropriate money to and expend from a special injury leave indemnity fund for payment of police officer and firefighter injury leave compensation or medical bills, as well as provide for replacement staff for those injured employees. Previously, insurance proceeds were not available to be expended; therefore, if the departmental budget was insufficient to meet the additional costs attributable to injured on duty leave, a transfer from the reserve fund was required.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 32B, section 20, Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Liability Trust Fund, as amended by the Municipal Modernization Act of 2016, 218, section 18, for the current and future liabilities of the Town for group health insurance benefits for retirees and their dependents, which fund may be expended by a 2/3 vote of Town Meeting and designate a trustee or trustees, and further, to direct that such trustee or trustees adopt and file a declaration of trust and take all other actions as required by said section or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: The Town voted to adopt the provisions of MGL Chapter 32B, section 20 at the Annual Town Meeting of June 1, 2009 to establish an OPEB fund to reduce the Town's unfunded liability of health care and other post-employment benefits. This fund currently has a balance of \$367,575. The Municipal Modernization Act amends MGL Chapter 32B, section 20, to provide

expressly for the creation of a trust fund to reserve money for retiree health insurance and other post-employment benefits that complies with standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The Town will have a number of investment options for the trust fund, thereby removing the need for special legislation. Actuarial reports are required to be provided to enable the Division of Local Services (DLS) and the Public Employment Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC) to monitor local OPEB liabilities. This article will make the Town compliant with GASB, IRS, DLS and PERAC and provide a better structure for decision making and better protection for retirees.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11, Section 11.18 (H), “Uses”, by deleting reference to “G -1” and insert in place thereof “(H) (1.)” and to add the following sentence, “All uses not designated in Section 11.18 (H) (1.)Table of Use Regulations shall be allowed only by special permit following a public hearing and review by the Special Permit Granting Authority. Uses permitted by right or by special permit shall be subject to all other applicable provisions of this By-Law including, but not limited to Site Plan Review, Off-Street Parking and Loading Regulations, Sign Bylaw, and applicable Overlay District Regulations.”;

To amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-Laws, Section 11.18 (I), “Special Permits” by deleting the sentence “The Planning Board is designated as the Special Permit Granting Authority for the purpose of granting special permits as cited in the Table of Use Regulations.” and inserting in place thereof, “The Planning Board is designated as the Special Permit Granting Authority for the purpose of granting special permits as cited in Section 11.18 (H), “Uses”, and (H) (1.) the Table of Use Regulations”; such amendments as on file in the office of the Town Clerk and Planning Board Office; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation: This article would correct a numbering error in this subsection of the by law as well as outline a process that an applicant with a proposed use not currently found in the Table of Regulations can undergo.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-laws by adding footnotes outlining Hours of Operation to Section 11.18 H. 1. Table of Use Regulations, and to insert a new section, 11.18 H.2. ‘Hours of Operation’; further to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-Laws, Article 11 Zoning By-Laws Outline, to reflect these changes. A copy of the proposed changes to the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws may be viewed at the office of the Town Clerk or the Planning Board Office, Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, MA. And/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation: This will clarify allowed hours of operation for different types of business in the different zoning districts in Town.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By Laws, Article 11 Zoning by Laws by deleting Section 11.30 (E.) Allowed Uses in its entirety and inserting in place thereof Section 11.30 (E.) Uses; and by deleting Section 11.30 (F.) Uses Allowed by Special Permit in its

entirety and inserting in place thereof Section 11.30 (F.) Signage; and by deleting Section 11.30 (H.)(2); further to see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-laws by adding a column to Section 11.18 H. 1. Table of Use Regulations, outlining the uses allowed, not allowed, or allowed by special permit within the Science and Technology Overlay District; further, to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-Laws, Article 11 Zoning By-Laws Outline, to reflect these changes; and further, that non-substantive changes to the numbering of this by-law be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format; A copy of the proposed changes to the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws may be viewed at the office of the Town Clerk or the Planning Board Office, Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, MA. And/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation: This article lends further clarification of the uses that are permissible within the Science and Technology Overlay District.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-laws, Section 11.20 (D) to correct the numbering of this subsection. A copy of the proposed changes to the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws may be viewed at the office of the Planning Board and the Town Clerk, Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, MA. And/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation: This article would include correct the number formatting for Section 11.20 D of the Zoning Bylaws.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section 11.32 TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS, the text of which is as on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and the Planning Board; and further to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-Laws Article 11 Zoning By-laws Outline to add Section 11.32; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation: This moratorium will give the Town an opportunity to examine the issue of recreational marijuana and to develop appropriate bylaws.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section 11.33 MEDICAL MARIJUANA OVERLAY DISTRICT, the text of which is as on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and the Planning Board; and further to amend the Table of Contents to add Section 11.33, "Medical Marijuana Overlay District" ; further, to amend the Town of Freetown Zoning Map, by adding the proposed Medical Marijuana Overlay District, as depicted on a map on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and the Planning Board and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation: This will establish the areas in Town that Registered Marijuana Dispensaries can dispense, cultivate, and/or prepare medical marijuana.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the fee in and to the parcel of land located at 0 Chace Road, East Freetown (Assessors' Map 241, Lot 9) by deed in lieu of foreclosure pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 60, §77C, for general municipal purposes, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Treasurer/Collector

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This article will allow the property owner to sign over his title and rights to the property in exchange for the Town forgiving the taxes owed, saving the Town the time and expense of pursuing foreclosure proceedings through the Land Court.

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$_____ for the purpose of supplementing the Capital Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This appropriation would add funds to the Capital Stabilization Fund to be used for purchasing capital assets or payment of related debt service on capital assets. Any proposed use of the fund would require a 2/3 vote of town meeting.

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$_____ for the purpose of supplementing the Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This appropriation would add funds to the Stabilization Fund to be used for any lawful purpose. The Stabilization Fund is a "rainy day fund" or reserve to support the Town during times of financial stress. Any proposed use of the fund would require a 2/3 vote of Town Meeting.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the following places: Assonet Post Office, East Freetown Post Office, the stores of Quick Pic in East Freetown, Junior's Convenience Store and Freetown Town Hall, and the Freetown Communications Center.

Hereof, fail not and make return of the original Warrant with your doings thereon immediately after making service thereof to the Town Clerk of the Town of Freetown, Massachusetts.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Freetown, this 23rd day of May, Anno Domini, Two Thousand Seventeen.

Lisa A. Pacheco, Chairman

Robert P. Jose

Charles B. Sullivan

FREETOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – OCTOBER 23, 2017

7:00pm, Freetown Elementary School

Bristol, ss:

To either of the Constables in the Town of Freetown, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Freetown who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Freetown Elementary School, Auditorium, 43 Bullock Road, East Freetown, Massachusetts, the Twenty-Third day of October, 2017, at 7:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of Fourteen thousand Dollars (\$14,000) to purchase and/or repair dumpsters and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Derek Macedo, Health Agent

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: A few Transfer Station dumpsters are falling apart and/or are in a state of disrepair. There is some grant money available, but not enough to cover the cost of the scope of work.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Eight-Hundred Eighty-four Dollars and Ninety-Six Cents (\$6,884.96) from retained earnings of the Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund for the purpose of paying unpaid bills, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen and Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This appropriation would use retained earnings to pay bills for engineering fees pertaining to the By-pass Valve Project that were not included in the proposed cost for the project.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) from retained earnings of the Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund for the purpose of retiring the outstanding Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) by transfer to the water capital project fund for improvements to the water filter site, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen and Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This appropriation would use retained earnings to pay off the outstanding balance of the BAN in the water capital project fund for improvements to the water filter site. The BAN was issued in December 2016 for 12 months and is due in December 2017. This article would use available funds to retire the debt and avoid the need to reissue the debt and incur additional interest charges.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to supplement the amount raised from Water-Sewer Enterprise Revenues for FY18, previously voted in Article 15 of the Annual Town Meeting of June 5, 2017 by the sum of Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$8,961.00) to be allocated to the general fund for the purpose of funding increases in indirect costs previously appropriated in the Omnibus Budget, Article 1, of the Annual Town Meeting of June 5, 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen and Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: A formal indirect cost allocation plan was adopted by the Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners, the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee. The enterprise fund needs to reimburse the general fund for all of the indirect costs associated with operating the department. The amount listed below as current calculation is based on the FY18 budget and the amount listed as original is based on the FY17 budget. The values now need to be updated with the adoption of the FY18 budget and a supplement of \$8,961 is needed.

Indirect Costs (in the general fund):

	Original	Current Calculation	Amount to Supplement
Finance	\$ 20,700	\$ 20,947	\$ 247
Utilities	\$ 1,229	\$ 1,046	\$ (183)
IT service	\$ 780	\$ 956	\$ 176
Insurance	\$ 22,859	\$ 28,087	\$ 5,228
Retirement	\$ 16,937	\$ 18,650	\$ 1,713
Gen'l Admin	\$ 3,859	\$ 5,659	\$ 1,800
<u>Less Int Credit</u>	<u>\$ - 180</u>	<u>\$ - 200</u>	<u>\$ (- 20)</u>
Subtotal	\$ 66,184	\$ 75,145	\$ 8,961

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate in the Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) for the purpose of creating an Extra/Unforeseen Reserve Fund with funding from retained earnings, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen and Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This appropriation would use retained earnings to create a reserved fund for unforeseen or extra expenses as needed.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000.00) from free cash for the purpose of retiring the outstanding Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) by transfer to the capital project fund for the rehabilitation of the South Main Street and Locust Street bridges, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This appropriation would use free cash to pay off the outstanding balance of the BAN in the capital project fund for the rehab of 2 bridges. The BAN was issued in December 2016 for 12 months and is due in December 2017. This article would use available funds to retire the debt and avoid the need to reissue the debt and incur additional interest charges. This funding would complete the repayment of debt related to the bridge projects.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) from retained earnings of the Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund for the purpose of increasing budget line item Professional & Technical Engineering Services, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen and Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This appropriation would use retained earnings to add to the budget for expected increase in engineering costs.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) from the Highway Personnel budget (Account #001.4.420.5110.9030.30.00) to the Highway expenses budget (Account #001.4.420.5580.9000.40.00), and/or take any action related thereto.

Submitted by: Highway Surveyor

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: The amount represents the savings realized from a Step 2 Equipment Operator resigning at the beginning of August and the position remaining unfilled through the month of September, and also the pay difference between the Step 2 man and the new man who will be hired at Step 2.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) to pay the costs of consultants and related professionals for evaluating the existing police, fire and highway departments radio system infrastructure and related equipment, and making recommendations for improvement to the system and related equipment, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Police & Fire Chiefs

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: The existing public safety radio systems have dead zones and other zones where there are problems receiving and transmitting radio messages.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 90, Sections 17C, inserted by Section 193 of the so-called Municipal Modernization Act, Chapter 218 of the Acts of 2016, allowing the Board of Selectmen to establish a speed limit of 25 miles per hour in any thickly settled or business district in the Town that is not a state highway, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Police & Fire Chiefs

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: If this Article passes it would allow the Board of Selectmen to set speed limits of 25 miles per hour in any thickly settled areas or business districts they see fit.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 90, Sections 18B, inserted by Section 194 of the so-called Municipal Modernization Act, Chapter 218 of the Acts of 2016, allowing the Board of Selectmen to establish designated “safety zones” with a speed limit of 20 miles per hour on, at, or near any way in the Town that is not a state highway, and, if a state highway, with the approval of the department of Transportation, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Police & Fire Chiefs

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: The passing of this Article would allow the Board of Selectmen to establish “safety zones” with limitations.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Seven Dollars (\$1,997.00) representing the town’s share of a FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) to purchase two (2) new CPR Compression Devices for the fire department ambulances and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Fire Chief

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: The Fire Department was awarded a \$39,940.00 Assistance to Firefighters equipment grant to purchase two (2) new CPR Compression Devices, one (1) for each ambulance. The amount above reflects the town’s share of 5% toward the purchase of the life-saving equipment.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the fee in and to the parcel of land located at 122 Richmond Road, Assonet (Assessors’ Map 202, Lot 4.01) by deed in lieu of foreclosure pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 60, Section 77C, for general municipal purposes, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Treasurer

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This article will allow the Town to accept a deed to the property in lieu of pursuing a foreclosure of Tax Title, saving considerable time and money.

EXPLANATION FOR ARTICLES 14-19

ARTICLES 14 and 15 are proposed General and Zoning bylaws that would set the number of recreational marijuana (non-medical) retail establishments in Town to 20% of the number of package store licenses issued. Presently there are 5 such licenses issued.

ARTICLES 16 and 17 are proposed General and Zoning bylaws that would completely prohibit the siting of recreational marijuana (non-medical) retail establishments within Freetown. The passage of this bylaw would need to be supplemented by a ballot vote of the Town at a future date to affirm or reject the action at Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 19 is an amendment to our existing Medical Marijuana Overlay District zoning bylaw that would allow for recreational marijuana establishments to locate within the overlay district.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town of Freetown will vote to amend the Town's General Bylaw by adding a new section to limit the number of recreational marijuana retailers to twenty percent (20%) of the number of retail off-premises (package store) alcoholic beverage licenses issued under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 138; or, take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: The intent of this Article of to set a percentage for recreational marijuana retailers.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town of Freetown will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section 11.32 to limit the number of recreational marijuana retailers to twenty percent (20%) of the number of retail off-premises (package store) alcoholic beverage licenses issued under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 138; or, take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: The intent of this Article of to set a percentage for recreational marijuana retailers.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's General Bylaw by adding a new Section 11.32 to set the number of recreational marijuana retailers to zero (0%) percent and not allow recreational retail sales within the Town of Freetown. A copy of the proposed By-law may be viewed at the Town Clerk's Office, located at 3 No. Main St., Assonet, MA 02702; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: With an affirmative action on this article by Town Meeting, a ballot question will be placed on the next election warrant to affirm or reject the action of Town Meeting; or, take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section 11.32 to set the number of recreational marijuana retailers to zero (0%) percent and not allow recreational retail sales within the Town of Freetown. A copy of the proposed By-law may be viewed at the Town Clerk's Office, located at 3 No. Main St., Assonet, MA 02702; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: With an affirmative action on this article by Town Meeting, a ballot question will be placed on the next election warrant to affirm or reject the action of Town Meeting; or, take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 64N, §3(a), as amended by Section 13 of Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017, and to authorize the Town to impose a local sales tax upon the sale or transfer of marijuana or marijuana products by a marijuana retailer operating within the Town to anyone other than a marijuana establishment, at the rate of 3 percent of the total sales price received by the marijuana retailer as a consideration for the sale of marijuana or marijuana products; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: The intent of this Article is to set a sale tax limit in Town for Recreational Retail Marijuana.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Bylaw by amending Section 11.33 MEDICAL MARIJUANA OVERLAY DISTRICT, by retitling it to 'MEDICAL AND RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA OVERLAY DISTRICT' and by amending text throughout to include Recreational Marijuana Establishments within the Overlay District; further, to amend the map title of the 'Medical Marijuana Overlay District', as depicted on a map on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and the Planning Board to 'Medical and Recreational Marijuana Overlay District'; amend Section 11.18 H. 1 Table of Use Regulations to include 'Recreational Marijuana Establishments' as depicted below; further to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-laws Outline to reflect all the aforementioned proposed changes; and further that non-substantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format.

Use	R	B	I	I/2	G	OSR	VR	VB
Recreational Marijuana Establishments	Allowed only within the Medical and Recreational Marijuana Overlay District by Special Permit							

The text of these proposed amendments and associated materials may be viewed at the office of the Town Clerk as well as the Planning Board office, at Freetown Town Hall, 3 N. Main St. Assonet, MA during normal business hours; and/or any other action relative thereto

Submitted by: Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: This will establish the areas in Town that Registered Marijuana Dispensaries can dispense, cultivate, and/or prepare medical marijuana

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-laws, Section 11.23 Site Plan Review by deleting Section 11.23(O). Appeals in its entirety, and inserting in place thereof a new Section 11.23(O) Appeals. Furthermore, to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-laws, Section 11.23 Site Plan Review by amending Section 11.23(C) Applicability to clarify language related to vehicle trips. A copy of the proposed changes to the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws may be viewed at the office of the Town Clerk or the Planning Board Office, Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, MA; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: This article will adjust the appeal period for site plan approval in a manner consistent with the appeal period for projects needing special permit or subdivision approval

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 148, Section 56, which shall require persons engaging in the business of conducting or maintaining an open-air parking space to obtain a license by the local licensing authority; and/or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Planning Board

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This article will allow for the Town to license and regulate locations that may be operating as parking lots in Town

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-laws, Section 11.31 (B) Off Street Parking and Loading Requirements – Allowed Reduction with struck through language deleted and bolded and underlined language inserted as depicted below and as may also be viewed at the office of the Planning Board and the Town Clerk, Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, MA; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

B. ALLOWED REDUCTION AND WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS

The number of spaces may be reduced to less than that stipulated below and deviation from other regulations stated in this section may be granted if, in acting on the Plan under Section 11.23 Site Plan Review, and/or as the Special Permit Granting Authority, the Planning Board determines that a smaller the proposed number of spaces and/or the proposed parking arrangement would be adequate for all parking needs because of such special circumstances as shared parking for uses having peak parking demands at different times, unusual age or other characteristics of site users or user-sponsored demand reduction devices such as carpooling. Such a reduction relief is contingent upon evidence being provided to the Planning Board that the site has sufficient reserve area, suitable for conversion to graded, surfaced and drained paving areas, to meet the demands of the proposed use.

Submitted by: Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: This article will enable the Planning Board to waive any of the regulations of the Parking Bylaw for applicants undergoing a special permit or site plan review process. The bylaw currently enables the Board to allow a reduction in parking spaces; this amendment will allow them to make considerations to waive other provisions

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to adopt Article 29 Registration and Maintenance of Abandoned, Vacant, and/or Foreclosed Properties By-Law, as on file with the Office of the Town Clerk; and/or take any other action relative thereto

Submitted by: Planning Board

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: By law will require owners of property, including banks and mortgage companies, to register abandoned, vacant, and/or foreclosed properties with the Building Commissioner, and to maintain a minimum standard of appearance.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-laws, Section 2 Definitions to include a definition for “Truck Terminal” and “Truck Stop” as outlined below:

Truck terminal: A building or area in which freight brought by truck is assembled and /or stored for routing or reshipment or in which semi trailers, including tractor and/or trailer units and other trucks, are parked and stored for a duration in excess of 24 hours

Truck Stop:

- (a) A facility devoted, in whole or in part, to the sale of fuel and /or oil and/or services for transient trucks and/or where the trucks are allowed to park while the operator or any other person sleeps or rests in the cab.
- (b) A facility which in addition to providing fuel and/or oil and/or services to trucks and/or their operators, also provides on premises facilities for any, all, or some of the following elements: overnight accommodations primarily for truck drivers; shower facilities; laundry facilities; or lounges or recreation rooms.
- (c) Any property where more than one truck is allowed to park, as part of its regular business activities, for periods of time longer than is necessary for obtaining fuel and/or services for truck or driver.
- (d) Any property, except a State provided parking area, where more than one truck is allowed to park on a more or less regular basis, and no work is being performed and no services for truck or driver are required.
- (e) Truck for the purpose of this Bylaw shall mean: A transient tractor trailer as a combined unit or as either unit singly or a transient truck with three (3) or more axles

Further, to see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws, Article 11 Zoning By-laws, Section 11.18 Zoning Districts (I) Table of Use Regulations by including “Truck Terminal” and “Truck Stop” in the table, allowed only by special permit in the Industrial and I/2 Districts, prohibited in all other districts.

See proposed addition to the table of use regulations below

Use	R	B	I	I/2	G	OSR	VR	VB
Truck terminal	N	N	SP	SP	N	N	N	N
Truck Stop	N	N	SP	SP	N	N	N	N

A copy of the proposed changes to the Town of Freetown Protective By-laws may be viewed at the office of the Town Clerk or the Planning Board, Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, MA; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Planning Board

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: This article would include 'Truck Terminal' within the Definitions section of the Bylaw and in the Table of Use

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote in accordance with Mass. General Laws Chapter 114, Section 23, to approve the revised Cemetery Rules and Regulations adopted by the Cemetery Commission on September 11, 2017, and/or take any action relative thereto. (A copy of these additions is on file with the Town Clerk at the Town Hall in Assonet.)

Submitted by: Cemetery Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: Statute requires Town Meeting approval to adopt or update cemetery rules.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote amend Article 17.2B License Fees of the Town of Freetown General By-Laws, by adding the following sub-section, and/or take any action relative thereto:

(1) No fee shall be charged for a Dog License to any resident who is 70 years of age or over. This exemption will be limited to one dog license per household and will exclude kennels.

Submitted by: Animal Control Officer and Town Clerk

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This section was previously adopted and became part of Freetown's General By-laws in 2006. It was recently noticed that the section was accidentally omitted when the by-law was re-written in Oct. 2014. Even though the practice to exempt the fee has been carried on, the vote to adopt this article will put it back on the books as part of the town's by-laws.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to confirm that the several parcels of land held by the Conservation Commission under the authority of Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, and that various other park, recreation, or open space parcels otherwise held by the Town under relevant statutes, are also held under the protections of Article 97 of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution and devoted to conservation, recreation, and/or utilization of agricultural, mineral, forest, water, air, and other natural resources, and/or take any action relative thereto. A schedule of the parcels affected by this article is on file with the office of the Town Clerk and incorporated herein by reference.

Submitted by: Conservation Commission

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: In response to various court opinions and related cases (Smith vs. Westfield, etc.), this article seeks to confirm that lands held by the Conservation Commission and

by the Town for park, recreation, or open space purposes are intended to be protected by Article 97 in addition to whatever other protections may already apply.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management, and control of the parcel of land located at 122 Richmond Road, Assonet (Assessors' Map 202, Lot 4.01) from the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes to the Conservation Commission under the provisions of Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, and further to dedicate and designate the parcel for conservation purposes subject to the protections of Article 97 of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Conservation Commission

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: This article will transfer the parcel accepted under article 13 from the Board of Selectmen to the Conservation Commission. The parcel is predominantly wetlands, including the Assonet River.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of supplementing the Stabilization Fund and/or Capital Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: This appropriation would add funds to the Stabilization Fund to be used for any lawful purpose and/or add funds to the Capital Stabilization Fund to be used for purchasing capital assets or payment of related debt service on capital assets. The Stabilization Fund is a "rainy day fund" or reserve to support the Town during times of financial stress. Any proposed use of these funds would require a 2/3 vote of Town Meeting.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the following places: Assonet Post Office, East Freetown Post Office, the stores of Quick Pic in East Freetown, Junior's Convenience Store and Freetown Town Hall, and the Freetown Communications Center.

Hereof, fail not and make return of the original Warrant with your doings thereon immediately after making service thereof to the Town Clerk of the Town of Freetown, Massachusetts.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Freetown, this 5th day of October, Anno Domini, Two Thousand Seventeen.

Lisa A. Pacheco, Chairman

Robert P. Jose

Charles B. Sullivan

FREETOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – MARCH 14, 2018

7:00pm – Freetown Elementary School

Bristol, ss:

To either of the Constables in the Town of Freetown, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Freetown who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Freetown Elementary School, Auditorium, 43 Bullock Road, East Freetown, Massachusetts, the fourteenth day of March, 2018, at 7:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 13 of the Annual Town Meeting held June 5, 2017, which authorized the Town to convey ±123 acres of land to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Conservation and Recreation; and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This is a procedural article in advance of the following two articles.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management and control of the parcel of Town-owned property described below from the board or officer currently having such care custody, maintenance, and control for the purpose for which said parcel is currently held to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of disposition by sale, lease, or otherwise; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), on such terms and conditions, and for consideration of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000), as the Board deems in the best interest of the Town, fee or such lesser interests in the parcel of land in East Freetown located on Chace Road, shown on Assessors' Map 240, lot 5 and Map 240, lot 4; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen execute any and all instruments, agreements, and/or other documents as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article; and/or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: This article will authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey the specified parcels of land to the state Department of Conservation and Recreation. The D.C.R. is working with the Town and private land owners to conserve several hundred acres between Chace Road and the Lakeville Town Line.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management, and control of the following parcels of land from the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes to the Conservation Commission under the provisions of Section 8C of chapter 40 of the General Laws, and further to dedicate and designate the parcels for conservation purposes subject to the protections of Article 97 of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution:

a) The Olive Sherman Lot (so called), bounded northerly by the Lakeville Town Line, easterly by the Almy Lot and the Center Line, southerly by a woodlot now or formerly of Dighton Industries Company, and westerly by Proprietors Way. The lot herein conveyed is shown on the Assessors' Map 218 as Lot 1.

b) The Newhall Woodlot (so called), bounded northerly by the Sampson Woodlot, easterly by the Almy Lot and the Center Line, southerly by the Canedy Woodlot, and westerly by that portion of the Newhall Woodlot now or formerly of Rezendes Associates, Inc. The lot herein conveyed is shown on Assessors' Map 218 as Lot 5.

c) The Paull Lot (so called) and other adjoining land, together constituting a single parcel of approximately 73 acres. The lot herein conveyed is shown on Assessors' Map 229 as Lot 8.

And/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation of Article: This article would transfer the above parcels to the Conservation Commission. These parcels are old tax title parcels with unclear title, which makes it unlikely the town would be able to sell or develop them in the future. Also, the state is currently negotiating to buy the lands surrounding these parcels to expand the Freetown State Forest, and when that sale finalizes, these lots would be mostly landlocked and unable to be developed anyway.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money for the construction and installation of a water line to service the Town's current Police Station, Elementary School, any other current and future municipal buildings, and any abutting properties, including engineering and construction costs and any additional or incidental costs, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

(2/3 vote required for borrowing or transfer from Stabilization)

Explanation of Article: This appropriation would fund the construction of a new water line to service the Police Station and elementary school, with service available for other municipal buildings and abutting properties.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash a sum of money for the purpose of supplementing the Stabilization Fund and/or Capital Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation of Article: This appropriation would add funds to the Stabilization Fund to be used for any lawful purpose and/or add funds to the Capital Stabilization Fund to be used for purchasing capital assets or payment of related debt service on capital assets. The Stabilization

Fund is a “rainy day fund” or reserve to support the Town during times of financial stress. Any proposed use of these funds would require a 2/3 vote of Town Meeting.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the following places: Assonet Post Office, East Freetown Post Office, the stores of Quick Pic in East Freetown, Junior's Convenience Store and Freetown Town Hall, and the Freetown Communications Center.

Hereof, fail not and make return of the original Warrant with your doings thereon immediately after making service thereof to the Town Clerk of the Town of Freetown, Massachusetts.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Freetown, this 20th day of February, Anno Domini, Two Thousand Eighteen.

Lisa A. Pacheco, Chairman

Robert P. Jose

Charles B. Sullivan

FREETOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

NOTE: Article 4 of the March 14th Special Town Meeting was continued to June 4th at 7:00pm, at the Freetown Elementary School Auditorium. Due to overcrowding, this continuation was subsequently continued to June 5th, at the Apponequet Regional High School Auditorium.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – JUNE 4, 2018

7:00pm, Freetown Elementary School Auditorium

Please note, due to overcrowding, this Special Town Meeting was continued to June 5, 2018, at 7:00pm, at the Apponequet Regional High School Auditorium.

Bristol, ss:

To either of the Constables in the Town of Freetown, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Freetown who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Freetown Elementary School, Auditorium, 43 Bullock Road, East Freetown, Massachusetts, the Fourth day of June, 2018, at 7:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to accept a deed in lieu of foreclosure pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 60, Section 77C of the General Laws to the parcel of land located on Beechwood Road in Assonet at the Lakeville Town Line, southeast of Horse Pound Swamp, and shown on Assessors' Map 201 as Lot 4, and subject to a tax taking held by the Treasurer/Collector for unpaid real estate taxes, said parcel to be under the care, custody and control of the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to record said deed, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Treasurer

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This article will allow the Town to accept a deed to the property in lieu of pursuing a foreclosure of Tax Title, saving considerable time and money.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management, and control of the parcel of land on Beechwood Road at the Lakeville Town Line, southeast of Horse Pound Swamp, and shown on Assessors' Map 201 as Lot 4, from the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes to the Conservation Commission under the provisions of Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, and further to dedicate and designate the parcel for conservation purposes subject to the protections of Article 97 of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution.

Submitted by Conservation Commission

Requires 2/3 Vote

Explanation: This article will transfer the above parcel, which is either unbuildable or swampland or both, to the Conservation Commission.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$385.46 from the Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund retained earnings for the purpose of paying a prior fiscal year bill to W.B. Mason for Supplies; and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Water and Sewer Commissioners

Requires 9/10 Vote

Explanation: This request is to pay a prior fiscal year bill from W. B. Mason for which Freetown Water and Sewer Commission did not receive an invoice dated February 28, 2017.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to reaccept the provisions of Chapter 32B, Section 20 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended by Chapter 218, Section 15 of the Acts of 2016 (the “Act”), under which the Town has established an Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund (the “OPEB Fund”), for which the Treasurer serves as Custodian (“Custodian”) and; designate the Treasurer/Custodian as the Trustee of the OPEB Fund, with all the powers and responsibilities identified under the Act and this vote; and authorize the Treasurer/Custodian, as Trustee, to employ investment consultant(s), as well as outside custodial service(s) to hold the monies in the Fund, and to pay for those services from the OPEB Fund; and authorize the investment of the OPEB Fund under the prudent investor rule established under G.L. c.203C; and authorize the Treasurer/Custodian, as Trustee, to execute any and all documents necessary to utilize outside custodial service(s) and/or investment consultant(s), including but not limited to trust agreements, participation agreements, investment agreements, and administrative services agreements; and designate the Treasurer/Custodian as the “Plan Administrator”, as may be necessary to utilize outside custodial service(s) and authorize the Treasurer/Custodian acting as Plan Administrator to take any other actions permitted or required by law; and to transfer the sum of \$569,539.87 or any other sum from the existing OPEB fund to the OPEB Fund authorized hereunder; and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: This article would re-accept the OPEB Fund provisions previously accepted on June 5, 2017 and comply with the new provisions of the Massachusetts Modernization Act.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of Six Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$650,000.00) of unused funds appropriated at the June 5, 2017 Annual Town Meeting under Article 6 for the South Main Street Water and Treatment and Filtration System to the Capital Stabilization Account; and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen and Water and Sewer Commissioners

Requires Majority Vote

Explanation: These funds are no longer needed by the Freetown Water and Sewer Commission for this purpose, and the funds will be transferred to the Capital Stabilization Account for re-appropriation when needed.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the following places: Assonet Post Office, East Freetown Post Office, the stores of Quick Pic in East Freetown, Junior’s Convenience Store and Freetown Town Hall, and the Freetown Communications Center.

Hereof, fail not and make return of the original Warrant with your doings thereon immediately after making service thereof to the Town Clerk of the Town of Freetown, Massachusetts.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Freetown, this 16th day of May, Anno Domini, Two Thousand Eighteen.

Robert P. Jose, Chairman

Charles B. Sullivan

Lisa A. Pacheco

FREETOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Kimberley Fales, Town Accountant
Pamela Sousa, Senior Clerk

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

I hereby submit my report for the Fiscal Year 2018 in the following schedules:

Combined Balance Sheet	All Funds
Combined Balance Sheet	Special Revenue Funds
Combined Balance Sheet	Trust & Agency Funds
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Net Assets	All Funds
General Fund	
Revenues - Budget vs Actual	
Statement of Appropriations	
Expenditures - Budget vs Actual	
Changes in Fund Balance	
Special Revenue Funds	
Changes in Fund Balance	Federal Grants
Changes in Fund Balance	State Grants
Changes in Fund Balance	Receipts Reserved for Appropriation
Changes in Fund Balance	Revolving Funds
Changes in Fund Balance	Other Special Revenue
Capital Project Funds	
Changes in Fund Balance	
Enterprise Funds	
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Assets	Sewer
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Assets	Water

Trust Funds

Changes in Fund Balance

Changes in Fund Balance

Changes in Fund Balance

Non-Expendable

Expendable

Other

Agency Funds

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Payroll Withholdings

Municipal Indebtedness Analysis

Free cash as of July 1, 2018 as certified by the Bureau of Accounts was \$2,037,980.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberley S. Fales

Town Accountant

Pamela Sousa

Senior Clerk

**TOWN OF FREETOWN
ALL FUNDS - COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018**

	General Fund	General Fund Fixed Assets	General Long Term Obligations	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Fund	Water-Sewer Enterprise Fund	Water Enterprise Fixed Assets	Water Long Term Obligations	Trust Funds & Agency Accounts	Totals
<u>Assets</u>										
Cash	\$ 5,126,262.39			\$ 681,375.96	\$ 1,062,861.79	\$ 329,122.31			\$ 6,904,337.32	\$ 14,103,959.77
Cash, Other Equivalent	\$ 219.57									\$ 219.57
Personal Property Taxes	\$ 72,470.24									\$ 72,470.24
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 231,016.34									\$ 231,016.34
Rollback Taxes	\$ -									\$ -
Allowance for Abatements	\$(2,126,850.10)									\$(2,126,850.10)
Tax Liens	\$ 1,050,623.30									\$ 1,050,623.30
Deferred Property Taxes	\$ 19,123.60									\$ 19,123.60
Taxes in Litigation										\$ -
Motor Vehicle Taxes	\$ 135,321.16									\$ 135,321.16
Boat Excise Taxes	\$ 3,427.00									\$ 3,427.00
User Charges						\$ 78,236.41				\$ 78,236.41
User Liens-Added to Taxes						\$ 3,642.07				\$ 3,642.07
User Liens-In Tax Title						\$ 2,097.22				\$ 2,097.22
Police Detail, Receivable	\$ 3,184.90								\$ 43,890.00	\$ 47,074.90
Fire Detail, Receivable	\$ 348.24								\$ 3,482.25	\$ 3,830.49
Other Departmental Receivables	\$ 692.34									\$ 692.34
Ambulance Receivable	\$ 150,815.73									\$ 150,815.73
Title V Betterments, Not Yet Due				\$ 45,166.04						\$ 45,166.04
Apportioned Assessments, Not Yet Due						\$ 19,494.00				\$ 19,494.00
Apportioned Assess.-Added To Taxes						\$ 563.32				\$ 563.32
Apportioned Interest-Added To Taxes						\$ 215.17				\$ 215.17
Suspended Assessments										\$ -
Assessment Liens In Tax Title						\$ 4,017.60				\$ 4,017.60
Accrued Revenue Receivable										\$ -
Due from Federal Government				\$ 3,175.44						\$ 3,175.44
Due from Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$ 126,456.00			\$ 9,352.03						\$ 135,808.03
Due from(to) Other Fund(s)										\$ -
Prepaid Expenditures	\$ 925.00									\$ 925.00
Tax Foreclosures	\$ 93,746.22									\$ 93,746.22
Revenue Received, Not Yet Due	\$ (50,000.00)									\$ (50,000.00)

	General Fund	General Fund Fixed Assets	General Long Term Obligations	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Project Fund	Water-Sewer Enterprise Fund	Water Enterprise Fixed Assets	Water Long Term Obligations	Trust Funds & Agency Accounts	Totals
Fixed Assets-Property, Plant & Equipment, net		\$18,484,774.92					\$ 2,104,829.88			\$20,589,604.80
Amounts to be Provided for Long Term Debt			\$10,342,776.07					\$ 14,750.00		\$10,357,526.07
Total Assets	\$ 4,837,781.93	\$18,484,774.92	\$10,342,776.07	\$ 739,069.47	\$ 1,062,861.79	\$ 437,388.10	\$ 2,104,829.88	\$ 14,750.00	\$ 6,951,709.57	\$44,975,941.73
<u>Liabilities</u>										
Warrants Payable	\$ 274,755.27			\$ 16,826.38	\$ 53,197.58	\$ 9,285.24			\$ 4,691.58	\$ 358,756.05
Accounts Payable	\$ 25,920.89					\$ 3,246.91				\$ 29,167.80
Retainage Payable					\$ 19,926.90					\$ 19,926.90
Accrued Payroll & Amounts Withheld									\$ 27,246.39	\$ 27,246.39
Due to Other Governments									\$ 6,735.06	\$ 6,735.06
Other Liabilities	\$ 136.50		\$ 6,216,119.18						\$ (24,281.11)	\$ 6,191,974.57
Deferred Revenue	\$ (268,257.41)			\$ 57,693.51		\$ 108,265.79			\$ 47,372.25	\$ (54,925.86)
Capitalized Leases Payable			\$ 276,656.89							\$ 276,656.89
Bonds & BAN Payable			\$ 3,850,000.00		\$ -			\$ 14,750.00		\$ 3,864,750.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 32,555.25	\$ -	\$10,342,776.07	\$ 74,519.89	\$ 73,124.48	\$ 120,797.94	\$ -	\$ 14,750.00	\$ 61,764.17	\$10,720,287.80
<u>Fund Equity</u>										
Net Assets, Restricted for Encumbrances						\$ 3,250.00				\$ 3,250.00
Net Assets Restricted for Expenditures						\$ 32,900.00				\$ 32,900.00
Net Assets, Unrestricted						\$ 280,440.16				\$ 280,440.16
Investment in Fixed Assets		\$18,484,774.92					\$ 2,104,829.88			\$20,589,604.80
Reserved Fund Balance-Encumbrances	\$ 163,102.58									\$ 163,102.58
Reserved Fund Balance-Expenditures										\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Prepaid Expenditures	\$ 925.00									\$ 925.00
Reserved Fund Balance-Continuing Approp	\$ 576,986.69									\$ 576,986.69
Unreserved Fund Balance-Allowable Deficits	\$ (253,374.88)									\$ (253,374.88)
Unreserved Fund Balance-Designated				\$ 663,485.64					\$ 386,379.26	\$ 1,049,864.90
Unreserved Fund Balance-Undesignated	\$ 4,317,587.29			\$ 1,063.94	\$ 989,737.31				\$ 6,503,566.14	\$11,811,954.68
Total Fund Equity	\$ 4,805,226.68	\$18,484,774.92	\$ -	\$ 664,549.58	\$ 989,737.31	\$ 316,590.16	\$ 2,104,829.88	\$ -	\$ 6,889,945.40	\$34,255,653.93
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 4,837,781.93	\$18,484,774.92	\$10,342,776.07	\$ 739,069.47	\$ 1,062,861.79	\$ 437,388.10	\$ 2,104,829.88	\$ 14,750.00	\$ 6,951,709.57	\$44,975,941.73

Reserved 3200-3300

Unreserved Fund Balance-Designated 3400-3589

Unreserved Fund Balance-Undesignated 3590-3599

**TOWN OF FREETOWN
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018**

	Federal Grants	State Grants	Receipts Reserved for Appropriation	Revolving Funds	Other Special Revenue Funds	Septic Title V Betterments	Totals
<u>Assets</u>							
Cash	\$ (3,175.44)	\$ 91,581.27	\$ 279,294.57	\$ 139,199.79	\$ 79,320.51	\$ 95,155.26	\$ 681,375.96
Personal Property Taxes							\$ -
Real Estate Taxes							\$ -
Rollback Taxes							\$ -
Allowance for Abatements							\$ -
Tax Liens							\$ -
Deferred Property Taxes							\$ -
Taxes in Litigation							\$ -
Motor Vehicle Taxes							\$ -
Boat Excise Taxes							\$ -
User Charges							\$ -
User Liens-Added to Taxes							\$ -
User Liens-In Tax Title							\$ -
Police Detail, Receivable							\$ -
Fire Detail, Receivable							\$ -
Other Departmental Receivables							\$ -
Ambulance Receivable							\$ -
Title V Betterments, Not Yet Due						\$ 45,166.04	\$ 45,166.04
Apportioned Assessments, Not Yet Due							\$ -
Apportioned Assess.-Added To Taxes							\$ -
Apportioned Interest-Added To Taxes							\$ -
Suspended Assessments							\$ -
Assessment Liens In Tax Title							\$ -
Accrued Revenue Receivable							\$ -
Due from Federal Government	\$ 3,175.44						\$ 3,175.44
Due from Commonwealth of Massachusetts		\$ 9,352.03					\$ 9,352.03
Due from(to) Other Fund(s)							\$ -
Prepaid Expenditures							\$ -
Tax Foreclosures							\$ -
Revenue Received, Not Yet Due							\$ -
Fixed Assets-Property, Plant & Equipment							\$ -
Amounts to be Provided for Long Term Debt							\$ -
Total Assets	\$ -	\$ 100,933.30	\$ 279,294.57	\$ 139,199.79	\$ 79,320.51	\$ 140,321.30	\$ 739,069.47

	Federal Grants	State Grants	Receipts Reserved for Appropriation	Revolving Funds	Other Special Revenue Funds	Septic Title V Betterments	Totals
<u>Liabilities</u>							
Warrants Payable		\$ 12,766.35	\$ 188.50	\$ 2,354.93	\$ 1,516.60		\$ 16,826.38
Accounts Payable							\$ -
Retainage Payable							\$ -
Accrued Payroll & Amounts Withheld							\$ -
Due to Other Governments							\$ -
Other Liabilities							\$ -
Deferred Revenue	\$ 3,175.44	\$ 9,352.03				\$ 45,166.04	\$ 57,693.51
Capitalized Leases Payable							\$ -
Bonds Payable							\$ -
Total Liabilities	\$ 3,175.44	\$ 22,118.38	\$ 188.50	\$ 2,354.93	\$ 1,516.60	\$ 45,166.04	\$ 74,519.89
<u>Fund Equity</u>							
Net Assets, Restricted							\$ -
Net Assets, Unrestricted							\$ -
Investment in Fixed Assets							\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Encumbrances							\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Expenditures							\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Prepaid Expenditures							\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Continuing Approp							\$ -
Unreserved Fund Balance-Allowable Deficits							\$ -
Unreserved Fund Balance-Designated	\$ (3,175.44)	\$ 78,814.92	\$ 279,106.07	\$ 135,780.92	\$ 77,803.91	\$ 95,155.26	\$ 663,485.64
Unreserved Fund Balance-Undesignated				\$ 1,063.94			\$ 1,063.94
Total Fund Equity	\$ (3,175.44)	\$ 78,814.92	\$ 279,106.07	\$ 136,844.86	\$ 77,803.91	\$ 95,155.26	\$ 664,549.58
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ -	\$ 100,933.30	\$ 279,294.57	\$ 139,199.79	\$ 79,320.51	\$ 140,321.30	\$ 739,069.47

Reserved 3200-3300

Unreserved Fund Balance-Designated 3400-3589

Unreserved Fund Balance-Undesignated 3590-3599

**TOWN OF FREETOWN
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018**

	<u>Chapter 90 Highway</u>	<u>Bridge Rehab Highway</u>	<u>Water Filtration Site Improvements</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<u>Assets</u>				
Cash	\$ -	\$ 369,414.70	\$ 693,447.09	\$1,062,861.79
Personal Property Taxes			\$	-
Real Estate Taxes			\$	-
Rollback Taxes			\$	-
Allowance for Abatements			\$	-
Tax Liens			\$	-
Deferred Property Taxes			\$	-
Taxes in Litigation			\$	-
Motor Vehicle Taxes			\$	-
Boat Excise Taxes			\$	-
User Charges			\$	-
User Liens-Added to Taxes			\$	-
User Liens-In Tax Title			\$	-
Police Detail, Receivable			\$	-
Fire Detail, Receivable			\$	-
Other Departmental Receivables			\$	-
Ambulance Receivable			\$	-
Title V Betterments, Not Yet Due			\$	-
Apportioned Assessments, Not Yet Due			\$	-
Apportioned Assess.-Added To Taxes			\$	-
Apportioned Interest-Added To Taxes			\$	-
Suspended Assessments			\$	-
Assessment Liens In Tax Title			\$	-
Accrued Revenue Receivable			\$	-
Due from Federal Government			\$	-
Due from Commonwealth of Massachusetts			\$	-
Due from(to) Other Fund(s)			\$	-
Prepaid Expenditures			\$	-
Tax Foreclosures			\$	-
Revenue Received, Not Yet Due			\$	-
Fixed Assets-Property, Plant & Equipment			\$	-
Amounts to be Provided for Long Term Debt			\$	-
Total Assets	\$ -	\$ 369,414.70	\$ 693,447.09	\$1,062,861.79

	Chapter 90 Highway	Bridge Rehab Highway	Water Filtration Site Improvements	Totals
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Warrants Payable	\$ 52,776.83	\$ 420.75	\$ -	\$ 53,197.58
Accounts Payable				\$ -
Retainage Payable		\$ 19,926.90		\$ 19,926.90
Accrued Payroll & Amounts Withheld				\$ -
Due to Other Governments				\$ -
Other Liabilities				\$ -
Deferred Revenue				\$ -
Capitalized Leases Payable				\$ -
Bonds & BAN Payable		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Liabilities	\$ 52,776.83	\$ 20,347.65	\$ -	\$ 73,124.48
<u>Fund Equity</u>				
Net Assets, Restricted				\$ -
Net Assets, Unrestricted				\$ -
Investment in Fixed Assets				\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Encumbrances				\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Expenditures				\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Prepaid				
Expenditures				\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Continuing Approp				\$ -
Unreserved Fund Balance-Allowable Deficits				\$ -
Unreserved Fund Balance-Designated				\$ -
Unreserved Fund Balance-Undesignated	\$ (52,776.83)	\$ 349,067.05	\$ 693,447.09	\$ 989,737.31
Total Fund Equity	\$ (52,776.83)	\$ 349,067.05	\$ 693,447.09	\$ 989,737.31
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ -	\$ 369,414.70	\$ 693,447.09	\$ 1,062,861.79

**TOWN OF FREETOWN
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018**

	<u>Non- Expendable Trust Funds</u>	<u>Expendable Trust Funds</u>	<u>Other Trust Funds</u>	<u>Agency Funds</u>	<u>Payroll Withholding Agency Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<u>Assets</u>						
Cash	\$ 386,379.26	\$ 90,361.74	\$ 6,413,479.40	\$ (13,129.47)	\$ 27,246.39	\$ 6,904,337.32
Personal Property Taxes						\$ -
Real Estate Taxes						\$ -
Rollback Taxes						\$ -
Allowance for Abatements						\$ -
Tax Liens						\$ -
Deferred Property Taxes						\$ -
Taxes in Litigation						\$ -
Motor Vehicle Taxes						\$ -
Boat Excise Taxes						\$ -
User Charges						\$ -
User Liens-Added to Taxes						\$ -
User Liens-In Tax Title						\$ -
Police Detail, Receivable				\$ 43,890.00		\$ 43,890.00
Fire Detail, Receivable				\$ 3,482.25		\$ 3,482.25
Other Departmental Receivables						\$ -
Ambulance Receivable						\$ -
Title V Betterments, Not Yet Due						\$ -
Apportioned Assessments, Not Yet Due						\$ -
Apportioned Assess.-Added To Taxes						\$ -
Apportioned Interest-Added To Taxes						\$ -

	<u>Non- Expendable Trust Funds</u>	<u>Expendable Trust Funds</u>	<u>Other Trust Funds</u>	<u>Agency Funds</u>	<u>Payroll Withholding Agency Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Suspended Assessments						\$ -
Assessment Liens In Tax Title						\$ -
Accrued Revenue Receivable						\$ -
Due from Federal Government						\$ -
Due from Commonwealth of Massachusetts						\$ -
Due from(to) Other Fund(s)						\$ -
Prepaid Expenditures						\$ -
Tax Foreclosures						\$ -
Revenue Received, Not Yet Due						\$ -
Fixed Assets-Property, Plant & Equipment						\$ -
Amounts to be Provided for Long Term Debt						\$ -
Total Assets	\$ 386,379.26	\$ 90,361.74	\$ 6,413,479.40	\$ 34,242.78	\$ 27,246.39	\$ 6,951,709.57
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Warrants Payable		\$ 275.00		\$ 4,416.58		\$ 4,691.58
Accounts Payable						\$ -
Retainage Payable						\$ -
Accrued Payroll & Amounts Withheld					\$ 27,246.39	\$ 27,246.39
Due to Other Governments				\$ 6,735.06		\$ 6,735.06
Other Liabilities				\$ (24,281.11)		\$ (24,281.11)
Deferred Revenue				\$ 47,372.25		\$ 47,372.25
Capitalized Leases Payable						\$ -
Bonds Payable						\$ -
Total Liabilities	\$ -	\$ 275.00	\$ -	\$ 34,242.78	\$ 27,246.39	\$ 61,764.17

	<u>Non- Expendable Trust Funds</u>	<u>Expendable Trust Funds</u>	<u>Other Trust Funds</u>	<u>Agency Funds</u>	<u>Payroll Withholding Agency Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<u>Fund Equity</u>						
Net Assets, Restricted						\$ -
Net Assets, Unrestricted						\$ -
Investment in Fixed Assets						\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Encumbrances						\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Expenditures						\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Prepaid Expenditures						\$ -
Reserved Fund Balance-Continuing Approp						\$ -
Unreserved Fund Balance-Allowable						
Deficits						\$ -
Unreserved Fund Balance-Designated	\$ 386,379.26					\$ 386,379.26
Unreserved Fund Balance-Undesignated		\$ 90,086.74	\$ 6,413,479.40			\$ 6,503,566.14
Total Fund Equity	\$ 386,379.26	\$ 90,086.74	\$ 6,413,479.40	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,889,945.40
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 386,379.26	\$ 90,361.74	\$ 6,413,479.40	\$ 34,242.78	\$ 27,246.39	\$ 6,951,709.57

Reserved 3200-3300

Unreserved Fund Balance-Designated 3400-3589

Unreserved Fund Balance-Undesignated 3590-3599

TOWN OF FREETOWN
ALL FUNDS - COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

	General Fund	Federal Grants	State Grants	Receipts Reserved for Appropriation	Revolving Funds	Other Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects	Water-Sewer Enterprise	Trust Funds	Agency Funds	Totals
<u>Revenues</u>											
Local Taxes	\$ 21,774,637.13										\$ 21,774,637.13
Local Receipts	\$ 1,556,397.56		\$ 81.57	\$ 56,308.06	\$ 100,710.98	\$ 43,576.30		\$ 819,350.12	\$ 67,137.51	\$ 247,934.04	\$ 2,891,496.14
Transfers for Payroll Withholdings										\$ 1,709,548.24	\$ 1,709,548.24
Federal Receipts	\$ -	\$ 51,854.02							\$ -		\$ 51,854.02
State Receipts	\$ 2,301,609.84		\$ 138,850.98	\$ 88.90		\$ 287,961.20					\$ 2,728,510.92
SUBTOTAL	\$ 25,632,644.53	\$ 51,854.02	\$ 138,932.55	\$ 56,396.96	\$ 100,710.98	\$ 43,576.30	\$ 287,961.20	\$ 819,350.12	\$ 67,137.51	\$ 1,957,482.28	\$ 29,156,046.45
Other Financing Sources:											
Special Revenue Funds	\$ 8,642.70										\$ -
Enterprise Funds	\$ 65,160.00						\$ 81,884.96				\$ 8,642.70
General Fund			\$ 459.00				\$ 875,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,039,178.00		\$ 147,044.96
Agency Funds	\$ 1,058.72										\$ 2,914,637.00
Trust Funds	\$ 650,000.00										\$ 1,058.72
SUBTOTAL	\$ 724,861.42	\$ -	\$ 459.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 956,884.96	\$ -	\$ 2,039,178.00	\$ -	\$ 650,000.00
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	\$ 26,357,505.95	\$ 51,854.02	\$ 139,391.55	\$ 56,396.96	\$ 100,710.98	\$ 43,576.30	\$ 1,244,846.16	\$ 819,350.12	\$ 2,106,315.51	\$ 1,957,482.28	\$ 32,877,429.83
<u>Expenditures</u>											
General Government	\$ (1,472,870.73)	\$ -	\$ (3,846.85)	\$ (51,362.33)	\$ -			\$ (1,119.80)	\$ (1,794.74)	\$ (1,530,994.45)	
Public Safety	\$ (3,420,069.32)	\$ (52,149.46)	\$ (58,423.55)	\$ (22,630.00)	\$ (14,062.11)				\$ (269,539.99)	\$ (3,836,874.43)	
Education	\$ (12,030,387.00)									\$ (12,030,387.00)	
Public Works	\$ (1,508,980.13)					\$ (1,800.00)	\$ (411,031.58)	\$ (678,825.44)	\$ (2,810.98)	\$ (2,603,448.13)	
Human Services	\$ (377,991.03)	\$ (16,985.00)				\$ (629.36)				\$ (395,605.39)	
Culture & Recreation	\$ (145,487.26)	\$ (21,327.11)		\$ (4,423.44)	\$ (1,408.09)				\$ (10,382.06)	\$ (183,027.96)	
Debt Service	\$ (701,150.00)									\$ (701,150.00)	
Intergovernmental Assessments	\$ (264,481.43)									\$ (264,481.43)	
Employee Benefits	\$ (2,535,487.03)								\$ (60,149.61)	\$ (1,706,290.32)	
Other	\$ (154,716.08)									\$ (154,716.08)	
Capital Equipment	\$ (367,686.50)									\$ (367,686.50)	
Capital Building Improvements	\$ (48,590.35)									\$ (48,590.35)	

	General Fund	Federal Grants	State Grants	Receipts Reserved for Appropriation	Revolving Funds	Other Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects	Water-Sewer Enterprise	Trust Funds	Agency Funds	Totals
SUBTOTAL	\$(23,027,896.86)	\$ (52,149.46)	\$ (96,735.66)	\$ (3,846.85)	\$ (78,415.77)	\$ (17,899.56)	\$ (411,031.58)	\$ (678,825.44)	\$ (74,462.45)	\$ (1,977,625.05)	\$(26,418,888.68)
Other Financing Uses:											\$ -
Special Revenue Funds	\$ (459.00)										\$ (459.00)
Capital Projects	\$ (875,000.00)							\$ (81,884.96)			\$ (956,884.96)
Enterprise Funds	\$ -										\$ -
General Fund			\$ (4,107.70)	\$ (4,500.00)				\$ (65,160.00)	\$ (650,000.00)	\$ (1,058.72)	\$ (724,826.42)
Trust Funds	\$ (2,039,178.00)										\$ (2,039,178.00)
Agency Funds	\$ -										\$ -
SUBTOTAL	\$ (2,914,637.00)	\$ -	\$ (4,107.70)	\$ (4,500.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (147,044.96)	\$ (650,000.00)	\$ (1,058.72)	\$ (3,721,348.38)
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	\$(25,942,533.86)	\$(52,149.46)	\$(100,843.36)	\$(8,346.85)	\$(78,415.77)	\$(17,899.56)	\$(411,031.58)	\$(825,870.40)	\$(724,462.45)	\$(1,978,683.77)	\$(30,140,237.06)
											\$ -
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$ 414,972.09	\$ (295.44)	\$ 38,548.19	\$ 48,050.11	\$ 22,295.21	\$ 25,676.74	\$ 833,814.58	\$ (6,520.28)	\$ 1,381,853.06	\$ (21,201.49)	\$ 2,737,192.77
Net Assets, Beginning	\$ 4,390,254.59	\$ (2,880.00)	\$ 40,266.73	\$ 231,055.96	\$ 114,549.65	\$ 147,282.43	\$ 155,922.73	\$ 175,933.02	\$ 147,177.42	\$ 5,508,092.34	\$ 10,907,654.87
Other Adjustments for Agency Liabilities	\$ -									\$ 21,201.49	\$ 21,201.49
Net Assets, Ending	\$ 4,805,226.68	\$ (3,175.44)	\$ 78,814.92	\$ 279,106.07	\$ 136,844.86	\$ 172,959.17	\$ 989,737.31	\$ 169,412.74	\$ 1,529,030.48	\$ 5,508,092.34	\$ 13,666,049.13

General Fund	Federal Grants	State Grants	Receipts Reserved for Appropriation	Revolving Funds	Other Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects	Water-Sewer Enterprise	Trust Funds	Agency Funds	Totals
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Reserved 3200-3300

Unreserved Fund Balance-Designated 3400-3589

Unreserved Fund Balance-Undesignated 3590-3599

**TOWN OF FREETOWN
FISCAL YEAR 2018
REVENUES - BUDGET VS. ACTUAL**

	Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable) Difference
<u>LOCAL TAXES:</u>			
Personal Property Taxes (Net of Refunds)*	\$ 1,463,644.88	\$ 1,455,778.38	\$ (7,866.50)
Real Estate Taxes (Net of Refunds)*	\$ 17,491,057.43	\$ 18,044,839.54	\$ 553,782.11
Tax Liens Redeemed	\$ -	\$ 218,661.48	\$ 218,661.48
Deferred Property Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Rollback Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Taxes			\$ -
Total Local Taxes	\$ 18,954,702.31	\$ 19,719,279.40	\$ 764,577.09
<u>LOCAL RECEIPTS:</u>			
Motor Vehicle Excise (Net of Refunds)	\$ 1,650,000.00	\$ 2,048,198.85	\$ 398,198.85
Vessel Excise (Net of Refunds)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 5,308.50	\$ 4,308.50
Excise Paid After Abatement	\$ -	\$ 1,850.38	\$ 1,850.38
Penalties & Interest on Taxes & Excises	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 218,992.04	\$ 168,992.04
Fees/Other Dept. Revenue-Trash Disposal	\$ 235,000.00	\$ 295,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Fees	\$ 195,000.00	\$ 175,652.23	\$ (19,347.77)
Charges for Services-Ambulance	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 421,742.24	\$ 121,742.24
Rentals	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Departmental Revenue	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 45,387.34	\$ 20,387.34
Alcohol Licenses	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 200.00
Other Licenses	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 42,213.00	\$ 16,213.00
Permits	\$ 252,500.00	\$ 193,846.40	\$ (58,653.60)
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,923.80	\$ 1,923.80
Fines & Forfeits	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 50,369.59	\$ 40,369.59
Sale of Fixed Assets	\$ -	\$ 70,855.00	\$ 70,855.00
Earnings on Investments	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 5,378.21	\$ 4,378.21
Miscellaneous Revenue - Non Recurring	\$ -	\$ 9,509.35	\$ 9,509.35
Miscellaneous Revenue - Recurring	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 73,828.36	\$ 53,828.36
Total Local Receipts	\$ 2,777,000.00	\$ 3,671,755.29	\$ 894,755.29
<u>FEDERAL RECEIPTS:</u>			
FEMA Reimbursements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

				Favorable (Unfavorable) Difference
	Budget	Actual		
<u>STATE RECEIPTS:</u>				
Exemptions: Vets, Blind, Surviving Spouses & Elderly	\$ -	\$ 50,584.00	\$	50,584.00
State Owned Land	\$ 211,838.00	\$ 211,838.00	\$	-
Veterans Benefits, Chapter 115	\$ 95,007.00	\$ 86,812.00	\$	(8,195.00)
Chapter 70	\$ 452,684.00	\$ 452,684.00	\$	-
Mass. School Building Authority	\$ 479,742.00	\$ 479,742.00	\$	-
Unrestricted General Government Aid Chapter 29	\$ 948,611.00	\$ 948,611.00	\$	-
Other Revenue From the State	\$ -	\$ 2,074.84	\$	2,074.84
FEMA Reimbursements Received through the State	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
School Transportation	\$ -	\$ 9,264.00	\$	9,264.00
Total State Receipts	\$ 2,187,882.00	\$ 2,241,609.84	\$	53,727.84
<u>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:</u>				
Special Revenue Funds	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 8,642.70	\$	4,142.70
Capital Projects Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
Enterprise Funds	\$ 75,145.00	\$ 65,160.00	\$	(9,985.00)
Trust Funds	\$ 650,000.00	\$ 650,000.00	\$	-
Agency Funds	\$ -	\$ 1,058.72	\$	1,058.72
General Stabilization	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
General Stabilization-Reduce Levy	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
Total Transfers From Other Fund	\$ 729,645.00	\$ 724,861.42	\$	(4,783.58)
<u>TOTAL ALL REVENUES</u>				
	\$ 24,649,229.31	\$ 26,357,505.95	\$ 1,708,276.64	\$ (1,708,276.64)

*Includes 60 day accruals

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

	Appropriations ATM- Oper/Capital	Appropriations ATM-Spec Articles	Encumbrance/ Carryforward	Other Amount To Raise	Add'l Approp. STM - Fall	Add'l Approp. STM - Sprg-Mar	Add'l Approp. STM - Sprg- June	Reserve Fund Transfers	Line Item Transfers	Expended FY2018	Unexpended Appropriation
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>											
Moderator	\$ 420.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(420.00)	\$ -
Board of Selectmen	\$ 82,786.52	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(83,892.74)	\$ 2,893.78
Administrator	\$ 182,545.20	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 777,070.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(437,188.64)	\$ 531,427.07
Finance Committee	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	1,000.00	\$ -	(2,090.08)	\$ 409.92
Reserve Fund	\$ 125,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(65,115.08)	\$ -	-	\$ 59,884.92
Accounting	\$ 108,561.00	\$ 21,500.00	\$ 2,901.18	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(129,460.27)	\$ 3,501.91
Audit	\$ 19,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(19,500.00)	\$ -
Board of Assessors	\$ 94,227.00	\$ -	\$ 1,177.35	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(93,074.09)	\$ 2,330.26
BOA Revaluation	\$ -	\$ 41,400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(41,400.00)	\$ -
Town Treasurer	\$ 182,867.48	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(172,563.37)	\$ 10,304.11
Legal Services	\$ 90,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	31,926.90	\$ -	(121,926.90)	\$ -
Management Information Systems	\$ 32,790.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(25,733.12)	\$ 7,056.88
Tax Title	\$ 15,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(18,887.70)	\$ (3,387.70)
Town Clerk	\$ 106,079.28	\$ -	\$ 14,659.94	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(106,312.62)	\$ 14,426.60
Elections	\$ 6,449.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2,946.75	\$ -	(9,388.68)	\$ 7.07
Registration	\$ 5,073.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	63.01	\$ -	(5,132.42)	\$ 3.59
Conservation Commission	\$ 12,779.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(9,880.99)	\$ 4,398.01
Planning Board	\$ 52,754.58	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(33,676.63)	\$ 19,077.95
Board of Appeals-Zoning	\$ 2,685.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(555.67)	\$ 2,129.33
Soil Board	\$ 1,100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(110.58)	\$ 989.42
Public Buildings	\$ 89,447.00	\$ -	\$ 2,507.71	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(69,451.43)	\$ 22,503.28
Property Insurance	\$ 97,453.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(87,159.80)	\$ 10,293.20
Public Property - Hazmat Site	\$ 2,455.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(2,455.00)	\$ -
Town Reports	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(2,610.00)	\$ 890.00
	\$ 1,315,472.06	\$ 73,900.00	\$ 801,816.69	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(29,178.42)	\$ -	(1,472,870.73)	\$ 689,139.60
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>											
Police	\$ 1,941,034.10	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(1,817,388.50)	\$ 123,645.60
Communications	\$ 289,457.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(265,191.37)	\$ 33,266.05
Fire	\$ 1,183,967.00	\$ -	\$ 51.98	\$ -	\$ 1,997.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(1,152,367.93)	\$ 33,648.05
Building Department	\$ 100,495.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(91,779.89)	\$ 8,715.11
Gas	\$ 10,080.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(4,550.00)	\$ 5,530.00

	Appropriations ATM- Oper/Capital	Appropriations ATM-Spec Articles	Encumbrance/ Carryforward	Other Amount To Raise	Add'l Approp. STM - Fall	Add'l Approp. STM - Sprg-Mar	Add'l Approp. STM - Sprg- June	Reserve Fund Transfers	Line Item Transfers	Expended FY2018	Unexpended Appropriation
Plumbing	\$ 7,580.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(4,410.00)	\$ 3,170.00
Sealer of Weights/Measures	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(4,000.00)	\$ -
Electrical	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(14,630.00)	\$ 25,370.00
Civil Defense-EMA	\$ 19,639.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(2,166.41)	\$ 17,472.59
Animal Control	\$ 41,909.41	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(37,516.08)	\$ 4,393.33
Forestry	\$ 22,829.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	3,550.68	\$ -	(26,069.14)	\$ 310.54
Harbormaster	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ 100.00
	\$ 3,661,090.93	\$ -	\$ 51.98	\$ -	\$ 10,997.00	\$ -	\$ -	3,550.68	\$ -	(3,420,069.32)	\$ 255,621.27
<u>EDUCATION</u>											
School Committee	\$ 4,424.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(4,424.00)	\$ -
Regional School Assessment & Debt Service	\$ 10,441,490.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(10,432,061.00)	\$ 9,429.00
Bristol County Agricultural School	\$ 21,170.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(21,170.00)	\$ -
Old Colony Voc Assesment & Transportation	\$ 1,897,485.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(1,572,732.00)	\$ 324,753.00
	\$ 12,364,569.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(12,030,387.00)	\$ 334,182.00
<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>											
Highway	\$ 457,033.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	627.74	\$ -	(456,344.64)	\$ 4,816.10
Highway - Construction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -
Snow & Ice Removal	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(349,987.18)	(249,987.18)
Street Lights	\$ 10,900.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(10,497.75)	\$ 402.25
Trash Collection & Disposal	\$ 514,508.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(487,198.08)	\$ 27,309.92
Transfer Station	\$ 165,536.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(176,178.84)	\$ 3,357.48
Landfill	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -
Cemetery	\$ 22,155.00	\$ 8,254.00	\$ 8,332.13	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(28,773.64)	\$ 9,967.49
	\$ 1,270,132.32	\$ 11,754.00	\$ 8,332.13	\$ -	\$ 14,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	627.74	\$ -	(1,508,980.13)	(204,133.94)
<u>HUMAN SERVICES</u>											
Board of Health	\$ 96,544.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(89,508.48)	\$ 7,035.52
Council on Aging	\$ 156,085.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(139,523.12)	\$ 16,561.88
Veterans Services	\$ 180,750.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	(146,792.05)	\$ 33,957.95
Memorial & Veterans Day	\$ 2,200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(2,167.38)	\$ 32.62
	\$ 435,579.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(377,991.03)	\$ 57,587.97

	Appropriations ATM- Oper/Capital	Appropriations ATM-Spec Articles	Encumbrance/ Carryforward	Other Amount To Raise	Add'l Approp. STM - Fall	Add'l Approp. STM - Sprg-Mar	Add'l Approp. STM - Sprg- June	Reserve Fund Transfers	Line Item Transfers	Expended FY2018	Unexpended Appropriation
CULTURE & RECREATION											
Library	\$ 136,173.00	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(122,948.45)	\$ 28,224.55
J. White Library	\$ 5,305.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(3,705.23)	\$ 1,599.77
Parade & Fireworks	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(3,000.00)	\$ -
Cable Advisory Committee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 71,748.27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(13,919.37)	\$ 57,828.90
Arts Local Cultural Council	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(932.63)	\$ 267.37
Historical Commission	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(981.58)	\$ 18.42
	\$ 145,978.00	\$ -	\$ 87,448.27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(145,487.26)	\$ 87,939.01
DEBT SERVICE											
Retirement of Debt											
Principal Payments	\$ 615,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(615,000.00)	\$ -
Interest on Long Term Debt	\$ 83,150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(83,150.00)	\$ -
Interest on Short Term Debt & Other Int.	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(3,000.00)	\$ -
	\$ 701,150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(701,150.00)	\$ -
INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSESSMENTS & CHARGES											
State Assessments & Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 122,009.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(122,009.00)	\$ -
County Assessments & Charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 140,891.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(140,891.00)	\$ -
SRPEDD Assessment	\$ 1,581.43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(1,581.43)	\$ -
	\$ 1,581.43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 262,900.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(264,481.43)	\$ -
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS											
Retirement & Pension Contributions	\$ 979,551.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2,912.37	(982,424.44)	\$ 38.93
Workers Compensation Insurance	\$ 81,989.50	\$ -	\$ 1,779.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(71,334.00)	\$ 12,435.00
Unemployment Benefits	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ 22,800.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(23,685.79)	\$ 19,114.21
Health Insurance	\$ 1,465,185.00	\$ -	\$ 1,676.40	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(3,443.34)	(1,401,311.83)	\$ 62,106.23
Life Insurance	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	22.92	(1,222.92)	\$ -
Medicare	\$ 55,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	508.05	(55,508.05)	\$ -
Retirement Sick Buyback	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ 2,602,925.50	\$ -	\$ 26,255.90	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(2,535,487.03)	\$ 93,694.37
COURT JUDGMENTS											
Court Judgments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

	Appropriations ATM- Oper/Capital	Appropriations ATM-Spec Articles	Encumbrance/ Carryforward	Other Amount To Raise	Add'l Approp. STM - Fall	Add'l Approp. STM - Sprg-Mar	Add'l Approp. STM - Sprg- June	Reserve Fund Transfers	Line Item Transfers	Expended FY2018	Unexpended Appropriation
<u>OTHER</u>											
Liability Insurance	\$ 47,004.45	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(45,933.65)	\$ 1,070.80
Town-wide Fueling	\$ 138,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(108,782.43)	\$ 29,217.57
	\$ 185,004.45	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(154,716.08)	\$ 30,288.37
<u>CAPITAL EQUIPMENT BUDGET:</u>											
Capital Equipment Leases	\$ 287,495.86	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(282,221.07)	\$ 5,274.79
Capital Equipment Purchases	\$ 147,417.00	\$ -	4,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(85,465.43)	\$ 66,451.57
	\$ -									\$ -	-
	\$ 434,912.86	\$ -	4,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(367,686.50)	\$ 71,726.36
<u>CAPITAL BUILDING BUDGET:</u>											
Town Building Improvements	\$ 87,400.00	\$ -	37,664.45	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	25,000.00	\$ -	(48,590.35)	\$ 101,474.10
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -							\$ -	-
	\$ 87,400.00	\$ -	37,664.45	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	25,000.00	\$ -	(48,590.35)	\$ 101,474.10
<u>Current Fiscal Year Transfers</u>											
Transfer to Special Revenue	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	459.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(459.00)	-
Transfer to Capital Project Fund	\$ -	650,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	225,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(875,000.00)	-
Transfer to Enterprise Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-
Transfer to Trust Fund - OPEB	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(200,000.00)	-
Transfer to Trust Fund - Capital Stabilization	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	1,839,178.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(1,839,178.00)	-
Transfer to Agency Fund										\$ -	-
Total Transfers	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 650,000.00	\$ -	459.00	225,000.00	1,839,178.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(2,914,637.00)	-
<u>Total FY2018 Appropriations</u>											
	\$ 23,405,795.55	\$ 735,654.00	\$ 966,069.42	\$ 263,359.00	\$ 249,997.00	\$ 1,839,178.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(25,942,533.86)	\$ 1,517,519.11

TOWN OF FREETOWN
FISCAL YEAR 2018
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET VS. ACTUAL

		Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable) Difference
<u>TOWN BUDGETS:</u>				
General Government	Personnel	\$ 770,948.05	\$ 690,373.08	\$ 80,574.97
	Expenses	\$ 515,345.59	\$ 399,400.13	\$ 115,945.46
	Special Articles	\$ 872,139.34	\$ 381,920.17	\$ 490,219.17
	Encumbrances	\$ 3,577.35	\$ 1,177.35	\$ 2,400.00
Public Safety	Personnel	\$ 2,952,336.23	\$ 2,746,403.62	\$ 205,932.61
	Overtime	\$ 351,619.99	\$ 346,114.70	\$ 5,505.29
	Expenses	\$ 360,685.39	\$ 325,510.28	\$ 35,175.11
	Special Articles	\$ 10,997.00	\$ 1,988.74	\$ 9,008.26
	Encumbrances	\$ 51.98	\$ 51.98	\$ -
Education	Personnel	\$ 4,424.00	\$ 4,424.00	\$ -
	Expenses	\$ 12,360,145.00	\$ 12,025,963.00	\$ 334,182.00
	Special Articles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Public Works	Personnel	\$ 432,830.71	\$ 427,574.63	\$ 5,256.08
	Overtime	\$ 26,165.03	\$ 24,771.16	\$ 1,393.87
	Expenses	\$ 811,764.32	\$ 1,030,641.70	\$ (218,877.38)
	Special Articles	\$ 30,236.13	\$ 22,142.64	\$ 8,093.49
	Encumbrances	\$ 3,850.00	\$ 3,850.00	\$ -
Human Services	Personnel	\$ 234,060.00	\$ 219,938.80	\$ 14,121.20
	Expenses	\$ 201,519.00	\$ 158,052.23	\$ 43,466.77
	Encumbrances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

		Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable) Difference
Culture & Recreation	Personnel	\$ 97,088.00	\$ 85,497.60	\$ 11,590.40
	Expenses	\$ 48,890.00	\$ 45,570.29	\$ 3,319.71
	Special Articles	\$ 86,748.27	\$ 13,919.37	\$ 72,828.90
	Encumbrances	\$ 700.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 200.00
Debt Service		\$ 701,150.00	\$ 701,150.00	\$ -
Inter-governmental Assessments		\$ 264,481.43	\$ 264,481.43	\$ -
Employee Benefits	Personnel	\$ 2,602,925.50	\$ 2,513,721.14	\$ 89,204.36
	Encumbrances	\$ 26,255.90	\$ 21,765.89	\$ 4,490.01
Other		\$ 185,004.45	\$ 154,716.08	\$ 30,288.37
Capital Equipment	Expenses	\$ 434,912.86	\$ 367,686.50	\$ 67,226.36
	Encumbrances	\$ 4,500.00	\$ -	\$ 4,500.00
Capital Building	Expenses	\$ 112,400.00	\$ 30,539.43	\$ 81,860.57
	Encumbrances	\$ 37,664.45	\$ 18,050.92	\$ 19,613.53
Total Current Fiscal Year Budget Appropriations		\$ 24,545,415.97	\$ 23,027,896.86	\$ 1,517,519.11
OTHER FINANCING USES:				
Current Fiscal Year Transfers:				
Transfers to Special Revenue		\$ 459.00	\$ 459.00	\$ -
Transfers to Enterprise Funds		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Transfers to Capital Projects		\$ 875,000.00	\$ 875,000.00	\$ -
Transfers to Trust Funds - Stabilization Accounts		\$ 1,839,178.00	\$ 1,839,178.00	\$ -
Transfers to Trust Funds - OPEB		\$ 200,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -
Transfers to Agency Funds				\$ -
Total Other Financing Uses		\$ 2,914,637.00	\$ 2,914,637.00	\$ -
TOTAL ALL EXPENDITURES		\$ 27,460,052.97	\$ 25,942,533.86	\$ 1,517,519.11

TOWN OF FREETOWN
FISCAL YEAR 2018
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE FOR GENERAL FUND

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

Unreserved Fund Balance, June 30, 2017	\$ 3,643,608.93
Reverse PY Reserve for Appropriation Deficit (Snow & Ice)	\$ (219,423.76)
Reverse PY Reserve for Appropriation Deficit (Tax Title Costs)	\$ -
Reverse PY Reserve for Encumbrances	\$ 76,599.68
Reverse PY Reserve for Overlay Deficit	\$ -
Reverse PY Reserve for Expenditures	\$ -
Reverse PY Reserve for Continued Appropriations	\$ 889,469.74
Reverse PY Reserve for Special Purposes (Prepaid)	\$ -
Current Year Overlay Surplus Released	\$ -
Current Year Revenues	\$ 25,632,644.53
Current Year Other Financing Sources	\$ 724,861.42
Subtotal	\$ 30,747,760.54
Reserve Fund Balance for Encumbrances	\$ (163,102.58)
Reserve Fund Balance for Special Purposes (Prepaid)	\$ (925.00)
Reserve Fund Balance for Expenditures	\$ -
Reserve Fund Balance for Continued Appropriations	\$ (576,986.69)
Current Year Overlay Surplus Closed	\$ -
Current Year Appropriation Deficits (Snow & Ice)	\$ 249,987.18
Current Year Appropriation Deficits (Tax Title Costs)	\$ 3,387.70
Current Year Overlay Deficits	\$ -
Current Year Expenditures	\$ (23,027,896.86)
Current Year Other Financing Uses	\$ (2,914,637.00)
Unreserved Fund Balance, June 30, 2018	\$ 4,317,587.29

FUND BALANCE BY ACCOUNT

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances	\$ 163,102.58
Fund Balance Reserved for Special Purpose (Prepaid)	\$ 925.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Debt Service	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Future Excluded Debt	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Continued Appropriations	\$ 576,986.69
Fund Balance Reserved for Court Judgment	\$ -
Unreserved Fund Balance-Appropriation Deficit	\$ (253,374.88)
Unreserved Fund Balance-Overlay Deficits	\$ -
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$ 4,317,587.29
Fund Balance, June 30, 2018	\$ 4,805,226.68

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 200 FEDERAL GRANTS

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Adjustments	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
<u>FEDERAL GRANTS</u>									
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>									
Police FY17 Traffic Enforcement Grant	0203-17	\$ -							\$ -
Police FY18 Traffic Enforcement Grant	0203-18	\$ -	\$ 2,642.72	\$ (4,138.16)					\$ (1,495.44)
Fire SHSH Federal Grant	0202-00	\$ (2,880.00)	\$ 9,271.30	\$ (8,071.30)					\$ (1,680.00)
Fire FY18 AFG Federal Grant	0205-18	\$ -	\$ 39,940.00	\$ (39,940.00)					\$ -
EMA FY17 EMPG Federal Grant	0201-17	\$ -							\$ -
EMA FY16 EMPG Federal Grant	0201-16	\$ -							\$ -
EMA FY17 CCP CERT	0200-17	\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		\$ (2,880.00)	\$ 51,854.02	\$ (52,149.46)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,175.44)
<u>FEMA GRANTS</u>									
		\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL FEMA GRANTS		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>CULTURE & RECREATION</u>									
									\$ -
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS</u>									
		\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>OTHER</u>									
									\$ -
TOTAL OTHER		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL ALL FEDERAL GRANTS		\$ (2,880.00)	\$ 51,854.02	\$ (52,149.46)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,175.44)
									\$ (3,175.44)

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 210 STATE GRANTS

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Adjustments	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
<u>STATE GRANTS</u>									
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>									
Stop & Shop Smart Growth	1011-00	\$ 771.25				\$ (771.25)			\$ -
Elections	1000-14	\$ 1,870.00				\$ (1,870.00)			\$ -
Elections - Early Voting	1000-17	\$ -							\$ -
Planning-MVP EOEEA Grant FY18	1022-18	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00						\$ 10,000.00
Planning-Open Spc Rec Mstr Plan	1023-18	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00						\$ 25,000.00
43D	1010-00	\$ 1,466.45				\$ (1,466.45)			\$ -
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		\$ 4,107.70	\$ 35,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (4,107.70)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,000.00
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>									
MAC I'm Animal Friendly FY15	1015-15	\$ 15.00				\$ (15.00)			\$ -
Police/Comm 911 Training FY14	1001-14	\$ (159.00)			\$ 159.00				\$ (0.00)
Police/Comm 911 Training FY17	1001-17	\$ (8,054.05)	\$ 8,054.04						\$ (0.01)
Police/Comm 911 Training FY18	1001-18	\$ -		\$ (5,359.93)					\$ (5,359.93)
Police 911 Support & Incentive FY18	1002-18	\$ -	\$ 27,880.74	\$ (27,880.74)					\$ -
Police 911 Support & Incentive FY17	1002-17	\$ (16,578.00)	\$ 16,278.00		\$ 300.00				\$ -
Police 911 Support & Incentive FY16	1002-16	\$ 20.00				\$ (20.00)			\$ -
Fire Hazmat	1003-00	\$ -	\$ 13,711.29	\$ (17,703.39)					\$ (3,992.10)
Fire Safe Grant FY18	1004-18	\$ -	\$ 6,123.00	\$ (897.49)					\$ 5,225.51
Fire Safe Grant FY17	1004-17	\$ 6,547.00		\$ (6,547.00)					\$ -
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		\$ (18,209.05)	\$ 72,047.07	\$ (58,388.55)	\$ 459.00	\$ (35.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (4,126.53)
<u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>									
Water Conservation Grant	1012-00	\$ 5,701.80							\$ 5,701.80
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS		\$ 5,701.80	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,701.80
<u>EDUCATION</u>									
TOTAL EDUCATION		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Adjustments	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
<u>MEMA GRANTS</u>									
		\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL MEMA GRANTS		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>COUNCIL ON AGING</u>									
Council On Aging-Elderly Affairs	1005-18	\$ -	\$ 16,985.00	\$ (16,985.00)					\$ -
TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING		\$ (0.00)	\$ 16,985.00	\$ (16,985.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<u>CULTURE & RECREATION</u>									
Arts Cultural Council	1008-00	\$ 4,867.28	\$ 4,600.00	\$ (4,612.00)					\$ 4,855.28
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION		\$ 4,867.28	\$ 4,600.00	\$ (4,612.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,855.28
<u>LIBRARY</u>									
Library Grant FY18	1006-18	\$ -	\$ 10,218.91	\$ (549.00)					\$ 9,669.91
Library Grant FY17	1006-17	\$ 10,068.95		\$ (6,055.10)					\$ 4,013.85
Library Grant FY16	1006-16	\$ 10,111.01		\$ (10,111.01)					\$ -
Library Plan & Design	1007-00	\$ 18,869.04	\$ 81.57						\$ 18,950.61
TOTAL LIBRARY		\$ 39,049.00	\$ 10,300.48	\$ (16,715.11)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,634.37
<u>OTHER</u>									
BOH MassDEP Mat'ls Recovery	1019-16	\$ -							\$ -
BOH MassDEP Roll Off Rigid Plastic	1020-16	\$ -							\$ -
BOH MassDEP Mat'ls Recovery	1019-17	\$ 4,750.00							\$ 4,750.00
TOTAL OTHER		\$ 4,750.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,750.00
<u>COUNTY GRANTS</u>									
		\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL COUNTY GRANTS		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL ALL STATE GRANTS		\$ 40,266.73	\$ 138,932.55	\$ (96,700.66)	\$ 459.00	\$ (4,142.70)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 78,814.92
									\$ 78,814.92

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 220 RECEIPTS RESERVED FOR APPROPRIATION

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Adjustments	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
<u>RECEIPTS RESERVED FOR APPROPRIATION</u>									
Conservation Wetlands	2000-00	\$ 35,112.70	\$ 22,822.00	\$ (3,846.85)					\$ 54,087.85
Transportation Network Co Fund	2007-00	\$ -	\$ 88.90						\$ 88.90
PEG Access & Cable	2005-00	\$ 110,393.86	\$ 32,236.06						\$ 142,629.92
TOTAL RECEIPTS RESERVED		\$ 145,506.56	\$ 55,146.96	\$ (3,846.85)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 196,806.67
<u>INSURANCE OVER\$ 20,000.00</u>									
		\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL INSURANCE		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sale of Real Estate	2002-00	\$ 7,266.88	\$ -	\$ -					\$ 7,266.88
Sale of Cemetery Lots	2001-00	\$ 8,972.00	\$ 1,250.00			\$ (4,500.00)			\$ 5,722.00
<u>OTHER</u>									
Landfill	2004-00	\$ 67,760.79							\$ 67,760.79
Recycling Fund	2003-00	\$ 1,549.73	\$ -	\$ -					\$ 1,549.73
TOTAL OTHER		\$ 69,310.52	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 69,310.52
TOTAL ALL RECEIPTS RESERVED FUNDS		\$ 231,055.96	\$ 56,396.96	\$ (3,846.85)	\$ -	\$ (4,500.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 279,106.07
									\$ 279,106.07

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 230 REVOLVING FUNDS

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Adjustments	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
<u>REVOLVING FUNDS</u>									
<u>INSURANCE RECOVERY</u>									
Police Insurance Recovery	3000-00	\$ 3,771.85	\$ 4,395.00						\$ 8,166.85
Council on Aging Insurance Recovery	3003-00	\$ -							
Highway Insurance Recovery	3004-00	\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL INSURANCE RECOVERY		\$ 3,771.85	\$ 4,395.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,166.85
<u>CULTURE & RECREATION</u>									
		\$ -							\$ -
Arts Council	3702-00	\$ 553.19	\$ 1,202.63	\$ (691.88)					\$ 1,063.94
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION		\$ 553.19	\$ 1,202.63	\$ (691.88)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,063.94
<u>CH. 44, § 53E-1/2 REVOLVING</u>									
Long Pond Boat Ramp	3202-00	\$ 29,905.54	\$ 7,110.00	\$ (3,731.56)					\$ 33,283.98
Annual Town Reports	3200-00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 100.00						\$ 1,600.00
Communications Alarms	3201-00	\$ 1,468.88	\$ 680.00	\$ (630.00)					\$ 1,518.88
TOTAL DEPT REVOLVING		\$ 32,874.42	\$ 7,890.00	\$ (4,361.56)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,402.86
<u>OTHER</u>									
Police State Law Enforcement Trust	3700-00	\$ 1,007.18	\$ 4.35						\$ 1,011.53
Police Federal Forfeiture Funds	3701-00	\$ 57,875.88	\$ 250.23						\$ 58,126.11
Police/Fire Special Injury Indemnity	3600-00	\$ -	\$ 17,000.00	\$ (22,000.00)					\$ (5,000.00)
Recycling Fund	2003-00	\$ -							\$ -
Planning Board-Consulting Accounts	3500-00	\$ 16,572.47	\$ 51,807.21	\$ (43,561.01)					\$ 24,818.67
Conservation-Consulting Accounts	3502-00	\$ 1,894.66	\$ 18,161.56	\$ (7,801.32)					\$ 12,254.90
TOTAL OTHER		\$ 77,350.19	\$ 87,223.35	\$ (73,362.33)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 91,211.21
TOTAL ALL REVOLVING FUNDS		\$ 114,549.65	\$ 100,710.98	\$ (78,415.77)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 136,844.86
									\$ 136,844.86

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 240 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE & 241 SEPTIC BETTERMENTS

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Adjustments	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
<u>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE</u>									
Title V	Fund # 241	\$ 77,263.74	\$ 17,891.52						\$ 95,155.26
<u>GIFTS & DONATIONS</u>									
Hathaway Park	4008-00	\$ 5,205.56							\$ 5,205.56
Boston Beer	4012-00	\$ 999.04							\$ 999.04
Patriot Half Triathlon	4013-00	\$ 500.00							\$ 500.00
Town Hall Events	4016-00	\$ 603.69	\$ 200.00						\$ 803.69
TRWA-Open Space & Rec. Plan	4009-00	\$ 1,320.00							\$ 1,320.00
Bicycle Safety	4000-00	\$ 391.85							\$ 391.85
Police Drug Education Program	4011-00	\$ 2,022.38							\$ 2,022.38
Police K-9 Stanton Grant	4017-00	\$ 9,875.18	\$ 14,000.00	\$ (9,838.83)					\$ 14,036.35
Police K-9 Donations	4027-00	\$ -	\$ 7,913.78	\$ (4,223.28)					\$ 3,690.50
Animal Control Officer	4015-00	\$ 521.00							\$ 521.00
Tree Warden	4006-00	\$ 1,070.00							\$ 1,070.00
Compost Bins	4004-00	\$ 1,354.20							\$ 1,354.20
Cemetery	4005-00	\$ 2,020.05		\$ (1,800.00)					\$ 220.05
Council on Aging	4001-00	\$ 35,183.83	\$ 3,471.00	\$ (629.36)					\$ 38,025.47
Library Donations	4003-00	\$ 8,499.91	\$ 100.00	\$ (1,408.09)					\$ 7,191.82
Historical	4007-00	\$ 442.00							\$ 442.00
Cablevision Fund	4002-00	\$ 10.00							\$ 10.00
Cable Public Access	4010-00	\$ -							\$ -
Stop & Shop Smart Growth	1011-00	\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		\$ 70,018.69	\$ 25,684.78	\$ (17,899.56)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,803.91
<u>OTHER</u>		\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL OTHER		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL ALL OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS		\$ 147,282.43	\$ 43,576.30	\$ (17,899.56)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 172,959.17
									\$ 172,959.17

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 300 HIGHWAY CH 90 & OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Bond Payable	Ban Paydown	Transfers In	Expenditures	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u>									
Highway-Chapter 90	Fund # 300	\$ (1,328.17)	\$ 287,961.20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (339,409.86)	\$ -	\$ (52,776.83)
Bridge Rehab	Fund # 301	\$ 134,851.58	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 225,000.00	\$ (10,784.53)	\$ -	\$ 349,067.05
Water Cap Proj - Filter Site Improv	Fund # 615	\$ 22,399.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 731,884.96	\$ (60,837.19)	\$ -	\$ 693,447.09
TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS		<u>\$ 155,922.73</u>	<u>\$ 287,961.20</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 956,884.96</u>	<u>\$ (411,031.58)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 989,737.31</u>
									\$ 989,737.31

**TOWN OF FREETOWN
WATER-SEWER ENTERPRISE
FISCAL YEAR 2018
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

	Budget	Actual	Difference
<u>REVENUES</u>			
Water Usage and Liens Collected	\$ 512,769.28	\$ 582,312.40	\$ 69,543.12
Sewer Usage	\$ 225,000.00	\$ 203,026.50	\$ (21,973.50)
Interest and Penalties	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 8,052.58	\$ 4,052.58
Other Non-Usage Charges	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 11,511.47	\$ (4,488.53)
Water Lien Costs	\$ -	\$ 2,307.04	\$ 2,307.04
Permit Fees	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 3,800.00	\$ (16,200.00)
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ -	\$ 190.00	\$ 190.00
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Receipts - Operations	\$ 777,769.28	\$ 811,199.99	\$ 33,430.71
<u>WATER ASSESSMENTS</u>			
App. Betterments-Added to Taxes	\$ -	\$ 3,062.32	\$ 3,062.32
Committed Interest-Added to Taxes	\$ -	\$ 2,183.66	\$ 2,183.66
App. Betterments-Not Yet Due	\$ -	\$ 1,025.68	\$ 1,025.68
Interest on Betterments-Not Yet Due	\$ -	\$ 76.33	\$ 76.33
Water Betterment Liens-Added to Taxes	\$ -	\$ 1,802.14	\$ 1,802.14
Total Receipts - Assessments	\$ -	\$ 8,150.13	\$ 8,150.13
<u>OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS:</u>			
Retained Earnings Voted to Transfer to Capital Project Fund at Fall Town Meeting	\$ 81,884.96	\$ 81,884.96	\$ -
Retained Earnings Voted to Fund Emergency Reserve Fund at Fall Town Meeting	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -
Retained Earnings Voted to Supplement Operating Budget at Fall Town Meeting	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -
Retained Earnings Voted to Pay Prior Year Bills at Spring Town Meeting	\$ 385.46	\$ 385.46	\$ -
Total Receipts - Other Available Funds	\$ 162,270.42	\$ 162,270.42	\$ -
Grand Total All Receipts	\$ 940,039.70	\$ 981,620.54	\$ 41,580.84

	Budget	Actual	Difference
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>			
Water-Sewer- Personnel	\$ 83,607.28	\$ 83,607.28	\$ -
Water-Sewer - Use Charges for Purchased Sewer Service	\$ 189,038.00	\$ 163,871.50	\$ 25,166.50
Water-Sewer - Expenses, with Supplemental Appropriation	\$ 459,979.00	\$ 430,961.20	\$ 29,017.80
Special Articles	\$ 385.46	\$ 385.46	\$ -
Reserve Fund	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00
Transfer to Capital Project Fund	\$ 81,884.96	\$ 81,884.96	\$ -
Transfer to General Fund-Indirect Costs	\$ 75,145.00	\$ 65,160.00	\$ 9,985.00
Total Budget	<u>\$ 940,039.70</u>	<u>\$ 825,870.40</u>	<u>\$ 114,169.30</u>

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

Net Assets, June 30, 2017 - Water	\$ 147,177.42
Net Assets, June 30, 2017 - Sewer	\$ 175,933.02
Actual Revenues Closed for FY2018	\$ 819,350.12
Actual Expenditures Closed for FY2018	\$ (825,870.40)
Net Assets, June 30, 2018	<u>\$ 316,590.16</u>

FUND BALANCE BY ACCOUNT

Net Assets Restricted for Encumbrances	\$ 3,250.00
Net Assets Restricted for Expenditures	\$ 32,900.00
Net Assets Restricted for Continued Appropriations	\$ -
Net Assets, Unrestricted	\$ 239,703.44
Net Assets, Unrestricted-Water Assessments	\$ 40,736.72
Net Assets, June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 316,590.16</u>

Retained Earnings Certified as of 7/1/2018 by the Bureau of Accounts was \$280,440.

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 810 NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Adjustments	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
<u>NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST</u>									
OTHER:									
C. Clark Scholarship Fund	6400-00	\$ 10,000.00							\$ 10,000.00
CEMETERY:									
Assonet Cemetery	6200-00	\$ 201,135.00	\$ 2,480.00						\$ 203,615.00
Chace Cemetery	6201-00	\$ 76,700.00							\$ 76,700.00
Rounseville Cemetery	6202-00	\$ 10,650.00							\$ 10,650.00
Morton Cemetery	6203-00	\$ 7,065.00							\$ 7,065.00
White Cemetery	6204-00	\$ 500.00							\$ 500.00
Evans Cemetery	6205-00	\$ 38,000.00							\$ 38,000.00
Friends Tripp Cemetery	6206-00	\$ 1,000.00							\$ 1,000.00
Nichols Cemetery	6207-00	\$ 345.00							\$ 345.00
Richmond Cemetery	6208-00	\$ 612.00							\$ 612.00
Ruby (Winslow) Linn Cemetery	6209-00	\$ 20,000.00							\$ 20,000.00
East Freetown Cemetery	6210-00	\$ 600.00							\$ 600.00
LIBRARY:									
Morgan Memorial	6000-00	\$ 1,195.00				\$ (1,195.00)			\$ -
J. L. Lawton Kirker Memorial	6001-00	\$ 1,000.00							\$ 1,000.00
Annie S. Hunt	6002-00	\$ 3,000.00				\$ (1,000.00)			\$ 2,000.00
Warren Cudworth	6003-00	\$ 1,000.00				\$ (500.00)			\$ 500.00
Gager	6004-00	\$ 2,000.00				\$ (1,365.00)			\$ 635.00
A. A. Paine	6005-00	\$ 100.00			\$ 28.06				\$ 128.06
Betsey Hathawy	6006-00	\$ 1,000.00				\$ (500.00)			\$ 500.00
George Hathaway	6007-00	\$ 10,000.00				\$ (5,000.00)			\$ 5,000.00
H. Douglas Dana	6008-00	\$ 400.00				\$ (132.00)			\$ 268.00
M. Marvin Fletcher	6009-00	\$ 1,000.00							\$ 1,000.00
C. Isabel Hathaway	6010-00	\$ 500.00							\$ 500.00
J. White Therrien	6011-00	\$ 15,000.00				\$ (15,000.00)			\$ -
White Memorial	6012-00	\$ 500.00				\$ (500.00)			\$ -
C. Clark Memorial	6013-00	\$ 5,000.00							\$ 5,000.00
R.Parker Memorial	6014-00	\$ 515.00				\$ (515.00)			\$ -
C. Kendrick Memorial	6015-00	\$ 400.00				\$ (400.00)			\$ -
I. B. Plouffe	6016-00	\$ 761.20							\$ 761.20
TOTAL ALL NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS		\$ 409,978.20	\$ 2,480.00	\$ -	\$ 28.06	\$ (26,107.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 386,379.26

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 820 EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

	Program #	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Adjustments	Reclassify	Ending Balance
<u>EXPENDABLE TRUST</u>									
OTHER:									
C. Clark Scholarship Fund	6900-00	\$ 68.57	\$ 43.55						\$ 112.12
CEMETERY:									
Assonet Cemetery	6700-00	\$ 554.00	\$ 881.26	\$ (15.98)					\$ 1,419.28
Chace Cemetery	6701-00	\$ 408.54	\$ 333.37						\$ 741.91
Rounseville Cemetery	6702-00	\$ 16.94	\$ 46.13						\$ 63.07
Morton Cemetery	6703-00	\$ 6.40	\$ 30.58						\$ 36.98
White Cemetery	6704-00	\$ 0.92	\$ 1.72						\$ 2.64
Evans Cemetery	6705-00	\$ 3,654.19	\$ 174.30	\$ (1,960.00)					\$ 1,868.49
Friends Tripp Cemetery	6706-00	\$ 5.21	\$ 4.35						\$ 9.56
Nichols Cemetery	6707-00	\$ 2.26	\$ 1.51						\$ 3.77
Richmond Cemetery	6708-00	\$ 1.60	\$ 2.62						\$ 4.22
Ruby (Winslow) Linn Cemetery	6709-00	\$ 5,362.66	\$ 107.91	\$ (835.00)					\$ 4,635.57
East Freetown Cemetery	6710-00	\$ 0.60	\$ 2.62						\$ 3.22
LIBRARY:									
Morgan Memorial	6500-00	\$ 1,022.72	\$ 9.58		\$ 1,195.00				\$ 2,227.30
J. L. Lawton Kirker Memorial	6501-00	\$ 188.50	\$ 5.16						\$ 193.66
Annie S. Hunt	6502-00	\$ 2,059.87	\$ 21.87		\$ 1,000.00				\$ 3,081.74
Warren Cudworth	6503-00	\$ 4,937.75	\$ 25.67		\$ 500.00				\$ 5,463.42
Gager	6504-00	\$ 819.21	\$ 12.19		\$ 1,365.00				\$ 2,196.40
A. A. Paine	6505-00	\$ 1,193.54	\$ 5.60			\$ (28.06)			\$ 1,171.08
Betsey Hathaway	6506-00	\$ 3,958.30	\$ 21.44		\$ 500.00				\$ 4,479.74
George Hathaway	6507-00	\$ 28,636.35	\$ 167.05		\$ 5,000.00				\$ 33,803.40
H. Douglas Dana	6508-00	\$ 1,458.76	\$ 8.05		\$ 132.00				\$ 1,598.81
M. Fletcher Marvin	6509-00	\$ 1,663.53	\$ 11.53						\$ 1,675.06
C. Isabel Hathaway	6510-00	\$ 1,329.38	\$ 7.91						\$ 1,337.29
J. White Therrien	6511-00	\$ 2,990.20	\$ 77.80		\$ 15,000.00				\$ 18,068.00
White Memorial	6512-00	\$ 1,349.16	\$ 7.99		\$ 500.00				\$ 1,857.15
C. Clark Memorial	6513-00	\$ 2,203.13	\$ 31.13						\$ 2,234.26
R. Parker Memorial	6514-00	\$ 441.99	\$ 4.13		\$ 515.00				\$ 961.12
C. Kendrick Memorial	6515-00	\$ 136.29	\$ 2.32		\$ 400.00				\$ 538.61
I. B. Plouffe	6516-00	\$ 294.30	\$ 4.57						\$ 298.87
TOTAL ALL EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS		\$ 64,764.87	\$ 2,053.91	\$ (2,810.98)	\$ 26,107.00	\$ (28.06)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90,086.74

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 830 OTHER TRUST FUNDS

	Program #	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Adjustments	Reclassify	Ending Balance
<u>OTHER TRUST FUNDS</u>									
Conservation	6901-00	\$ 99,248.80	\$ 431.49	\$ (1,119.80)					\$ 98,560.49
Police Res. Disability	6904-00	\$ 814.11	\$ 3.54						\$ 817.65
Fire Call Disability	6905-00	\$ 12,554.66	\$ 54.29						\$ 12,608.95
Scholar & Education	6906-00	\$ 234.51	\$ 66.13						\$ 300.64
Elderly & Disabled	6907-00	\$ 5,172.07	\$ 226.74						\$ 5,398.81
Symp. & Hosp.	6908-00	\$ 1,480.73	\$ 6.42						\$ 1,487.15
Unfunded Pension	6909-00	\$ 60,144.50	\$ 10.05	\$ (60,149.61)					\$ 4.94
OPEB Reserve	6910-00	\$ 367,697.47	\$ 2,413.64		\$ 200,000.00				\$ 570,111.11
Parade/Fire/Recreation	6903-00	\$ 27,094.04	\$ 14,149.88	\$ (10,382.06)					\$ 30,861.86
TOTAL OTHER TRUST FUNDS		\$ 574,440.89	\$ 17,362.18	\$ (71,651.47)	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -		\$ -	\$ 720,151.60
<u>STABILIZATION ACCOUNTS</u>									
General	6902-00	\$ 2,256,211.34	\$ 24,403.73						\$ 2,280,615.07
Capital	6911-00	\$ 2,202,697.04	\$ 20,837.69		\$ 1,839,178.00	\$ (650,000.00)			\$ 3,412,712.73
TOTAL STABILIZATION ACCOUNTS		\$ 4,458,908.38	\$ 45,241.42	\$ -	\$ 1,839,178.00	\$ (650,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,693,327.80
TOTAL ALL OTHER TRUST FUNDS		\$ 5,033,349.27	\$ 62,603.60	\$ (71,651.47)	\$ 2,039,178.00	\$ (650,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,413,479.40
TOTAL ALL TRUST FUNDS		\$ 5,508,092.34	\$ 67,137.51	\$ (74,462.45)	\$ 2,065,313.06	\$ (676,135.06)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,889,945.40
									\$ 6,889,945.40

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - 900 AGENCY FUNDS

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Receivable/ Payable/Other Adjustments	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
ASSETS									
Cash		\$ 8,129.96	\$ 247,934.04	\$ (271,334.73)			\$ 2,141.26		\$ (13,129.47)
Police Detail Receivable		\$ 20,490.50					\$ 23,399.50		\$ 43,890.00
Fire Detail Receivable		\$ 2,281.29					\$ 1,200.96		\$ 3,482.25
TOTAL ALL ASSETS		\$ 30,901.75	\$ 247,934.04	\$ (271,334.73)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,741.72	\$ -	\$ 34,242.78
LIABILITIES									
Warrants Payable		\$ 2,275.32					\$ 2,141.26		\$ 4,416.58
Accrued Payroll		\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL ACCRUED PAYROLL		\$ 2,275.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,141.26	\$ -	\$ 4,416.58
DUE TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS									
Due to County - Property Recordings	7702-00	\$ 75.08	\$ 1,434.34	\$ (1,434.36)					\$ 75.06
Due to School Districts/Others	7704-00	\$ -							\$ -
Firearms Overlay-FID Licenses	7701-00	\$ 5,260.00	\$ 15,700.00	\$ (14,300.00)					\$ 6,660.00
TOTAL DUE TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS		\$ 5,335.08	\$ 17,134.34	\$ (15,734.36)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,735.06
OTHER LIABILITIES									
Police Details	7705-00	\$ (19,678.00)	\$ 219,232.00	\$ (242,881.50)					\$ (43,327.50)
Fire Details	7706-00	\$ (2,281.29)	\$ 11,111.81	\$ (12,358.49)					\$ (3,527.97)
Def. Revenue-Departmental		\$ 22,771.79					\$ 24,600.46		\$ 47,372.25
TOTAL OTHER LIABILITIES		\$ 812.50	\$ 230,343.81	\$ (255,239.99)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,600.46	\$ -	\$ 516.78
UNCLAIMED ITEMS									
Unclaimed Items	7700-00	\$ 390.08	\$ 360.38	\$ (360.38)					\$ 390.08
TOTAL UNCLAIMED ITEMS		\$ 390.08	\$ 360.38	\$ (360.38)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 390.08
PERFORMANCE/BID DEPOSITS									
Planning Board	7203-00	\$ 22,088.77	\$ 95.51						\$ 22,184.28
Other		\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL OTHER		\$ 22,088.77	\$ 95.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,184.28
TOTAL ALL LIABILITIES		\$ 30,901.75	\$ 247,934.04	\$ (271,334.73)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,741.72	\$ -	\$ 34,242.78

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - 901 AGENCY FUND - PAYROLL WITHHOLDINGS

	Program #	Beginning Balance 7/1/2017	Receipts	Expenditures	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Receivable/ Payable/Other Adjustments	Reclassify Adjustments	Ending Balance 6/30/2018
ASSETS									
Cash		\$ 25,047.19	\$ 1,734,139.49	\$(1,731,940.29)					\$ 27,246.39
Due From/(To) Other Funds		\$ -							\$ -
TOTAL ALL ASSETS		\$ 25,047.19	\$ 1,734,139.49	\$(1,731,940.29)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,246.39
LIABILITIES									
Warrants Payable		\$ -							\$ -
PAYROLL WITHHOLDINGS									
Federal Withholding Tax	7000-00	\$ -	\$ 526,693.28	\$(526,693.28)					\$ -
Medicare Tax Withholdings	7001-00	\$ -	\$ 55,508.12	\$(55,508.12)					\$ -
State Income Tax Withholdings	7002-00	\$ -	\$ 220,264.34	\$(220,264.34)					\$ -
County Retirement Withholdings	7003-00	\$ -	\$ 363,127.38	\$(363,127.38)					\$ -
Group Life Insurance Withholdings	7005-00	\$ 944.10	\$ 8,622.52	\$(8,267.24)		\$ (358.88)			\$ 940.50
Health Insurance Withholdings	7008-00	\$ 21,265.51	\$ 328,440.77	\$(326,373.27)					\$ 23,333.01
Aflac Insurance Withholdings	7010-00	\$ -	\$ 5,681.22	\$(5,681.22)					\$ -
Dental Insurance Withholdings	7011-00	\$ 2,137.74	\$ 39,532.84	\$(38,697.70)					\$ 2,972.88
United Way Withholdings	7012-00	\$ -	\$ 96.00	\$(96.00)					\$ -
Town Hall/Hwy. Union Dues Withholdings	7013-00	\$ -	\$ 9,363.20	\$(9,363.20)					\$ -
Police Union Dues Withholdings	7014-00	\$ -	\$ 30,912.81	\$(30,912.81)					\$ -
Comm. Union Dues Withholdings	7015-00	\$ -	\$ 1,584.00	\$(1,584.00)					\$ -
Fire Union Dues Withholdings	7016-00	\$ -	\$ 8,440.00	\$(8,440.00)					\$ -
Deferred Compensation Withholdings	7017-00	\$ -	\$ 51,800.84	\$(51,800.84)					\$ -
Credit Union Withholdings	7018-00	\$ -	\$ 11,160.00	\$(11,160.00)					\$ -
OBRA Withholdings	7019-00	\$ -	\$ 25,488.55	\$(25,488.55)					\$ -
Miscellaneous Withholdings	7021-00	\$ 699.84	\$ -	\$ -		\$ (699.84)			\$ -
Garnishment Withholdings	7020-00	\$ -	\$ 22,832.37	\$(22,832.37)					\$ -
TOTAL PAYROLL WITHHOLDINGS		\$ 25,047.19	\$ 1,709,548.24	\$(1,706,290.32)	\$ -	\$ (1,058.72)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,246.39
TOTAL ALL LIABILITIES		\$ 25,047.19	\$ 1,709,548.24	\$(1,706,290.32)	\$ -	\$ (1,058.72)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,246.39
TOTAL ALL AGENCY FUNDS		\$ 55,948.94	\$ 1,957,482.28	\$(1,977,625.05)	\$ -	\$ (1,058.72)	\$ 26,741.72	\$ -	\$ 61,489.17
									\$ 61,489.17

**TOWN OF FREETOWN
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS ANALYSIS
06/30/18**

Date	Loan	Interest Rate	Outstanding 6/30/2017	Borrowed FY 2018	Paid/Retired Principal FY 2018	Outstanding 6/30/2018	Interest Paid FY2018
<u>LONG TERM DEBT</u>							
	<u>INSIDE DEBT LIMIT</u>						
5/15/2013	Freetown Elem.-New Bond 74% State Reimbursed	1.2491%	\$ 4,045,000.00	\$ -	\$ 545,000.00	\$ 3,500,000.00	\$ 75,450.00
			\$ 4,045,000.00	\$ -	\$ 545,000.00	\$ 3,500,000.00	\$ 75,450.00
5/15/2013	Flooding, Bridges, Spring 2010	1.0569%	\$ 420,000.00	\$ -	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 7,700.00
			\$ 4,465,000.00	\$ -	\$ 615,000.00	\$ 3,850,000.00	\$ 83,150.00
	<u>OUTSIDE DEBT LIMIT</u>						
4/3/2009	Water Pump Station	6.50%	\$ 29,500.00	\$ -	\$ 14,750.00	\$ 14,750.00	\$ 1,917.50
			\$ 29,500.00	\$ -	\$ 14,750.00	\$ 14,750.00	\$ 1,917.50
Total Long Term Debt			\$ 4,494,500.00	\$ -	\$ 629,750.00	\$ 3,864,750.00	\$ 85,067.50
<u>SHORT TERM DEBT</u>							
12/1/2016	Bridge Improvements	1.00%	\$ 225,000.00	\$ -	\$ 225,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,250.00
12/1/2016	Water Filter Site Improvements	1.00%	\$ 75,000.00	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00	\$ -	\$ 750.00
Total Short Term Debt			\$ 300,000.00	\$ -	\$ 300,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
Grand Total All Debt			\$ 4,794,500.00	\$ -	\$ 929,750.00	\$ 3,864,750.00	\$ 88,067.50
<u>AUTHORIZED AND UNISSUED DEBT</u>							
	Authorized			Issued FY2018	Rescinded FY2018	Unissued 6/30/2018	
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Debt Authorized and Unissued	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE PERSONNEL

Steven E. Abbott, Lieutenant	Carlton E. Abbott, Jr., Chief of Police	Thomas E. Ashley, Jr., Patrolman
Michael J. Connell, Patrolman	Elton E. Ashley, III, Sergeant	Mark Fornaciari, Patrolman
Kaylin A. Jose, Patrolman	Edward J. Dwyer, Sergeant	Patrick R. Lee, Patrolman
Benjamin A. Levesque, Sergeant	Shane V. Kelley, Detective	Swede M. Magnett, Sergeant
Christopher Medeiros, Patrolman	Thomas D. Long, Patrolman	John Pina III, Patrolman
Phillip J. Pine, Patrolman	Ryan W. Pereira, Patrolman	Jon M. Taylor, Patrolman
	Scott M. Rose, Sergeant	
Luiz Alves, Reserve	Craig J. Cabral, Reserve	Joseph P. Cowing, Reserve
Seth M. Demello, Reserve	Nicholas J. Drinkwine, Reserve	Marc A. Gaspar, Reserve
Michael R. MacDonald, Reserve	Nathan P. Melo, Reserve	Kara E. Pigeon, Reserve

COMMUNICATIONS/SIGNAL OPERATORS

	Debra Souza, Supervisor	
Stephanie L. Brum, Full-Time	Margaret A. Dwyer, Full-Time	Richard J. Levesque, Full-Time
Thomas E. Ashley, Jr., Part-Time	Joseph P. Cowing, Part-Time	Timothy M. Dwyer, Part-Time
John Pina, III, Part-Time	Lisa M. Podielsky, Part-Time	Taylor J. Podielsky, Part-Time
Joshua Simmons, Part-Time		Lydia E. St Laurent, Part-Time

LOCK UP ATTENDANT

	Carlton Abbott, Jr., Keeper of Lock-Up	
Stephanie Brum	Lisa Podielsky	Lydia St. Laurent

CONSTABLE (CIVIL SERVICE & CRIMINAL PROCESS)

Carlton Abbott, Jr.	Steven Abbott	Elton Ashley, III
Robert C. Fouquette	Michael C. Lecuyer	Edward A. Mello
Walter J. Sawicki		Kenneth Upham, Sr. (Civil Service only)

POLICE COMMISSIONERS (EX OFFICIO)

Robert P. Jose, 2019	Lisa A. Pacheco, Chairman, 2021	Charles B. Sullivan, 2020
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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Residents of Freetown:

The following is the Annual Report of the Freetown Police Department for Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018:

Mission Statement

The Freetown Police Department is committed to providing the highest level of public safety and service to the citizens and business people within the community. The members of the Department are empowered to enforce the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the by-laws of the Town of Freetown to ensure that the peace and tranquility of our community is maintained and that crime and the fear of crime are reduced.

Core Values

The following values guide our work:

Integrity – We adhere to the highest moral and ethical standards. We are honest and sincere in dealing with each other and the community. We have the courage to uphold these principles and are proud that they guide us in all we do.

Respect – We recognize the value of individuality and treat all people with dignity. We cherish, defend and protect the rights, liberties and freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution.

Fairness – We are consistent in our treatment of all persons. Our actions are tempered with reason, equity, and governed by law.

Personnel Transitions

The following appointments were made:

Regular Police Officer (full-time)

Kaylin A. Jose – 10/16/17

Kaylin A. Jose attended the police recruit academy as a self-sponsored student. Upon her successful completion of the program, she applied for and was selected to serve as a Regular Police Officer (full-time). Her appointment served to fill one of the existing full-time vacancies.

Reserve Police Officer (part-time)

Joseph P. Cowing – 10/30/17

Reserve Police Officer (part-time)

Marc A. Gaspar – 08/14/17

Reserve Police Officer (part-time)

Michael R. MacDonald – 08/14/17

Reserve Police Officer (part-time)

Nathan P. Melo – 08/14/17

Signal Operator Trainee (part-time)

Joseph P. Cowing – 10/30/17

Student Officer (full-time)

Nicholas J. Drinkwine – 01/22/18

Nicholas J. Drinkwine served the Town as a Reserve Police Officer (part-time). He applied for and was selected to serve as a Regular Police Officer (full-time), contingent upon his successful completion of the police academy. He was appointed as a Student Officer for the purpose of attending the police academy. Upon completion of the academy, his appointment as a Regular Police Officer will serve to fill one of the existing full-time vacancies.

The following resignations were accepted:

Regular Police Officer (full-time)

Jon M. Taylor – 07/12/17

Reserve Police Officer (part-time)

John G. Lopes – 09/06/17

Signal Operator Trainee (part-time)

Joseph P. Cowing – 12/08/17

Signal Operator (part-time)

Taylor J. Podielsky – 02/01/18

Accreditation

The Department achieved initial Accreditation through the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission (MPAC) during 2014, and Re-Accreditation during 2017. The Department continues to meet or exceed the 323 professional standards that were established for the profession, by the profession. These carefully selected standards reflect critical areas of police management, operations, and technical support activities. They cover areas such as policy development, emergency response planning, training, communications, property and evidence handling, use of force, vehicular pursuit, prisoner transportation and holding facilities. This program not only sets standards for the law enforcement profession, but also for the delivery of police services to the residents of the Freetown.

Grants

The Department was successful in obtaining state 9-1-1 Department grant monies. These monies were used for the training of dispatch personnel, purchase of heavy duty dispatch chairs, and installation of tablets in police vehicles thereby allowing communication with the 9-1-1 computer system.

Training

Department training included specialized courses, annual daylight and dim light firearms training, the annual in-service program, and the continued use of a document management program made available on-line to all officers and signal operators. This on-line program allowed the Department to manage crucial documents, train and test employees, and maintain accreditation standards thereby reducing risk and expanding productivity, efficiency, time and money.

Facility

I have reported for many years about the condition and inadequacy of the existing police station. The good news is that the Board of Selectmen and Building Committee initiated discussions regarding the construction of a new station. From these discussions a Police Station Building Committee was formed, and substantial progress is being made toward the design and construction of a new station. Of course, the taxpayers will make the final determination regarding approval and funding.

Regional Collaboration

The Department is a member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council (SEMLEC) and has access to important resources, including search and rescue, canine, rapid response, tactical, marine, and dive team units. SEMLEC consists of 29 area police departments sharing knowledge, personnel and equipment.

Firearm Licensing

The Department processed 513 Licenses to Carry (LTC) and Firearm Identification Card (FID) applications, including original and renewals.

Licenses to Carry (LTC) Issued	224
Licenses to Carry (LTC) Renewed	239
Licenses to Carry (LTC) Suspended/Revoked	5
Firearm Identification Card (FID) Issued	17
Firearm Identification Card (FID) Renewed	33
Firearm Identification Card (FID) Suspended/Revoked	0

Statistics

Call Numbers

15,494

Case Activity Statistics

	FY 17-18
Total Felonies	222
Total Arrests (On View)	68
Total Arrests (Based On Incident/Warrants)	86
Total Summons Arrests	231
Total Arrests	385
Total Protective Custody	12
Total Juvenile Arrests	7
Total Juveniles Referred (Arrests)	1
Total Hearings	18
Total Summons	12
Total Open Warrants	17
Total Open Default Warrants	12
Total Orders	42

Offenses Reported

	FY 17-18
Forcible Rape	9
Forcible Fondling	5
Robbery	2

Aggravated (weapon) Assault	17
Simple Assault	39
Intimidation	24
Arson	1
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	35
Shoplifting	4
Theft from Building	28
Theft from Motor Vehicle	24
Theft from Motor Vehicle Parts	2
All Other Larceny	24
Motor Vehicle Theft	9
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1
False Pretenses/Swindle	9
Credit Card/Automatic Teller	2
Impersonation	12
Stolen Property Offenses	1
Vandalism/Malicious Damage	53
Drug Violations	30
Incest	1
Statutory Rape	1
Obscene Material	3
Weapons Violations	26
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	1
Bad Checks	7
Disorderly Conduct	8
Driving Under the Influence	31
Drunkenness	12
Family Offenses, Nonviolent	1
Liquor Law Violations	18
Trespassing	11
Town By-Law Offenses	592
All Other Offenses	192
TOTAL OFFENSES REPORTED	1,235

Other Violations

	FY 17-18
Motor Vehicle Citations	1,045
Municipal By-Law Violations	24
Parking Tickets	85

Non-Criminal Activity Requiring Written Police Report

	FY 17-18
Alcohol and/or Substance Abuser	2
Animal Complaint	2
Assist Fire or EMS	7
Assist Other Agency	40
Assist Citizen	37
Cruiser Accident	1
Driver Competency	3
Discharge Firearm	10
Domestic Disturbance (No Crime)	54
Disturbance	20
Industrial Accident	7
Impaired/Influence of Drugs	3
K-9 Deployment	0
Lost Property	21
Mutual Aid	15
Mental Health Issues	15
Mental Health Warrant	21
Missing Person	6
Drug Overdose	2
Drug Overdose - Heroin	5
Drug Overdose - Pharmaceutical	5
Other	35
Police Information	21
Property Held For Safekeeping	17
Runaway	7
Sudden Death - Accident	1
Suspected Drug Activity	1
Sudden Death Industrial Accident	0
Sudden Death Overdose	2
Sudden Death	9
Suspected Gang Activity	0
Towed Vehicle (No Crime)	21
Not On File	1
TOTAL	391

Collisions

	FY 17-18
Motor Vehicle Accidents Report Taken – Town Roads	199

Respectfully submitted,

Carlton E. Abbott, Jr., Esquire
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

CAREER PERSONNEL

Gary Silvia, Fire Chief / Paramedic

Clifford Cardin, Deputy Fire Chief/Paramedic

Harrie Ashley, Lieutenant/Paramedic

Neal Lafleur, Lieutenant/Paramedic

Paul Ashley, Lieutenant/E.M.T.-A

Keith Mello, Firefighter/Paramedic

Mark Brogan, Firefighter/Paramedic

Nicholas Lecuyer, Firefighter/Paramedic

Jeffrey Brum, Firefighter/Paramedic

James Gonneville, Firefighter/Paramedic

Zackary Petitpas, Firefighter/Paramedic - *Appt. 1/21/18*

Deborah Allerdt, Senior Clerk - *Retired 1/19/18*

Linda Remedis, Senior Clerk - *Appt. 12/11/17*

FREETOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT CALL PERSONNEL

Cameron Alves, Call Firefighter/Paramedic

Stephen Medeiros, Call Firefighter/Paramedic

Tyler Bower, Call FFOP

Matthew Olien, Call Firefighter/EMT

Mallorie Brouns, Call Firefighter/EMT

Danielle Poole, Call Firefighter

Ethan Bullock, Call FFOP

Eric Reynolds Jr., Call Firefighter/EMT

Gregory Calbo, Call Firefighter/Paramedic

Kevin Rezendes, Call Firefighter/EMT

Cody Craveiro, Call Firefighter

Corey Roberts, Call Firefighter

Robert Ferreira, Call Firefighter/EMT

Vernon Roberts, Call Captain

Samuel Finney, Call Firefighter/EMT

Andrew Robinson, Call Firefighter

Nathan Gagnier, Call Firefighter

Ryan Silvia, Call Firefighter/Paramedic

Joshua Hathaway, Call Firefighter/EMT

Kevin Smith, Call Firefighter

Vincent Karppinen, Call Firefighter

Kevin Whittey, Call Firefighter/EMT

Brent L'Heureux, Call Lieutenant/EMT

Andrew Wilkinson, Call Firefighter

Christopher Masse, Call Firefighter

Fire Station #1

3 Elm Street

Assonet

Fire Station #2

157 County Road

East Freetown

Fire Station #3 (Headquarters)

25 Bullock Road

East Freetown

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

The following is the Annual Town Report of the Freetown Fire Department for the fiscal year of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

The Freetown Fire Department would like to thank the community and the Board of Selectmen for their continued support this year. Community support is paramount, and we realize that without such support we would be unable to provide the utmost professional fire and rescue services to the community. We are constantly striving to improve our organization and our delivery of fire and rescue services to the community, a service both our residents and visitors expect and deserve.

Sadly, I must report on the passing of a former member of the fire department. Firefighter Leroy A. Demaranville, Jr., passed away on March 24, 2018. Firefighter Demaranville was appointed to the department on May 11, 1961 and was assigned to Station 1 where he served with distinction for the next 31 years until his retirement from the department on July 1, 1992. Roy was one of the nicest guys you could ever meet. Roy was always the first to introduce himself and welcome the "new" guys. After fires, Roy would take the time to pass on some tricks of the trade he had learned over the years to newer

members. Although the young firefighters didn't know it at the time, Roy was passing along the wisdom he had obtained to prevent something bad from happening to them. As one of the more active members back in the day, very rarely did a day go by when Roy wasn't at the firehouse answering an alarm or just stopping by to say hello to the on duty crew. He will be missed by all who knew him.

On June 30th, 2018, after 35 years of service Deputy Chief Clifford Cardin retired from the Freetown Fire Department. Deputy Chief Cardin's retirement closes out a stellar career and a lesson in true community service. As one of the original "Six and Three Men", Deputy Cardin could rise and grind with the best of them. Although his enthusiasm may have been tempered by the harsh realities of "working on the line" for more than three and a half decades, Cliff never lost his love for the job. Deputy Cardin is one of the most decorated firefighters in the history of the department, but you wouldn't know it by talking to him. He was a man whose humble demeanor allowed him to serve in relative anonymity for thirty five (35) years while doing a remarkable job that few could match. Throughout his esteemed career, Deputy Chief Cardin proved to be a most sincere, and empathetic fire officer, who always represented the department with honor and distinction. Deputy Cardin had an uncanny ability to handle the most horrific events with patience, calm demeanor, and compassion. Future generations of firefighters are indebted to him, and he certainly leaves the department better than how he found it. Cliff will be missed by all of us at the fire department, but not so much for what he did as a firefighter or chief officer, but more importantly because of who he is as a person and a dear friend. We are grateful for all that he has done over the years to keep the citizens of Freetown safe. We wish him nothing but the best during his retirement and hope he gets to spend plenty of time with his friends and family!

As if losing the Deputy to retirement wasn't bad enough, Senior Clerk Deborah Allerdt also retired after seventeen (17) years of service with the town, the last eight (8) with the fire department. Deb always displayed a high degree of integrity, responsibility, and ambition. She was the glue that held everything together and made our home away from home much more enjoyable. To say that she will be missed seems like such an understatement. She is one of those rare people who instantly became a friend instead of just a coworker. Her work never went unnoticed. We are grateful for all that she has done. We wish Deb only good things in her up-coming years of retirement and to let her know that she is missed by all whose lives she has touched.

The Freetown Fire Department responded to 2,164 calls for service during the last fiscal year, which is represented as follows:

Medical Calls	948	Station Coverage	111
Medical Transfers	14	Investigations	108
Medical Mutual Aid	124	Public Assistance	55
Structural Fires	34	Fire Alarms	113
Brush Fires	14	Illegal Burning	38
Mutual Aid Fires	12	Motor Vehicle Accidents	237
Motor Vehicle Fires	35	Water Rescues	0
Carbon Monoxide Calls	35	Details	74
Electrical Emergencies	107	Miscellaneous	105
		Total Responses	2,164

The Fire Department, once again, has been very fortunate to receive a Federal Assistance to Firefighters Operations and Safety Grant. This grant in the amount of \$39,940.00 was used to purchase CPR Compression Devices for both of the town's ambulances.

The department received a Public Safety 'SAFE' Grant in the amount of \$6,547.00. The SAFE Grant was used to train and equip firefighters to be public fire education instructors and conduct fire safety classes throughout town. Additionally, funding from the SAFE grant was used to purchase address sign markers and to cover the cost associated with the installation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in the homes of our elderly and other needy families. The smoke and carbon monoxide detectors were donated to the fire department by Tyco Security Products / DSC.

Call Firefighters Tyler Bower and Ethan Bullock successfully completed Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Call/Volunteer Firefighter Training Class # 070 to become trained to the NFPA 1001 Firefighter I/II standard. This training consists of over two hundred hours of classroom and hands on training and testing through academic exams and practical skill applications. This program is time and labor intensive and speaks volumes of the dedication and commitment to serving the town by these firefighters.

The department once again held true to the mission of protecting lives and property through our fire prevention efforts. Under Deputy Chief Cardin's leadership, firefighters performed 348 in-service inspections and issued 250 permits during the past fiscal year. These inspections included schools, churches, daycare centers and commercial properties as well as smoke and carbon monoxide inspections for new and resale homes. The work of these inspectors and public educators is difficult to measure. Without a doubt, the inspection of properties and enforcement of codes reduces the number of fires, property loss, and potential loss of life and serious injury.

In addition to their normal maintenance of the department facilities, hose testing, and equipment and vehicle maintenance duties, fire department members have attended a combined 2,332 hours of fire training both in-house and at Massachusetts Firefighting Academy sponsored programs.

Last fiscal year, 576 open-air burning (brush) permits were issued. Burning season begins January 15th and runs through May 1st (weather permitting). Burning permits are available on-line or can be obtained in person at the Bullock Road Fire Station (Sta.3) beginning January 1st each year. Burning hours are between 10AM and 4PM, but residents must notify the fire department either by logging in on-line or by calling the Fire Station each day before they burn to confirm that burning is allowed that day. No daily authorizations to burn brush will be given after 2 p.m.

The condition of the town's fire stations are as follows:

Fire Station 1 (3 Elm Street) is in relatively good shape despite its age. The sheer size of modern fire apparatus has made these quarters cramped and space is very limited. The arched garage door openings leave very little room for error when moving the fire engine, in and out of the station. The damaged wood and missing bricks around the doorways provides visual evidence of this. The current design and size of the apparatus door openings will be problematic as we move closer to replacing Engine 1 as most fire apparatus manufacturers have stated that it will be difficult to design a fire engine to fit through such a small opening and have it meet the latest NFPA standards.

Fire Station 2 (157 County Road) is in need of some work. Large amounts of wood trim still need to be repaired and/or replaced as there are holes in areas of the trim and soffits. Additionally, several areas of the apparatus bay and rear storage room need drywall repair or replacement. This past fall the thirty (30) plus year old boiler cracked and was unable to be repaired, causing the town to scramble to get a new heating system installed as winter set in. The yearly problem of the domestic water supply line freezing during the cold weather months has yet to be resolved, leaving the station without running water for weeks at a time. The fire hydrant in front of Fire Station 2 has been out of service since February of 2015

with no timeline for repair or replacement. Having the hydrant readily available to refill fire trucks after calls and to use for training is beneficial, but more importantly, the hydrant at Station 2 is an integral part of the overall fire protection plan for East Freetown. It is the nearest municipal water supply for homes and businesses north and west of the fire station to the Lakeville town line. Additionally, it is a source of water (fill site) for tankers in the event of a fire at one of the Regional Schools in Lakeville.

Fire Station 3 (25 Bullock Road) is starting to show the wear and tear of a 20 year old, around the clock operating public safety building. All of the major building components are well past their life expectancy. Even though they are maintained, some will most likely have to be replaced or overhauled in the next few years.

As per NFPA 1901 /1914: Standard for the Inspection, Maintenance, Testing, and Retirement of In-Service Fire Apparatus, the town's three (3) Class A Pumpers and Aerial Ladder received their annual performance test and the results are as follows:

<u>Vehicle</u>	<u>Year / Make</u>	<u>Fire Station</u>	<u>Test Results</u>
Engine 1	1994 International	1	Satisfactory
Engine 2	1997 International	2	Good
Engine 3	2014 KME / Panther	3	Excellent
Ladder 2	1978 Ward / LaFrance	2	Failed

Ladder 2, the town's only aerial ladder truck, failed its annual inspection and has been removed from service. The department has been unsuccessful in obtaining a grant to fund a replacement ladder truck, nor have we had any luck in having another community donate a newer ladder truck to us. The department has once again applied for an Assistance to Firefighters Grant to purchase a new ladder truck. It is highly unlikely that we will be awarded the funding to purchase a new ladder truck. Therefore, the town needs to put aside funds to be used to purchase and equip a used ladder in the upcoming year such as what the towns of Berkley, Lakeville and Rochester have done for their communities.

Engine 1 is approaching twenty five (25) years old and is suffering from mechanical breakdowns on a regular basis. The last breakdown in May 2018, placed the vehicle out of service for over a month, leaving Assonet Village without a fire engine due to the lack of an available fire engine small enough to fit through station 1's arched doorways.

With funding approved at the Annual Town Meeting, the department has begun a three (3) year replacement program for the department's Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA).

Phase one (1) was completed this past year with the replacement of all of the SCBA at Station 3 with new state of the art units.

The department's Division of Training has established a robust fire training program for both career and on call personnel. This training program combined with the upgrading of the town's fire apparatus and equipment is starting to pay dividends as the Town's ISO rating has improved to Class 4/4Y, up from the previous Class 5/9 classification.

In closing, I would like to take a moment to mention our unsung heroes, the Freetown Communications Center personnel. Our signal operators are the first voices people hear during the worst moments of life, where failure is not an option, as they bring comfort and hope to those in need.

Fire Department receipts deposited to Treasurer:

Ambulance Fees Collected	\$421,742.24
Grants Received	\$69,045.59
Permits, Reports, & Fees	<u>\$14,186.92</u>
Total	\$504,974.75

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Silvia,
Fire Chief

REPORT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (EMA) – PUBLIC SAFETY

Carlton Abbott, Jr.	Gary Silvia, Director	Robert Jose
Stephen Medeiros, Radio Dispatcher	David DeManche	Bradford Paiva, Radio Dispatcher
Edward T. Sylvia, Deputy Director	Lisa Pacheco	Paul Sadeck, Radio Dispatcher

CERT TEAM MEMBERS

Deborah Allerdt	Lori Desmarais	John Faidell
David Frates	Alexandra Golz	Kelsey Hopkins
Joseph Kelly	Lisa Podielsky	Joseph Quin
Joseph Shaw	Edward Sylvia	Kevin Whittey
	Maura Whittey	

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Carlton Abbott Jr.	Jacqueline A. Brown	David DeManche
Eric Morin	Lisa Pacheco	Charles Sullivan
	Gary Silvia	

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

The following is the Annual Town Report of the Freetown Emergency Management Agency for the fiscal year of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Emergency Management Agency Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members were deployed nine (9) times last year to provide drinking water at fire scenes and to residents whose wells went dry, and to provide portable lights at fire scenes and scheduled events. CERT members were also called in to staff the town's warming shelter during the March 2 – 3 Winter Storm. Residents are reminded that warm/cooling shelters are available 24/7/365 on an as needed basis. Call 508-763-4828 or 508-763-4017 for more information or assistance.

The Freetown Emergency Management Agency received an EMPG federal grant in FY 18 in the amount of \$2,780.00 which was combined with other communities to upgrade the infrastructure of the Bristol County Mutual Aid Radio System.

The Freetown Emergency Management Agency received an SHSP CCP Federal Grant in FY 18 in the amount of \$3,500.00 these funds were used to purchase shelter supplies.

In addition to attending numerous training opportunities, our EMA volunteers continue to review and update the Town's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and organize and manage the town's Tier 2 reporting submittal requirements.

Freetown Emergency Management has taken the lead to revive the South Coast Regional Emergency Planning Committee as we move forward with committee certification. The South Coast Regional Emergency Planning Committee (SCREPC) is a coalition of law enforcement, fire service, health care, public health, public works, EMS, DPW, and numerous other affiliated agencies as outlined by the Massachusetts State Emergency Response Committee (SERC). The South Coast Regional Emergency Planning Committee serves the communities of Acushnet, Dartmouth, Freetown, New Bedford, and Westport.

Freetown EMA is a strong advocate of all hazard, personal and family safety emergency preparedness. In an emergency, the assets of local and state agencies will be taxed to their fullest and will take time to respond. The first response to disaster and recovery is a coordinated effort of neighbor helping neighbor. Every person and family should have an All-Hazard Disaster Plan and a Family Communication Plan. FEMA encourages everyone to have a readily accessible Go-Kit to get you through the first 72 hours of any emergency. The kit should be tailored to the special requirements of each member of the family. Don't forget to prepare a kit for each of your pets. Your kit may be your best friend during and following a disaster.

Emergency Management is always looking for volunteers and other interested persons to become members of our local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) which is sponsored by the Freetown Fire Department. Residents can also attend, without any commitment to serve on the CERT, safety and preparedness training to better prepare themselves in the event that a natural or manmade disaster should occur.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the volunteers who have helped out in the past year.

If this agency can assist any citizen or if interested in volunteering, please feel free to contact me by telephone at 508-763-4828.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Silvia, Director

REPORT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

BUILDING COMMISSIONER & ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Scott Barbato

ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Scott Barbato

BUILDING INSPECTOR & ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, ALTERNATE

Joseph Biszko

WIRING INSPECTION

Allen Beaupre, Wiring Inspector, Assistant Part-Time

Christopher Cabral, Electrical Inspector

PLUMBING/GAS INSPECTION

William Alphonse, Jr., Plumbing/Gas Fitting Inspector

Thomas Barlow, Plumbing/Gas Fitting Inspector Assistant, Part-Time/Substitute

BUILDING DEPARTMENT STAFF

Nadine Dimond, Senior Clerk

Mark Audette, Custodial/Maintenance

The Building Department is open Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm, and Friday, 8am-12pm. Inspections are handled by appointment.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The following is the annual report of the Building Department for the fiscal year, July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Following is a list of fees collected for the Building Department

	<u>Permits Issued</u>	<u>Fees Collected</u>
New Homes	14	\$12,929.00
Additions	10	\$1,843.00
New Commercial	2	\$12,705.00
Commercial Misc.	3	\$1,500.00
Commercial Remodel	9	\$50,087.00
Garages	23	\$5,071.00
Sheds	8	\$1,045.00
Foundations	0	\$0.00
Decks	37	\$3,729.40
Residential Remodel	21	\$2,550.00
Demolition Permits	3	\$300.00
Wood Stoves	11	\$550.00
Fireplaces	0	\$0.00
Chimneys	1	\$50.00
Roofing/Siding/Doors/Windows	135	\$8,750.00

Trench Permits	48	\$2,400.00
Occupancy Permits	15	\$650.00
Miscellaneous	72	\$6,830.00
Wiring Permits	260	\$35,627.00
Plumbing Permits	97	\$8,834.00
Gas Permits	105	\$7,180.00
Sheet Metal	21	\$1,050.00
Above-Ground Pools	13	\$520.00
In ground Pools	5	\$390.00
Home Occupation	16	\$800.00
Certificates of Inspection School/Daycare	39	\$1,560.00
Certificates of Inspection Restaurant	3	\$120.00
Zoning Permits	4	\$200.00
Total Permits/Fees Collected	975	\$167,270.40

Respectfully submitted for

Jeffrey Chandler
Inspector of Buildings and Zoning Enforcement Officer

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Charles Macomber

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Thomas Ashley, Heavy Equipment Operator

Jeremy Bernardo, Truck Driver/Laborer

Kenneth Pleiss, Head Mechanic

Eric Richard, Heavy Equipment Operator

Andrew Simmons, Heavy Equipment Operator

Edward Walsh, Laborer

Michael McCue, Senior Clerk

The Freetown Highway Department is located at 201 Chace Road

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Following is the report of the Highway Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

Using Chapter 90 funds, the following projects were completed: Causeway Road, Gurney Road, Narrows Road, and Washburn Road were milled and paved, and South Main Street was milled and paved from Innovation Way to the Fall River line. Also, Forge Road and Locust Street were shimmed in preparation for chip-sealing in the summer.

Other road repairs were carried out as follows:

- Preliminary work was begun for re-grouting the 1886 single-arch bridge on South Main Street below the waterline. Temporary jersey barriers were also placed at the southeast corner of the bridge after repeated auto accidents knocked portions of the wall into the river.
- Washouts were repaired on Beech Bluff Road, Chipaway Road, High Street, Quanapoag Road, and Ridge Hill Road. Grindings were placed on Copicut Road and at Hemlock Point. A berm was placed on Pleasant Street. Asphalt was repaired on Dr. Braley Road, brush was cut on Parker Drive, and other minor road repairs were completed throughout town as needed
- Drainage was repaired on Braley Road and Quanapoag Road, catch basins were repaired on Bullock Road, Doreen Lane, Malbone Road, and Rounsevell Drive; and a new beehive drain was installed on East Howland Road. Drainage ditches were mowed or cleaned out on Kendyl Lane, Ridge Hill Road, and Pinecone Lane.
- A large sinkhole that opened up on Gramp Deane Road was referred to the state highway department as it was caused by a drain line from Route 24.

Work completed for other town departments, beyond routine assistance, included:

- Paving a parking area at the police station.
- Spreading 200 yards of woodchips at the Freetown Elementary School.
- Delivering gravel and repairing the laneway at Porter Pasture.
- Pressure-washing Station 3 for the Fire Department.
- Removing damaged fencing from the Assonet Burying Ground.

- Removing junk and debris from the Town Hall and Village School, helping prepare the lower level of the schoolhouse for concrete flooring, and helping move file storage from the Town Hall to the schoolhouse.
- Removing junk and debris from the property at 192 Chace Road in preparation for sale to the state Department of Conservation and Recreation for expansion of the Freetown State Forest.
- Digging test pits for the proposed new police station opposite Memorial Park.
- Pouring concrete for the new memorial at Station 3.
- Delivering sand to the Long Pond boat ramp and Town Beach.

No new vehicles or equipment were acquired during this fiscal year. The following new roads were accepted at the Annual Town Meeting on June 5, 2018: Brewster Drive, Christopher Drive, John Phillip Drive, Marie's Way, and Mark's Lane, all in the Holly Ridge subdivision north of Chace Road.

The Highway Department also assisted with setting up for the Independence Day parade and fireworks, all elections, the Robinson Estates Yard Sale, the Town Christmas Tree Lighting, Lakeside Festival, St. Bernard's Harvest Festival, and the Strawberry Festival. Assistance was also rendered to the Tree Warden as needed. In addition, all routine tasks were performed such as snowplowing, sanding, sweeping roads; mowing the Assonet Burying Ground, ball fields, boat ramp, landfill, libraries, town parks, and roadsides; replacing signs, painting signs, and the general maintenance of the town and its equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles J. Macomber
Highway Surveyor

REPORT OF THE WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

Paul G. Sadeck, 2019

Bradford E. Paiva, 2020

Robert S. Parker, 2021

WATER & SEWER COMMISSION STAFF

Keven Desmarais, Data Acquisition/Infrastructure Maintenance

Steven Chandler, Senior Clerk

The Water & Sewer Commission's office is open Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm, and Friday, 8am-12pm. Meetings are posted in advance, when necessary, and are held at the Freetown Town Hall or at the Council on Aging.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The following is the report of the Freetown Water & Sewer Commission for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Responsible for providing quality drinking water to 656 customers in Assonet and East Freetown, the Freetown Water & Sewer Commission (FW&SC) has approximately 17 miles of water supply lines, a booster pump station located on East Chipaway Road. The canister filtration system located in Assonet is no longer in use and we have been successful maintaining THM's below allowable level by using alternative methods that do not require filtration.

The FW&SC purchases water from both Fall River and New Bedford which makes us a Conservative Water System. We are required by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to perform periodic testing to ensure that our water meets or exceeds all local, state, and federal drinking water standards. Our Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is available at the Town Hall located at 3 North Main Street, Assonet, MA. Additionally, the FW&SC has two commercial sewer customers for which we are responsible.

The Freetown Water & Sewer Commission contracts with WhiteWater, Inc. as our licensed operator which allows us to meet the minimum staffing requirements, as prescribed by the MassDEP, for a water system of our size.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Parker
Commission Chair

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Keven V. Desmarais, 2019

Michael T. McCue, *Chairman*, 2020

Adrianne Levesque, 2021

CEMETERY COMMISSION STAFF

Michael T. McCue, Superintendent of Public Cemeteries

Richard P. Brown, Asst. Supt., Assonet Burying Ground

Robert J. Klevecka, Veterans' Graves Officer

The Cemetery Commission meets the first Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Following is the report of the Cemetery Commission for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Assonet Burying Ground

The late summer and autumn were very busy at the Assonet Burying Ground. We are pleased to report that the new shed was completed and occupied on August 16th, with painting of the outside carried out by Mark Audette of the Building Department. We also continued working to open up a small section north of Section 8 in response to several requests for lots in that area. John Ashley donated his time and equipment for much of that work, for which we thank him. Tom Copeland and Heath Chace also did quite a bit of work in this area, clearing brush and stumping to prepare for landscaping in 2018.

In October, inmates from the House of Correction in North Dartmouth visited the cemetery to clean the many veterans' government markers and gravestones that have become covered in lichens. With the veterans' stones taken care of and time remaining, they turned their efforts to many of the older stones that needed attention. Their work was done well and much appreciated.

We continue to appreciate the many efforts of the Highway Department to keep the cemetery well-maintained. We are also forever grateful to Richard Brown for his countless hours volunteering to keep the grounds looking sharp. Ten years ago, the complaints we received most often were that the cemetery was mowed incompletely and too infrequently; today, we do not receive these complaints, and this turnaround is to the great credit of all these men.

Other Cemeteries

While the Highway Department tends the Assonet Burying Ground, the remaining cemeteries are still overseen by hired caretakers. In this fiscal year, those caretakers were Heath Chace and the firm of T.E.C. Landscaping under the direction of Tom Copeland.

Work continued in both the Robinson Burying Ground and Nichols Cemetery as funds and donations allowed. The Nichols Cemetery in particular saw a vast improvement, and as that project winds down, we hope that the work at the Robinson Burying Ground will pick up in earnest. Outside of these two cemeteries, we are pleased to report that much of the ancient cemetery at Payne's Cove has been cleaned up through the efforts of Brian Dunning and cooperation of property owner Craig Cabral. Mr. Dunning volunteered to take on the project after learning that he is descended from some of those resting there.

Most other cemeteries belonging to the Town, or for which the Town was responsible under various statutes, were maintained throughout the year. A few remain beyond our reach, but not off our radar.

In all cemeteries with endowments, we were happy to see increased returns on the perpetual care funds due to a new investment strategy overseen by our Treasurer, Jessica Thomas. Perpetual care funds for many of the cemeteries remain low, some not having seen additional deposits in many decades. We encourage any who are able to inquire and consider adding to the endowments of cemeteries where they have friends or relatives resting.

Interments & Veterans' Graves

There were twenty-two interments in the Assonet Burying Ground during this fiscal year, of persons formerly residing in Assonet (9), Berkley (1), East Freetown (1), Fall River (2), Lakeville (1), New Bedford (1), North Dighton (1), Somerset (1), Taunton (3), Westport (1); and Huntsville, Tex. (1). Nine were men and thirteen were women. The youngest person interred was 12 and the eldest was 101. Four were veterans, one each of whom served in World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.

All known veterans' graves are marked with flags prior to Memorial Day each year. This yearly tradition is a way of remembering the sacrifices made by the hundreds of soldiers and sailors buried in town. If you are aware of a veteran's grave that is not being marked, or have questions regarding veterans' benefits, please contact Bob Klevecka, Veterans Graves Officer for the town.

Gravediggers

A license is required of any person who wishes to open graves in the public cemeteries. The fee for obtaining a license is \$1.00 per year, issued for five years at a time (\$5.00 total). As of June 30, 2018, the following are licensed:

No.	Licensee	First Issued	Next Expires
2	John S. Ashley	October 27, 2010	December 31, 2020
3	J. M. Equipment Co., Inc.	June 16, 2011	December 31, 2020
5	Heath H. Chace	October 5, 2011	December 31, 2021

Fee Schedule

A single grave for residents or qualified former residents is \$750.00, and for nonresidents a single grave is \$1,000.00. A cremation lot for residents and qualified former residents is \$300.00, and for nonresidents is \$500.00. Payment plans are available. Lots in the Veterans Section are free, and there are discounts for veterans outside this area. Anyone wishing to purchase a lot, or to add to a perpetual care endowment, is encouraged to contact a member of the Cemetery Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael T. McCue
Chairman

Perpetual Care Endowments

Assonet Burying Ground

Beginning balance:\$201,135.00

Brites, Nancy C.\$ 150.00

Brown, Lynn C.30.00

Kearley, Christopher & Katherine...1,000.00

Medeiros, Logan500.00

Smith, Ralph E. & Nancy E.500.00

Tavares, Jose & Kelly300.00

.....\$ 2,480.00

Ending balance:\$203,615.00

Total Endowments

Assonet Burying Ground \$203,615.00

Chace Cemetery 76,700.00

East Freetown Cemetery 600.00

Evans Cemetery 38,000.00

Friends Cemetery 1,000.00

Morton Cemetery 7,065.00

Nichols Cemetery 345.00

Richmond Cemetery 612.00

Rounsevell Cemetery 10,650.00

White Cemetery 500.00

Winslow Cemetery 20,000.00

Total: \$359,087.00

All Other Cemeteries

No additions were made to any other cemetery's perpetual care endowment during this fiscal year, and no new accounts were established.

Receipts & Expenditures of the Cemetery Commission

Prepared in accordance with General Laws Chapter 114, Section 26.

RECEIPTS

Revenue received for the sale of lots in the Assonet Burying Ground:	\$ 1,250.00
Endowments received for the perpetual care of the Assonet Burying Ground:	2,480.00
Receipts for renewals of gravediggers' licenses (to General Fund):	0.00
Donations received for care of the Nichols Cemetery, credited to perp. care:	0,000.00
Donations received for care of the Rounsevell Cemetery:	0,000.00

APPROPRIATIONS

2015 Special Town Meeting, Tree Removal:	\$ 2,750.00
2016 Annual Town Meeting, Appropriation (encumbered):	3,850.00
2016 Annual Town Meeting, Sale of Lots Transfer:	1,732.13
2017 Annual Town Meeting, Appropriation:	22,155.00
2017 Annual Town Meeting, Sale of Lots Transfer:	4,500.00
2017 Annual Town Meeting, Shed for Assonet Burying Ground:	2,854.00
2017 Annual Town Meeting, Veterans' Graves:	900.00
	\$38,741.13

EXPENDITURES	Appropriations	Perp. Care	Donations	Total
Assonet Burying Ground	\$ 6,583.57	\$ 15.98	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,599.55
Braley's Station Cemeteries	3,705.00	0.00	0.00	3,705.00
Dean Family Cemetery	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
East Freetown Cemetery	1,080.00	0.00	0.00	1,080.00
Evans Cemetery	555.00	1,770.00	0.00	2,325.00
Friends Cemetery	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Haskins Cemetery	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Michael Hathaway Burial Gr.	580.00	0.00	0.00	580.00
Morton Cemetery	900.00	0.00	0.00	900.00
Mother's Brook Cemetery	3,625.00	0.00	0.00	3,625.00
Nichols Cemetery	5,490.00	0.00	0.00	5,490.00
Plummer Burial Ground	2,280.00	0.00	0.00	2,280.00
Quaker Hill Cemetery	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
Richmond Cemetery	685.00	0.00	0.00	685.00
Robinson Burying Ground	120.00	0.00	0.00	120.00
Rounsevell Cemetery	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Tisdale Burying Ground	935.00	0.00	0.00	935.00
Winslow Cemetery	745.00	835.00	0.00	1,580.00
Grounds-keeping Supplies	345.26	0.00	0.00	345.26
Equipment	659.98	0.00	0.00	659.98
Mileage Expenses	84.25	0.00	0.00	84.25
Postage	150.30	0.00	0.00	150.30
Office Supplies	50.28	0.00	0.00	50.28
Trainings, seminars, etc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals:	\$ 28,773.64	\$ 2,620.98	\$ 1,800.00	<u>\$ 33,194.62</u>

ENCUMBRANCES

Encumbered from FY17:	\$ 3,850.00
Expended from FY17 Encumbrance:	3,850.00
Returned to General Fund:	\$ 0.00

Encumbered to FY19:	\$ 4,000.00
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DONATION ACCOUNT, ENDING BALANCES

Capt. Job Terry Burial Ground:	\$ 20.00
Rounsevell Cemetery:	200.00
Unrestricted:	<u>0.05</u>
	\$ 220.05

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD

Victoria Brownell
Robin Kendrick

Ruth Ferland
Jeanette Tisdelle, *Chairman*
Bruce Wilbur

Charles Gray
Marion Rylands

COUNCIL ON AGING STAFF

Barbara Place, Council on Aging Director
Aleesha Freire, Senior Clerk
Sarah Gilbert, Senior Clerk (*resigned*)
Rosemary Haley, Senior Clerk

COUNCIL ON AGING VAN DRIVERS

Judy Reese
Vincent D'Oliveira (alternate)

John Pye, Jr.

Donna Silva
Rosemary Haley (alternate)

The Multi-Purpose Senior Center is located at 227 Chace Road in East Freetown, Massachusetts. It is open Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm, and Friday 7:30am-11:30am. The Senior Center is closed on holidays. Please note, when school is closed due to inclement weather, the COA Van will not operate. Meetings of the Council on Aging Board are held on the first Monday of each month at 10am, at the Council on Aging.

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Programs that were offered this year are Yoga (chair & mat), Strength training, Chair massage, Referral service, Fuel Assistance applications, Food Stamp applications (SNAP), Flu Clinic, Podiatry Clinic, AARP Income Tax Preparation, Line Dancing, Bingo, Meat Bingo, Card Games-Pitch, Food Pantry, Meals on Wheels, Catered Lunches, Fresh baked muffins and Ice Cream socials, Knitting, May Breakfast, Kanakis Produce, Brown Bag, Senior Work Off Program, Legal Referrals, Legislative hours, Medical Equipment Loan, Pool Table, Painting class, Monthly Birthday Party, Handicap Transportation, Farmers Market Coupons, SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Everyone) Tea Parties, Free book and puzzle exchange. Volunteer Opportunities.

Brown Bag program is for eligible seniors to receive free groceries once a month from the Boston Food Bank. Many devoted volunteers go to Taunton to pick up the bags. They are distributed from the senior center and some are delivered to seniors' homes that cannot drive. We served 114 eligible families on this program.

The Council on Aging receives donations to help needy families in town regardless of age. Volunteers help with stocking our "Grocery Room" (Food Pantry) with donations from Stop & Shop Warehouse, United Church of Assonet, Tuesday Club, Saint John Neumann Parish and Independent Trucks donating meats and produce in addition to monthly donations from citizens consisting of cleaning, personal and non-perishable products. We current serve 142 families. Any resident that receives help from the state is eligible for this program.

Grants are written for individual seniors to fix their homes for health and safety. Through the USDA Rural Development qualified seniors can receive up to \$7,500.00 (seven thousand five hundred) to fix their home. Some examples are deck repair, doors, heating systems, railings, steps, roof work and new windows.

A Formula Grant was received and helped with the printing and mailing of our Newsletter. It can also help pay for utilities for the building and various other purchases that the Council on Aging Board feels are needed within the State guidelines.

Citizens for Citizens, Inc. (Fuel Assistance) qualified 213 households for heat assistance. Total amount issued in heating benefits \$238,207.22.

Free luncheons were held for seniors: Christmas luncheon sponsored by our Legislative Representatives held at the VFW Freetown, Stop & Shop gave two cook outs, United Calvary Church held 2 luncheons. Freetown Police Association donated holiday meals and toys; they also delivered them to families. Several businesses got together and gave the seniors several luncheons/party.

Thank you to the Freetown VFW for letting the Council on Aging use their hall every Wednesday free of charge for the line dancing. We have activities that cannot be held here, we do not have the capacity to hold some programs.

Donations we have received in goods and services totaled approximately \$27,000.00. Our 73 volunteers saved the town \$61,939.00 in volunteer hours.

The building is used by different boards and committees. It also have been used as a shelter/cooling station for inclement weather and /or any disaster for the town.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Place
Director

REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF VETERANS SERVICES

VETERANS' SERVICES
Robert Klevecka, Agent & Director

VETERANS' GRAVES OFFICER
Robert Klevecka

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown,

The following is the Report of the Office of Veterans' Services for Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

This office has maintained a roster of over twenty clients/families with Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.) Chapter 115 and Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) benefits. Provided financial assistance this past year to these clients was in the amount of \$134,771. All benefits that were provided were audited by both the Town Auditor and the Massachusetts Department of Veterans' Services which did not report any discrepancies. The office has had a 75% reimbursement of expenses incurred in the amount of \$101,078, which will be issued to the town in the next fiscal year.

Over the past year this office has provided assistance and guidance to more than twenty clients plus numerous other Veterans and their families, receiving hundreds of calls and questions regarding veteran status, obtaining Veteran Discharges (Form DD214), requests for metals/ribbons, Department of Veterans' Affairs eligibility for health care, burial benefits, Veteran ID cards and Veteran driver's license initiative through the Registry of Motor vehicles as well as entitlement to both State and Federal benefits.

The mandatory requirement for the Director/Veterans Agent to be certified by the Department of Veteran Services by attending training and passing a written exam was met.

This office also works with the Cemetery Commission to identify and maintain flags in cemeteries in Town where veterans are buried. Last year we flagged over 650 graves at 14 cemeteries in East Freetown and Assonet replacing old worn flags with new flags and providing new veteran flag holders where necessary. Also replaced six wreaths at the Memorials in town. The total cost for these flags, flag holders and wreaths last year was \$2,167.00. Seventy five percent of the grave marker flags cost is reimbursed by the State DVS. All other flags/wreaths purchased are our responsibility. I wish also, to personally thank the members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Freetown Memorial, Post 6643, the Assonet American Legion, Post 0425, the Cemetery Commission and the parents and members of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts from Assonet and East Freetown who assisted in the Memorial Day flagging of the veteran graves. Without their help every year this would not be possible.

This Fiscal report was written by Director / Veterans' Services Robert Klevecka, who was appointed to the position On April 21, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Klevecka
Director/Veterans Agent

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Vincent M. Kyne, 2019
Christine Paiva, *Vice Chairman*, 2020
Irene Ashley, *Secretary*, 2021

Beverly A. Sadeck, 2019
Paul G. Sadeck, 2020
Lucille M. Rosa, *Chairman*, 2021

LIBRARY STAFF

Dorothy Stanley-Ballard, Director
Althea Brady, Senior Librarian, retired 7/31/2017
Casey Pittsley, Library Technician, resigned 9/1/2017
Chelsea Hester, Library Technician, hired 8/21/2017
Brittany Normandin, Library Technician, hired 8/21/2017

Guilford H. Hathaway Library
6 North Main Street
Assonet, MA 02702
508-644-2385

James White Memorial Library
5 Washburn Road
East Freetown, MA 02717
508-763-5344

HOURS

Monday, 3pm-7pm
Wednesday, 3pm-7pm
Friday, 1pm-5pm
Saturday 10am-12pm

HOURS

Tuesday, 10am-7pm
Thursday, 10am-7pm
Saturday, 1pm-3pm

NOTE:

Both libraries are closed on holidays and if the holiday falls on a Monday, both libraries are closed on the Saturday before the holiday.

The Library Trustees meet on the third Thursday of each month, at 7pm at the James White Memorial Library in East Freetown, Massachusetts 02717

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

The following is the report from the Library Department for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Miss Althea Brady, Senior Librarian retired on 7/31/2017. She served for over forty years in both the Guilford H. Hathaway Library and the James White Memorial Library. Miss Brady dedicated much of her life serving the people of Assonet and East Freetown in her capacity of Senior Librarian. She was an exemplary employee. There were times when the position of Director was vacant and Miss Brady filled in and did so without any hesitation. She was able to do so due to the numerous skills that she had acquired while working in the libraries for so many years. The loss of Miss Brady was felt by the patrons, the town and the library staff. Miss Casey Pittsley resigned from the library on 9/1/2017. She had been employed at the library for four and a half years as Library Tech. She was an excellent employee. She resigned to further her education in a field that she had always wanted to work in. Miss Pittsley was also missed by all the patrons.

The Town hired Miss Chelsea Hester and Miss Brittany Normandin to fill the vacancies. Both of these women were hired as Library Techs. They brought along with them their vast array of library experience.

Both had been employed by other libraries in the past. Miss Hester also when hired, was very close to obtaining her Master's Degree in Library Science. We were very lucky to find two well qualified individuals. They have proven to be invaluable to the town and the libraries. Along with their knowledge, they brought fresh ideas to improve both libraries.

Children/YA Programs: Again this year, we hosted a program conducted by Davis Bates and it was called "Stories and Music Around the World." This program was well attended by children, you adults as well as adults. The Friends of the Library hosted their annual "Earth Day Program". This year they concentrated on the "environment". Both children, parents and the Friends participated. Part of the program consisted of everyone helping clean-up the leaves and branches surrounding the James White Memorial Library.

We were lucky enough this year to have twenty-one Story/Craft hours held at the James White Memorial Library. A patron, "Miss Cindy" volunteered to host this program. There was a total of two hundred and forty-eight children that took part in these programs. Unfortunately, we had to terminated the program before the end of the fiscal year because "Miss Cindy" became ill and was unable to go on with the program. We were unable to find anyone willing to continue hosting the program. This program was extremely successful thanks to the creativity of "Miss Cindy". The children were sad to see her leave.

Adult Programs: We hosted four adult programs conducted by staff member to teach our patrons how to use tablets, IPADS and other electronic devices. Twenty-one adults took advantage of this learning experience.

We continued to offer Technical Support service to our patrons on a one-to-one basis. When it comes to learning how to download audio books and E-books using OVERDRIVE/LIBBY from the SAILS NETWORK and from AXIS 360 from the Massachusetts Library System many patrons had difficult time. A staff member demonstrated how this is done and they were walked through the process step by step.

We remain a member of the Commonwealth E-Book program. In conjunction with OVERDRIVE/LIBBY from SAILS NETWORK, our patrons have a large selection of E-Books and Audio Books at their disposal. Patrons are able to access these two programs by downloading the apps to their device and use their library card number and pin code. Our staff are always able and willing to help patrons navigate these programs, which can be very challenging.

This year like all of the previous years, we were able to supplement the Summer Reading List that are provided to us by the surrounding schools. These books are always in high demand because many schools require their student to read the same titles. Each year we set aside a portion of our budget so that we are able to purchase books that are need for this program.

In FY18 library visits, internet use and resource sharing were slightly up from FY17. Circulation for FY18 was 16,765, this was slightly down from FY17 (18,792). The number of materials that circulated to children in FY18 was 3,833, this was up from FY17 (3,684). The number of materials that circulated to adults in FY18 was 12,932, this is down from FY17 (15,108). We loaned 9,150 pieces of materials to other libraries in FY18, this was up from FY17 (8,818). We borrowed 4, 566 pieces of materials from other libraries in FY18, this was down from FY17 (5,224). I believe this is due to the fact that we increased our purchasing of new materials in FY18 because due to the on- going weeding project, space was created so that new, more relevant materials to our collections.

This year, we continued with the huge task of weeding the collection at both the Hathaway Library in Assonet and the James White Library in East Freetown. Both collections have gone untouched for many years. This is going to be a long going, constant project. This is necessary to make room for new

materials that we have and that we are going to purchase and also to keep the collection current and relevant. It also is necessary to discard badly worn, out of date materials that do not get used and are taking up space that could be used for new, more relevant materials. We donated the discarded Large Print Books to the Freetown Senior Center. They were delighted to receive these donations. Materials that are in extremely bad condition were thrown away. They are of no use to anyone in this condition. Other materials that are discarded, we located donation bins in the area that accept books and deposit them in these bins to be donated to needy areas/states/countries.

We continue to purchase new materials every month, thanks to the budget that the town approves for the library and State Aid. Materials, especially nonfiction that we discarded due to being out of date and poor condition are slowly being replaced with new books on the same subject but up-to-date and relevant. Many times when a library has old nonfiction books they contain information that no longer is accurate and can be misleading to the patrons and cause harm. Nonfiction needs to be up-to-date and relevant in order not to lead patrons astray with the wrong/misinformation/changed information, etc.

We received \$10,219 in State Aid in FY18. The State Aid award was slightly increased from FY17 which was \$10,070. If a library does not meet the amount of Town Appropriations set by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, they are in danger of losing their State Aid and Certification. I am proud to announce that our town met the requirements five years in a row. We should give thanks to the Town Selectman, Town Administrator and the Finance Committee for making this happen and seeing the need to fully fund the library budget. Without a fully funded budget, we would lose our Certification, which means we would not receive any State Aid and just as important our patrons would not be allowed to borrow materials from any other library in the state.

In FY18, the budget was spent on salaries, books, audio books, magazines, DVDs, compact discs, e-books, newspapers, park and museum passes, network membership, software, hardware, electricity, phone, heat, building maintenance, etc. The library spent \$38,000 on library materials in FY18. In FY17 the library spent \$32,000 on library materials. Also, we were able to increase the hours of Chelsea Hester and Brittany Normandin. They both were hired at twenty-five hours per week. As the year progressed we increased their hours to thirty hours per week. They have taken on many big projects that needed to be done in both libraries, many of these projects will be ongoing.

Building/Grounds: We would like to thank the Building Commissioner for the maintenance that he and his crew provide at the Hathaway Library in Assonet and the White Library in East Freetown. The White Library is privately owned and overseen by a Board of Building Trustees. Due to limited funds and lack of volunteers, they are unable to keep up the grounds at the White Library. The Freetown Highway Department performs the work that is needed to keep the grounds in shape. We would like to thank Chuck Macumber and his crew for all of their help. We also wish to thank the members of the East Freetown Congregational Christian Church, who generously allow us to use their parking lot and who plow the lot throughout the winter. A big thank you goes out to Pastor Bliss and his wonderful wife.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Stanley-Ballard, Director

REPORT OF THE CULTURAL COUNCIL

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Elizabeth Ashley (November 14, 2019) Kevin Bernardo (October 18, 2019)
 Paula Byers (May 16, 2021) Stephen Chandler, *Secretary* (March 30, 2020)
 Keven Desmarais (October 6, 2020) Lori Demarais, *Chairman* (October 6, 2020)
 Alexandra Golz, *Treasurer* (September 21, 2018) John Remedis (September 5, 2020)

Cultural Council meetings are posted in advance and take place at the Town Hall.

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The following is the report of the Freetown Cultural Council for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018:

The purpose of the Cultural Council is to support public projects that promote access, education, diversity, and excellence in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences to improve the quality of life for all residents.

The Massachusetts Cultural Council receives state funds solely from revenues generated by the State Lottery Commission. These funds are then allocated to the local Cultural Councils through the annual state appropriation process. Our local Cultural Council, in turn, awards grants to applicants who address cultural needs specific to our community. The local funding cycles is advertised, and grant applications forms are available on-line and at the Town Hall. The deadline to submit local grant applications to the Cultural Council is typically October 15th. During this funding cycle, the following grants were awarded:

John Root	Attracting Birds, Butterflies, and Other Beneficials	\$500
New Bedford Art Museum/ Artworks	Teen Artist Internship Program	\$400
Lakeville Arts Council	2018 Lakeville Arts & Music Festival	\$100
Cope, Ed the Wizard	“Libraries Rock” A Rocket Workshop	\$450
Karen Chace	Story Explorers	\$765
Davis Bates	Halloween Harvest: A Seasonal Celebration	\$450
Little Theatre of Fall River	RAGTIME:The Musical-Collaborating Ethnic Diversity	\$500
Meghan C Riley	Harvest Fair & Joe Davies Folk Festival	\$200
Old Colony RVTHS	Drama Club	\$135
Mayflower Camerata	2 Performances of Mozart’s “Coronation”	\$200
Assonet Bay Shores Assoc	Natural History Program	\$400
Nye, Michael	Strawberry Festival	\$400
Freetown Cultural Council	Freetown Cultural Council Events	\$500
Total Grants Awarded		\$ 5,000

Meetings are posted and held to designate grant funding. The Cultural Council sponsors and organizes the annual Christmas Tree Lighting at the Village Bandstand on South Main Street. We also sponsor and organize the Easter Egg Hunt and Family Fun / Movie Night which are our newer events.

Since there are available positions on the Cultural Council, anyone is welcome to attend a meeting and express their interest in serving as a member.

Respectively submitted,

Lori A. Desmarais
Chairman

REPORT OF THE PARADE & FIREWORKS COMMITTEE

PARADE & FIREWORKS COMMITTEE

Robert Adams
Judith Gregory, *Chairman*
John Remedis
Carol Woldorf

Karen Facchiano
Robert Gregory
Linda Remedis

Jean Fox
Ellen Lima
Sharon Rosen
Terrence Woldorf

Meetings are posted in advance and take place at the Town Hall.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Following is the report of the Parade & Fireworks Committee for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Leading up to this year's events, our third annual T-shirt Design Contest was held in April 2017. Shelby Estrella, a student at Freetown Elementary School, entered the winning design for the front of the shirts, which sell each year for \$5.00. The backs of the shirts continued to feature the names of generous sponsors who have helped fund each year's events.

The annual fireworks festival was held at Hathaway Park on Monday, July 3rd, with several thousand in attendance. New and familiar food and game booths were run by various organizations providing entertainment and refreshments for those gathered. Closing out the night, the fireworks were shot off around 9:30 p.m., creating a beautiful display over the Assonet River.

Volunteers provided valuable and appreciated assistance in preparing for and carrying out the festival, particularly this year's "Turtle Booth Girls": Katie Gregory, Audrey Maigret, Rosemary Larkin, Adriana Misteroni, and Samantha Rosen.

The annual parade was held in Assonet on Tuesday, July 4th. This was the third year that lineup took place on the Narrows Road bypass (KRR ballfields), which has improved this process considerably. Grand Marshal this year was Teddy Walsh, who was recognized for his 40 (and counting) years working for the Freetown Highway Department. *Standard-Times* Men and Women of the Year for 2016 were the members of the Freetown Historical Society.

Taking first place in the parade was a float entered by the Freetown Historical Society, featuring their omnibus and sleigh. Second place was won by the employees of the Freetown Town Hall, many of whom dressed as historical characters from the birth of America to accompany their birthday cake float. Placing third was a float entered by Cub Scout Pack 3230 of Assonet featuring a campsite scene. Judging this year were Karen Facchiano, Mike McCue, and Craig Rosen. We also returned to the old tradition of awarding cash prizes for parade winners, which were \$300 for 1st Place, \$200 for 2nd Place, and \$100 for 3rd Place this year.

We express our continued gratitude to the police, fire, and highway departments for their dedicated support of our activities; to Ken Rezendes and K.R.R. for donating the use of their trucks and trailers for

parade floats; to Stop & Shop for giving access to their end of the bypass road; and finally to our many financial sponsors for their generosity in supporting our program.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Gregory
Chairman

2017 Parade & Fireworks Sponsors

IN MEMORY OF SHERI HADLEY • † • IN MEMORY OF MIKE PILLARELLA

— Rockets —

\$500.00+

2017 Annual Town Meeting
Cape Cod Aggregates
Freetown Elementary School Students
I.N.O. Electrical Service
James & Jacqueline Crosson – Voya Financial
Republic Services
Stop & Shop Supermarket Company
Water Street Readers & Men's Auxiliary



*Grand Marshal
Teddy Walsh*

— Sparklers —

\$250 - \$499

Big Wheel Towing & Recovery
DSR Truck & RV Repair
Freetown Police Association
Freetown Firefighters Association
New England Farms
Professional Fire & Security
USA Core
Westgate Performance
Woodside Dental Care



*Leon H. Cudworth, Sr., Freetown Historical
Society, with 1st Place Trophy*

— **Firecrackers** —

\$100 - \$249

Berkley Used Auto Parts
Bullock Road Militia
Chad's Chowderhouse
Cross of Christ Knights of Columbus
E.M.I. Electrical Contractors
End of the Road Tees
Freetown Town Hall Employees
Grandpa's Place
Joshua's Mountain Cabinetry
Junior's Convenience Store
Main Street Auto
Moonlight Design
Once Upon A Time Family Child Care
Outdoor Living Materials
Pirouette Dance Academy
Rhode Island Novelty
Rosen Property Management
Russell Frade Enterprises
St. Bernard's Church
State Rep. Carole Fiola
State Rep. Paul Schmid
Team Thunder
United Church of Assonet



"Turtle Booth Girls" at the Fireworks

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Robert L. Adams, 2018

Jean C. Fox, 2019

Judith M. Gregory, 2019

Michael T. McCue, *Chairman*, 2020

Sharon J. Rosen, 2018

Sandra L. Souza, 2020

Richard Medeiros, Superintendent of Schools, 2018

Meetings are posted in advance and take place at the Town Hall.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Following is the report of the Scholarship Committee for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

The Scholarship Committee operated with approximately \$300.00 during the fiscal year. As this was equal to our threshold of \$300.00, allowing us to award at least two scholarships of \$150.00 each, we did not make any awards in this year in hopes of building up the fund a little more and breaking the cycle of one year of awards followed by several years without.

As always, we remind the residents of our town that the Scholarship Fund is replenished entirely through donations. Donations may be made through your excise tax bills or at any time by mailing a check made out to "Town of Freetown" to the Scholarship Committee at Town Hall. The continued generosity and support of the townspeople is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael T. McCue
Chairman

REPORT OF THE FREETOWN PLANNING BOARD

PLANNING BOARD

James Frates, 2019
Mark W. Rogers, Vice Chairman 2020
Deborah Robbins, 2021
Keven V. Desmarais, Chairman, 2022
Robert P. Jose, 2023
Antonio DeMelo, Associate Member

PLANNING BOARD STAFF

Lauren Moreau, Planning Technician (Resigned)
Michael McCue, Senior Clerk (temporary)
Christopher McKay, Planning Technician

The Planning Board's office is open Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm, and Friday, 8am-12pm. Meetings are scheduled for the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6pm at the Town Hall.

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown,

Following is the report of the Planning Board for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

During this fiscal year the Planning Board endorsed multiple Form A Approval Not Required under Subdivision Control plans. The Planning Board collected \$2,700.00 in filing fees. The Board reviewed multiple Site Plan Review applications, resulting in \$600.00 in fees. The Board reviewed multiple Form C and B subdivision plans resulting in the collection of \$6,312.00 in filing fees. The Board collected \$370.00 in Special Permit filing fees. The Board collected \$1000.00 in Planned Mixed Use Development filing fees. A total of \$51,714.89 in engineering review fees was collected for various projects.

During FY 18, the Board held public hearings to review articles related to limiting the number of non-medical "marijuana retailers", to amend the Medical Marijuana Overlay District as well as the map title, to amend the Table of Use to include "Recreational Marijuana Establishments" as well as the Zoning By-laws to reflect changes, to amend the section related to Site Plan Review to clarify language related to vehicle trips, to amend Off Street Parking and Loading Regulations (B) Allowed Reduction as well as language throughout to enable the Planning Board to make considerations to waive other provisions, to amend Article 11.2 Definitions to include the definition for "Truck Terminal" and "Truck Stop" as well as to add "Truck Terminal" and "Truck Stop" to the Table of Use regulations by special permit in Industrial and I/2 Districts, and to rescind in entirety Number of Recreational Establishments, all of which were adopted at Special or Annual Town Meeting.

A Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness grant of up to \$10,000 was awarded to the Town. The award allowed for SRPEDD to assist the Town on creating a Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness plan. An Open Space Master Plan grant of up to \$25,000 was awarded to the Town. The award allowed for SRPEDD to assist the Town on creating an Open Space and Recreation plan.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher McKay
Planning Technician

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Steven Chandler, *Secretary*, 2021

Benjamin Pierpont, 2021

Daniel Rezendes, *Chairman*, 2021

Note: The Town Forest Committee is appointed by the Conservation Commission.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

The following is the report of the Freetown Forest Committee for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

The Freetown Forest Committee is comprised of three members who are appointed to serve three year terms. The current members are:

Daniel Rezendes, Chair, term expires 2021

Steven Chandler, Secretary, term expires 2021

Benjamin Pierpont, term expires 2021

Responsible for identifying Town owned land areas in Assonet and East Freetown that may be used as public use spaces, the Freetown Forest Committee (FFC) has been given the task of coming up with opportunities and plans for improving existing public space locations.

Working from a list of land owned by the Town of Freetown provided by the Conservation Commission, the FFC can identify potential future uses for non-existing public space.

The FFC was created in February 2018 and has yet to meet to work on open space opportunities. The Committee will be meeting in April of 2019 and their first task will be to look at Porter Pasture located off of Gramp Deane Road. Going forward, the FFC will meet as needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Rezendes

Chairman

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

James Frates, Chairman, 2018

Bradford Paiva, 2019

Nicolas Velozo, 2020

James Sarcia, Associate Member, 2018

Christopher Chapin, Associate Member, 2018

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS STAFF

Michael McCue, Senior Clerk

Meetings are held on Wednesdays at 6:30pm at the Freetown Town Hall, as needed.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Following is the report of the Zoning Board of Appeals for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

The Zoning Board of Appeals hears applications for variances, special permits for accessory ("in-law") apartments and home occupations, and administrative appeals. During this fiscal year, the Zoning Board of Appeals heard and acted on the following petitions:

	Approved	Withdrawn	Denied	Pending
Variances	2	—	—	—
Special Permits	—	—	—	—
Admin. Appeals	—	—	—	—

Cases heard during the fiscal year were numbers 575 and 576.

Respectfully submitted,

James J. Frates
Chairman

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

TREE WARDEN
Maurice Demoranville, 2021

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Following is the report of the Tree Warden for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

As Tree Warden, I was called out over 120 times during the year for tree removal and related matters. In addition, Eversource continued trimming back limbs that are around wires and telephone poles and also had numerous trees and limbs around the poles and wires marked for future removal.

The Tree Warden was on duty throughout snowstorms and other storms as necessary, including answering numerous calls during the blizzard on January 4, 2018 and during the four nor'easters in March. With assistance from the Highway and Fire departments, trees that fell across roadways were removed throughout these storms. Branches, limbs, and other debris were removed and/or chipped where necessary. Any trees or limbs that came into contact with utility lines were referred to the electric company for safe removal.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at either (508) 763-3071 or (508) 264-8838.

Respectfully submitted,

Maurice W. DeMoranville, Sr.
Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD

SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD

Keven Desmarais
Charles Sullivan

Robert Jose

Lisa Pacheco
Mark Rogers

SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD STAFF

Lauren Moreau, Clerk (Resigned)
Christopher McKay, Clerk

Meetings are posted in advance and take place at the Town Hall.

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown,

Following is the report of the Planning Board for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

The Soil Conservation Board is a 5-member Board consisting of three Selectmen (Robert Jose, Lisa Pacheco, Charles Sullivan), one member of the Conservation Commission, Keven Desmarais, and one member of the Planning Board, Mark Rogers.

The responsibilities of the Soil Conservation Board are to oversee gravel operations and such activities in the town. During the fiscal year, the Board took action on a total of 6 permits. The Board collected \$1,055.00 in application fees and \$95,084.83 in tipping fees, totaling \$96,139.83.

The Soil Conservation Board customarily meets in the fall, and also when new applications or requested meetings make it necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher McKay
Soil Board Clerk

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE & POLICE SUB-COMMITTEE

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Robert Alderson
David DeManche
Robert Jose
Lisa Pacheco, *Chairman*
Charles Sullivan

Jacqueline A. Brown
Antonio DeMelo
Benjamin Levesque
Paul Sadeck
Jeanette Tisdelle

Mary Rezendes Brown
Mark Fornaciari
Paul Lubin
Gary Silvia
Kent Wilkins

POLICE SUB-COMMITTEE

Carlton Abbott, Jr.
Robert Jose
Paul Sadeck

Mark Fornaciari
Lisa Pacheco, *Chairman*

Benjamin Levesque
Mary Rezendes Brown
Charles Sullivan

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

During the course of the year, the Police Station Building Committee, with the help of Owners' Project Manager Taylor MacDonald from Pomroy and Associates and Andrew Digiammo from Compass Group Architecture, worked diligently to design a new facility for the Freetown Police Department that would address space needs, an assortment of structural flaws and safety problems.

The lack of space forced areas of the station to be used for multiple purposes. The break room is used for weapons cleaning; evidence processing, report writing and roll call. Storage for equipment, evidence and supplies was limited as the department resorted to using poorly ventilated trailers, and the attic. The prisoner detention area and holding cells were cramped and riddled with safety violations. The building's only interview room was not fully soundproof.

Furthermore, audio and telecommunications equipment for the station, including the cell tower, were antiquated. Police and safety personnel were unable to compete with the town's topography, often leading to important communication problems for all residents.

The building was structurally flawed. Many of the problems found much of the building to be below grade and prone to moisture. The building's roofline and ceiling heights could not safely support new systems or upgrades.

The site chosen for the new facility is on the corner of Memorial Drive and Chace Road, across from Veteran's Park. The new Police Station will be two stories and over 17,000 square feet. The main level will be for the public and will house all program functions of the station. The upper level will be for all necessary storage space for equipment, weapons, archives, and evidence. In addition, future expansion of the building could include an extra 8,700 square feet of finished attic space.

Additionally, besides the building being compliant with all mechanical, electrical, plumbing, insulation, and safety codes, the new station will receive overdue equipment upgrades. The new station will also house a 180-foot tall telecommunications tower.

Independent estimates had the total cost of the new Police Station set around \$13 million. The number was offset by \$6 million coming from the town's reserve funds, free cash and capital stabilization.

Finally, on November 4, 2018, the town approved to fund \$6.5 million of the project cost through a twenty-year debt exclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Pacheco

Chairman, Building Committee & Police Sub-Committee

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Keven Desmarais, *Chairman*
Charles Sullivan

Christopher Mather

Janine Robidoux
Maria Ternullo

CONSERVATION COMMISSION STAFF

Michael McCue, Senior Clerk

The Conservation Commission's office is open Monday & Tuesday from 12pm-4pm. Meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7pm at the Town Hall in the summer, and once a month, as posted, in the summer.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Following is the report of the Conservation Commission for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

The role of the Conservation Commission is to protect the wetland areas within the town. The commission reviews and, if appropriate, approves plans for any work that is contemplated either in or within 100 feet of wetlands and within 200 feet of a river or stream. This approval process is to ensure that all work conducted within or near wetlands resource areas will not have a detrimental effect on the wetlands. Wetlands serve to provide storm and flood protection, pollution control, and habitats for various species of plants and animals. Groundwater also replenishes the wells that many residents rely on for water, and as such it is extremely important that residents feel free to contact the Conservation Commission if they feel that a project may be endangering wetlands.

The Conservation Commission holds approximately 553 acres of land it has received through gifts to the townspeople over the years. Included in that acreage is approximately 168.82 acres of land acquired in this fiscal year. A little more than eight acres was acquired by the Town under the deed in lieu of foreclosure process and includes the remains of the dam and Haskins Sawmill site at Maple Tree Crossing, approximately 121 acres consisted of old tax title parcels that were conveyed to the Conservation Commission in the Proprietors Way area, and the remaining 40 acres consisted of saltmarsh, tide meadow, and uplands donated by the Assonet Bay Shores Association, Inc.

At the Annual Town Meeting held June 5, 2017, it was voted to establish a Town Forest Committee of three members appointed by the Conservation Commission to assist with developing these lands for passive recreation. The first committee was formed during this fiscal year, and their report will appear separately.

During this fiscal year, the Conservation Commission acted on the following:

Notices of Intent / Orders of Conditions	9
Abbreviated Notices of Intent / Orders of Conditions	0
Amendments to Orders of Conditions	0
Extensions of Orders of Conditions	0
Restoration Orders of Conditions	0
Certificates of Compliance (complete/invalid)	19
Certificates of Compliance (partial)	2
Requests for Determination of Applicability	14
Notices of Resource Area Delineation / Orders of R.A.D.	0

Abbreviated Notices of Resource Area Delineation / Orders of R.A.D.	1
Extensions of Orders of Resource Area Delineation	1
Emergency Certifications	0
Enforcement Orders	1

Also during this fiscal year, the Conservation Commission collected \$22,822.00 in filing fees, which are retained to offset the administrative costs of the department. In addition, the Commission instituted a \$10.00 fee for certain filings effective January 1, 2017, from which \$220.00 was collected and remitted to the General Fund to offset operating expenses of the department.

Meetings of the Conservation Commission are held at the Town Hall in Assonet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m., with adjustments to this schedule as holidays may require. Our office is open Mondays and Tuesdays from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keven V. Desmarais
Chairman

Schedule of Properties Owned by the Conservation Commission

Property	Location	Approx. Acreage	Year Acquired
Mildred Ashley Property ¹	Chace Road	12.20	1969
The Porter Pasture ²	Gramp Deane Road	22.00	1970
Quaker Brook ³	Bryant Street	25.00	1971
Bosworth Lot ⁴	Gurney Road	10.30	1971
Wilson Woodlot ⁵	High Plains Street	14.50	1972
Summit Park - Kendrick ⁶	Summit Park	0.04	1972
Kenswood Green Area ⁷	Joaquin Avenue	5.53	1976
Old Town Well ⁸	South Main Street	0.45	1976
Betsy Taber Estate ⁹	Nestle's Lane	28.60	1978
Summit Park – Nisbet ¹⁰	Summit Park	0.15	1978
Westcott Island ¹¹	Westcott Island	3.50	1996
Chace Farms ¹²	East Howland Road	144.00	2003
Gull Lane ¹³	56 Gull Lane	0.23	2011
Richmond Road ¹⁴	Richmond Road	0.61	2016
Icehouse Lot ¹⁴	Forge Pond	5.90	2016
High Plains ¹⁴	High Plains Street	48.02	2016
Crapo Indian Lot ¹⁵	Christopher Drive	29.09	2016
Julia Myrick Lot ¹⁵	Proprietors Way	24.90	2016
Weetamoe Heights ¹⁴	Matawa Drive	9.27	2016
Haskins Sawmill & Dam ¹⁴	Maple Tree Crossing	8.06	2017
Bryant's Neck Marshland ¹⁶	Bryant's Neck	39.76	2017

Olive Sherman Lot ¹⁴	Proprietors Way	15.00	2018
Newhall Woodlot ¹⁴	Proprietors Way	33.00	2018
Paull & Pierce Lots ¹⁴	Proprietors Way	73.00	2018
Approximate Total:		553.11	Acres

¹ Donated by Mildred Ashley, in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Cornelius Chace and Emily A. Delano.

² Partly donated by, and partly purchased from, the heirs of Milton I. “Gramp” Deane.

³ Donated by the heirs of Helen Winslow.

⁴ Donated by Henry R. Gurney, in memory of Charles E. Gurney.

⁵ Donated by Robert & Helen Spencer, Mary V. Dana, and Merton B. Gurney, in memory of H. Douglass Dana, Mary V. Dana, Charles E. Gurney, and George E. Gurney.

⁶ Donated by Ruth H. Kendrick, in memory of Eugene, Robert, and Frank Kendrick.

⁷ Donated by Kenneth R. Rezendes.

⁸ Donated by Olin Corporation.

⁹ Bequeathed by Betsy W. Taber, for preservation as a wildlife sanctuary.

¹⁰ Donated by Mabel N. Nisbet.

¹¹ Donated by George S. Mycock, Jr.

¹² Donated by Gene Bartlett & Francis A. Will.

¹³ Donated by Lauren M. Cuzzi.

¹⁴ These parcels were owned by the Town of Freetown through tax title foreclosures or for other purposes and were subsequently dedicated by Town Meeting for conservation purposes.

¹⁵ Donated by Freetown Land Company, LLC (Endriunas Bros.).

¹⁶ Donated by the Assonet Bay Shores Association, Inc., in memory of Dasco D. DeFeo and in honor of Nicolette J. DeFeo.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SRPEDD)

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

(Freetown Representatives)

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The Town of Freetown is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. Originally founded in 1956, SRPEDD (pronounced “sir-ped”), is one of 13 regional planning agencies (RPAs) across the state and one of approximately 550 across the country.

SRPEDD serves 4 cities and 23 towns in southeastern Massachusetts. Through our work, we address common issues facing the region, including economic development, growth and land use, safe and efficient transportation, environmental stewardship, municipal partnerships, and general planning. A Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members, and at-large members govern SRPEDD. Federal and state grants, local assessments, and local contracts fund our activities. In 2018, the Town of Freetown paid \$1,581.43 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 17.829 cents per capita, among the lowest rates in the state.

SRPEDD also functions as the region’s staff for the Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) and the regional Economic Development District (EDD) with the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Please visit the SRPEDD’s website at www.srpedd.org to review Highlighted Projects (www.srpedd.org/highlights), including our Regional Data Center, Drone Program, and various municipal projects. Our website also includes departmental web pages, a calendar of events, and recent news.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, concerns, or project ideas.

In 2018, SRPEDD provided technical assistance to Freetown in the following areas; please note that funding sources are indicated in parentheses:

- SRPEDD participated in the Town’s ongoing update of its Open Space and Recreation Plan (local contract), one of Freetown’s selected Community Compact Cabinet Best Practices.
- Staff conducted traffic counts on Forge Road, east of Walnut Street; Mill Street, east of Elm Street and South Main Street, south of Elm Street (MassDOT).
- Staff met with town representatives to discuss a variety of program and grant opportunities. Included in these discussions were the Open Space and Recreation Plan, Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Plan, Green Communities Program, SNEP Southeast New England Program (SNEP) Grant, and others.

Highlights from SRPEDD's general 2018 Work Program include the following:

- SRPEDD updated the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for Southeastern Massachusetts, a regional document maintained by SRPEDD and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA). The CEDS maintains eligibility for the region's cities and towns to receive EDA funding.
- SRPEDD completed the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds. The Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) endorsed the FY 2019-2023 TIP.
- SRPEDD completed numerous local technical assistance projects through direct local contract, our Municipal Assistance (MA) program, and the District Local Technical Assistance (DLTA) program. Projects include, but are not limited to, Master Plans, Economic Development Plans and Guides, Housing Production Plans, Complete Streets and Green Communities Program Participation, interactive mapping, and assisting with Community Compact Cabinet (CCC) Best Practices.
- SRPEDD initiated a Drone Program.
- SRPEDD continues as the lead agency for the Resilient Taunton Watershed Network (RTWN). The RTWN is a collaborative of local, non-profit, regional, and state and federal government representatives interested in the future health and resilience of the Taunton River Watershed. The RTWN provides information, conducts outreach and educational efforts, resources and tools to protect existing natural resources, reduce flooding, promote restoration, and develop sustainability (EPA).
- SRPEDD provides fiduciary support services to the Southeast Regional Homeland Security Council (SRAC), comprised of 96 municipalities and the Wampanoag Nation.
- SRPEDD conducts a district-wide traffic-counting program and maintains a computer file of available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 152 traffic counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD continued to provide administrative and technical support to the Taunton River Stewardship Council (TRSC) through a Cooperative Agreement with the National Parks Service. The Council is a multi-community, multi-agency collaborative established through the designation of the Taunton River as a Federal Partnership Wild & Scenic River in 2009.
- In partnership with the TRSC, SRPEDD provides public education and stewardship opportunities to Taunton River Watershed communities, as well as access to local project funds through its Mini Grants Program.
- SRPEDD is a member of two National Estuary Programs (NEP) including the Narragansett Bay Management Committee and Buzzards Bay Steering Committee, created to protect the resources and promote the stewardship of their respective watersheds. The Buzzards Bay and Narragansett Bay Watersheds together encompass the entirety of the SRPEDD area. As a member of these oversight committees, SRPEDD participates in the development of their respective Management Plans for both programs.
- SRPEDD continues to operate the Pavement Management Program, evaluating pavement conditions on federal-aid eligible roadways in the region's cities and towns.

- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 380 signalized intersections in the region. SRPEDD conducted 90 turning movement counts at various locations this past year.
- SRPEDD continue to assist communities under the Regional Bicycle Plan addressing infrastructure needs and recommendations on how to improve connectivity throughout the region.
- SRPEDD initiated the Regional Pedestrian Plan to examine existing conditions in the region's cities and towns and provide recommendations to improve pedestrian connectivity.
- SRPEDD provides technical planning to two regional transit authorities, SRTA and GATRA, including route evaluations, rider surveys, performance standards and federal reporting. SRPEDD completed a Regional Transit Plan for GATRA that will guide transit improvements in the near future.
- SRPEDD has initiated the Regional Bus Stop Capital Investment Plan following the completion of the Regional Bus Stop Inventory in 2016. The inventory of data collected for GATRA and SRTA bus stops is available to assist on proposed capital improvements.
- SRPEDD has been providing technical assistance to the South Coast Climate Change Coalition whose mission is to increase public awareness of the probable consequences of climate change, help communities incorporate resiliency planning, and take actions that help communities adapt to and minimize the consequences of climate change.
- SRPEDD is a member of the Board of Directors of Southeast Environmental Education Alliance (SEEAL). SEEAL is a non-profit organization whose mission is to help provide quality environmental education and stewardship opportunities to communities in southeastern Massachusetts. SEEAL runs a Mini-Grants Program to support local projects that address climate change, alternative energy, urban agriculture, and youth conservation education.
- SRPEDD maintains an extensive Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping program. The mapping program contains a number of data layers including, land-use, zoning, water resources, soils, habitats, transportation network, economic development, priority protection and priority development areas, and other data and information.
- SRPEDD operates the Southeastern Massachusetts

REPORT OF THE WEBMASTER

WEBMASTER

Timmothy McIntosh

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

In the late spring of 2017, seeing the state of the Town's website, freetownma.gov, I wrote a letter to the Board of Selectmen expressing interest in becoming the Town's Webmaster, should the position be created. For a number of years prior, the website had been maintained by individual departments, who often lacked the training, resources and the time required to do so in effective, efficient and attractive way. After discussing the need for the webmaster position with the Board of Selectmen, the Board appointed me in the position on July 10, 2017.

Since taking over the website, I have made every effort to make information as clear, as current and as easy to locate as possible. Department/Board personnel has been updated, downloadable forms were made current (as available), information re-arranged to more logical locations, news posted in as timely a manner as possible. The home page, once a large block a text in varying colors and typefaces, now features a bulletin board slide show, showcasing assorted relevant news items. While official meeting notices are still posted and maintained by the Town Clerk's office, I've added and maintained an unofficial Town Calendar, also visible directly on the homepage. While there's still a ways to go to have everything fully up-to-date, freetownma.gov is on its way to being a valuable resource for all town residents.

In December of 2017, the Board of Selectmen approved an upgrade to the website, a complete overhaul that will help the Town and website keep up with the ever-changing internet. I'm very excited to bring that to the residents, which should launch early in Fiscal Year 2019.

In addition to the website, I also manage the Town's official social media platforms, both of which are listed below. I have made it my personal goal to keep the fine residents of Freetown as up-to-date as possible, and strongly urge all residents to follow the Town on social media, as well as using the "Subscribe" feature of the Town website.

Website: <http://www.freetownma.gov/>
Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/FreetownMA/>
Twitter: <http://www.twitter.com/FreetownMA>

Respectfully submitted,

Timm McIntosh
Webmaster

REPORT OF THE FREETOWN-LAKEVILLE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

FREETOWN-LAKEVILLE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Laura Ramsden, 2019 (Lakeville)

William M. Sienkewicz, Jr., 2019 (Freetown)

Robert W. Clark, 2020 (Freetown)

Carolyn R. Gomes, 2020 (Lakeville)

Derek Domingo Gracia, 2020 (Freetown)

Sherrill F. Barron, 2021 (Lakeville)

Jean Fox, 2021 (Freetown)

Stephen M. Owen, 2021 (Lakeville)

Meetings – First & Third Wednesday of Each Month (Sept. – June)

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown and Lakeville:

As the Superintendent of Schools for the Freetown-Lakeville Regional School District, it gives me great pleasure to submit the District's Annual Report for the 2018-19 school year. In my fifth year as the educational leader of both Towns, we made several significant leadership changes to continue to "raise the bar" for our students. Several key decisions included the hiring of two new central office administrators and most importantly maintaining and retaining our current solid leadership team. This home-grown talent and experience continue to provide the continuity necessary for continued success for the District.

The strength of our highly successful organization remains our dedicated and talented teaching staff. Combined with experienced support staff and personnel, we continue to focus on teaching and learning for all students. With over 400 employees in five schools at all three sites, our mission and strategic goals keep our students as the top priority in decision-making at all levels.

As we enter the fifth year of our "raise the bar" initiative, we are committed to providing all the necessary resources for long-term success. I invite you to read the reports of the school principals where they note the academic, extra-curricular, and athletic accomplishments of our staff and students. Our commitment to excellence for all students is clear as we strive for continued success for all children. Our strategic plan and annual school improvements plans are roadmaps to future gains in both towns. To that end, the educators in the Freetown-Lakeville Regional School District will continue the goal of meeting the needs of all our children and truly raise the bar in each Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard W. Medeiros
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF FREETOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Freetown Elementary School Mission:

It is the intent of Freetown Elementary School to foster and enhance the development of the whole child and potential life-long learner by creating a responsible citizen who is capable of utilizing creative, critical and problem solving skills.

Our mission statement is achieved by:

- Engaging students, teachers, parents and citizens of Freetown to work in a cooperative manner to build pride, respect and accountability for learning,
- Assisting all students to achieve their maximum potential.
- Utilizing current materials, technology, and research.
- Encouraging all staff to attend professional development seminars, programs, workshops or courses to enhance their skill and to be aware of current educational theory.
- Providing for the diversity of student's learning styles.
- Focusing on intellectual, emotional, social and physical development through the
- Maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment.
- Aligning our curriculum to the Massachusetts Curriculum Framework standards.
- By placing a strong emphasis on responsibility, accountability, and mutual respect, we will develop and share a confident and contributing member of society.

Enrollment:

Total enrollment for the 2017 - 2018 school year was 425 students (PreK - 3).

FES celebrated the many years of service that Deb Travers gave to Freetown Elementary School when she retired at the end of the school year.

It was the second year of the principal's, Mr. Michael Ward, leadership role at Freetown Elementary School.

Additionally, with the strong support of Freetown residents and the Freetown-Lakeville Regional School District, Freetown Elementary School was able to hire a full-time library/media specialist for the Freetown Elementary School library.

Over the past year, the Freetown Elementary School (FES) has undertaken some changes to create a professional learning community where the staff has worked tirelessly to align current curriculum to the Common Core State Standards and to create consistent delivery of instruction to all students. In addition to some academic changes teachers and school-based teams has continued its implementation of a Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program to ensure students are Safe, Respectful, and Responsible. The FES Community depends on this initiative to be the foundation for creating a learning environment that enables all students to be ready to learn.

PTO and School Council:

Both our PTO and School Council have been active and productive over the course of the school year. The PTO sponsored grade level field trips, two school dances, a reading assembly that aligned to our curriculum, a staff welcome back lunch, Scholastic Book Fairs, MCAS hot breakfast for grade 3 students, yearbooks were bought for all outgoing third grade students and continued the Annual Fox Festival (Field Day). The field trips consisted of:

Preschool: On site field trip with Roger Williams Park/Zoo Zoomobile

Kindergarten: Easton Children's Museum visit to Freetown Elementary School

Grade 1: Roger Williams Park/Zoo Visit

Grade 2: Soule Farm Visit

Grade 3: Boston Tea Party and Tour of Freetown

The PTO also sponsored parent engagement nights to ensure parents had the opportunity to be engaged in their child's education by participating in educational based programs to learn what it is like to be a student in today's classroom. The parent engagement nights included a Bingo for Books Night, Math Night, Book Tasting (Library) and Tee-Time (Miniature Golf in the gymnasium).

The School Council is composed of four teachers, the principal, one parent, and one community member. The School Council assists the principal in developing the budget, creating and maintaining the annual School Improvement Plan.

Academic Report:

With the ever growing demands from the state and federal government, we are constantly striving to improve instruction. MCAS results have been analyzed from the past years and this data was used to plan instruction, drive instruction, and provide interventions to meet the diverse needs of students. Important to note...students in grade 3 participated in the "Next Generation" MCAS exam in which students completed the exam using a computer. Thus, the students participated in the Computer Based MCAS Exam in both English Language Arts and Mathematics. With the new "Next Generation" MCAS came new achievement levels. Below one will find the "Legacy MCAS" achievement levels outlined (Advanced, Proficient, Needs Improvement, Warning). The "Next Generation MCAS" achievements levels are Exceeding Expectations, Meeting Expectations, Partially Meeting Expectations, and Not Meeting Expectations.

Data indicates...

English Language Arts - "Legacy MCAS"

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Advanced	9%	8%	10%	11%
Proficient	54%	50%	48%	42%
Needs Improvement	34%	37%	37%	41%
Warning	2%	6%	5%	6%

English Language Arts - "Next Generation MCAS"

	2017	2018
Exceeding Expectations	4%	9%
Meeting Expectations	58%	53%
Partially Meeting Expectations	34%	33%
Not Meeting Expectations	3%	5%

Mathematics - “Legacy MCAS”

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Advanced	24%	24%	23%	32%
Proficient	40%	34%	36%	28%
Needs Improvement	32%	33%	29%	32%
Warning	5%	10%	13%	8%

Mathematics - “Next Generation MCAS”

	2017	2018
Exceeding Expectations	13%	17%
Meeting Expectations	70%	47%
Partially Meeting Expectations	14%	25%
Not Meeting Expectations	4%	10%

Through the use of data a Building Based Educational Support Team (BBEST) was formed to analyze data, develop interventions, and train staff with interventions to meet student needs.

Student Portfolios:

Any student in need of intervention in the areas of math, ELA, and/or social/emotional needs were identified and a team of teachers and other school professionals worked together to create a child-study portfolio. These portfolios consisted of intervention goals, progress monitoring data graphs, and student work samples, if applicable.

Data Meetings:

Data Meetings were scheduled for six times this year school (3 ELA / 3 Math). The data meetings took place after each benchmark testing (fall, winter, and spring). The purpose of the data meetings is to analyze data, complete a data drill down of data, develop strengths and challenges, and to develop and monitor goals.

Common Planning:

Common Planning Times (CPT) are used for colleagues to meet and collaborate about teaching and student learning. CPT is done daily for 20 minutes and have been vital in supporting teachers to collaborate in areas such as developing lessons, examining student work, analyzing student performance, and planning appropriate intervention. In kindergarten much of the focus in common planning was the continued study of the Benchmark Assessment System (BAS) to learn the direct and specific reading level of each child. In grades 1 and 2 there was a focus on the social and emotional needs of students as teachers participated in a book study titled, “The Behavior Code” by Jessica Minahan. In grade 3 there was a continued focus on math workshop strategies as teachers completed their book study using the book, “Math Workshop in Action” by Dr. Nicki Newton.

School Services:

With strong commitment and support from both Freetown residents and Freetown-Lakeville Regional School District, Freetown Elementary was able to add a full-time librarian/media specialist. All other school services have remained consistent over the past school year. At FES we now have five specialists: art, physical education, music, library/media specialist and reading. Our reading specialist provides direct and explicit intervention to our students who are in need of assistance with English Language Arts. Our other four specialists provide direct instruction to our students. For music, we enjoyed a wonderful Holiday Assembly as well as a Winter and Spring Concert. Additionally, our grade 3 chorus had the unique opportunity to perform on the ice before a Providence Bruins Hockey Game. The students sang, "God Bless America." For PE, we enjoyed Tee-Time (Miniature Golf). For Art, we enjoyed the annual Art Show. For Library, we enjoyed a Book Tasting Event in which families could learn about various genres in literacy.

Health and Safety Team:

The Health and Safety Team ensured the safety of our students and staff remained our highest priority. As a school community we refined and practiced our Emergency Response Protocol. Together, Freetown Elementary School, Freetown Police Department, as well as the Freetown Fire Department work closely to ensure our students and staff are safe at school and work.

Community Involvement:

- Senior Breakfast
- Freetown Lions Club sponsorship of Santa Claus Visit to Freetown Elementary School
- Fire Safety Day with Freetown Fire Department
- Fire Prevention Day with Freetown Fire Department
- High Five Friday with Freetown Police Department
- Grade 3 visit to the Freetown Police Station
- Grade 3 Tour of Freetown Field Trip which includes a visit to the Freetown State Forest, Profile Rock, Freetown Library, Freetown Historical Society, and the Stop & Shop Distribution Center
- Working closely with the Greater Fall River Economic Development Program Freetown Elementary School was awarded \$25,000.00 for additional upgrades to the technology equipment in the school. Classrooms in grades 1-3 were outfitted with a new tub (5) of Google Chromebooks for classroom use. Additionally, the FES Computer Lab was outfitted with a media control center including projector and Smart Board.

REPORT OF GEORGE R. AUSTIN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Enrollment

For the 2017-2018 school year, the intermediate school's enrollment was:

Grade 4=219

Grade 5 =228

The total enrollment was 447 students.

Our Mission

All members of the learning community at AIS work interdependently to support students in a collaborative, cross-curricular environment to improve individual and collective results. Teaching and learning are based on universal grade-level outcomes driven by "essential questions" that advance the curriculum toward real life applications, so that the learning process becomes more relevant and meaningful. Collective data are used to guide research-based interventions so that all individuals in our learning community make progress towards national and state curriculum standards. Students are encouraged to become lifelong learners, problem-solvers, and productive members of society.

Personnel

Two employees retired in June after a long tenure in the district. Our school nurse, Linda Cass said farewell after 21 years. Colleen Roy, who taught fourth grade math closed her classroom door for the final time after over 30 years. The staff celebrated both at a gathering in late June.

MCAS

The intermediate school was herald as one of very few schools in the Greater Fall River Area for meeting the state's accountability target.

The summary of the results of our Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) indicated that in English Language Arts, 64% of our 4th grade students scored at the meeting or higher level and 59% of our 5th grade students scored at the meeting or higher level.

In mathematics, 70% of our 4th students scored at the meeting or higher level and 59% of our 5th grade students scored at the meeting or higher level.

School Community Events

With the support of our outstanding PTO, we held our 10th annual turkey trot on the day before Thanksgiving to encourage physical health and fitness.

Our annual curriculum night was a fun-filled night of learning for students and their families as we explored our new science program, StemScopes.

Sponsored by the PTO, our students attended two field trips each and had an in-school math assembly.

The talents of our fourth and fifth graders was showcased at an art/music night along with the middle school students at FLMS.

As always, we wrapped up our school year with Survivor Day, which is a fun, competitive, and engaging activity that involves the whole school in a wonderful day outdoors.

Special Subjects at GRAIS

All GRAIS students attend three special subject classes--art, music, and physical education/health in addition to their core academics. Our fifth graders participate in a swim portion of the physical education curriculum, utilizing our beautiful pool.

Library/Media Services

The school library continues to be a wonderful resource for the students and staff with many resources available. The resources are circulated and maintained by Mrs. Dean Saad, a paraprofessional who works two and one half days a week.

Respectfully submitted by:

Dr. Elizabeth Sullivan
Principal
George R. Austin Intermediate School

REPORT OF FREETOWN-LAKEVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Enrollment

The total enrollment at Freetown-Lakeville Middle School was 748.

Personnel

The following staff members retired in June after many years in the district: Timothy Barry (35 years) and Jean Tavares (13 years)

MCAS

The summary of the results of our Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) indicated that in English Language Arts, 68% of our 6th grade students scored at the Meeting Expectations or higher and had a student growth percentile of 62. In 7th grade, 46% of students scored at the Meeting Expectations level or higher and had a student growth percentile of 38. In 8th grade, 50% of students scored at the Meeting Expectations level or higher and had a student growth percentile of 40. In Mathematics, 60% of our 6th grade students scored at the Meeting Expectations level or higher and had a student growth percentile of 52. In 7th grade, 52% of our students scored at the Meeting Expectations level or higher and had a student growth percentile of 32. In 8th grade, 60% of our students scored at the Meeting Expectations level or higher and had a student growth percentile of 68, and an achievement percentile score of 77. On the 8th grade science assessment, 40% of the students scored in the proficient or higher range.

Charitable Work

Freetown-Lakeville Middle School continued its annual support of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. This year the students sold carnations and raised \$1,936 for the society. In sixth grade, students were learning about world hunger and had “The Sixth Grade Food Drive” in conjunction with Hunger Feast, which involved collecting canned and nonperishable items that benefitted local families and a local food bank. And in the spirit of giving, the staff provided 12 large food baskets to help with our needy families during the holiday season.

Friends of the Falcon (FOF)

FOF is a volunteer group of 120 students that help spread kindness and the importance of FLMS core values - respect, responsibility and resilience. The students visited the local senior centers (playing bingo, caroling, and helping with technology questions), helped with Transition Day for incoming 5th graders, led new students tours, collected food and toys for the Lakeville Animal Shelter, collected children's books for Boston Children's Hospital, and helped with many other school functions.

Teams and Clubs

The following are the clubs and teams offered at FLMS: Co-Ed Soccer Team, Co-Ed Cross Country Team, Girls Basketball Team, Boys Basketball Team, Rubik's Cube Team, Chess Club, Yearbook Club, Newspaper Club, Robotics Club, Student Council, Band and Choir, Art Club, Drama Club, Creative Writing Club, Majorettes, Friends of the Falcon, and National Junior Honor Society.

National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)

The NJHS had 27 members who maintained a high GPA while engaging in school and community service projects. Some of the NJHS projects were cleaning the school grounds, taking care of recycling, and collecting school supplies for students in need. Students took several trips to the Freetown and

Lakeville Senior Centers where they hosted a bingo afternoon and supplied snacks. Students also made cards for the staff and did other helpful activities throughout the school year.

PCC

Project Contemporary Competitiveness is a 6 week summer enrichment program located at Stonehill College. FLMS had a total of 29 students attend.

The Fine Arts

Shrek, Jr. was performed by over 60 students in the drama club.

Library Media Services

The school library has a total of 14,570 library materials available to borrow. The annual total of library materials circulated was 6,269 and the total of student visits to the library was 19,848.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vanessa Harvey
Vice Principal
Freetown-Lakeville Middle School

REPORT OF APPONEQUET REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Freetown:

Enrollment as of June 2017 was Grade 9 - 180 students, Grade 10 - 196 students, Grade 11 –183 students, Grade 12 - 158 students for a total of seven hundred and seventeen (717) students enrolled at Apponequet Regional High School. The **Class of 2017** graduated on Friday, June 2, 2017, on Griffith Field at 6:00 pm. The graduates, consisting of one hundred and fifty five (155) students who attained one hundred and ten (110) credits and met MA competency via MCAS, were led by Class Valedictorian, Devin Ahearn, Class Salutatorian, Margaret Flanders, and Class President, Patrick Stanton. The Charge to the Class was delivered by Brooke Kramer. Post graduation, ninety eight (98) students headed off to four year colleges and forty three (43) to two year colleges and technical schools. Three (3) members of the class intended to proudly serve in the military and eleven (11) entered the workforce.

Previous to commencement, on May 30, 2017, ARHS held its annual **Senior Awards Night**. Local scholarships were awarded to 91 members of the Class of 2017. The Scholarship Committee thanks all of our local organizations and alumni for donating over \$112,000 to the Class of 2017. One hundred and twenty-six (126) Class of 2017 members took the **SATs**. Mean scores were: Evidence Based Reading and Writing, 562; and Math, 564. In May of 2017, three hundred eleven (311) **Advanced Placement (AP)** exams were administered in sixteen (16) different subject areas: Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, Computer Science, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, European History, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Physics, Psychology, Statistics, Studio Art, Spanish Language, and US History. Of the exams administered, two hundred and thirty-seven (237), or seventy-six percent (76%) were scored as a “3”, “4” or “5”. Those scores qualified students for advanced standing or college level credit at most colleges and universities.

The **Core Values and Beliefs Committee** oversaw the implementation of Learning Expectations and accompanying School-wide Rubrics. The Learning Expectations were as follows: Write effectively, Read effectively, Collaborate effectively, and Problem solve using higher order thinking.

The **Guidance Department**, hosted several parent/guardian events such as Grade 8 Parent Night, an Introduction to the Naviance College and Career Program prior to Parent/Teacher Conference night, a “High School Planning for College and Career Success” program for parents of incoming freshman, College Admissions Night for grade 11 parents, and College Financial Assistance Night for parents of students in grade 12. The Lifelines Suicide Prevention Program, in its third year of implementation, was presented to all grade 9 students via their Wellness classes. College Fairs occurred throughout the month of October and the Department organized and executed a Career Day for students in grades 10, 11 and 12 in February. Many local professionals and graduates volunteered to speak to our students about the importance of high school decision making and future plans. College visit field trips to BCC and the Colleges of the Fenway, BCC “On the Spot Acceptance” in-school admissions days, as well as a Career and Technical School Fair, assisted seniors in making all important college and post secondary school decisions. In partnership with the Lakeville Police Department and Sergeant Ryan Maltais and Officer Valerie Bartholomew, our SRO, the second year of our popular criminal justice internship program continued with 4 students. A new internship with the local cable 1 company, LakeCam, was offered to students in grades 11 and 12. The “Laker Leaders” assisted with the grade 8 visit to Apponequet in

December of 2016. They were also instrumental in the success of our first ever Freshman Orientation Program designed to assist in the transition from grade 8 to grade 9. Held one week before the start of school in August of 2016, students engaged in outdoor group activities, received copies of their school schedules and explored the building to find their classrooms, and enjoyed a pizza party.

The **English Department** (ELA) consisted of eight (8) teachers. In addition to meeting the needs of the four (4) year ELA requirement, semester electives in Creative Writing, Horror Fiction, Public Speaking, and Theater were offered. The ELA Department, a Department that incurred a .6 reduction in staff in 2012, has continued to make progress despite that reduction, but continued to seek reinstatement of .6 in order to increase elective and remedial offerings.

The ELA MCAS was administered in March 2017. Ninety-eight percent (98%) of students received a score designated as Advanced or Proficient. There were no failures. Two percent (2%) was labeled Needs Improvement. AP Language and Composition and AP Literature and Composition continued to be popular choices for students seeking the challenge of college coursework and the potential for college credit. Seventy-three percent (73%) of the ninety-two (92) students who took one of the AP ELA courses received a qualifying score on the College Board AP Exam. The Summer Reading “One Book” Program included *I Will Always Write Back* by Caitlin Alifirenka and Martin Ganda. Ms. Alifirenka visited our school, gave a formal presentation to all students, and was available during all lunch shifts to meet students individually and sign books. Teachers organized and provided field trip and on-site opportunities to expose students to culture, arts, and the outdoors in consort with the curriculum. Creative Writing and 12th grade students went hiking in the Blue Hills in connection to *The Girl Who Loved Tom Gordon* by Stephen King. Horror Fiction students visited the Lizzy Borden House in Fall River. Grade 10 students who read *The Scarlet Letter* went on a field trip to The Zeiterion to see the play. We were pleased that Julia Garland (Grade 10) was accepted to attend the prestigious New England Young Writers’ Conference at Middlebury College in May.

The **World Language Department** consisted of six (6) teachers. It was the second year the World Language Department offered AP Spanish and AP French. It was the first year of implementation of a two year World requirement for graduation (Class of 2019). The Department continued to work on the creation of common assignments and assessments. In addition, the Department continued working on curriculum maps and UBD units in all courses. Mrs. Marie Hartley, French teacher, ran the American Field Services (AFS) group. ARHS hosted four (4) exchange students: Ami Yamamoto, from Japan, Yanin (Eve) Prasoptham, from Thailand and Konokporn (Hansa) Wangsrikoon, from Thailand. Each enjoyed a year long experience. Delf Enslin, from Germany, spent the second semester here at Apponequet. In October 2017, Apponequet will host a group of twenty-four (24) students and two (2) teachers from Lycée Hilaire de Chardonnet in Chalon sur Saône and in April of 2018, Apponequet will be sending 20-24 students to France as part of a school-to-school exchange with the Lycée Hilaire de Chardonnet in Chalon sur Saône in the Burgundy region of France. Students will stay with the families of the French students they hosted in the Fall. In addition to attending classes, the week in Chalon will be full of excursions, including a visit to Paris and Normandy.

The **History and Social Studies Department** contained nine (9) teachers. The Department organized numerous field trips to places such as the JFK Library, the Edward M. Kennedy Institute, and the Bristol

County Jail. The Department took part in multiple annual traditions including Constitution Day, National History Day and The Voice of Democracy Competition, for more than twenty-five (25) years, in coordination with the East Freetown VFW Post 6643, the Department has participated in the national Voice of Democracy competition. More than one hundred (100) students performed their speeches in their United States History classes and this year's winners received a combined \$1,000 in prizes awarded by Post 6643. Winners were Leanne Kendall (1st), Elizabeth Lownds (2nd), and Nicholas Maloof (3rd). The Department continued to work on UBD curriculum units in the areas of World History II, United States History I, and United States History II. Members developed common performance tasks, assessments and writing rubrics. The Department continued to offer many electives including Government, Psychology, Sociology, Economics, Criminal Law, Leadership, Cold War US History, AP Psychology, AP European History, and AP Psychology. Class of 2017 graduates, Jay Sperry, Kyle Woodward, and Madeline Hallam received Social Studies Awards.

The **Mathematics Department** administered the MCAS Math test in May of 2017. The results of the 2017 MCAS were as follows: 69% scored Advanced, 23% scored Proficient, 7% scored Needs Improvement and 0.5% scored Warning. It was the first time in the school's history that 99.5% of students passed the Grade 10 Math MCAS Exam. The new ninth grade Algebra I Honors course, taught by Jeff Gallant, replaced the hybrid Algebra I/Geometry Honors. Professional Development days and departmental meetings were used to work on implementing literacy into the curriculum as well as developing curriculum appropriate activities for our English Language Learners. Sean Stonehouse was selected for the Math Department Award.

The ARHS **Science Department** had a productive year. The June 2017 MCAS results for Biology were strong with 83% of students scoring Advanced or Proficient, 15% Needs Improvement and 2% Failing. The Department worked on revising curriculum to meet the new Science State Standards. Teachers worked during CPT to write curriculum for our elective courses and map out the curriculum for our five distinct areas of science in order to meet our department-wide goal of creating full, UBD, three-stage curriculum for our major courses, and a UBD single-stage curriculum for our elective courses by the end of the 2017-2018 school year. In addition to writing curriculum for our current courses, the science department established an engineering track. The Department offered several sections of Engineering I which is a gateway course for further engineering offerings.

In May, 2017, the Science Department held its annual Science Awards Ceremony to recognize top science students in each course. The ceremony was held in the library and both students and parents/guardians attended. Each science teacher handed out certificates to the top students in each of their courses. Awards were also given to students who received 5s on their science AP exam from the previous school year. In all, more than sixty (60) students were honored at this event. In addition to the Science Awards Ceremony, the Department gave out awards at the Senior Awards Night in June 2017. The awards were certificates of recognition from the Bausch and Lomb Scholarship for the University of Rochester, the Rensselaer Medal with a scholarship to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and our annual Senior Science Award, given to the senior who has shown great achievement in his/her science classes, a high interest in the sciences and a desire to continue studying science in college.

The **Visual Arts Department** experienced a year full of exciting opportunities and achievements. Ms. Krista Lima joined the staff and became the first-ever “second art teacher” at ARHS. Junior Tate DeTerra was chosen through an application process to participate in the Teen Artist Internship program sponsored by Artworks and the New Bedford Art Museum. Tate met with a mentor artist on a weekly basis for several weeks and created original artwork that was featured in a culminating art exhibit at the New Bedford Art Museum. Five (5) members of the class of 2017 earned a total of 8 awards from the Boston Globe Scholastics Art & Writing Awards. Carley Byers earned a Gold Key for a short film she created, which was shown at the annual Gold Key winner exhibit in Boston. Carley also earned an Honorable Mention for one of her photographs. Alexis Barboza received a Silver Key for one of her photographs, as well as an Honorable Mention for a second photograph. Kayla Darling earned an Honorable Mention for a digital composition she created. Haylee Gonsalves received an Honorable Mention for a mixed media work of art. Emma Hryzan received an Honorable Mention.

In January, students in the Digital Art and Photography I class participated in an exhibit at the Freetown Historical Society Museum. They presented digital collages that celebrated the history of their families, cultures, and communities. The following Advanced Placement Studio Art students participated in an art exhibit held at the Great Ponds Gallery at the Lakeville Library in March: Alexis Barboza, Jerrell Baptiste, Carley Byers, Autumn Csorba, Kayla Darling, Haylee Gonsalves, Sarah Kirkland, Lauren Pettey, Abigail Rodelle, and Hannah Whritenour. In April the Art Department held the 4th Annual Apponequet Regional High School Art Exhibit, in which students from the Art I, Art II, Art III & IV, AP Studio Art, Mixed Media and Digital Art and Photography classes exhibited work in a variety of media. An opening reception was held.

The **Business/Technology Department’s** personnel remained at 2.0. The Department provided real-world connections through their course offerings of Accounting, Marketing and programming. Students utilized simulations to incorporate 21st century learning skills in the classroom. Students in the Department experienced numerous learning opportunities from outside organizations. Students competed in the Junior Achievement Titan Challenge at UMASS Dartmouth. Accounting students attended Accounting conferences at Babson and Suffolk Universities. Students also attended field trips to the Boston Museum of Science and the National Museum of American Illustration. The Department's **DECA** organization had 180 members who participated in various district, state and international competitions and conferences. The school store earned Gold Level Certification from DECA for having the highest standards for a school-based enterprise. The FIDM Challenge Team earned first place for their Fashion Video regarding fashion trends. The School Store earned a top 10 finish as well.

Performing ensembles in Apponequet’s **Music Department** had another busy year. Members of the Band, Choir, Select Choir, and Jazz Ensemble represented our school in over 20 public appearances. Among these were: 3 school concerts, the Fairhaven Veterans’ Day parade, Christmas parades in Middleboro and Taunton, a Choir tour of other schools in our District, the FLMS Memorial Day observance, the annual “Apponequet Night” at Lakeside Festival, and every home football game. Six Band members--Jack Dupre, Zakary Ganhadeiro, Benjamin Kitchen, Nicholas Lambert, Katie Little, and Reis Medeiros--were selected to participate in the 5th Annual High School Honors Band Festival, held at Bridgewater State University. Two students represented Apponequet at the Senior SEMSBA Music Festival: Devin Christiansen (Chorus) and Zakary Ganhadeiro (Band). Chorus member Grace Couto was

a member of 2 different Festival ensembles: SEMSBA and SEMMEA. In addition to our performing groups, there were a number of elective courses available to ARHS students. Thanks to the efforts of the Apponequet Music Boosters, the Music Department purchased several new instruments. The Music Boosters also presented scholarships to our graduating Band and Choir members.

The **Library** was an active place. It was, again, visited on approximately 20,000 occasions by students who worked on projects, researched, collaborated, and read. Mrs. O'Brien, ARHS's new Library Media Specialist, assisted students with research, taught lessons, collaborated with teachers, and displayed student artwork and projects in the gallery and along the shelves. Students enjoyed using the Wi-Fi with their personal devices. The library again hosted events such as "National History Day" competition, the Art show, and the Science Department Awards.

The **Wellness Department** consisted of five (5) teachers. Grade 9-12 curriculum addressed the following broad topics: Personal Wellness, Mental Health, Human Sexuality, CPR/First Aid, Tobacco and Alcohol, Relationship Violence, Violence Prevention, Lifelong Activities, Non-Traditional Sports, Traditional Sports, and Strength Training and Cardiovascular Health. The Department also included the popular elective The Art of Healthy Living. Students took one semester of Wellness each of their four (4) years. In each semester, students spent three (3) days per week in the physical setting and two (2) days per week in the academic setting. The Department was proud to present the "Wellness Award" to two (2) graduating seniors, Hailey DeCoffe and Thomas Vachon. These students displayed a positive attitude, a tremendous work ethic and were leaders among their peers.

The **ARHS on-line program** continued to be a successful in its fourth year. This alternative learning and credit recovery program, supported by the FuelEd virtual platform, supplemented or augmented course offerings by providing selected students with flexible means of accessing curriculum. The program was staffed by one (1) teacher and one (1) para-professional. **Virtual High School**, an on-line learning opportunity that supplemented ARHS's curriculum, accommodated 24 students who took a total of 18 courses. In exchange a Biology teacher, Mrs. Bonnie Ferreira, taught a VHS course. VHS has been in place for approximately nine (9) years. **ARHS Summer School** ran for the second time during this school year. Approximately thirty-two (32) students attended. The students, taught by one (1) teacher and one (1) paraprofessional, under the supervision of Asst. Principal Higgins, engaged in blended on-line and on-site learning opportunities in order to recover lost academic credits.

The **Athletic Department** remained a member of the South Coast Conference and competed with area schools such as: Bourne, Case, Dighton - Rehoboth, Fairhaven, Greater New Bedford Voc. Tech., Old Rochester, Seekonk, and Wareham. Apponequet offered twenty-three (23) Varsity sports that consisted of forty-one (41) teams with the various Freshmen, J.V. and Varsity levels. There were three distinct seasons, Fall, Winter and Spring. Congratulations to the following teams for winning the 2016-1017 South Coast Conference Championships: Boy's Basketball and Girls Tennis. The Department boasted five hundred and seventy six (576) total athletic participants. Three hundred thirty seven (337) students participated in at least one (1) sport. This was an excellent ratio of participation. The Department encouraged students to participate in multiple sports. The Department remained well within the limits of a 5% ratio for female and male sports compared to the school population for Title IX concerns. Athletes earned many All Conference awards as well as sportsmanship and honorable mention awards.

Apponequet entered its eighth year with an athletic user fee. Athletes were assessed the following annual user fee: First Sport - \$300.00, Second Sport - \$150.00, Third Sport - \$0.00, Family cap in an academic year - \$1,000.00. This Athletic Revolving account generated approximately \$176,351.22 and directly supplemented the regional school budget. The athletic user fee did not pay all the operational costs accrued during the athletic seasons. In addition to athletic user fees, parents/guardians continued to support our students. The parent/guardian booster groups at Apponequet include the Music Boosters, the Athletic Boosters, and the Laker Hockey Club. The pool located at GRAIS was renovated and and re-opened for school activities and for the towns of Freetown and Lakeville in January of 2017.

In addition to participation in sports, a high volume of students participated in **clubs, activities, and school-sponsored events**. Some of the **Annual Events/Fundraisers** that took place were as follows: **Fundraisers:** Fall, Winter & Last-of-the-School-Year Coffeehouse, Agenda Book Sale, Cookie Dough Sale, English Class Blue Hills Hike, Class Tee-Shirts, Food Drive, Coat Drive, Can Drive, Conditioning Clinic, Otis Spunkmeyer, Popcorn & Little Caesar's sale, Christmas Tree & Easter Plant sale, Comedy Shows, Gift Card Fundraiser, and multiple car washes. **Events:** Band Camp, New Student Orientation, Homecoming Dance, Jr.-Sr. Prom, Ring Dance, Put-A-Cap on Name Calling Day, Diversity Banquet, several Math Team Meets, Taunton & Middleboro Christmas Parades, Winter & Spring Concerts, Fall Play & Spring Musical, Coffee with the Principal, Grade 8 Showcase Night, College Fairs, Laker Choice Awards, Gong Show, Two Parent/Teacher Nights, AFS Foreign Exchange Student Weekend, College Planning Seminar, Financial Aid Night, Annual Art Show, Science Awards, Jr. Parent Breakfast, sport teams end-of-year banquets, Sr. Brunch, Sr. Award Night, Sr. Banquet and Graduation.

ARHS was pleased to host motivational speaker Houston Kraft. During his visit, Kraft, whose presentation was funded by the ARHS Student Council, addressed the student body. He encouraged everyone to develop strong character and to give back the community. Kraft's was part of "Dude. Be Nice Week II." His presentation also included a whole-school surprise "thank you" to the ARHS Custodial and Maintenance Staff.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Barbara Starkie, Principal
Apponequet Regional High School

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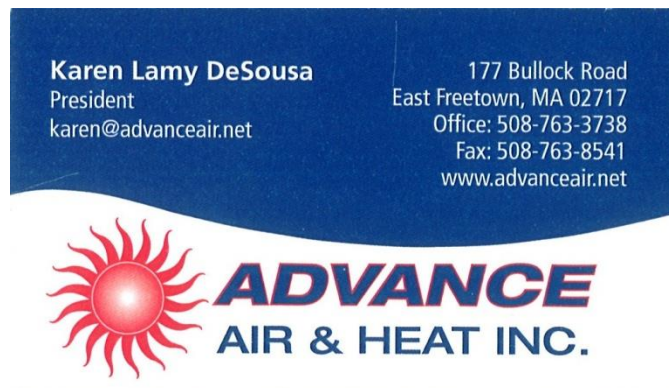
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